

June 2017

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calendar

Clark County Right to Life

A Voice for Life in Southwest
Washington since 1970

July 17 Cascade
Park Library
Community
Room. 5:30 fair
booth volunteer
orientation. 6:30
meeting. Public
welcome.

August 4-13 Clark
County Fair.
CCRTL exhibit.
Volunteers
needed to staff
the booth.

September 18
annual meeting
location TBD.

40 Days for Life
Sept. 27-Nov. 6

Send donations to us
at PO Box 1652,
Vancouver, WA
98668.

Donate online at
www.clarkrtl.org.

Email
4life@clarkrtl.org.

CCRTL is a chapter
of Human Life of
Washington State,
an affiliate of the
National Right to
Life Committee.

Adoption: One Woman's Story

This is an open letter—an appeal to any young unmarried woman agonizing over the discovery of an unplanned pregnancy and deciding whether to have an abortion. I hope—and pray—that reading my story will help you in reaching one of the most important and life-altering decisions you will make in your life.

I'm in my 80's now and when I was in my mid-twenties and not yet married I allowed myself—by careless behavior—to be taken advantage of by a man I hardly knew. After a few “dates” we said goodbye as I was moving halfway across the country. Not long after—in my new city—I became ill, found a doctor in the yellow pages and learned I was pregnant. I contacted the fellow responsible and he wanted no part of the situation.

I was blessed to have my sister with me. We took an apartment together. We both had jobs and I fabricated a story about an absentee husband. My doctor put me in touch with a lawyer who handled adoptions. Being Catholic I did not consider never having the baby.

I met and approved the adopting couple and they took care of all medical expenses. The baby was a girl and I did not

see her when she was taken from the delivery room. I was sent a photo of her at a few months of age.

She grew up, married and had 3 sons when she found me. Her husband said, “We looked for you for a long time.” I have met her children and they have met my son and his family. We stay in touch and are looking forward to another visit soon. I've also met her adoptive parents and they welcomed me with open arms.

So if you are pregnant...and like me... don't want to be, know that adoption may be the right option for you and



your baby. Today adoptions may include ongoing contact with the adoptive family and with your baby. Local pregnancy resource center volunteers provide confidential and caring support and information about parenting and adoption.

God works in wonderful ways. Have your baby –God bless you.

Anonymous

A message from our President Tina Bock

Pro-abortion media bias is nothing new. The powerful political, social and business forces behind the abortion industry use the media to “create a narrative” which uses every opportunity to tell a pro-abortion story by leaving out “inconvenient facts”. For example, the latest Planned Parenthood annual report shows over 300,000 abortions and under 10,000 pre-natal services. That’s 30 to 1 odds that “pregnancy which begins in the womb will end at Planned Parenthood.” And yet when Congress proposes defunding PP I see articles about the good PP does for low income women, offering a variety of services, with abortion being a small percentage.

More health care and less abortion.

Why am I sharing this in our local Right to Life newsletter? Be-

cause it's time the advocates FOR WOMEN, FOR LIFE take back the narrative. Our Board recently discussed how, where, when and what message we would like to see advertised locally that extends our message, our narrative.

Special Fund for Billboards

We plan to use our Special Project funds to have our message displayed on billboards across the county. We would like to strategically get them out in the fall, to coincide with 40 Days for Life. Additionally, we would prefer to have it be ongoing to attract more viewers.

Billboards cost money. And so I am reaching out to you, our Pro-Life community. No donation is too small. Be sure to specify the “Special Projects Fund” or

“Billboards”.

Pro-Life = Pro-Woman

Use this opportunity to start conversations in your church, neighborhoods or with family about our billboard project. Expanding our Pro-Life community will help get our message out: Pro-Life = Pro-Woman.

We are here to help women in need. Help us spread the word. I look forward to seeing some of you at the Clark County Fair this summer, as well as connecting on our Facebook page. Thank You.

Be the voice of the vulnerable

Staffing a booth at the county fair August 4-13 is a FUN way to show your support for all human life, from conception to natural death. CCRTL needs *people like you* to work in pairs in our positive, uplifting space that affirms the

value and dignity of all human beings. Many fair patrons will stop by to *thank you* for your peaceful presence as you offer them a balloon, hand stamp, educational material, and/or list of community resources for expecting mothers and

babies.

We reach thousands of fair attendees every August, and we appreciate our volunteers for supporting life and offering thought-provoking literature *while smiling to all* who pass by. Shifts

are 4 or 4.5 hours long, and we provide entrance and parking passes, so please consider helping us educate the public in an enjoyable way. You’ll be glad you did! For more info, contact Ann: amakara@gmail.com, [360-910-1907](tel:360-910-1907).

Welcome, Esther Ripplinger, new Executive Director of Human Life of Washington State.

Human Life has a brand new website with lots of information and resources and opportunities to sign up for email alerts and newsletters.

www.humanlife.net



