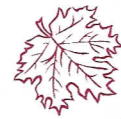


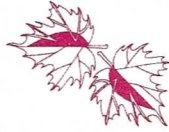


Pregnancy Care Center of Aroostook



September

Life Topics



Empowering People to Make Informed Choices

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HOW THE PREGNANCY CARE CENTER HELPED ME . . .

“The first time I walked through the doors of the Pregnancy Care Center, I felt relaxed and comfortable. The women that work/volunteer at the center are wonderful. They welcomed me with open arms. I was four months pregnant when I met Rachel. She helped guide me back on the path to the Lord. I felt I had lost my way for a short time with the loss of a previous pregnancy. She helped me bring out what I was feeling in my heart. My life got very challenging during my pregnancy with frequent hospital visits, relatives passing away and learning two family members were diagnosed with cancer. With the help of Rachel and the other women, they would always lift my spirits back up by prayer and asking the Lord for guidance. I also did Bible studies to learn more about the path of life and what it means to be a Christian. I really enjoyed them. Not only did I learn from them, but I also received what they call “Mommy money.” Mommy money goes towards a voucher for a baby item you may need such as a crib, mattress, or even a car seat. I used mine for a high chair and portable swing. They also offer Parenting classes which are incredible. I have two little girls who were very difficult to deal with, but with the classes I learned how to be firm, but fair. Also to balance love and discipline showing and teaching my children to be one with the Lord has helped my girls understand the discipline.

The Pregnancy Care Center is a great place for mothers who need a little extra help. They offer a wide variety of support not only to pregnant women, but also to women who decide to have an abortion and need healing. I will recommend this place to any woman who needs guidance and maybe a good friend. Thank you ladies at the Pregnancy Care Center.”

IMPACT FOR LIFE

I—is for the **Infants** for which we provide a layette. A layette is a basket full of toiletry items, blankets, clothing, diapers, etc.

M—is for the **Moms**. Free pregnancy tests, maternity clothing, parenting classes. Give Moms Credit program through which mothers can earn specific baby furniture by completing Bible studies, watching educational videos.

P—is for **Post Abortion**. We provide a confidential one on one abortion recovery program for individuals seeking healing and peace from a past abortion.

A— is for **Adolescents**. We have an abstinence based program called “Survivor Intervention” which deals with the many issues our young people encounter.

C— is for **Community**. We provide groups, churches and schools with 12-15 minute presentation and other resources to bring an awareness to our services.

T — is for **TEAM**. This organization began 26 years ago and has grown consistently because of the team effort. We can not do this without the help of businesses, churches, volunteers, board members and individuals who give financially.

One of the world’s greatest servants, Mother Teresa, instructs: “Speak tenderly to them. Let there be kindness in your face, in your eyes, in your smile, in the warmth of your greeting. Always have a cheerful smile. Don’t only give your care, but give your heart as well.”



THE PREGNANCY CARE CENTER IS FUNDED BY DONORS & FUNDRAISERS



BREAKDOWN OF DONORS

Individuals give 53%

Churches give 35%

Businesses give 7%

Other giving 5%

BREAKDOWN OF FUNDRAISERS FOR 2010

<u>Fundraiser</u>	<u>Presque Isle</u>	<u>Houlton</u>	<u>Total</u>
Baby Bottle	\$9,732.90	\$7,818.12	\$17,551.02
	22 Churches	19 Churches	
Walk for Life	\$3,846.79	\$4,347.00	\$ 8,193.79
	12 churches	8 churches	
	60 Walkers	55 Walkers	

WALKER FROM HOULTON . . .

“In 2006 I started volunteering at the Pregnancy Care Center. I had a lot of health problems. I wanted to walk in the Walk for Life, but was unable to do so. I had to take care of some health challenges first.

On August 12, 2010, I was able to walk in the Walk for Life. What a feeling it was just being able to walk there for God. God gives me the strength to do all things through him; weight loss was a big factor. I have tears of joy when I talk about the walk.”
Louise Grant, Houlton volunteer.



