



CPC Update Jan/Feb 2012

Fairgate Inn Provides Beautiful Setting for 5th Annual Ladies Tea Fundraiser



Fairgate Inn, located in northwest Camas, will be the venue for our annual Ladies Tea

Once again we have the privilege of working with the staff and owners of the Fairgate Inn to plan the fifth annual Ladies Tea fundraiser. *'Put your love into action'* is the theme of this year's event taking place on Saturday Feb. 18th at 1 pm.

A very intimate venue and beautiful food will set the mood for a time of fellowship, refreshment and fun. We will have a first rate guest speaker as well as a gift basket auction. Since the Tea is an RSVP event with



Food and desserts are always good to look at as well as tasty at the Fairgate

limited seating, let us know by February 10th if you would like to attend. Reserve at 834-7256 or online.

People Make the Difference

Fifteen years ago, our homeschool co-op met in our home to assemble and fold the clinic's newsletter, sorting and bundling by zip code to ready them for the mail. It was a simple way to volunteer and help a ministry we believed in. Six years ago, my daughter, Emily, interned at the clinic and enjoyed her experience and encouraged me to step outside my comfort zone and volunteer for the counselor training. Not wanting to disappoint my daughter, and believing God was prompting me through her, I signed up for the training. I've been with the clinic for five years, and I've seen the difference God has made in my life and the lives of many who come through the doors. In Proverbs 24:11 it says, "Deliver those who are being taken away to death, and those who are staggering to slaughter, oh hold them back." Our pregnancy center is like a modern version of Corrie Ten Boom or Ann Frank, who stand between and help rescue those who may be considering aborting their baby. The clinic offers real hope and practical help which lightens and refreshes fatigued and heavy hearts. We get to witness little and big miracles regularly, make new friends, have our faith stretched and see God answer prayers. So many things clamor for my attention, and I'm regularly confronted with self doubt as to my being effective and making a difference at the clinic, but God always makes me glad that I showed up for my hours, and shows me that I may be a small part of the big picture, but like the church, when we all work together and trust



Featured Volunteer: Deb Downing

God, we do make a huge impact in our community.

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Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

Sunday Jan 22 was Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. This nation-wide observance, initially started by our national affiliate, Care Net, on the anniversary of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision. Scripture says that life is God breathed and that God knows us even in the womb. Christians everywhere are beginning to realize the devastation in terms of life caused by legalized abortion on demand. President Ronald Reagan made **SOHLS** an official national observance in 1983, Stating:

“Since 1973, however, more than 15 million unborn children have died in legalized abortions -- a tragedy of stunning dimensions that stands in sad contrast to our belief that each life is sacred. These children, over tenfold the number of Americans lost in all our Nation's wars, will never laugh, never sing, never experience the joy of human love; nor will they strive to heal the sick, or feed the poor, or make peace among nations. Abortion has denied them the first and most basic of human rights, and we are infinitely poorer for their loss.”



This year we had 8 churches participating in baby bottle fundraising program as well as taking time in their Sunday service on the 22nd, to recognize the topic of life in its biblical perspective.

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Volunteers are the backbone of this ministry. Many times I have heard, "I've been driving by your place for months (sometimes years) and always felt a nudge or a sense that I was supposed to come in." That "nudge" is the nudge of the Holy Spirit; it is His job to gently guide us to where we are called to serve.

Clinic Corner
Kathy Piatt, Clinic Director



Each week these precious women give up an afternoon of their time, juggling family commitments, other jobs and unending errands to be here on the front lines of the pro-life ministry. They know it is a battle and God is on His throne leading the way. What an honor and privilege to work with our wonderful and dedicated volunteers who know they are called by God. As you pray for the ministry and the clients, please also keep these dear women and their families in your prayers as well.

We are sad to say goodbye to our dear sister Jalina, who has moved to VA to be with her husband who is currently serving in the military. We pray God keeps them close to each other and to Him.

Kathy

Reasons # 3 & 4

Why the Christian Community Should Support the Mission of the CPC

Executive Director Notes

Mark Maguire

CPC Executive Director

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Our mission impacts lives. We have helped many clients become less dependent on charity or government assistance, stand on their own feet and take responsibility for their own future. We have former clients who now teach, lead and counsel others who have fallen victim to the same cycles of behavior they were in. We have many former clients who now have solid family relationships, good jobs and positions in the community.

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We are a faith based mission service organization. We live this every day, not just in words but in deeds. Our client advocates actively share their faith with clients who are open to it. We have had many conversions of nonbelievers to Christianity in the clinic and many former clients are now faithful members of churches in this community.



BTW: Upcoming legislation proposed for WA—Redefining Marriage—will change the structure of Christian society as we know it. Visit the Family Policy Institute of Washington website: www.fpiw.org, for news from Olympia. **Mark**

Walk For Life, An Opportunity...

Last year in June, we began what could become a major community event for the Christian and unchurched community in Camas/Washougal. In conjunction with our annual outdoor event the Walk, we invited churches to have their own micro-event at the same time, both to support

our efforts and to involve the churches in the community.

This could grow to rival the Camtown event held every year drawing huge crowds. Our hope is to give churches an outreach, a time to cooperate as a larger body of faith and demonstrate to the community the solidarity of the believers from every Christian church in our area.

If enough groups participate by hosting an event for children or adults, this would eventually attract a larger attendance from the community and give each church an opportunity for church evangelism and fellowship with other believers potentially fostering future growth and cooperation between congregations.

The possibility of influencing our community for Christ is great!



CPC Banquets Largest Ever

Camas Washougal CPC would like to thank its donors and supporters for two extremely successful Fall Banquets last October. A bountiful dinner supplied by the staff at the Fairgate Inn plus keynote speaker Rich Blum made the event the best and most enjoyable banquet we have ever had.

Thank you!

Total attendance was the largest the CPC has seen since it opened and the generosity of the donors *exceeded all expectations!*

Rich Blum, pastor of Bethel Community Church focused his talk on the impact of the CPC on the community and on the lives of individuals as well as how abortion affects our own region and people.

Community Pregnancy Clinic was able to exceed its income budget for the year in the face of *rising costs* and an *economic downturn*. We thank God for his generosity that allowed us to serve nearly 500 local women in need and save the lives of more than 30 children this year alone. We still continue to give back to those in need over \$1.60 of services and needed essentials for every \$1.00 of funding.



Please pray for our continued success.



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