

A prolife educational organization that promotes the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. The right to life is a fundamental human right upon which all other rights depend. We uphold this value without fear and proclaim this principle to the people of Canada.

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Volunteer Opportunities

If you are over 18 and have a strong desire to protect the unborn and vulnerable, we need you. We need advice from a fundraiser on how to expand our donor base.

If you are a student at Wilfred Laurier University and want to start a pro-life group, call the Office at 519-746-5433 or email jane@kwrtl.ca







March for Life Ottawa 2013 by Brad & Cecila Caesar

My husband and I travelled to Ottawa for the first time for the March for Life on May 9th. The coach bus left Kitchener at 5:30am. We made 2 stops along the way; once in Cambridge to pick up more people and again later on to allow passengers a bite to eat and time to stretch our legs. During the ride we had time to nap, pray and enjoy the scenery. Around noon, the bus arrived in Ottawa.

Parliament and the surrounding buildings were impressive in their size and architectural details. More impressive than the buildings though was the large crowd gathered for the March and speakers. It was great to see so many people; families with babies and children, school groups, teenagers, adults, seniors, clergy and religious sisters all united to defend life. The love and sincerity of all present was tangible. Prolife speakers and some Members of Parliament talked about their commitment to positive change. It was good to see local MP's Stephen Woodworth and Harold Albrecht. Their dedication to defending life was inspiring and encouraging. Hopefully other MPs looked out their windows and saw the crowd as well.

The warm weather and sunshine made the walk enjoyable and it went by quickly. My husband and I walked and prayed with thousands of other people. Many students shouted for life and their enthusiasm was contagious.

In comparison, there were a relatively small number of protestors standing on the sidewalk calling for pro-choice. These people seem angry and defiant and looked to be hoping to exchange ugly words.

However they did not deter the spirit of the March.

Towards the end of the March the "Show the Truth" pictures were displayed. Being a mother myself, I found these pictures hard to look at, but they did serve to reinforce what we are standing up for. I noticed one poster that had on it a box of Kleenex and a picture of a baby. It read 'this is a tissue, and this is not.' It reminded me of the 1970's rhetoric about it not being a baby but just tissue being removed.

What a lie!

When we arrived back at parliament Hill women who had personally gone through with an abortion gave testimonies. Their stories were honest and heart-wrenching. I applaud them for trying to spare others the same pain they experienced.

After, service for healing and hope finished the afternoon and we were back on the bus heading home by 4:30pm. We arrived home by 10:30pm.



I saw Jane Richard getting supper on the way home and she asked me about the day. I told her that I thought it had been overwhelming but in a positive way. A lasting image of the day for me was four young men dressed as super heroes; they were defending life and having fun too.

I would like to say thank you to Jane and Roseanne and all our local prolife supporters for the worthwhile work they do. May the Lord love you and may abortion end soon.

Walk for Life Results 2013

Beautiful weather and high spirits were abound the day of our 34th annual Walk for Life in Waterloo, May 4th. To date we have collected very close to \$13,500. Thank you to 82 walkers including those from Maryhill and to all of their sponsors. Food Sponsors: Bill Bernhardt - Pizza, Value Mart– Frederick Mall, Food Basics - Ottawa St. N, Central Meat Market - King St., St. Michael's Hall. Prize Sponsors: McPhail's Cycle, Rosanne Sheridan, Archangels Sacramentals, Ruth Gmach, Cecilia Caesar, Connie Hudder and Jane Richard.

PROMOTING THE SANCTITY OF LIFE, FROM CONCEPTION TO NATURAL DEATH



AGM Report by Jane Richard, RTL President Activities

In the past year 2012 with the help of our Board of Directors and over 90 volunteers we have

responded to the following:

Requests for Information: over 500

Pregnancy Counseling: Average 30 calls a month

Speaking Events, Media Interviews, Displays: 102

Publications: 3 Issues of News & Views, Periodical letters and articles.

