

# CARE Connections

# **FALL 2017**

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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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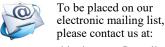
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# **Doorways and Chairs**

By Liz Luking, Client Services Director

I've always admired those people who felt called to one mission giving 100% to that one calling. Me? Well, seems I come upon open doors and typically, walk right in. These doorways have led me, among other places, into African villages, Central American mountains, Appalachian hollers, hospitals, homeless shelters, and even to board room chairs

It's hard to believe the doorway to the Rockingham Pregnancy Care Center opened before me 18 years ago. It was a friend, involved in the Greensboro PCC, who offered my name as a potential RPCC board member when our center was moving to be independent from the GPCC. Subsequently, I received a phone call, there was an open doorway, and I walked right in. Many a Tuesday night was spent sitting between the previous director, Gail Evans Jones, and Dr. Paul Sasser. A lot of time was spent running around, but it was those hours in a chair at the long wooden table in the center's backroom where plans were laid out and decisions were made.

Now flash forward 18 years. As client services director, I sit here in a chair at the computer searching for something meaningful to share with you. I know you've walked through some doorways. Some because you wanted to—some because you had to. I pray your experience has been like mine, where most have led to things that have challenged you, strengthened your faith, given you wisdom, and allowed you to help others who are hurting in this world. The doorway to the RPCC initially led me to that meeting room chair. These days I sit with mothers, fathers, and children in a counseling room chair. In both, I realize He sits there with us ... unseen visually ... but there. Waiting.

Where have your doorways taken you? Have you sat in many chairs? Sounds a bit strange, if not boring. But seriously, when you think about it, sitting down is where some serious business can get done. Whether it's one-on-one, face-to-face talking things out, teaching, counseling, comforting or whether it's sitting side by side ... planning, discussing, evaluating, singing, praying. Powerful stuff!

This powerful stuff is happening here at the RPCC! The door is open to you. We invite you to come in and sit with us to join the effort. There are many chairs to be filled ... prayer partners, donors, volunteers, and special project helpers. We'd love to have you ... we need your help in fulfilling our goal for clients to learn the power that is found in a relationship with Christ; how if the door is opened, He will walk in and sit down with us. He is there ... waiting.





May 5, 2018
It's not just a date ...
it's a date that makes a difference.



Sunday, January 21, 2018 If you would like to have someone from RPCC speak to your church, business, or civic group, please contact us at (336) 623-5540.

2017 Center Stats January—October

New Clients 75 Office Visits 221 Pregnancy Tests 26 CARE Connections



Please join us in welcoming Nia Grasty to the Board of

Directors of RPCC Nia is a resident of Eden, NC where she serves as a middle school teaching assistant. She is active in a variety of positions at New Beginning Restoration PHC Nia has a passion for the work of the pregnancy center and hopes to one day open a maternity home to serve women in need. Welcome, Nia! We are excited to have you as part of our team.

#### **Volunteers are Priceless to Us**



British charm and a big heart are distinctive traits of Patricia Hopper, volunteer receptionist.

Patricia was born and reared in Birchington Kent England. It was there she met her husband, Herman,

who was in the USAF.

Patricia came to the US in 1959 to marry Herman. They lived in various places including Florida, Washington State, North Carolina, and six years in Saudi Arabia where Patricia worked for the American School.

Patricia was blessed with five children. Six grandchildren and three great grandchildren complete her family (for now!) Her husband passed away in 2016 after 57 years of marriage.

Patricia is active at Central Christian Church in Eden. She serves on the Leadership Team and the Outreach Team. She began volunteering at the pregnancy care center 11 years ago after moving to Rockingham County. Patricia desired to "give back" and, since the pro life movement is close to her heart, she found the perfect fit at RPCC. Patricia states, "I am so blessed to be here. It is very rewarding to work with such good Christian people and for such a good cause.'

We love and appreciate you Patricia!

Volunteers are love in motion! —Author unknown

If you are interested in becoming a volunteer, please call our office at (336) 623-5540.

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- First Home Federal Savings and Loan for granting monies to update our office in order for clients to have a safe and comfortable place to come;
- First Presbyterian Church of Eden for allowing us to be part of the Fall Fest Yard Sale;
- Our many donors who provide tangible items that benefit our clients and provides resources we may not otherwise be able to afford;
- Our financial contributors because without you we would not meet our budget
- Our prayer partners for we know all things are possible for those who believe;
- Our volunteers who keep us running smoothly and efficiently;
- And most importantly—our Savior Jesus Christ who gives us a reason to do what we do!





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