

Dakota **Hope** clinic



Saturday, November 23, 2019 • ND state Fair Center, Minot, ND

FREE FAMILY EVENT

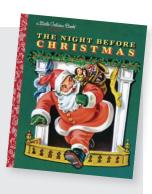
10:00AM - 2:00PM

At this family event, you can:

- · View decorated trees and vote for your favoriate
- · Take a free family photo
- · Interact with live nativity characters
- · Participate in children's activities
- · Enjoy cookies and hot chocolate
- Buy a raffle ticket to win a tree or other prizes

NEW THIS YEAR

Bring a used children's Christmas book to exchange for a different one



SOCIAL & AUCTION

DOORS OPEN AT 5:00PM LIVE AUCTION AT 6:30PM

This fundraiser to benefit **Dakota Hope Clinic features:**

- Silent auction
- · Raffle to win a tree or other prizes
- · Photo booth
- Food and refreshements
- · Holiday music
- · Live auction of decorated Christmas trees

Admission:

\$10 in advance \$15 at the door

Tickets available at:

Dakota Hope Clinic Scheel's Caribbean Color Gideon's Trumpet

Online at: dakotahope.org Click on partner with us tab

NEW **THIS YEAR**

Electronic bidding on silent auction items

Thank you to these gold sponsors and others who sponsored the banquet and festival of trees









SERVICES free of charge

- Pregnancy testing
- · Limited OB ultrasound
- Pregnancy options
- Abortion pill reversal referral
- STI/STD testing and treatment
- Support for men
- Parenting classes
- Earn while you learn
- Post abortion healing support

HOURS

10:00 am - 7:00 pm

8:30 am - 4:30 pm

8:30 am - 4:30 pm Walk-Ins Welcome

CENTER INFO

315 Main St. S. Suite 205 Minot, ND 58701

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8TH ANNUAL FUNDRAISING BANQUET A SUCCESS

Apologist Trent Horn offers ways to talk about abortion and life

ARTICLE BY TANYA WATTERUD BANQUET PICTURES BY BECCA WINTER

When Trent Horn sees a state like North Dakota that has only one facility that provides abortions, "it's incredibly hopeful," he said. "It provides an example that the fight for life is winnable."

Horn, of San Diego, CA, was the keynote speaker at the annual Dakota Hope Clinic fundraising banquet held Sept. 16 at the State Fair Center. He serves as a staff apologist for Catholic Answers, teaching people to graciously engage those who disagree with them. His first work in apologetics was with pro-life efforts on college campuses, and he addressed that topic in Minot.

He is the author of nine books, including "Persuasive Pro-Life: How to Talk About Our Culture's Toughest Issue" and holds master's degrees in theology, philosophy and bioethics.





Horn shared this conversation he had with a college student. Horn asked, "What does abortion do to a fetus?" "It makes it go away." "To where?" "It dies." "So it must be alive if it dies?"

Even if women understand that their children are living human beings upon conception, they could still make irrational decisions to abort their children because of the pressures they are under, Horn said. "We have to give them truth, plus give them people who can help them see a way out." The staff members at Dakota Hope Clinic offer both, he said.



Comments from attendees

- "excellent food, speaker, and venue"
- "great evening with friends"
- "very impressed with ALL you guys do"
- "appreciate your educational programs"
- "would have quadrupled the gift if I could have"
- "great information from speaker"

Watch the banquet program on VouTube

If you were not able to attend or just want to listen again – search for *Dakota Hope Banquet 2019* on YouTube

History trivia

see answers on p. 4 of this newsletter

- 1. When was the first Dakota Hope Fundraising Banquet?
- 2. Who was the speaker for the first Dakota Hope Fundraising Banquet?
- 3. Who was the emcee at the first banquet?



Dakota Hope Board Members L-R Todd Ringoen; Marsha Rogne, Secretary; Carol Bellew; April Braun, Treasurer; Deborah Folden, Vice-Chair; Amber Vibeto; Dean Redington; Bob Paulson, Chairman.