Web-site created by Alex Matan Administration kwrtl.ca

Gifts to Prolife Groups:

Supported 7 pro-life groups

Laws: Supported Motion 312

(Personhood) 14 local presentations to support Stephen Woodworth MP Kitchener Centre motion to investigate the humanity of the preborn child, Motion 408 (Gender abortion)



Fundraisers: 3 major fundraisers with total proceeds over \$20,000 (Does not include regular membership and donations)

Outreach to 1000s of individuals:

March for Life bus trip to Ottawa - Walk for Life Sponsors - Christmas Card campaign to local businesses and members - Church Membership drive - Dessert & Coffee evening - Prayer Vigils and Memorial Day - 40 Days for Life - All levels of education, Malls, Volunteer Fairs and Public Speaking engagements, Displays - Advertising in local newspapers, radio, television, billboards and buses.

Vision: KW Right to Life continues to work after 40 years promoting a compassionate society that cares about the lives of pre-born babies, their parents and those around the abortion and end of life issues.

Thank you for your support. You help our organization successfully protect the most vulnerable among us. **2012** was a busy year for us with the most fundamental proposal by any member of parliament in the history of the pro-life movement. Motion 312 garnered much hope and vigor among pro-lifers.

The level of exposure intensified throughout the year and finally when one third of the House of Commons voted in favour to examine the existing outdated law, it took us one step closer to fulfilling our resolve. We pray that someday soon a similar motion will pass.

Last year was good reason to acknowledge our 40 years of existence. Too many children have died in that time. We continue to carry out our mission and thank God for the blessing of the children he saves through us.

We cannot be grateful enough to

our founding members Hart and Marilyn Bezner (right) for their tireless work throughout the years for the cause. We also thank thousands of members,



volunteers and supporters for the countless hours of sacrifice for the love of our most precious and vulnerable resource, babies in the womb. We keep on giving our all!

Election of New/Returning Board Members June 6 th, 2013

KWRTL Active Board Directors

Jane Richard (2015), President Roseanne Sheridan (2016) Past President Nancy Menard (2015) Treasurer Theresa Schaefer (2016) Secretary Harvey Armoogan (2016) Director Estella Corriea (2016) Director Chris Howell (2015) Director TimRunstedtler(2015) Director Alex Matan Administration Directors of the Board whose resignations have been accepted this year -

Carolynne O'Neil Students for Life Representatives Hannah Bailey President U of W Josh McMillan U of W



Financial Report by Nancy Menard, Treasurer

There were many presentations by Steven Woodworth MP in regard to Motion 312, and RTL participated in almost all of them. Time

and effort, and therefore, resources were dedicated to this worthwhile endeavour. However, our corporate sponsor Spaenaur, donated an additional \$5,000.00 for this purpose and KWRTL 40 year anniversary events. The end result was that the overall expenses for the Motion were covered by this additional donation, and the financial statements show that RTL remained in the same financial position as we were the year before. We expect that our financial position will decline somewhat in 2013, but hopefully by not a substantial sum.

KWRTL Profit & Loss Jan - Dec. 2012 (condensed) Income

Donations - Corporate	15,640.00
Donations - Individuals	13,773.02
Mem berships	11,268.20
Fundraisers	16,531.20
Gifts from Organizations	651.06
In Memoriam	442.00
Interest income	124.51
Total Income	58,429.99

Expense

Educational Information	9,499.39
Contrib. to Affiliated Organ.	1,548.00
March for Life Expense	150.00

Operations

Rent	7,600.00	
Staff Wages	20,280.00	
Office Supplies	5,341.51	
Postage, Mailing	1,065.76	
Telephone, Internet	1,931.82	
Plus bank fees, printing, HST and WSIB		
Total Operating costs	39,823.90	
Contract Services	2,920.00	
Insurance, meetings, speakers	, miscellaneous	
Total Expense	56,289.29	
Net Income	2,140.70	

Funding Focus for 2013

KW RTL is providing increased promotional and financial support and visuals for 3 projects : the KW Prayer Vigil, " Choice Chain" and 40 Days for Life. These local projects are thriving and we are very happy to support them in everyway.

