

SPRING 2017

From the Director's Desk . . .

*"Whatever your hand finds to do, Verily,
do it with all your might" Ecclesiastes 9:10*

One thing about which I can be absolutely sure is there is never any time to be idle around here. Anyone of us can always find something to do. Truthfully, there may those Friday afternoons when the week has been "One of those" and we shout "HALLELUJIA" as we sprint across the parking lot to the getaway cars. Bored? No! Blessed? Yes! Busy? Always!

The first two months of the year have been some of the most substantial and productive we've had...maybe ever. Working here is like being with family and BFFs all day. We live, love, laugh and yes, often the tears flow for lots



of reasons. We've been a great team for a long time, but lately our hearts have been more focused than ever to serve our clients well. During our times together in the mornings before we open, we have been discussing our desire to choose to continually shift our focus to Jesus and His plan for us and this ministry.

We have discovered when we cultivate this desire, there is spillover which means everyone is loved, accepted and part of the greatest team...EVER! I'm biased, but if you spend any time at all with these amazing people you will hear how God is working in individual lives, clients stories of heartache and redemption, laughter, conversation with one another and with Our Father to whom we often turn in need or praise and worship.

The reality is there is plenty for our hands, feet and hearts to do...I suppose like the example of painting the Golden Gate Bridge—you get to the end and the next work day you start over. I'm glad we just don't paint a bridge; we are able to see how God reaches down in to the lives of people in their very worst days to lift their heads. We get to be a part of that as do you through your faithful, sustaining partnership.

While I have enjoyed actually experiencing winter for the first time in a number of years, I confess I'm weary of rain, wind and cloudy days. It is with great anticipation I look forward to a lush and colorful spring when I can be outside more. Part of our tradition is the annual Walk for Life which is scheduled a little later in the season this year on Saturday, May 20 with our Open House on the same day. After months of renovation, we are finally at the tail end of the remodel and hope you'll all make it a point to participate in the Walk for Life and bring folks with you to tour our facility. Watch for details in coming monthly donor letters and on our Facebook page: Facebook.com/pregnancyfamily where you can "Like" us to share with your friends and keep current on what's going on down here on a daily basis.

While I'm discussing events remember we have a need for not just committee members (a big need), but for someone with good people and organizational skills to take charge as we plan our events. Please call or email me if you're interested in serving. There is much, much more we could do with sufficient volunteers. We raise a large part of our operating income through fundraisers. We must meet the need of ever increasing expenses. Fundraisers are a fun way to do this which also allows us to meet and mingle with our sustaining partners and new friends.

This quarter we've experienced major changes. Inside is an introduction to Kathleen Jones who joined our team as Office Manager. We also say Good-Bye to a long time sustaining partner and Board Member, Pam O'Camb who despite her illness the past several years, continued to serve.

Again, I invite you to contact me with any questions or ideas you may have as we focus and refocus on what God has called us to do. Our "All life is sacred and valuable" belief is not the most popular, but we know it's true. We rely on you, our sustaining partners and friends to come along side us and serve as God calls us to save families one life at a time. In the twelve years I've been Executive Director I've seen a lot of lives saved and families restored to move forward on a more solid foundation.

It's a great privilege for me to be here; one I do not take lightly.

Lisa

*"According to his great mercy, he has caused us to be born again to a living hope
through the resurrection of Jesus Christ from the dead." (1 Peter 1:3)*



Upcoming Events

Mark Your Calendar

✓ SAVEONE ABORTION RECOVERY/HEALING BIBLE STUDY GROUPS - Ongoing Opportunity

WOMEN'S GROUP CONTACT: Sonja: 909-762-3878 or email: sbpfrcSaveOne@gmail.com. *NEXT* Women's group begins on **Tuesday, August 8, at 6 PM**. There is a \$12 materials cost per person for the SaveOne study book. Your contact and participation are held in the strictest confidence. *The location is disclosed only to those who register for the study.*

MEN: Call for information—909-382-4550.

