

Birthright of Quincy, Illinois

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Helping expectant mothers & their babies in Quincy since 1973.

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ANNOUNCEMENT OF NEW OFFICERS AT BIRTHRIGHT

We are excited and proud to announce the naming of our new officers!



Penny Roberts
Executive Director



Katie Klauser
Assistant Director



Pam Eftink
Secretary

These ladies will be officially installed when we are able to hold our annual volunteer banquet, which we are planning to have this spring since we were unable to hold it in our normal December time frame. We are so thankful for Penny, Katie and Pam, as well as all of our volunteers who share their time and talent with Birthright to help those in need right here in our community!

WHAT IS BIRTHRIGHT?

We are a non-profit, non-judgmental, non-denominational organization funded completely by donations from our community & staffed 100% by volunteers. Our goal is to provide pregnant women and girls any support they need to bring their child into the world & beyond. We are not political or controversial. We believe an expectant mother should never feel like abortion is her only option.

WHAT DO WE OFFER?

FREE & CONFIDENTIAL:
Friendship & Support, Reliable Pregnancy Tests, Maternity & Baby Clothes, Information & Referrals, and more.

OUR 11TH ANNUAL (VIRTUAL) TRIVIA NIGHT

One day we'll look back on 2020 as a year of overcoming challenges. That's what Birthright of Quincy helps our clients do every day. In that spirit, we forged ahead with our 11th Annual Birthright (VIRTUAL) Trivia Night on Saturday, November 7th, 2020 in an effort to raise the funds needed to continue to serve the mothers and babies in our community that need us so badly. Although things looked a little different this year due to Covid-19 restrictions, we were able to have a fun and successful virtual trivia night with the help of Dan Deibert of HIP Trivia. Unfortunately, we were unable to hold our silent auction this year.

1st Place Trivia Winners!



2nd Place Trivia Winners!



“Everybody can be great...because anybody can serve. You don’t have to have a college degree to serve. You only need a heart full of grace; a soul generated by love.” ~Dr. Martin Luther King

VOLUNTEER SPOTLIGHT... Pam Effink

Hi, my name is Pam Effink. I have been married to my wonderful husband, Ron, for 15 years. Together we have 5 children and 7 grandchildren. We live in Quincy, IL and are very happily retired.

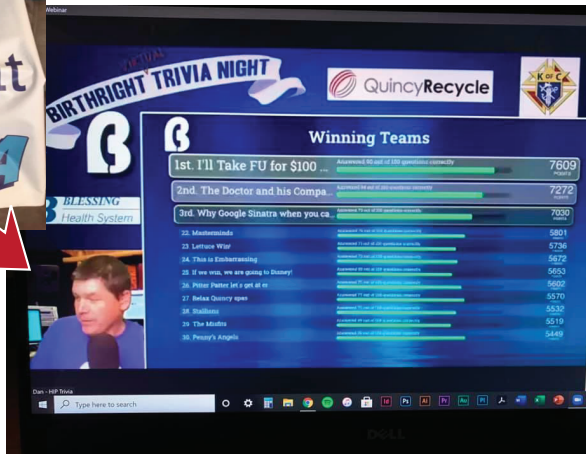
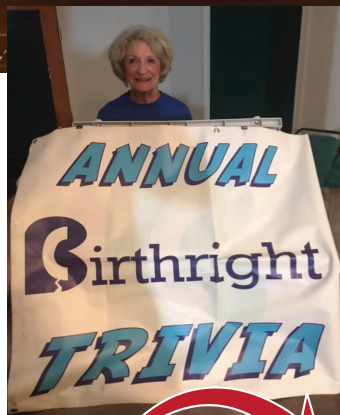
My husband and I are involved in Cursillo, TEC and REC (Residents Encounter Christ). REC is a prison ministry and through this ministry I have met so many women who became pregnant and chose to abort their child because of their lifestyle. Those women have so much pain, regret, and sorrow over the loss of their child. Even some of the men will share that they were involved in the decision to abort their child and they too have so much pain and regret.

That is one of the many reasons it has become my mission to help any young girl, woman or man in any way possible, so they never have to feel that kind of pain.

Through my friendship with Patty Adam, I was inspired to become a volunteer at Birthright of Quincy. Helping mothers and babies feel safe and secure in knowing that they have our support and love is a blessing to me and all of our volunteers.



VIRTUAL TRIVIA NIGHT CONTINUED...



Dan Deibert
HIP Trivia
 Website: hiptrivia.com
 Email: dan@hiptrivia.com
 Contact Dan for your next virtual trivia event!

THANK YOU

2020 Presenting Sponsors!

Thank You 2020 Trivia Round Sponsors!

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UPCOMING EVENTS

Volunteer Training
TBA

Annual Volunteer Banquet
Spring, TBA

THANK YOU

We offer our sincerest thanks and gratitude to everyone who supports Birthright and our mission:

- To our local Knights of Columbus Council #583 for their continued support
- To everyone who donated to and participated in our "Bakeless Bake Sale"
- To everyone who donated to, participated in and volunteered at our 11th Annual (Virtual) Trivia Night
- To all of our volunteers who offer their time and talent as well as our donors who offer their financial support for our services
- To everyone who shares our information - whether it's by word-of-mouth or social media

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

Letter from the President...