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We are encouraging the start-up of a student pro-life group at Wilfred Laurier University and continue to support U of W Students for Life.

KW Right to life will pursue ways to increase pro-life awareness locally through various forms of advertising

Abortion Apologetics

by Tim Runstedler, Board Member, Ethics and Theology Master (Conclusion from Spring New & Views -Ethics and Canadian Abortion Law)

Without a doubt, rape, incest, and severe fetal abnormalities are very serious issues and they have to be treated with the outmost charity and sincerity. Each of these situations require the pregnant mother to have a huge support system around her, and it is important that we as prolife individuals strive to provide this kind of environment, but in each case abortion is never the answer. Regardless of how a child is conceived a mother instinctively develops feelings and bonds with the baby inside of her, regardless of the surrounding this year. We hope to increase our financial support through additional church projects, advertising mailings and contact with various organizations and businesses.

We will seek someone to help us with additional fundraising as our Walk

circumstances. As a result studies have shown that a woman who aborts her baby as a result of rape or incest feels twice as victimized and now not only does she have to deal with the trauma of being raped, she also has to deal with the trauma of killing her baby (Mahkom, "Pregnancy and Sexual Assault," Psychological Aspects of Abortion, University Publishers of America [1979], pp. 53-72). Raising a child who is mentally or physically challenged is not an easy task, however regardless of one's disability it does not mean that this life does not have any value. Aborting babies who have severe fetal abnormalities is the exact same kind of natural selection process that our nation fought against in Nazi Germany over 70 years ago. If we do not value these innocent lives, what stops our government from enacting

for Life proceeds were down in 2013 because 2 major fundraisers, Cec Kavanaugh and Rosemarie Gross were unable to walk this year. We will continue strong efforts to recoup their pledges of financial support.

a law in support of euthanasia where the sick and the elderly could be killed? Abortion is not the answer to pregnancies where severe fetal development is an issue. The answer is to have a community that gathers around and supports a mother and her beautiful family. Families are not meant to live in isolation, but rather in a community that is full of love, support, and compassion. This is definitely counter cultural to today's norms, but if we made an attempt to live in a community with one another rather than just living in highly populated areas, then the challenges and worries that face mothers and their families in these difficult situations would not be so overwhelming.



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Email

"Any man's death diminishes me, because I am involved in mankind." - John Donne

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Coming Events 2013

Choice Chain

8 events planned for this Summer. For more information contact: alex@matan.ca or adreacorke@hotmail.com

June 15 (Alex), 10:30am-12pm, Intersection of King and Frederick, Kitchener (right by Kitchener Market)
June 26, 7-9 pm, Pro-life Dialogue Training presented by Stephanie Gray from CCBR (McAfee building on Northfield)
June 29 (Alex), 1-2:30 pm, Waterloo Town Square (Uptown Waterloo)
July 13 (Chris), 1-2:30 pm, Intersection of Fairway and Wilson, Kitchener (near Fairview Park Mall)
July 27 (Chris), 1-2:30 pm, Kitchener City Hall
August 17 (Alex), 1-2:30 pm, Intersection of Fischer Hallman and Ottawa (by Sunrise Plaza)
September 7 (Chris), 10:30 am – 12 pm, Intersection of King and Frederick, Kitchener (right by Kitchener Market)
October 5 (Alex), 1-2:30 pm, Intersection of King and Northfield, Waterloo (right by Conestoga Mall)

KW Prayer Vigil

Thursday, June 6th, 2013 from 9am to 10am Freeport Hospital Park at Snyder's Park Email Cathy: kwc.prayervigil@rogers.com Summer Vigils: July 4th, Aug. 5th, Sept. 5th

40 Days for Life

Sept. 25 Nov. 3rd Volunteer organizers needed. Call Richard 519.570.3635 richardmarchak@hotmail.com or Patrick Morgan paddym@golden.net

Life Chain Memorial

Sunday, October 6th, 2013 2 pm - 3 pm In front of Grand River Hospital, 835 King St . W. Kitchener Estimated attendance 200 Call 519.746.5433





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