

HEART BEAT



UNIS A LA CROIX United at the Cross

By Anne Waddell, Executive Director

This year unity has been a key word for us here at the Centre. Unity is harmony, agreement, all parts working together as one. That is our goal as Centre staff, board, and volunteers - to all work together for God's purpose and His glory. Psalm 133 proclaims, "How good and pleasant it is when God's people live together in unity!" and the psalm ends with this promise, "for there the Lord bestows his blessing, even life forevermore."

It is truly amazing what happens when the community comes together with shared vision and unified hearts.



Most recently, we saw evidence of this unity with the CAPCC Easter production, *That Towering Cross*. Over 100 volunteers, from over 20 churches throughout Central Alberta, gave their time and shared their gifts. We are so thankful for the sponsors, volunteers, and community that worked together to raise \$80,000 for the CAPCC housing project. We are humbled and blessed

to hear how people's hearts were touched and moved by *That Towering Cross*. Due to the great success of this Easter production, we will be making this an annual event – to bless the community and to raise money for the housing project.

Throughout the New Testament, God calls us to unity. He does this because He knows that only when we are in unity with Him and with each other, can He truly use us for His purposes and His glory. In order to achieve unity we must be in agreement – on who God is, what He has called us to, and how we will do it. We know the best way to achieve this is by seeking Him and His word.

We know that God values each and every life. We know that He longs to see lives transformed and reconciled to Him. Based on that knowledge, we are in agreement that He has called us to honour every life. We agree that the purpose of the CAPCC is to see God transform lives. We endeavor to save lives and heal hearts.

We believe the CAPCC programs and services are in place for that purpose. Together we are able to offer support and education on options, a post abortion recovery and education program, a parenting program, a sexual health program, and we are working towards providing safe housing and having accessible pregnancy centres throughout Central Alberta. Together, as staff, board, volunteers, and supporters of the CAPCC, we are doing this! Great things are done when God's people work together!

Thank you for partnering with us, for sharing in the vision of what God has called us to. As you read through this newsletter, I trust you will see God's hand at work and the evidence of your support and His blessing. To God be the glory!



Anne Waddell

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OLDS CENTRE NEWS

By Rita Fahlman, Olds Centre Director

We are grateful for the overwhelming community support and attendance at our annual banquet on March 4, 2015. The event was a testimony to the embrace we feel from all businesses and people in the Counties of Mountainview and Kneehill. The main focus of the evening was real people, sharing real stories, about the real issues that we see daily at the Centre. We have the hope of creating new stories for our clients and those yet to come.



Rita Fahlman
Olds Centre Director

We are excited in Olds to grow and reach more women, men, and their families! We are increasing our space to include a classroom (for family and group sessions), an office, and a clothing boutique for clients and children up to age two.

Our focus and hope is to not only connect with our clients but also to encourage clients to connect within their community, where they will be nurtured to maturity. As local churches are welcoming and embracing our clients, we are seeing this become a reality! We encourage you to stop by the Centre and see how your prayers and financial support are allowing this to happen in the Olds Centre.

God bless you, Rita.

DID YOU KNOW?

Steps to Sexual Health is a 10 week *individual* program which provides restoration and a new perspective for those dealing with **sexual misuse, trauma, or abuse**.

In 2014, 43 clients participated in this program in Red Deer and Olds.

HOUSING PROJECT

Work is well underway at the new property! We are 90% complete on the demolition. By early May we will be ready to commence floor preparation with framing to follow soon after. We plan to have our first client(s) ready to move into the facility in October of this year. Along with the all the activity for this Phase I, we have also commenced activity on our Capital Campaign in support of Phase II. As many of you know, donations will be matched by Eagle Builders Inc. up to \$1 million.

We have been blessed with volunteers along the way and we welcome anyone interested in helping to please contact Edie Hiebert at 403.343.1611 to discuss opportunities or to answer any questions you may have. You can also visit our website for Capital Campaign updates.



