



Ashtabula County Friends for Life



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President's Note:

Our several activities in the last couple of months were all successful. The Ashtabula County Fair went well even though it was a hot week. Our quilt raffle brought in much needed funds. The Grape Jamboree Parade was also much fun – see details below. Please join us for Celebrate Life which is fast approaching. Not long after that, we will be sponsoring the Candlelight Vigil. Above all, I encourage each and every one of you to get out to vote pro-life on Election Day taking the enclosed ballot card. And don't forget to pray for this election - that pro-life leaders will be elected to office. God bless.

Your FFL Board President,

Crystal Latimer (440) 466-7441

Mark your calendars

- Tues., Nov. 2** – Don't forget to vote **Pro-Life**
- Tues., Nov. 30** – **November/December** Combined meeting, "Celebrate Life!"
- Dec. 25th:** the birthday of a Savior unplanned by human parents! Merry Christmas
- Monday, January 3** – FFL meeting, 7PM
- Sunday, January 23** – Candlelight Vigil, 6PM
- Monday, January 24** – March for Life, DC
- Monday, February 7** - FFL meeting, 7PM

Celebrate Life – Tuesday, November 30

Mike Gonadakis, Director of Ohio Right to Life will be our guest speaker. Come and join us for an enjoyable evening beginning at 6:00 PM. Donations of diapers (or cash) will once again be accepted for Birthcare. They are mostly in need of diaper sizes 4, 5, or 6, but any size will be appreciated. All those who bring a donation of diapers or cash for Birthcare will be entered in a door prize drawing. Come and take part fellowshiping with other pro-lifers. Refreshments will be served.



County Fair

We had a great time at the fair this year. All volunteers reported for their turn at manning the booth. Thanks to all who came out to help and to the visitors as well. We sold some pro-life t-shirts, handed out literature and candy, and collected signatures for pro-life petitions. We heard positive comments about our presence and added to our email and mailing lists. It is very gratifying to have so many folks approach and express their appreciation for Friends for Life. The picture above shows the happy Hanchosky family helping out.

Sidewalk Ministry

Here's the schedule for the rest of the month. It's lighter than usual because of 40 Days for Life. The sidewalk ministry will stay the same; focus - health risks associated with birth control. Come on out and hold a sign one of these fine fall days. Email to littleguitars868@gmail.com or call Sarah at 440-969-8380 for November's schedule.....

- 10/14 (Thursday) 3:30-5:30pm
- 10/18 (Monday) 3:30-5:30pm
- 10/21 (Thursday) 3:30-5:30pm
- 10/25 (Monday) 1:30-3:30pm
- 10/28 (Thursday) 3:30-5:30pm

Quilt Raffle

After delaying our raffle drawing to give us more time to sell tickets, we drew the winning ticket at our September meeting. The winner of the beautiful patriotic quilt was Marilyn Brommer, wife of Roy Brommer, candidate for County Auditor. Friends for Life brought in over \$400 with this fund raiser. Praise the Lord!



Grape Jamboree Parade

On Saturday, September 25th, Friends for Life took part in the Grape Jamboree Parade. Around 42 rode on the float or walked. Some helped hand out candy as others passed out a pro-life ballot card. Our theme was "Be a lifesaver, Vote pro-life." We received applause numerous times by parade attendees. Thanks to all who helped make this event a success to us, especially to Roger Williams, Sara Perts, Karen & Jerry Rose, and Phil & Cathie Schmidt.

Teen Training Workshops

TEENS-- Get the facts and fellowship you need to be a true representative of the right to life! Check out Lake County Right to Life's FREE Teen Training Workshops, held each third Friday of the month at the Immaculate Conception Church in Madison, Ohio. Get the low-down on topics like, "Abortion 101", "The Birth Control Link", "Abortion Law in America", "Who Is Planned Parenthood?", "Sidewalk Counseling", and much, much, more. The next workshop will be held November 19th at 7:00PM. Snacks and drinks provided. For more information, call Sara Perts at 440-969-8380.

3rd Annual Pro-Life Oratory Contest

Please be thinking about the next oratory contest coming up in March. To all who know a pro-life high school junior or senior, remind them to be working on a five minute speech about abortion, euthanasia, stem cell research, or infanticide. Let's get our young people thinking about why they believe the way they do and teach them how to make a difference.

Blankets of Love Program

Do you like to knit, crochet or quilt? Please consider donating your blankets to FFL for the Blankets of Love program. We provide baby blankets for *Birthcare*, *Fresh Start*, *GRADS*, and *WIC*. We have created a little card shaped like a diaper to attach to each blanket donated, indicating to each recipient God's love and that the blanket was handmade by a Friends for Life volunteer.

40 Days for Life

Once again the Fall 40 Days for Life Campaign is underway. The dates are from Wednesday, Sept. 22 - Sunday, Oct. 31. I will be going to Ashtabula Family Planning on West 44th on Wednesday's from 2:00 PM to 4:00 PM. If anyone is interested in joining us please let me know. Or let me know what day/time you are interested in and I will try to join you. Just a reminder that 40 Days for Life is a powerful weapon to end abortion one person at a time, through prayer and fasting and our peaceful presence. For more information or to let me know that you'll be joining me, you can reach me via email tadew1456@yahoo.com or my cell 440-969-8293. Thanks, Traci

Do You Have a FFL Church Contact?

FFL would love to have someone in each church who would receive information on special FFL projects and events. He/she would share these prolife opportunities through their church's newsletters, bulletins, etc. - with the approval of the Pastor and/or Elders, of course. Contact Crystal at 466-7441 if you can be a Contact, even if you are unable to attend meetings or special events.