Board Members & Volunteers Needed

This is an exciting time to serve as a board member or volunteer! The PCC is moving in new areas, implementing new programs and plans to open a center in Fort Kent. We need fresh insight and passion for the cause of life. There are many opportunities waiting for us to pursue. If God is stirring your heart and you are interested in becoming a board member or volunteer, please call for an application or come by our office.

BOARD MEMBER'S VIEW . . .

Before becoming a board member at the PCC I thought I had a pretty good idea of the services provided by the ministry. Through my church I had heard about the Baby Bottle Drive, National Mother's Day Baby Shower, and the Walk For Life fundraisers done by the Center. It was my understanding through these events that PCC did lots of work with women in crisis and provided for their physical needs, as well as their spiritual. After becoming a member of the Board, I quickly discovered that these events are a small part of what the Pregnancy Care Center does for outreach ministries. It has been inspiring to learn about all that this ministry does for the communities of Aroostook County and all that it provides for the women and their families. It is my hope that others would learn about this incredible ministry and join them in their work to bring the life saving message of Christ's love to the people of Aroostook. April Belyea



Open House for P.I. Office

The Pregnancy Care Center is opening the doors to the public on Thursday, September 9th between 6:30 and 7:30 pm. We invite you to come and see the newly painted rooms and also to see the center you pray for and support financially. You will be able to take a tour of the building and see the maternity room, counseling room, offices and other rooms. There will be table displays to give you a greater insight as to what a day is like at the PCC. This will give you an opportunity to meet the volunteers, staff and board members and ask questions about the PCC. We will also have a wall of thanks where clients will express the difference your giving has made in their lives. Light refreshments will be provided.

"If Given a Chance"

I wonder what I would have been
if I'd only been given a chance
a president, a mom or dad, a teacher, a nurse or a
Pregnancy Care Center volunteer –
if I was given a chance.

My mom chose not to carry me, she said I'd be
in the way of her plans of becoming a teacher,
she didn't know she'd be sorry one day.

She went to a nearby clinic –
no questions were asked –
within a very few minutes –
I was a "thing" of the past.

Soon the emptiness set in, guilt, fear and shame.

"Oh, no, what have I done"
her life would never be the same.

Oh, I'm so happy here in heaven –there are millions here
like me,

but I do wonder what I would have BEEN
"IF I'd only been given a chance."

By Eva Ireland



SURVIVOR INTERVEN- TION PROGRAM

Do you have broken relationships that leave you confused and hurt? Have you suffered a deep loss? Are you wondering what your purpose in life is? Do you struggle with addictions? We have recently developed a program which deals with setbacks, heartaches, hurts, and hang-ups. This program is

called Survivor Intervention. At this program, we decorate with an island look and welcome you to "The Island of Hupo Meno." Hupo Meno means to bear up courageously under suffering. On this island we learn how to survive by developing healthy hearts and healthy relationships.

CHRISTMAS TOYS NEEDED . . .

Yes, it is that time of the year again. Each year we plan a Christmas Outreach program for our clients. This is a special time they come to a church with their families and hear a gospel presentation, enjoy fellowship and food. After attending this event, we give them Christmas Coupons to be spent at the PCC Christmas Store. Last year was our first year opening a Christmas store and we had a wonderful time. Clients were so grateful for the opportunity to pick out Christmas gifts for their children. Again, we need your help to open the doors of our Christmas store. We need Christmas toys, clothing, G-rated Videos, or anything you would buy your child for Christmas. If you would rather give financially and designate for Christmas Project, we will go and purchase the necessary items. We need these items by mid November to organize our Store. Thank you!!!

Is there an abortion in your past?

