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Events and Happenings at the Pregnancy Care Center of Augusta, KS

"Encouraging Healthy Choices for Women, Babies and Families."

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Life is Sweet Banquet & Silent Auction Results

Isn't God awesome? Seeing His plans for this Center brought to action is such an honor. And this year's banquet and silent auction was no exception. What an inspiration it is to see God's people coming together for a greater good!

Putting this fundraiser together is fun and exciting, but sometimes fear starts to creep in over whether everything will go smoothly or not. But we never need worry because our Heavenly Father is faithful in His promise to provide a way for us.

And provide He did! This year's banquet and silent auction broke all records from previous years. The outpouring of support was awe-inspiring. Here is the final tally:

\$14,884.00 – Total Money Raised
 \$8,640.00 – pledged over the next year
\$23,524.00– Grand Total from the Benefit!

Just to give you an idea of what a wonderful outcome that is, 2007's grand total was \$17,997.00. A big thank you is owed to all who helped make that total possible. If you attended that night, you were a part of this.

Table hosts are also an integral part of this fundraiser. If you see these folks around, please thank them for their hard work and dedication. Without them the banquet would not be possible: **Karen Bergen, Ted & Geri Carr, Ardis Cruz, Mike & Serena Eastridge, Harold & Bev Erwin, Vickie Guy, Janice & Wes Hammond, David & Carrie Jones, Ron & Susie Jones, Katy Kittle, LaDoyt & Jeanette Mosier, Robin Ribordy, Susan Wile, Dustin & Elaina Willhite, Joel & Jessica Yourdon, Renee Hawkins, David & Margene Leach, Bart & Lori Ridder.**

Thank you to the following businesses, individuals and churches for sponsoring the evening. The donations we received from them meant that every penny we brought in that evening went straight into the budget and all expenses were totally covered.

BG Products Inc.	Greater Works Full Gospel Church, Leon
Capstone Tool & Manufacturing LLC	Joe & Kristey Williams
Dr. Michael Rausch-Augusta Family Practice	Lakecrest Bible Baptist Church, Augusta
Drs. Crum & Todd	Lewis & Joann Simmons
Edward Jones Investments-Joel Yourdon	Phil & Debbi Messer
First Assembly of God, Augusta	Ron & Susie Jones
First Baptist Church, Augusta	The Insurance Guys

Finally, we need to say thank you to all the businesses and people that donated items and gift baskets for our silent auction. You can find a complete list of those donors on our website.

We look forward to doing it all again next year and hope you will join us again. It is an honor to serve with you in protecting the unborn and spreading the good news of Jesus Christ!

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Current Statistics

Total Client Visits
 January—66
 February—46

Pregnancy Tests
 January—4
 February—3

Diapers Given Away
 January—135 dozen
 February—85 dozen

*Reaching new souls
 every month!*

Volunteer Training Classes Now Available!

We're trying something new here at the Center this month—Volunteer Client Advocate training classes. We hope this training will help make this position seem less intimidating to people who might otherwise shy away from volunteering with us. We're working with Vici Myers, pregnancy center advocate and helper, to facilitate these classes. We'll have two sessions to choose from to accommodate as many schedules as possible:

Thursday, April 17 from 6:00-8:00 pm

OR

Saturday, April 19 from 10:00-noon

What does a client advocate do?

A client advocate volunteer helps facilitate our Earn While You Learn program which uses videos and written materials to educate pregnant and new mothers. They help clients shop in our "Baby Store" for things like diapers, wipes, clothing, etc. C.A.'s also are responsible for talking with young ladies who come in for a free pregnancy test about their thoughts and feelings with a negative or positive test. A big part of being a C.A. is just sitting and listening to a client when she has no one else to talk to.

Yikes! Sounds overwhelming and a bit scary!

I know it does! But once you volunteer with us just a few times you will become more confident in your peer counseling skills, and our clients will love visiting with you! You will shadow us until you feel comfortable taking on the tasks yourself. The C.A. training class will also greatly help equip you with the skills you'll need to become an active listener, how to say the right thing to a young lady in the midst of a crisis, and most importantly how to show every client the love of Jesus Christ...to be a beacon of light in a world of dark.

What hours or shifts are available?

Most volunteers take a 3 or 4 hour shift once a week. You may choose your day and times, Monday through Thursday from 1:00-5:00pm.

Okay, I'm interested! What do I do?

First of all, pray. Ask God to guide you, and if this is somewhere that He might use you, ask that He reveal that to you. If you do feel that God is leading you here to our ministry, just call us to reserve a spot in one of our upcoming classes. We need YOUR help to offer these wonderful programs to families in our area!

Mark your calendars for one of these dates and call or email Liana or Lisa today to reserve your spot! 775-9372 or info@augustapcc.org

Our Moms Chose Life!

New PCC babies to welcome:

Boys

Jan. 1, 2008 Feb. 28, 2008
7 lbs. 11 oz~21" 8 lbs. 12 oz~19.5"

Jan. 21st, 2008
7 lbs. 4 oz~20"

Girls

Feb. 24, 2008
4 lbs. 14 oz~18"

Feb. 22, 2008

Groups & Clubs That Care

Thanks to the following for their involvement during January & February:

- Delta Kappa Gamma donated \$100.
- Andover Assembly of God Youth & Children held a Valentine's Day baby shower and brought in a TON of supplies to stock our baby store!
- Butler County Employee's Association donated \$128 from their Blue Jean Days campaign.
- Hypathia Club invited us to speak at their meeting and donated money and baby supplies.
- Lakecrest Bible Baptist and Haverhill Christian Churches invited us to speak to their congregations for Sanctity of Human Life Sunday.

Let's hear it for the unsung heroes of our time

When we look at the "heroes" who defend the sanctity of human life, some will name politicians, others social activists, and some may even look at those who serve at pregnancy care ministries like ours as volunteers and staff.

All of these deserve our thanks, and we'll be the first to remind people of the wonderful work of our volunteers who serve here daily. These are the heartbeat of our ministry, and if you ever want to find the first line of defense for moms and their pre-born children, look no further than those who volunteer with us.

Yet there is another group that is often overlooked. They don't ask for anything, and yet they are often the first to hand out accolades. They support, they encourage, they provide vision and direction—and they have an unswerving commitment to a bright future for this ministry.

They are the board members who stay the course here, week after week, and month after month. They are true servants, not looking for honors but instead seeking ways to make this ministry stronger as we reach out to those who come in our door.

Board service is a quiet occupation. We rarely throw parties for board members, yet we expect board members to thank volunteers and others who serve. Nor do people normally run up to board members and thank them for wise decisions made. Boards do receive criticism however, and must regularly face "Monday morning quarterbacks" who question decisions made after much deliberation and prayer.

I wonder if God doesn't have a special place in his heart for board members, who do so much with no expectation of a reward. The "thanks" a board member receives is generally the simple satisfaction of a job well-done.

When a ministry soars, it is the board that is behind the scenes, watching others glow in the joy of lives changed and hearts touched.

I write then, to say a heart felt "thank you" to those who serve on our board of directors. You will see their names on the front page of this newsletter, and if you get the chance, I hope you will do the same.

These men and women are giving a large portion of their lives to this ministry and to those we serve, and perhaps it is time for us to remind them of how much they mean to all of us who believe in this ministry. Thank you to all of you who serve; your commitment is appreciated.

In His Service,

Liana Guy

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Co-Directors

Lisa Rodriguez

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