BOARD NEWS: STEWARDSHIP ON YOUR BEHALF

Janella Spearing



Having celebrated 30 years of marriage and having been a stay-at-home mom of two sports-involved boys, I have always held family at a high value. Through church, school, and sport community involvement, I have been given the opportunity to work and serve on various committees and fundraising campaigns and have acquired a diverse range of professional experience. I hope to share

my experience and gifts, knowing that God will continue to stretch me to the person He wants me to be.

I am both humbled and excited to have the opportunity to serve such an impactful part of our community - the Pregnancy Care Centre. I am humbled by the dedication and commitment of the pioneers and the visionaries and I am excited about the future that is unfolding. It is with great prayer and a heart for justice that I move into this area of service. With the recent passing of my sweet mom, I feel that this is a wonderful way to honour her, as she once faced the decision to give a child up for adoption. I look forward to the exciting future that God has shaped for such open and giving hearts that are walking in His plan!

Jan Hartley

Almost two years ago I retired from full time ministry. I had become aware of my non-involvement with my community and I prayed to the LORD to lead me to a facility where I could be of service. A few days later I met with Anne



and I applied to join the Pregnancy Care Centre, which I have supported for the last 17 years. I am happy that the LORD answered my prayer so quickly! I look forward to working with Anne, the Board, and all those at the Centre, for the glory of God and the joy of the people of Central Alberta.

EVENTS CALENDAR

- **2015 Baby Bottle Campaign** – This annual campaign runs from Father’s Day to Mother’s Day. In 2014 we collected over \$49,000! If you would like to find out how you can participate call the Centre.
- **‘We Care, We Ride’ Motorcycle Rally** - September 12, 2015
- **Annual Fall Fundraising Banquet** – October 22, 2015 at the Sheraton Red Deer Hotel

For information on any of the above events visit
www.pregnancycares.ca/events or contact Michelle
at info@pregnancycares.ca or 403.343.1611.



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HOW YOU CAN GET INVOLVED

CALL TO ACTION:

- Diapers sizes 3, 4 & 5
- Baby wipes
- Baby wash and diaper cream

If you can help meet one of these needs, please call the Centre at 403.343.1611.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES:

- Male Mentor *
- Client Advocate *
- Nurses for one-on-one prenatal classes*
- Receptionist *
- 24 hour help -line *
- Church Liaison
- Newsletter and Group Service Projects—Great opportunity for youth or small groups!
- Cleaning
- Building Maintenance

*Requires training

Volunteer opportunities can be from a one hour occasional commitment to a few hours every week. Please contact our Client Services Director, Linda, for more information about volunteering.

CLIENT OUTREACH:

- Volunteer Training – Our next volunteer training dates in Red Deer are September 17- December 10, 2015. Classes run on Thursday mornings from 9:00am to 12:00pm. Training will also be offered in Olds in the fall.
- We are open on Wednesday evenings from 6:00pm-8:00pm for male mentorship.

For more information on the above programs call the Centre at 403.343.1611 or email us at info@pregnancycare.ca.

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The Central Alberta Pregnancy Care Centre is a not-for-profit, Christian charity supported by the generous contributions of individuals, churches, community groups and businesses. Our mission is to offer support and education in a loving, Christian environment to individuals and families impacted by pregnancy.

We are glad to share news of the Centre's ongoing work with you. If you no longer wish to receive this newsletter, please call Michelle @ 403.343.1611 or email info@pregnancycare.ca.

As per the Alberta Charitable Fundraising Act and Regulations Section 4(1)(c) and 4(2); with this newsletter we hope to raise \$25,000 at an estimated cost of \$4000.

The CAPCC is a registered charitable organization (Charity #11911 2357 RR 0001). Donations are tax deductible, and tax receipts are sent once per year. Spending of funds is confined to programs and projects approved by the Board of Directors. Each restricted contribution designated towards such an approved program or project will be used as designated with the understanding that when the need for such a program or project has been met, or cannot be completed for any reason determined by the organization, the remaining restricted contributions will be used where needed most.