✓ ADVOCATE TRAINING - Ongoing Opportunity

Call Wendy DeView at 909-382-4550, or email her at: sbprvc@verizon.net today to get an application packet (required with references) and reserve your space in the next class. Training materials fee \$25, "Focus on The Heart". 12 weeks—2 hours a week, plus additional time to shadow. We work you in to the schedule on the shift(s) of your choice as soon as possible. We are offering this class to prepare to be open a half day each Saturday morning when the two abortion clinics are open in our neighborhood. Call Wendy to get started volunteering now while you prepare for the next class. *Next Advocate training class begins Saturday, May 6, from 10AM - 4PM.*

✓ ANNUAL WALK FOR LIFE & OPEN HOUSE - Saturday May 20, 2017

✓ ANNUAL WOMEN'S TEA: SATURDAY - August 12, 2017

✓ ANNUAL FALL GALA - Friday, October 13, 2017 — "Acts of Renewal"



Holiday Closures:

Friday, April 14, 2017—Good Friday
Monday, May 29, 2017—Memorial Day
Tuesday, July 4, 2017—July 4, 2017
Monday, September 4, 2017—Columbus Day
Thurs/Fri., November 23/24, 2017—Thanksgiving
Friday, December 22 until Tuesday, January 2, 2018- Holiday closure

Watch Our Website:

www.pregnancyfamily.org

Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/pregnancyfamily/>

Call our office @ 909-382-4550 for information about these events and others.

Make sure we have your email so you get our Constant Contact announcements about events and more. Email it to Lisa at pregnancycenter.execdirector@gmail.com.

He is Risen!

If you need Emergency help with a pregnancy related issue call one of our 24-hour help lines: 1-800-712-4357 or 1-877-398-7734. This is NOT a phone number for specific Pregnancy & Family Resource Center questions.

New Year — New Path — New Beginning

We know, from the overwhelming statistics, right at 45% of our population has experienced abortion at least once. Often one abortion will lead to another and then another leaving the parent living in a cycle of negative emotions and unable to truly connect to other people and to God.

Through the years the suppressed pain, grief and guilt takes its toll on the parent(s) whose child's life ended because of an abortion choice. Since 1973 abortion has been legal, yet all too often those who exercised the right to choice found, "You are free to choose, but you're not free to choose the consequences."

Perhaps you're one of the many who have tried without success to move past your abortion experience. Still you remain stuck—unable to talk about it and so the secret causes anxiety, depression and other related issues.

Wouldn't the New Year be a great time to finally face the experience head on with others who have been walking the same path, to let it go and walk free for the first time in a long time? There is no risk involved because you cannot lose when you choose to seek healing.

We invite you to confidentially contact Sonja Bates to find out more about the SaveOne after abortion group Bible study. Email: sbpfrcsaveone@gmail.com or by phone: 909-762-3878

The next session begins Tuesday, February 7, 2017 at 6 PM.



Because of Your Support We Experienced These Miracles in November, December & January

Client Visits: 772
New Clients: 255
Decisions for Christ: 23
Decisions NOT to abort: 7
Adoption Plans: 1
Volunteer Hours: 1347
New clients with previous abortions: 80

Farewell Dear Friend—



I can say with all certainty Pam O'Camb (June 11, 1945-February 11, 2017) was well-loved and respected in our community. But what I remember best and will miss the most is how our friendship grew through the years we served the community together through the ministry of Pregnancy & Family Resource Center. Pam was Secretary for our Board of Directors since 2012. She was a sustaining partner and cheerleader long before.

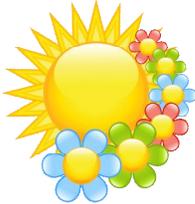
Pam amazed me with her strength, wisdom, sense of humor, business sense and endless supply of resources. I only remember seeing her once without a smile on her face; the year she determined to make it to the annual fall gala just days after undergoing major surgery. How could this executive director not be encouraged and inspired by such a desire to suit up and show up?

Farewell, dear friend... While we rejoice your battle is over, we will miss you.
Our love and prayers go out to her husband, Dan and family.

Quote of the Quarter

**“I realized that what I’d done up to that point was not helping people.
I was compounding their problems.”**

Dr. John Bruchalsk—Explains why he stopped performing abortions



Volunteer Needed for the Following— Event Coordinator

We need an experienced person to head committees and serve as point person for major events which include Annual Ladies' Tea and Annual Fall Gala. There may be additional events throughout the year.