Sometimes people ask for statistics on how many babies we save or how many mothers we help. It's very difficult for us to come up with actual numbers on this because we promise confidentiality, and we do not keep any type of statistics or records.

A lot of our clients are not abortion-minded but are pregnant and need help. Many have absolutely nothing, so they come to Birthright hoping we can help with baby furniture and other necessities to bring their babies home. Some of our clients need diapers and wipes, baby clothes, & maternity clothes. We help an average of 25 to 30 women per month with these type of needs.

Being able to offer free ultrasound services has led to 15 babies rescued in the last two years that would've been aborted. Once these mommies have an opportunity to see their babies on the ultrasound and/or hear the heartbeat, they choose not to abort. One of our ultrasound techs actually detected a baby's heartbeat at 4 weeks!!

Some of our clients are in very abusive situations. They need help finding safe housing & transportation. They need groceries, car repairs, gas cards, trash stickers, money to do laundry at a laundromat, etc. There are hundreds of things that we help with, depending on each person's need. Our volunteers are equipped with a nonjudgmental heart ♥ ready to do whatever it takes to be the hands and feet of Christ. We love what we get to do. We get to see these tragic, messed up lives transformed through God's grace into miracles. What may have been an impossible pregnancy, becomes pure joy for the mommies with the help of loving volunteers at Birthright. Their lives are still difficult, but we empower them to be able to manage one day at a time with our love and support.

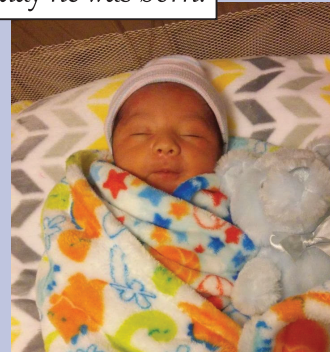
Thanks to people like you, we are able to help these women one at a time. We could not offer our free services without your kindness and generosity. God bless you!!

~Sincerely, Patty

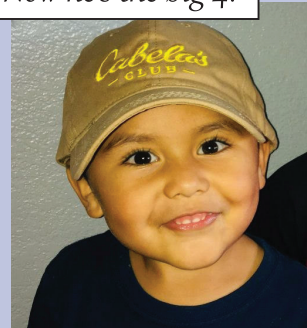
Testimonial...

"My wife realized she was pregnant again! How can that be? We were being so careful! She panicked & went to the internet to find the closest abortion provider. We cannot have another baby! Not this soon anyway. She found Birthright of Quincy. We weren't sure how they could help, but with some apprehension, made the call. A pleasant lady gave us the hours & reassured us if we couldn't come during the times they were open, she would be happy to come in for us. We drove almost an hour with our little kids, not knowing what was going to be the outcome to this devastating problem. The Birthright volunteer was so kind & listened, she seemed to really understand how we felt. She didn't judge us, but helped us realize that even if the timing of this new life wasn't of our choosing, our 7 week old baby was alive & well & deserved the same chance at life as did our other 4 kids. She took time to explain the different ways that Birthright can help us, & even took us all out for lunch to celebrate our new blessing! She also took us to Walmart & bought my wife a couple of outfits for her work. It is amazing how different we feel after hearing the truth about our new child & realizing that even though many people may criticize us for having so many kids, especially this close together, since we are the ones who take care of them & are happy, we shouldn't feel guilty & be forced to make a choice that we would regret forever! With this "new attitude" we can look to the future with great joy. Thank you Birthright, for being there for us when we needed you the most!" ~ Sincerely, Michael & Janelle


The day he was born.



Now he's the big 4!



BE A BIRTHRIGHT 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 local expectant mothers. Your help in any of these ways would be appreciated. 

EMAIL: help@birthrightquincyil.org OR CALL
PATTY ADAM @ 217-440-8388 TO GET STARTED HELPING
OTHERS TODAY.

SOMETHING TO THINK ABOUT ...
WHAT ARE YOUR TALENTS? WHEN ARE YOU AVAILABLE?
WHAT ARE YOU WAITING FOR?

FRIENDSHIP COUNSELING

CLIENT SUPPORT

OFFICE HELP

FUNDRAISING

PUBLIC RELATIONS

VOLUNTEER RECRUITMENT

COMMUNITY OUTREACH

SOCIAL MEDIA OUTREACH

HELP YOUR COMMUNITY. DONATE.

Please mail your tax-deductible financial contribution to: **Birthright
PO Box 407
Quincy, IL 62306**

As a non-profit charitable organization, Birthright will issue a receipt for tax purposes as requested.

Donation made by/in the name 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!

Please call to make arrangements to donate money, gift cards, new maternity or baby clothes, diapers, or other items.

Birthright Office:

217-224-1277

Patty Adam, President
Penny Roberts, Exec. Director
Katie Klauser, Asst. Director
Pam Eftink, Secretary
Mary Jane Bauer, Treasurer

We are asking for the support of your donation—whether it be cash/gift cards or the gift of NEW maternity or baby clothes/items. 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!