Or in the life of someone you love? Perhaps it was 7 months ago or 17 years ago. If you are a mom, dad, grandparent or sibling who has lost a child through abortion, you may be experiencing unresolved feelings of anger, grief, guilt, or depression. When you are ready to talk, we're here to listen. The PCC offers a confidential one on one abortion recovery program for individuals seeking healing and peace from a past abortion (s). Please call the PCC at 764-0022 or if you would prefer a more private line, you may call 554-8396.

Plans to bring "Silver Ring Thing" to the County April 2011

The PCC is very intentional about reaching our young people with a positive message about their sexual identity. It is our desire to arm our young people with resources to empower them as they are constantly bombarded with confusing messages regarding their sexual identity.

Last April we invited Rebecca St. James, songwriter/singer, author, and actress, to come and share her passionate heart for abstinence, purity, and Pregnancy Care Center work. It was exciting to see and hear young people express such gratitude for bringing someone like Rebecca to our area. Many of them expressed their inability to go to an event like this so having it here made it possible for them to attend and invite someone too.

After Rebecca came to the County, the board evaluated the impact and strongly felt we needed to plan a youth outreach program once a year. However, we felt this needed to be a Community Project, not just PCC.

"Silver Ring Thing" (SRT) is a unique para-church youth ministry promoting a message of purity and abstinence until marriage using an intense live event. SRT's 2-2.5 hour stage performance incorporates high energy music, special effects, fast-paced video, personal testimonies and comedy all delivered in a concert-style approach with which teenagers can respond and relate. The program also presents an evangelistic message focused on forgiveness and new beginnings with an opportunity to embrace a "second virginity." After each event, the students who make this commitment are followed-up by SRT staff with emails and text messages that encourage and equip these students in their commitment. To learn more about SRT, check out their website at www.silverringthing.com.

We need the help of youth pastors, leaders and parents to bring this program to our area and to promote it. This is an awesome opportunity before us. Please consider how you can be involved to make an everlasting impact on our young people.

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Thursday 9:00 – 4:00

Houlton Location

Tuesdays 12:00 to 4:00 pm
Thursday 12:00 to 4:00 pm



**Empowering People to
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A MESSAGE FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR . . .

“Return to thy house, and declare how great things God hath done for thee. And he went his way, publishing throughout the whole city how great things Jesus had done for him.” Luke 8:29

These words truly reflect the every day ministry of the Pregnancy Care Center. There would not be enough room in this newsletter to declare the great and awesome things that I have seen God do. Once again, I want to say it is truly a privilege and an honor to sit in my seat and have a front row view. We have had 480 Client visits for 2010. A client may need a crib, stroller, car seat, diapers, parenting classes, healing from a past abortion and on and on it goes. It is through this opportunity that we are able to provide tangible help and also talk to our clients about the greatest need they have, a Savior Jesus Christ to fill the God shaped hole in their life.

At this time I would like to acknowledge our donors who give faithfully to this ministry. Because of your giving, seeds of the gospel have been planted and watered. Many lives have been touched by the love of Christ and nurtured in God’s Word. We are blessed to hear and see some of those transformed lives, but only eternity will reveal the extent of our labor of love.

We have some of the most amazing volunteers who come in ready to serve in whatever area is needful. Our volunteers clean, correct Bible studies, pray, sort through clothes and answer phones. Thank you ladies for your passion and dedication to the PCC. We could not continue this ministry without you.

At a family reunion, I sat across from a gentleman who was totally captivated by the work of the PCC. As I shared with this man the various ways the PCC reaches out to young women and their families, I was stirred in my heart once again, to get out there and make presentations in our local churches. Please consider inviting us to come and share a 15-20 minute presentation. You will truly marvel at how great things God is doing in our Community.

Finally, you may have heard about the plans for a center in Fort Kent. Yes, it is true. We are in the beginning stages of opening a center in Fort Kent. We need financial support, volunteers, and board members. Please pray God will lead us as we pursue His will for the PCC.

As always, I pray God’s blessing of grace, mercy and peace upon you and your family!

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