



CARE NET®

April 2017 - Happy Spring!

"And those who are peacemakers will plant seeds of peace and reap a harvest of goodness." (James 3:18)

Office Hours:

Newark:

Mon, Thurs, Fri 10-3
Tues 10-6pm
Additional hours by appt.

Needs:

One male mentor, willing to work through Practical Fatherhood lessons with male clients 1-2x/week for about one hour. This person would have opportunity to view DVD training and learn from the current male mentor to prepare!

Two Care Net board members, one preferably from Sodus or Williamson (We meet 12x/year)

Vision & Mission:

Care Net of Wayne County envisions a culture where abortion is forgotten, where life for the unborn is championed, and families are transformed through the gospel of Jesus Christ.

Care Net's mission is to offer Christ-centered compassion, hope, and help to women and men facing unexpected pregnancy and making life-changing decisions.

WHAT CAN I DO?

My name is Mrs. Robert Stotts (Joyce) of Newark. I am so pleased to be serving as a volunteer for Care Net of Wayne County for several months now. Bob and I have been supporting Care Net of Wayne Cty. for over a decade through paychecks and donations. However, abt. 1 yr. ago, I traveled with a group of believers to Washington, D.C. for "DC Cry", at which large groups of believers gathered on one end of The Mall to hear Christian Leaders speak on the need for repentance in the US, to personally repent publicly and ask God to rescue our country from the downward spiral we're in. While there, we were pounded at a sideways angle by freezing rain and sleet via a fierce wind! We sat there for many hours, repenting and wrestling in prayer while our soaked feet and half-frozen hands distracted us.

After awhile, Ted Cruz's father, Pastor Rafael Cruz, came out and prayed for forgiveness for the 57 million American babies that had been aborted since Roe vs. Wade (lots more now). I was shocked and began to wail and cry out to God for forgiveness in a big way, asking Him to show me how He sees the U.S. in light of so many abortions. What followed struck me to the core. God gave me a mind-picture of the U.S. covered in blood with baby parts strewn from sea to shining sea! I wailed and wailed, "OH, GOD, WHAT CAN I DO?" Then the Lord showed me that my attitude about abortion was way too casual. I was more than content to simply throw \$10-20 in the mail and say "I did my part", while MILLIONS of babies were being slaughtered and their body parts sold as a medical commodity!!! At that moment I realized what a sinful attitude I had been holding in my heart. A \$20.00 donation being enough? OH GOD, HAVE MERCY! HAVE MERCY!! The entire next 4-5 weeks, the vision of the bloody map returned to me over and over, until one day I called to ask if our local Care Net would consider letting me become a volunteer; and I have never looked back. It has been my privilege to do whatever I am able to help Deb and her staff save babies, improve families' lives, display compassion, and shine the light of the Gospel to clients.

Since my background is as a NYS Bilingual School Translator and Spanish Tutor for Newark Central Schools (26 yrs.), BOCES and at times, for several other local school districts, I immediately also offered my services to translate for Care Net. Since we are starting to receive clients who require translation, I recently added those services to my volunteer responsibilities. What a privilege and joy to know that the skills God instilled in me at a young age will be used to save His little ones and to help build families!

Dear ones, I want to encourage all of you to face the Lord and ask Him sincerely what more can you do to help stop the slaughter of innocents. I know He will show you how deeply He cares about this issue and to not take it lightly. God Bless You All for your help & support, as you follow in His footsteps!

---Joyce E. Stotts

IN MEMORIAM: We would like to acknowledge the many loving friends and family who contributed to Care Net in honor of Alex Kehoe, who passed away suddenly on December 14. Through your help, you are affirming his love of life and belief in life eternal.



Care Net Board

Deb Stoep - Executive Director
Dennis Blankenburg - Chairman
Ora Rothfuss - Treasurer

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Care Net Staff

Andrea Johns - Sonographer, Lactation Counselor
Kelly Reynolds - Office Administrator

SAVE THE DATE:

November 10, 2017 is the annual Fundraising Banquet. Tickets are 25 per ticket, no couple prices. However, if you, your church, or your business wants to underwrite a table, you will get 10 spaces for \$200—the best deal. Catering will be done by Simply Elegant out of Seneca Falls and features roast beef and chicken and much more. This year the Lighthouse Fellowship of Wolcott is hosting the banquet. **EVERYONE DESERVES A BIRTHDAY** doors open at 5, and dinner is at 6. The speakers—yes, two of them, are a surprise. For dessert, we will be offering a **CAKE AUCTION!** Going, going, going, until gone. Maybe you can make a cake to donate or buy a cake to share!



PRAISES:

One of our recent clients has come in at least 2x/week to learn about safety, infant nutrition and development, attachment and bonding, learning and reading and music, and more! Busy with many work hours and a baby, she has made great progress. Pray for her to realize her need for a Savior.

Plans are underway to offer Care Net on Call (intake, pregnancy tests, information and material aid) at the **Sodus Bible Baptist Church!!** Care Net on Call is for people who need timely, local services. They will be referred to an office of the church on Wednesdays from 10-2.

BABY BOTTLE BOOMERANG ...

Thanks go to you who gathered bottles, who filled them, who counted money and rolled change at our big oak table. Pregnancy centers could not exist or continue without the strong core of volunteer help. We are also grateful to the churches who have not returned their bottles yet. We could not take care of them all at once! Several churches run the baby bottle drive from May to June. Have wonderful Mother's Days and Father's Days, friends!

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Please find out how your employee gift matching program works. It may be more cost-effective and reliably directed toward Care Net of Wayne County if you set up monthly giving through online bill pay. Also, we are contacting area businesses to invite their support and to send them Care Net information for their employees.

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