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**ROCKINGHAM PREGNANCY
CARE CENTER**
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MISSION STATEMENT

The Rockingham Pregnancy Care Center invests in the lives of women, children, and families by establishing and promoting healthy life patterns. We offer to our community the love and compassion of Jesus Christ and His plan for sexuality, marriage, and the family.

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*I've learned that people will
forget what you said, people
will forget what you did, but
people will never forget how
you made them feel.*

—Maya Angelou

Fighting the Old or Building the New?

The classical Greek philosopher Socrates once penned, "The secret of change is to focus all of your energy, not on fighting the old, but on building the new." Today, society as a whole is guilty of "fighting the old" when we should be "building the new." At the pregnancy care center we often see this come to light in the form of crisis and need in the lives of women, children, and families. The world is a much different place than it was when the center was birthed in 2002. Our community is seeing a rise in unemployment due to business closings. Violence is at a new all time high in the world. Around the globe people are protesting over whose lives matter. Those who are charged with protecting us are often fearful of doing their jobs. The

list can go on and on.

At the Rockingham Pregnancy Care Center, something that has not changed—the love we have for the mothers, fathers, and babies that come through our doors. All lives matter to us and we are committed to making their lives better. The struggle is sometimes overwhelming but, by building on the new, we strive to move them out of the current situation and into a better place.

We continue to offer practical pregnancy support, prenatal and parenting classes, maternity and baby clothing and supplies, community referrals, and spiritual and emotional support. The needs have not changed but the methods to reach out to the fullest extent have evolved. Our services continue to be provided free of charge. We feel that this is a very important time in the lives of the clients, and they deserve the care and attention provided by our trained staff and volunteers.

The center is a 501(c)3 organization. We receive no government funding and are sustained solely by the generous support of individuals, churches, organizations, and foundations as well as the help of many volunteers. We are forever grateful for those dedicated to making our organization viable. Without each of you, we would struggle to meet the needs that we see on a daily basis. Thank you for your commitment to make this world a better place ... one life at a time.

Sharon Wingate
Executive Director



Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

On January 13, 1984, President Ronald Reagan issued a proclamation designating January 22 as the first National Sanctity of Human Life Day. (January 22, 1973 was the day the U.S. Supreme Court legalized abortion-on-demand in all 50 states.) Churches around the United States use the day to celebrate God's gift of life, commemorate the many lives lost to abortion, and commit themselves to protecting human life at every stage.

Churches continue to recognize the third Sunday in January as Sanctity of Human Life Sunday. **In 2017, the date will be January 15.** If you would like to have someone from the center speak at your church, please call us at (336) 623-5540. We can also provide templates for bulletin inserts. Please let us know how we can best help you.

To be placed on our electronic mailing list, please send your email address to:



rockinghampcc@gmail.com



The Board of Directors welcomes *Mary Tabor* to our team. Mary is married to Byron Tabor and they have 6 children. As a busy wife and mother, we are grateful for Mary’s willingness to serve and are excited about the gifts and talents she brings to the center.



Volunteers are priceless to us!
The time commitment, skill set, or motivation in serving may vary, but the enormous impact on the health and well being of our organization is the same. We are grateful for the gifts each volunteer offers.

In this newsletter, the volunteer spotlight is on: *Janie Cassell*.

Always ready to lend a helping hand or offer a kind word, Janie has been serving at our front desk for over two years. Janie came to the center



after her doctor suggested she needed to get out of the house. She answers the telephone, schedules appointments, does small projects, or just “visits” with the clients as they come into the office. Janie’s love for the women and their babies is evident in her gentle nature and encouraging words. No job is too big for Janie and each project she completes, she does with a smile on her face.

Janie is married to John Cassell and has one son and two grandsons. She attends Valley Drive Baptist Church in Fieldale, VA.

Thank you, Janie, for the love you share with us at the Rockingham Pregnancy Care Center.



If you would like to give back to the Rockingham Pregnancy Care Center through your year-end giving, please complete the form below and return it in the enclosed, self-addressed envelope. You may designate your gift in honor or memory of someone special, and we will send a personal acknowledgment to those whom you designate. Gifts such as yours will help our organization as we reach out to mothers, children, and families in Rockingham County. With your help, we are making a difference.



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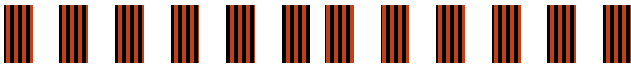
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Your donation is tax-deductible and you will be mailed a receipt.



Black Tie & Blue Jeans—Save the Date

On **May 6, 2017** we will host our 15th Black Tie & Blue Jeans event. Not only is this fund-raising event our main source of income, but it is our way of giving back to the community. Many things will be the same at the event—the delicious dinner, the quality of items in our live auction, and the broad array of items in our silent auction. There will be some changes in the event as we strive to make it better, including quicker check out and less crowded food lines. We hope you will attend.



It’s not just a date ... it’s a date that makes a difference!