Thank You to all who contributed to raise nearly \$135,000. When you invest in Dakota Hope you do so much more than pay the bills. You are serving God by playing an important role in the battle to give information, love and support to distressed mothers and fathers who are making life and death decisions for their unborn children.



HOPE IS IN THE CARDS

BY NADIA SMETANA, RN, BSN, CLINIC DIRECTOR

Have you ever had a chance to tell someone about Dakota Hope but were not sure just what to say? We have made it easy with our "palm" cards. Each of the three business size cards describe a different aspect of our services: pregnancy and sexual health, services for the baby's father, and help for someone who has experienced an abortion. We encourage everyone to pick up 2 sets of cards – one set to give to someone like your hairstylist, barber, bartender, personal trainer, waitress, counselor, teacher, or physician. Keep the other set in your purse or wallet with your other cards and use them to inform other people about Dakota Hope.

A couple days after distributing cards at the banquet, we heard of an attendee who gave a card to a student with a pregnancy need. Someday, you may share a card that will help save an unborn child from abortion, encourage a father to take responsibility, or help someone who is hurting from a past abortion.

W///Ascend

SEXUAL RISK AVOIDANCE SPECIALIST CERTIFICATION

The alternative to Planned Parenthood sex ed

Are you comfortable talking or teaching about sexual health? Are you confident in giving clear guidance that is evidencebased, and relevant to everyone? If not, the Ascend Sexual Risk Avoidance course is for you! This Specialist Certification is being brought to North Dakota for the second time by Dakota Hope Clinic. SRA Specialists will increase the overall quality and reach of sexual health education in homes, churches, schools, and communities.

March 10-11, 2020 at Grand Hotel in Minot \$100 for ND Residents • \$200 for non-residents

9 modules of pre-course reading & quiz-taking required, estimated to take 25-40 hrs.

Registration deadline Feb. 18th

Call Dakota Hope at 701-852-4675

www.dakotahope.org - Partner With Us Tab Cont. ed. hrs. approved for nurses, teachers, and social workers. CME credits are being applied for.

THE DIFFERENCE IS SHARING

BY KRISTI FANNIK, RN, BSN, NURSE MANAGER

"How can I take care of a baby, I am only 16 years old", was one of the first thoughts Kaitlyn had when she found out she was pregnant. She was just finishing her sophomore year of high



school. "I felt like my mom was disappointed in me at first" and she says that there were a lot of tears. Kaitlyn did not ever have any plans except to continue the pregnancy and now she feels like she has a great support system with her mom, stepdad, friends, and her boyfriend Edmund.

During their appointment at Dakota Hope for a pregnancy test and ultrasound, they learned that she was about 9 weeks into her pregnancy. They were offered the Earn While You Learn (EWYL) program, which offers free pregnancy/parenting classes. When clients attend classes, they earn points that can be used in the Baby Boutique at the Clinic to "purchase" items such as diapers, baby clothes, baby toys, books, and many other new items.

Edmund says he felt like his family was mad at first about the pregnancy, but now they are helpful and supportive. He and Kaitlyn both have jobs. Edmund, a senior, would like to go to school to be a racing mechanic after he graduates from high school. He wants to be a good father and provide for his child. He feels like the EWYL lessons have helped him understand what to expect and to be as prepared as he can be.

Kaitlyn says that she enjoys the conversations with staff at her visits. They don't make her feel "shy" or "boxed in" and it is getting easier to open up and talk about things. She is thinking about attending MSU after finishing high school to become a teacher.

Kaitlyn's advice to someone else that might find themselves in her shoes: "It will get easier later in the pregnancy and the baby is the only one that matters in the end".

We have greatly enjoyed getting to know Kaitlyn and Edmund. They faithfully attend their scheduled appointments even after they have had long days at school and work. Kaitlyn and Edmund's story demonstrates how important it is to share with others about the services offered at Dakota Hope. Kaitlyn told us that her mom found out about the Clinic through a co-worker. She also said that she had a friend who said good things about how nice everyone was at Dakota Hope when she also had a baby at a young

age.

