

**Summer  
2012**  
Quarterly  
Newsletter



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### ***What's New!***

## **KC BBQ Drawing**

Now is your chance to enter Birthright's annual drawing for winner's choice of the beautiful handmade quilt shown below or a dining package consisting of gift certificates to Quincy area restaurants. To enter, simply fill out the enclosed drawing ticket and mail it to the Birthright office or visit the Birthright Booth at the KC BBQ. **NO MONEY IS REQUIRED TO ENTER THIS DRAWING prior to the KC BBQ, and the winner will be announced at the end of the BBQ.**

**Additional Donations are being accepted by Birthright to cover the costs of the drawing and other expenses. Suggested donation is \$1 for 1 or \$5 for 6. As always, thanks for your support and good luck!**



## **Birthright at the 2012 KC BBQ**

Are the kids ready for a treat? How about you—craving something sweet? Look for the Birthright Booth at the KC BBQ this year. As always, we'll be serving up the area's best homemade baked goods along with fun for the kids. Take some time to visit with the volunteers and thank them for their service. If you believe in what they are doing, tell them!

### ***What Is Birthright?***

*We are a non-profit, non-political, non-denominational, service organization that offers pregnant women and girls the non-judgmental emotional and practical support they need to make responsible and educated decisions about their future and that of their unborn child.*

### ***What Do We Offer?***

**FREE & CONFIDENTIAL:**

***Friendship & Support  
Reliable Pregnancy Tests  
Maternity Clothes  
Baby Clothes  
Information  
Referrals***

Check out our local website @  
[www.birthrightquincyil.org](http://www.birthrightquincyil.org)  
or email us at  
[birthrightquincyil@att.net](mailto:birthrightquincyil@att.net)

## Inspirational Quotes About Serving Others

*"The life I touch for good or ill will touch another life, and that in turn another, until who knows where the trembling stops or in what far place my touch will be felt."*

Frederick Buechner

*"If I can stop one heart from breaking, I shall not live in vain; If I can ease one life the aching, Or cool one pain, Or help one fainting robin Up to his nest again, I shall not live in vain."*

Emily Dickinson

*"It is one of the most beautiful compensations of life, that no man can sincerely try to help another without helping himself."*

Ralph Waldo Emerson

*"Time and money spent in helping people to do more for themselves is far better than mere giving."*

Henry Ford

*"Life's most urgent question is: What are you doing for others?"*

Martin Luther King, Jr.

*"The greatest virtues are those which are most useful to other persons."*

Aristotle

*"If something comes to life in others because of you, then you have made an approach to immortality."*

Norman Cousins

*"No one is useless in this world who lightens the burdens of another."*

Charles Dickens



**Helping  
expecting  
Mothers &  
their Babies in  
Quincy since  
1973!**

## Testimonial . . .

*I found myself in the scariest position a young, single woman could be in—facing unexpected parenthood. Terrified and uneducated, I only saw one way out. By miracle, I stumbled upon Birthright in Quincy. Birthright relieved some of the financial burdens & pressures causing me to be scared and "inhibited." Birthright paid off a former lease, kept me current with rent, and even assisted in filing my taxes! Without these burdens, I was able to focus on more important things, and able to see the many options available to me.*

*Birthright also provided emotional support--something that was hard to find elsewhere. Birthright & its volunteers exposed all of my options, with no pressure, force, or judgment, letting me make the final decisions. This empowered me to do the right thing, and grow as a person. Birthright & its volunteers truly cared about me & brought it upon themselves to make "my problem their problem." They were able to connect with me on a very personal level, and I have made some friends for life. Thanks to Birthright, Hunter Joseph is expected to arrive on Aug. 19! Without Birthright, I wouldn't be where I am today.*

**-Chelsea- Renee**

## Volunteer Spotlight



### Sherry Stoneking & Tammy Schmitz

*Sherry & Tammy have been sewing together for 20 years. Sherry & Robert have been married for 30 yrs. She loves to sew for Birthright because she & her husband have been unable to have children but feel very strongly the need to help save the unborn from abortion...our beautiful quilt was lovingly made and donated this year by Sherry.*

*Tammy & Edwin have been married for 34yrs. They have 2 kids and 4 grandkids who are the most precious gifts that God could ever give them. Tammy believes that every child has a purpose in God's world so she also loves to help Birthright by making these beautiful quilts to raise needed funds to keep our services available.*

## Upcoming Events

### **Annual K of C BBQ Bake Sale**

**Thursday thru Sunday, August 2012**

**Stop by the Birthright Booth and support our "sweet" organization!**

### **3<sup>rd</sup> Annual Birthright Trivia Night**

**Saturday, November 3<sup>rd</sup>, 7pm, St. Dominic Gym**

**Brand new and improved general trivia along with everything else that made last year awesome! Plus new this year—BYOB! Gather your Team and don't miss out!**

### **Volunteer Training Session**

**At the Birthright Office. Contact Patty at 440-8388 for more details if you're interested.**

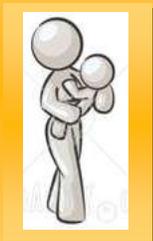
## We Did It Again!

