

Summer 2018 Newsletter

Man of Honor



What a perfect example of a man going the extra mile, rescuing a boy and teaching him what honor is

As I stood in the back of the Memorial Coliseum and watched everyone leave the banquet, a father and son duo caught my eye. **They were laughing and trying to escape with a few extra desserts for the family that could not make it.** I watched them leave then quickly got to work directing the clean-up crew.

We finished cleaning, and I was heading over to send Gianna Jessen, our speaker, back to her hotel **when the father and son duo returned.** I saw them talking intently with Gianna, and after their conversation a hug was exchanged between all.

The next day I had the privilege of hearing the story of this duo. Gianna shared with me that they had driven all the way home and decided to turn around and come back to share their story with her.

She described what happened:

“As I was greeting people at the table, a man and a boy walked up. The man explained, ‘We drove all the way home, turned around and came all the way back, because I needed to tell you about my nephew. My sister went to a pregnancy center in Florida when she was expecting him, became a Christian there, but died when he was three years old; he’s fifteen now. He was making poor choices where he was living, so I drove down, picked him up and brought him home.’ They both smiled.

What a perfect example of a man going the extra mile, rescuing a boy and teaching him what honor is.”

Thank you for attending the banquet and thank you men of honor who live it out in every way, every single day. You Matter and We Care.



Strides of
Hope

Walk begins: 9:00am
Register online:
www.ahopecenter.org
Superhero and Princess
Costume Contest

08.25.18
Shoaff Park, Conklin Pavilion

You Matter.

A Note from Jo...



Jo Faulkner
Executive Director

The board has approved the purchase of our own Medical Mobile

What a second quarter of the year the Lord has given us! We have been blessed by His mercies and His provisions! First, we would like to thank everyone who attended this year's banquet! Gianna Jessen gave an amazing testimony and word to all who were there! She blessed so many; we are still hearing from people. We are so thankful for her heart, her spirit and her desire to show the world that every life matters.

Secondly, because of your desire to bless our ministry, **the banquet exceeded our goal of \$20,000.00.** Praise the Lord! Your pledges and donations, along with your prayers, will help us keep A Hope Center going in the direction that the Lord has planned. Again, from the hearts of the staff, volunteers and board, thank you!

Another blessing coming our way is a Medical Mobile! The board has approved the purchase of our own Medical Mobile, so we can increase our services to those who may not come to our centers for a variety of reasons. Thank you to all who have given to the Medical Mobile ministry. Again, your giving and prayers are why we are able to expand our ministry to include the Medical Mobile.

We are so thankful to Heartline Pregnancy Center in Warsaw, Indiana, for allowing us to lease their Medical Mobile for two days each week for the past six months. This was so beneficial for us to see how effective the Medical Mobile ministry is in our community and effective it is! Thank you again for partnering with us in prayer and financially. We say to you as we say to our clients: You Matter. We Care.

Jo Faulkner

The Smile Says It All

*Paw did not speak English very well, but a common language is not always needed to understand one another as we recently learned. Paw had recently discovered that she was pregnant and was uncertain about what to do. The father of the baby told Paw he wanted nothing to do with her or this baby. She was afraid to tell others about her pregnancy and felt abandoned.

Paw came to A Hope Center where she was offered an ultrasound. The sonographer began the ultrasound and measured the baby at 14 weeks, much farther than expected. **Paw began to cry.** Paw could see that at 14 weeks her baby had a strong heart beat. She was overwhelmed by the decision in front of her.

One of the friends that came with Paw spoke up on behalf of the baby wanting Paw to choose life. After shedding tears and contemplating for a while, a smile broke out across her face and spread throughout the room. Paw had seen that little life and fell in love. Through Paw's smile, everyone in the room understood the decision that she made. And for a moment everyone spoke the same language – the language of joy!

*Name changed due to confidentiality



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We Care.

Banquet Thank You

Praise the Lord; we exceeded our goal! We are grateful to all who attended and donated at the banquet. We were blessed with Tommy Schoegler stepping in for Curtis Smith as emcee. We were blown away by the Pine Hills City Church Worship Team. We were astonished and encouraged with Gianna Jessen's testimony and words. We are grateful the Lord blessed us with so many talented and gifted people from Fort Wayne who gave their time to make the banquet possible. We dedicated the banquet to the Lord in prayer beforehand, and He showed us His mighty work through His people.

Parrish Leasing and Parrish Dedicated Services were most generous and underwrote the entire banquet so each of your donated dollars could go directly to A Hope Center's mission of transforming lives! We cannot thank the Parrish family enough and want to acknowledge all of their efforts to save lives in Fort Wayne and Allen County! Thank you, Parrish Leasing, Inc. and Parrish Dedicated Services, Inc.!



Don't Break the Bank

Support A Hope Center with your purchases!

For me, personally, summer usually entails at least one road trip. As each of us prepare for our different adventures in the car, think about renewing your registration with a "Choose Life" specialty license plate. **A Hope Center receives \$25 of every "Choose Life" license plate that is ordered.** If you are interested in purchasing a "Choose Life" license plate, follow the instructions below.



1. Visit <https://www.in.gov/bmv/2620.htm>
2. Select the Indiana Associate of Pregnancy Center's license for details.
3. When you renew your registration, request this license plate.
4. When you purchase this plate, \$25 is donated to A Hope Center through Choose Life Indiana!
5. Rock that license plate!

Support A Hope Center with your prayers!

Each month we publish a prayer calendar that keeps you updated on events and current prayer needs. We pray for everything from clients in need of intercession to open job positions. The prayer calendar is sent out via e-mail, so you can pen it at your convenience. We know you have a busy life, but we love our prayer warriors and want you to be a part of the ministry! If you are interested in joining our prayer team, please fill out the information on the back of this newsletter, including your e-mail, and return it to A Hope Center.

Strides of Hope

Our annual walk-a-thon is August 25th, at Shoaff Park. We gather every year to walk in remembrance of the babies that are no longer with us and to continue to fight for those to come. You can register on our website which will create a fundraising page for you to support A Hope Center and our efforts to save lives!

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Song of Solomon 2:11-13

See! The winter is past; the rains are over and gone. Flowers appear on the earth; the season of singing has come, the cooing of doves is heard in our land. The fig tree forms its early fruit; the blossoming vines spread their fragrance. Arise, come, my darling; my beautiful one, come with me."

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- I would like information for my church to get involved with A Hope Center
- I would like to receive the monthly prayer calendar.

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Contributions can also be made online at: www.ahopecenter.org