

# KNOX COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE

Autumn 2021



## NOTE FROM OUR PRESIDENT

Fall greetings to all receiving this newsletter! It truly is a time for change once more in a spirit of thanksgiving and hope.

I am so grateful to report that we were able to hold the annual Pregnancy Center Baby Shower with great success because of the wonderful involvement from the community. Also, we are moving forward with our annual October events: Life Chain, 40 Days for Life and the Festival for Life.

Hope in Christ has been our means for moving forward during these difficult times. Our last meeting in September was most productive, if somewhat bittersweet, as it resulted in the nominations and elections of our new officers. I'm most honored to have been the president and am excited for Mary Norton to be the newly elected president for this wonderful organization. She has the commitment and diligence to carry on the work needed with our mission to help bring an end to abortion in our nation. Please refer to our website for the dates and times for the upcoming events and we always welcome everyone to our meetings held the second Tuesdays of the month from 7-8 pm.

God's blessings and peace!

*Jennifer Remmes*

*President of Knox County Right to Life*

## FESTIVAL OF LIFE

KNOX COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE INVITES YOU TO MEET GUEST SPEAKER



*Autumn Lindsey*  
from Washington State

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Join us at this year's  
**Festival of Life**  
Sunday, October 24, 2021  
Doors Open at 2:00 p.m. - Presentation Begins at 2:30 p.m.

\*2021 KCRL ESSAY CONTEST WINNER WILL READ THE WINNING ESSAY.

**Bethel Baptist Church**  
1196 N. Academy St., Galesburg, Illinois

**FREE  
ADMISSION**

**\*PLEASE FOLLOW COVID-19 RESTRICTIONS  
THAT ARE IN PLACE AT THE TIME.**

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AUTUMN LINDSEY, our speaker for this year's Festival of Life, first became involved in the pro-life movement when she joined her local Students for Life in 2016.

Autumn, who is one of nine siblings, attended a classical, homeschool co-op. She has competed in a national homeschool speech and debate league. She has lived in Washington state her whole life.

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## **WOMEN'S CHOICE CENTER AND LIFE AND FAMILY MEDICAL CLINIC**

A great transformation has taken place in Bettendorf, IA. The former Planned Parenthood of Iowa which closed several years ago now houses Life and Family Medical Clinic and the pro-life Women's Choice Center. Knox County Right to Life members went monthly to pray for the closure of the Planned Parenthood facility. Praise the Lord for life confirming change! The new family clinic is a Direct Primary Care (DPC) Family Medicine Clinic, an alternative model of health care where the patient pays a set monthly fee. DPC is not insurance nor does it take any form of insurance payments. Choosing a DPC gives you a direct relationship with the doctor and medical decisions are made by you and your doctor with no middlemen. Doctor Julie Schroeder, MD is a board-certified Family Medicine physician with over 20 years of practice experience in the Quad Cities. Life and Family is a Non-Profit Organization, so a portion of membership fees are tax deductible. Interested patients are encouraged to go to [www.lifeandfamilymedical.com](http://www.lifeandfamilymedical.com) for more information.

*Lisa Lindstrom*

## **WOMEN'S PREGNANCY CENTER**

The Women's Pregnancy Center exists to assist women who may not be aware of their options. It provides information and support as they work through their various situations.

We are here to help:

- the woman who is abortion minded.
- the woman who wants to carry and parent.

We provide the following services:

- Lead parenting lessons with our Earn While You Learn Program.
- Provide baby clothing, baby items and furnishings to expectant parents.
- Clients earn points and then exchange for things they need at Kathy's Baby Boutique".

*Location, hours and contact information:*

1252 W. Fremont Street  
Monday's 10 a.m. to 4 p.m.  
Wednesday's 2 p.m. to 5 p.m.

\*Other hours available by appointment.  
309-343-4739

womenspregnancycenterofgalesburg.org

## **ESSAY CONTEST**

### **Knox County Right to Life Sponsors Seventh Annual Essay Contest (reprint from last newsletter)**

Knox County Right to Life is sponsoring its Seventh Annual Essay Contest for students, with cash prizes up to \$200.00. The contest is open to junior high and senior high school aged students, in grades 6 through 12, in Knox County.

Students must submit an essay not to exceed 500 words on the topic *"We know that abortion hurts women and kills babies, but how does it harm us as a nation? Do we as a people suffer from the effects of abortion?"*

Submissions will be accepted during the month of September, through the final due date of September 30<sup>th</sup>. Essay submissions may be mailed to R. Flesher, 683 N. Cherry St., #305, Galesburg, IL 61401 or emailed to [rflesher007@yahoo.com](mailto:rflesher007@yahoo.com). Please include your school name or email contact information for result notifications.

The awards will be presented as follows: First Place - \$200.00 and a plaque; Second Place - \$100.00 and a plaque; Third Place - \$50.00 and a plaque. The awards will be presented at the Festival of Life on October 24<sup>th</sup>, with the first place winning essay read by the student who wrote it.

Over the last year we all were made aware of the importance of caring about the lives of others and doing all we can to protect those lives. Knox County Right to Life is pleased to partner with youth who will inspire their peers and future generations to stand up and support the sanctity of life at all stages.

