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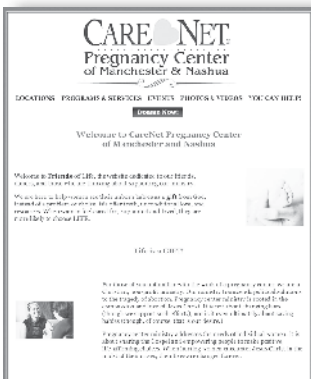
## ANNOUNCING:

Our New  
**DONOR WEBSITE**  
AND  
New **SOHL Video**  
available now for  
download

If you've ever checked out our Donor Website: [www.TheFriendsOfLife.org](http://www.TheFriendsOfLife.org), we would like to invite you to look again. And if you have never visited our site, now is the perfect time.

Thanks to one of our volunteers who has expertise in this area, our site has been updated and even though it's still under construction, we think you will find it useful in understanding what is going on at our local centers and how you can get involved.

Click on the "Events" tab and you will find information about Sanctity of Human Life observance, including a new video piece that you can download and view or copy. It features the client who spoke at our Fall Banquet (see article and photo on page 2). Many of you requested that we make her story into a SOHL video, and we thought you had a good idea.



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# GOOD overcomes EVIL

**I**n January we will—as we have for a generation now—remember the 39th anniversary of the infamous *Roe v. Wade* ruling, which legalized abortion across the United States, throughout all nine months, for virtually any reason.

As the years pass, it is easy to become discouraged, to wonder whether we are indeed making a difference, unless . . .

**UNLESS** of course, we realize that as pregnancy care ministries like ours continue to grow, the number of pregnancies ending in abortion continues to drop nationwide.

**UNLESS** we notice that the number of abortion clinics throughout our country is *dropping* once again.

**UNLESS** we consider the fact that while *Roe* was a tragic decision, *this tragedy opened the door to the opening of thousands of pregnancy care ministries*, where lives are being saved and hearts are being healed, and where believers of all denominations are faithfully sharing the hope of Jesus Christ with literally millions of people.

**UNLESS** we focus on the women who come through our door convinced that abortion is the only option for them—and after meeting with a compassionate counselor and perhaps being introduced to their baby in the ultrasound room—choose life.

So yes, it's easy to become discouraged and wonder "why?" Yet even as we remember the consequences of this Supreme Court decision, let's also remember those who—when they saw a wrong committed—chose to put feet to their faith and take loving action.

The apostle Paul in the Book of Romans tells us, "Do not be overcome by evil, but overcome evil with good (Romans 12:21)." This is a battle plan for spiritual warfare, and when it comes to abortion—no plan fits this model better than pregnancy care ministries.

As we remember January of 1973, I also think of the many, many of you reading this newsletter that decided to take action and get involved in Care Net Pregnancy Center of Manchester and Nashua. You pray, you give your time and effort, and you give your financial resources. It is people like you who are—quite literally—taking Paul's words to heart and overcoming evil with good.

Thank you to each of you who choose life, and demonstrate that choice by your commitment to Care Net. You are doing good, and each day we take a step closer to winning this epic spiritual battle.

"In him was life, and that life was the light of all mankind. The light shines in the darkness, and the darkness has not overcome it."

—John 1:4-5

## LEAVING A LEGACY



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**THE THEME OF OUR ANNUAL BANQUET AND FUNDRAISER, *Leave a Legacy*, was made real when we heard Kristin's story. With a legacy of anger, depression, violence and abuse drowning this pregnant woman, a visit to Care Net began the journey that has brought her to a place of redemption, healing, restoration, and purpose. In her own words:**

God met me at my darkest moment and led me on a path that He blessed with many things: my beautiful, intelligent, hilarious, fun little boy, [who at times I feel completely undeserving of, my Care Net family, which still plays a big role in my life and a loving supportive encouraging church family. Care Net helped me rebuild my life, reinstate my faith and gave me a foundation to be the very best parent I can be.

It is amazing what one appointment at Care Net can lead to. The transformation of a life forges a new legacy.



Kristin and her son have a legacy of life because she visited Care Net.

## Care Net's 2011 Banquet

**OUR KEYNOTE SPEAKER SHAUNA AMICK** encouraged us that it's the small things we do or participate in that builds a legacy for generations to come. We often find our serendipitous involvement is actually God's doing in order to strategically place us in His plan and purposes. Our attendance at the Care Net Banquet may be the catalyst God will use so we may participate in the legacy of Life being built in our communities . . . What legacy will we leave?

**THE 2011 BANQUET AND FUNDRAISER** was the culmination of months of prayer. The table hosts filled their tables with many new friends and that was our prayer as we planned the event. Our new and standing friends responded generously to the call to participate in leaving a legacy of life. As we heard what God has done this past year, we were impassioned to do more. With a step-up in hours, technology, and services to negative tested clients and Spanish-speaking women, we are expecting an increase in opportunities and good outcomes. We are grateful to all those over the 26 years who have left a legacy of love and truth that has saved many from the tragedy of abortion.

Best of all, we are honored to be among the company that includes men and women who sacrifice to ensure

that the Sanctity of Human life is upheld. We are heartened to know that the body of Christ is represented beyond any denomination-al lines, but comes as ONE to support a mission on "main street" that reaches those who are making life and death decisions. A life hangs in the balance and we are there for that life and all those who will be affected by this choice! May they leave a new legacy because they experienced God's love and heard the truth.



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Keynote Speaker Shauna Amick, Executive Director, Joni and Friends, New England

### 2011 BANQUET UNDERWRITERS

We are grateful for the faith these businesses and individuals demonstrated as they gave upfront gifts to underwrite our banquet.

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### MARK YOUR CALENDAR

**Sanctity of Human Life Sunday:** January 22, 2012

**Baby Bottle Benefit:** Can be done anytime. Call Centers.

**Walk for Life:** May 12, 2012

**Annual Fundraising Banquet:** October, 2012

**Post Abortion Recovery Bible Study:** Call either Center for details.

**Volunteer Training:** Call Centers for next date.

### MINISTRY NEEDS

**Maternity clothes:** newer, fashionable, all sizes

**Diapers:** size newborn to 4, and wipes

**New infant car seats** always needed (Clients can't take baby home from the hospital without one.)

**PLEASE NOTE: due to liability issues, we are no longer able to accept used car seats or cribs.**

### MAILING LIST NOTICE

If you would like to be removed from our mailing list, or have a change of info, call Linda at the Nashua Center • 883-9355, or send an e-mail to: [Linda@carenetnh.org](mailto:Linda@carenetnh.org).

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# Sanctity of Human Life Sunday January 22, 2012

**YOU can celebrate the  
Sanctity of Human Life!  
HOW?**

- \* Encourage your pastor to talk about the sanctity of human life.
- \* Participate in our sixth annual Baby Bottle Benefit.
- \* Have a Baby Shower to bless Care Net Pregnancy Center's clients.
- \* Volunteer! Invite a Speaker! Give an offering!
- \* Talk with your family, friends, and neighbors about the issues.
- \* Pray for your local Care Net Pregnancy Center.
- \* Take a stand for LIFE!



Life is a  
**GIFT**

**Call either Center for more information:  
623-5534 or 883-9355**