CALL **TO ACTION**

More than 1/3 of clients find Dakota Hope after being referred by family or friends. Have YOU told anyone about Dakota Hope today?

4-H GROUP HELPS PAY RENT

The Dakota Stars 4-H Group from Des Lacs collected loose change for a Baby Bottle campaign benefitting Dakota Hope. They enjoyed a tour of the facility and held their meeting in the Dakota Room at the Clinic on Sunday, Oct. 13. Thank you, 4-H members and leaders for your support.





Baby Bottle income is used to pay the rent at Dakota Hope. If your church or other organization would like to participate in a Baby Bottle Campaign, please call Tim Knutson, Director of Development, at 701-833-8951. We present information about Dakota Hope and provide the bottles. Participants take the bottles home for 1-2 months and fill with loose change, cash or checks.

WELCOME TO NICOLE

In July, we said goodbye to receptionist MacKinzy MacIver, who went on to new adventures in Alaska. In August, Nicole Beyersdorf began greeting clients as our new receptionist.



Nicole grew up in Minnesota and is new to Minot, having arrived here with her husband Philip after he was called to serve as pastor at St. Mark's Lutheran Church. Nicole has a BS in Education, a Diploma of Carpentry, and a Master of Arts in Deaconess Studies. She brings many talents to her job including excellent computer skills, but most of all she has a passion to show love and support to the clients who walk through our doors every day. We are blessed to have her on staff at Dakota Hope.



DAKOTA HOPE IS TWICE BLESSED!

Year-end gifts for Dakota Hope doubled

For a limited time, your year-end donation to Dakota Hope will be DOUBLED by the St. Joseph's Community Health Foundation (SJCHF). During this time, donations sent to the Foundation and marked for Dakota Hope Clinic will be matched dollar for dollar up to \$15,000.

To double your gift, donate by check or credit card to SJCHF, dated between Nov. 15 – Dec. 31, 2019, and specify the gift to benefit Dakota Hope. For your convenience a remittance envelope is included in this newsletter.

To donate online click the Partner With Us tab at www.dakotahope.org or call 701-852-4675.

SAVE THE DATES

2019

Festival of Trees Free Family Event Saturday, Nov. 23, 10:00 am - 2:00 pm

Festival of Trees Auction

Saturday, Nov. 23 Doors Open 5:00 pm Live Auction 6:30 pm

Twice Blessed Matching Grant

November 15 - December 31

2020

Church Ambassador Training Tuesday, Jan. 14, 1:30 or 5:30 pm

Giving Hearts Day

Thursday, Feb. 13

Registration Deadline for Ascend SRA Specialist Certification Tuesday, Feb. 18

Ascend SRA Specialist Certification

Tuesday & Wednesday, March 11-12

Discover Peace Spring Class

Mondays, March 16-April 27, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Volunteer Appreciation Luncheon

Friday, May 15, 11:30 am - 1:00 pm

Annual Fundraising Banquet

Monday, Sept. 21, 6:30 pm

Discover Peace Fall Class

Mondays, Sept. 28 - Nov. 9, 6:00 - 8:00 pm

Answers to history trivia questions

1. October 2012 – The first banquet was held at the Grand Hotel about one year before the Clinic opened in Sept. 2013.

2. Pam Stenzel, world renowned abstinence speaker. Pam shared that her birth mother vbecame pregnant with her as a result of being raped at the age of 15. She was grateful to her birth mother who gave her life and made the loving choice of placing her for adoption.

3. Tom Freier, who was Executive Director of the ND Family Alliance, played a vital role in the founding of Dakota Hope. In 2010 he introduced two individuals who both worked at St. Joseph's Hospital. The two began meeting in the cafeteria at lunch time to discuss and pray.

Gifts received at Dakota Hope

IN MEMORY OF

Archie Robillard Mavis Storsved Helen Schock Roger Haugen June Brown George Smetana

IN HONOR OF

Diane Pierson's Birthday Yuki Johnson's Birthday