*Roxanne Flesher*

## **PRAYER WARRIORS**

Currently one of our members and her family travel to Peoria every Friday morning to pray at the entrance driveway to the Planned Parenthood facility in Peoria and to do sidewalk counseling to anyone who will listen. This faithful ministry no doubt has touched the hearts of many. Anyone willing to join in this prayer warrior effort can go to this location on any day of the week or join those already there on Friday and stand and pray. Real statistics show that changes of heart happen when girls see people praying at abortion facility sites. The point of efforts like this and of 40 Days for Life (discussed below) is to save lives and to help women with challenging pregnancies.

## **LIFE CHAIN AND 40 DAYS FOR LIFE**

**If you would characterize yourself in anyway as Pro-Life please consider participating in either or both of the events below. We definitely need more volunteers for the second event in order to increase the impact of our presence.**

**SUNDAY, OCTOBER 3RD LIFE CHAIN....1:30 TO 3:00** The 31<sup>st</sup> annual LIFE CHAIN, sponsored by KCRL will be held on Sunday, October 3, 2021. This is a peaceful, prayerful time to remind our community that life begins at conception and babies in the womb should be protected.

**\*\*PICK UP YOUR SIGNS IN THE PARKING LOT ACROSS FROM WALGREENS AND PIZZA HUT ON WEST FREMONT ST. at 1:30**

**\*\*At 1:45 STAND IN PRAYERFUL SILENCE FOR ONE HOUR ALONG HENDERSON STREET FROM LOSEY TO DAYTON STREETS.**

**\*\*AT 2:45 GATHER BACK IN THE PARKING LOT TO RETURN SIGNS AND FOR A CLOSING PRAYER AND ANNOUNCEMENTS UNTIL 3:00.**

**\*\*REMINDERS: DO NOT BLOCK ANY DRIVEWAY OR WAVE YOUR SIGNS.**

**\*\*DO BRING A CHAIR IF YOU ARE NOT ABLE TO STAND FOR AN HOUR.**

**\*\*JUST STAND OR SIT AND PRAY FOR AN END TO ABORTION IN OUR COUNTRY.**

## **FRIDAY, OCTOBER 8TH: 40 DAYS FOR LIFE FROM 8:00 A.M. TO 6 P.M.**

40 DAYS FOR LIFE IS THE WORLD'S LARGEST GRASSROOTS MOVEMENT TO END ABORTION. THE 40 DAYS THIS YEAR BEGINS ON SEPTEMBER 22 AND CONTINUES UNTIL OCTOBER 31.

JOIN IN PRAYER, FASTING AND GIVING WITNESS.

Knox County Right to Life has chosen Oct. 8<sup>th</sup> to try to do our part. We are blessed to NOT have an abortion facility in Galesburg. However, we from the Galesburg area will be praying in front of the PLANNED PARENTHOOD FACILITY at 2709 N. Knoxville Ave. in Peoria. Please consider praying for one or even two hours. To sign up for a time slot, please call Dick C. 309-343-2852, or you may just drive over there and join others in praying. If needed, he will try to arrange a car pool for you. Feel free to bring a lawn chair, if you need or wish to sit.

WITH GOD'S HELP, SINCE 2007 40 DAYS HAS WITNESSED 19,198 BABIES SAVED FROM ABORTION. 211 ABORTION WORKER CONVERSIONS AND 110 CLOSED ABORTION CENTERS.

PRAY, FAST, WITNESS. BE PART OF THE SOLUTION.

**Most significantly 74% of client appointments were cancelled when 40 Days for Life volunteers were present in front of these abortion facilities.**

*Dick and Pat Conklin*

## **26TH ANNUAL CHRISTMAS ORNAMENT**

We have received many orders for the Christmas ornament again this year. Your ornaments should be here by early November. We are so grateful for everyone's support in participating in this project, and our hope is that you and your friends and families enjoy this colorful addition to your Christmas décor. The receipts from this project go to support the many projects of Knox County Right to life and hopefully will help in our efforts to save the lives of unborn babies and support the needs of women who have chosen life.

Thank you very much!

*Helen Rupert*

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**RETURN SERVICE REQUESTED**

Check out these websites:

**Illinois Federation for Right to Life**

[www.ifrl.org](http://www.ifrl.org)

**National Right to Life Committee**

[www.nrlc.org](http://www.nrlc.org)

**Knox County Right to Life**

[www.knoxcountyrighttolife.org](http://www.knoxcountyrighttolife.org)

**Women's Pregnancy Center**

[www.womenspregnancycenterofgalesburg.org](http://www.womenspregnancycenterofgalesburg.org)

### **Don't Forget...Mark Your Calendar:**

**Every Friday – Prayer Warriors – spend one hour at the Planned Parenthood Facility at 2709 N. Knoxville Ave., in Peoria**

**Second Tuesday of every month except July and December...7:00PM KCRL meetings.**

**Locations to be announced in Register Mail and church bulletins.**

**September 30 – due date for essay contest submissions (see article in this s newsletter)**

**Oct 3 – Life Chain – Henderson Street – 1:30 – 2:30 – details in this newsletter**

**Oct 8 – Knox County Right to Life's participation in 40 Days for Life (details below)**

**Oct 12 – Knox County Right to Life monthly meeting – 7:00 PM – 1<sup>st</sup> Baptist Church on South Cherry street.**

**Oct 24 – Festival of Life – Bethel Baptist Church – 2:30 PM (doors open at 2:00PM)**