This person will plan, schedule and facilitate committee meetings to plan events. Keep Executive Director apprised of progress and details. Assign duties to committee members and follow up to ensure tasks are accomplished in a timely manner. Requires oversight and participation in set up and clean up of events.

You should have experience heading a committee of diverse persons and personalities and proven skills to gain and keep cooperation of committee members. Time involved required only for planning of events which varies with each person and your organizational ability.

Also needed: Committee members who don't want to act as chair, but will gladly use gifts and talents to serve.

Wanted: A Bunch of Good People—

Here is a breakdown of our most urgent needs:

♥ **Men and women willing to invest the time to train as advocates. We've seen 1475 clients since January 3, 2017. Often they need to wait with hungry, tired children for an hour or more. The two abortion clinics in our neighborhood are open on Saturday. The need is great! We will be training people specifically for the Saturday morning schedule beginning Saturday, May 6th from 10 AM to noon. You'll want to talk to Wendy to get your application submitted and processed before the training begins: 909-382-4550 or email at pregnancycenter.volcoor@gmail.com**

♥ **Men to life heavy items, do repair work and if you have a truck or trailer to make deliveries to clients**

♥ **Event committee chairman to work with Lisa to coordinate and chair the events committee. We would like to expand our fundraising events to maintain income and broaden our sphere of influence in the community. Strong organization skills with event experience preferred. Contact Lisa**

♥ **Men to lead SaveOne group healing group for other men who have experienced abortion. Interested? Contact Sonja Bates at 909-762-3868 or email at: sbpfrcSaveOne@gmail.com**

♥ **Men and women to do deep cleaning, painting touch up and to sort donated items**

We can not serve families in need without dedicated volunteers

*Volunteering is
a work of heart*



ANNUAL FALL GALA - FRIDAY, OCTOBER 13, 2017

"ACTS OF RENEWAL"



Meet "Acts of Renewal" in their own words...

Carol has her Master of Fine Arts degree in Acting from University of North Carolina at Chapel Hill. Jim has his Ph.D in Communications, his Masters in Environmental Engineering and his Bachelors in Theatre.

We met while working at the A.D. Players theatre company in Houston. (We were checking each other out in the mirror during a Bible study and inadvertently our eyes met in the mirror.) We dated 4 years and were married in 1992. Since our relationship with Jesus Christ is the number one priority in our lives, it made a lot of sense to use our talents in doing professional theatre from a Christian world view.

After graduate school we began touring, performing at conferences, colleges and church events. When PBS aired Carol's show on eating disorders, "A Size 7 Forever", God used it to start opening doors for our ministry. We pursued the goal of bringing dynamic, professional Christ-centered entertainment to events across the country.

We continue to write all our own material and create programming that we offer as a tool for God to use to reach hearts for him. We now live in Kentucky and have two sons, Zach and Zander. So with touring, teaching, parenting and living, life is very full.

Lisa saw this couple several years ago at a Focus on the Family Executive Director's conference. At that time their program fit our ministry very well as they portray the day-to-day experiences of the staff and clients who interface, interact and often collide. Each is a divine appointment. Jim and Carol know this and will give our guests a glimpse into the lives of our clients as we reach out to serve them.

Come join us for this unique evening. We think you'll thoroughly enjoy the evening and leave with a renewed vision for the ministry.

A recent review from a colleague: *"After having Acts of Renewal perform at our 19th annual fundraising banquet for the CPC, the continual refrain that I heard was, "this was the best banquet I have ever been to...and I've been to a lot of banquets!" From the quality of the performances to the pace of the evening, Jim and Carol brought a unique presentation that was uplifting, challenging and powerful! I may never go back to a keynote speaker again!"* -Dave W.





Anyone who has entered the Pregnancy & Family Resource Center since the beginning of the year has met office manager Kathleen Jones. Kathleen is the newest — and already one of the most known — faces at the center.

Kathleen, who worked in the propane industry and in her church's office before coming to the center, replaced longtime office manager Barbara Curtin after the New Year. She was recommended for the job by center volunteer coordinator Wendy DeView.