Thanks to everyone who helped Birthright's 2012 Dogwood Float depicting a child's first lemonade stand win the MAYOR'S AWARD! Mark your



calendars and be sure to join us next year for the planning, creating, and of course ... parading!

### **Birthright of Quincy CLIENT STATISTICS**



**3<sup>rd</sup> Quarter 2011 (Jul-Sep)**

35 clients served

**4<sup>th</sup> Quarter 2011 (Oct-Dec)**

29 clients served

**1<sup>st</sup> Quarter 2012 (Jan-Mar)**

33 clients served

**2<sup>nd</sup> Quarter 2012 (Apr-Jun)**

37 clients served

# Thank YOU

Thank you to the Knights of Columbus Council #583, especially former Grand Knight Phil Haxel and new Grand Knight Bill Anderson for your continued support of Birthright!

Thank you to Sherry Stoneking and Tammy Schmitz for the beautiful handmade quilt!

Thank you to Leo Zanger and Zanger Realty for your continued support!

Thank you to everyone who helped with our 2012 Dogwood float and to the judges who awarded Birthright the Mayor's Award!

It is the right of every pregnant woman to give birth . . . and the right of every child to be born.

Birthright of Quincy



Thank you to all who respond to our newsletter with your generous donations!

Thank you to all of the wonderful Birthright volunteers for everything you do for the mothers and babies of our community!

Want to get in touch with Birthright of Quincy or subscribe to our newsletter? Call (217)224-1277 or (217)440-8388 E-mail us: [birthrightquincyl@att.net](mailto:birthrightquincyl@att.net) Visit us @ [www.birthrightquincyl.org](http://www.birthrightquincyl.org)



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## *Letter from the Director*

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*P*lease take a quiet moment every day to thank God for all of our blessings! It seems that everywhere we go there are people discontent and upset, for various reasons; some obvious (the government ... the heat and drought) and some not so obvious (a personal crisis in their family ... an illness.) Please take the time to offer a smile to a stranger at the store ... hold the door open for a little old lady ... pick up a penny and say a prayer for someone who may need it even more than you do.

Volunteering at Birthright always reminds me of just how very blessed I am to live in such a wonderful community where so many people sacrifice & care deeply for those who are less fortunate. I'm amazed at how the generosity of so many caring people allows us to do so much more here at Birthright to really make a difference in people's lives.

Because of you, lives and futures are made better and changed for eternity! As always, it is only by again asking for your continued support both financially & through prayer that we are able to continue serving these young women and babies .

Please support us now by adding an extra donation and entering our K of C BBQ drawing. As always, two winners will enjoy our beautiful hand-made quilt and Quincy "Dining Out" package donated by various Quincy Restaurant supporters. You can enter the drawing via mail or by visiting our booth at the K of C BBQ. Don't forget to pick up some fresh homemade baked goods while you're there!

God Bless You!

Sincerely,

*Patty Adam*

Patty Adam, Director, Birthright of Quincy



**HELP YOUR COMMUNITY . . . PLEASE DONATE!**

*We are asking for the support of your donation—whether it be financial assistance or the gift of new maternity or baby clothes. Your support is vital to our mission, as we are staffed entirely by volunteers and funded solely by donations from the community. If you would like more information please contact us . . . but PLEASE help us help our community, and thank you for making a difference!*



*Please call to make arrangements to donate new maternity or baby clothes*

Birthright Office - 217-224-1277

Mrs. Patty Adam, Director - 217-440-8388

**Please mail your tax-deductable financial contribution to**

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BIRTHRIGHT  
P. O. BOX 407  
Quincy, IL 62306

As a non-profit charitable organization, Birthright will issue receipts for tax purposes at your request.

Donation made by/in the name of \_\_\_\_\_

In the amount of \_\_\_\_\_

Would you like Birthright to send you a receipt for tax purposes? YES \_\_\_\_\_ NO \_\_\_\_\_

If so, where would you like it sent? NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

**THANK YOU FOR MAKING A DIFFERENCE!**

## **MAKE A DIFFERENCE . . . VOLUNTEER!**

*Birthright could not do what we do without the support we receive from our community. We are in this together! This is our community . . . our daughters, sisters, neighbors, and friends. Unfortunately, many of these young women feel like they have no one who will be there for them. That's where we come in . . . and we are looking for more compassionate and non-judgmental volunteers who share our commitment to the unborn and their mothers to serve our area. Your help in any of the following ways would be appreciated.*



*Friendship Counseling*

*Administrative Work*

*Fundraising/Donations*

*Marketing and Publicity*

*Volunteer Recruitment*

### **YES . . . I AM INTERESTED IN VOLUNTEERING!**

Please contact me about possible ways I can serve the community with Birthright!

NAME(S) \_\_\_\_\_ ADDRESS \_\_\_\_\_

PHONE \_\_\_\_\_ MOBILE \_\_\_\_\_ EMAIL \_\_\_\_\_

AVAILABILITY (Days/Times) \_\_\_\_\_

Briefly explain how you would prefer to serve and/or what specific skills/talents you possess:

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Please remit this portion to: Birthright Director, 1200 Broadway Suite A, Quincy, IL 62301  
OR BirthrightQuincyIL@att.net