"I am totally blessed to be a part of such an incredible ministry and be a part of a wonderful staff and group of volunteers," Kathleen says. "I am amazed every day at the work that God does in our center and am thankful that He allows us and me to do it for His glory."

As office manager, Kathleen greets clients, handles phone calls and records and pairs clients with Advocates. She also deals with center inventory and works with the center's other employees and volunteers.

"My daily focus is on making sure that each and every person knows and feels loved when they come to our facility," she says. "I try and do this by focusing on them and their needs. I strive to be an outwardly loving person and reassuring the clients that we love them and will do what we can to provide and fulfill their physical, emotional and spiritual needs."

So far, the center's loving atmosphere is what stands out for Kathleen. "Love that our staff and volunteers have for the clients and the love they have for each other," she says. "But mostly the love, peace and security our clients feel when they come into the center."

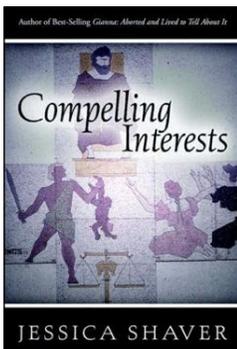
It has been rewarding to be "the actual hands and feet of Jesus and being a part of an amazing team that loves and passes no judgment," Kathleen says. The challenge she asserts, is not being able to do and provide everything for everyone. Kathleen believes the center's work is important because it shows God's love to people—so they understand that all life is valuable. "We are a center focused on meeting the physical, emotional and spiritual needs of pregnant mothers and families based on the example that Jesus set for us," she says.



GET TO KNOW HER

Kathleen and her husband are celebrating 25 years of marriage this summer. They worked together for about 10 years in the propane industry, where her husband still works. They have two children -- their son is an active duty Marine stationed in Okinawa, Japan, and their daughter is finishing cosmetology school in Temecula. They live in the little town of Nuevo, west of Hemet, and attend Calvary Chapel Nuevo, where they lead the children's ministry and work in the middle school and high school ministries.

A GREAT READ



Jessica Shaver Renshaw has written extensively on multiple aspects of abortion for major metropolitan newspapers and Christian magazines over the past 40 years. Her biography of Gianna Jessen, "Gianna: Aborted and Lived to Tell About It" (Focus on the Family Publishing, 1995, 2005) is the best-selling true story of one of the rare but legal late-term abortions which results in a live birth. She considers "Compelling Interests" a sequel to "Gianna." It presents not just one person, one family, but a nation full of people branded by their experiences with abortion. Jessica researched the history of abortion in the United States from the 1940s through the Roe vs. Wade ruling legalizing abortion through all 9 months of pregnancy--into a possible future. Although some individuals and details had to come from Jessica's imagination everything and everyone in this book really happened or is congruent with what really happened.



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FURNITURE

cribs & crib mattresses , bassinets car seats in GOOD condition-no parts missing, high chair, small dresser, rocking chair, bathtub, swing

FOR THE MOMS

Bibles (non-denominational), maternity clothes, personal items: soap, lotion, cologne, body spray, jewelry, etc, for client gift tub

OFFICE NEEDS

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OUR GOAL STATEMENT

Pregnancy & Family Resource Center is a Christ-centered ministry dedicated to the caring of women and families with pregnancy related issues by providing them with life affirming physical, emotional and spiritual resources.

OUR MISSION STATEMENT

Pregnancy & Family Resource Center seeks to promote the sanctity of all human life from conception to natural death. We provide all services without bias regarding race, ethnicity, religion, age, sex or socio-economic background.

STATEMENT OF FAITH

- ◆ We believe that there is one God, eternally existent in three persons: Father, Son & Holy Spirit.
- ◆ We believe in the deity of our Lord Jesus Christ, in His virgin birth, in His sinless life, in His miracles, in His vicarious and atoning death through His shed blood, in His bodily resurrection, in His ascension to the right hand of the Father, and in His personal return in power and glory.
- ◆ We believe in the spiritual unity of believers in our Lord Jesus Christ.
- ◆ We believe that God is the Creator of all life and He clearly defines His love and restoration for all humankind in His Word, the Holy Bible.

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