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Mission Statement

Life Center is a life-affirming organization dedicated to promoting healthy choices for women and men & protecting the well-being of their children, pre-born and born, by offering counseling, education, information and assistance.

Family Life Center Range

Life Affirming Resources for the Iron Range

New Services & Programs for Families

Car Seat Class

In January a volunteer will attend training in Duluth to become a National Certified Car Seat Technician. This is a great addition to Family Life Center's current services and assistance to families.

With a certified tech we will be able to offer education and instructions on proper car seat use and installation for families. Once the training is completely we can apply for a grant that will provide 2 infant car seats, 2 toddler car seats and 2 boosters for children who are in need of them. Also, some insurance companies provide car seats, but currently not in this area because of the lack of certified technicians. We are hoping they will begin to provide seat after the training. As funds allow we will purchase seats for those in most need.

The training consists of three 10 hours a day classroom education in Duluth at the end of January and the expenses involved will be around \$800. We are asking for donations to help cover the cost of this very needed service for the safety and well-being of the children in our community. The technician is volunteering her time for the training and in the future by working with families on their car seat installations.

If you are able to help, please mark your donation "Car Seats" and it will be used for training expenses or for the purchase of car seats.

Parenting Class

In October Family Life Center held their first parenting class and it was a won-derful opportunity for parents to receive needed education and to connect with one another. We are offering a class each month for all parents who are interested in attending. At the class parents choose the topic they want education on for the next class. To encourage parents to attend we have a drawing at each class for a \$15 gift card to Dairy Queen, McDonald's or another establishment as an incentive. This is a treat most of our families do not usually get to enjoy. In the near future we are looking at adding a parent's group which would also meet once for parents to get together to discuss concerns they have as parents and to provide advice to each other.

Donations to cover expenses of the classes, or gift cards for the drawing are needed and will be very appreciated.

Reading Incentive

This fall Family Life Center also started a reading incentive program to benefit parents and children. Parents record the books and each day they read to their child. We ask that they read a book at least five days per week. For each week completed the client receives a point to use in the center for items they need for their child.

This program was started to promote the importance of reading, foster a love for reading, and encourage a special time for parents and children to cuddle together.

We are always looking for donations of children's books in good condition for a

"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you, and before you were born I consecrated you" Jeremiah 1:5

For unto us a Child is born



During this time as you prepare to celebrate the birth of our Savior Jesus Christ please take a moment to pray for all God's children.

Pray that each baby is given life; pray for the parents, that they are able to provide a safe, healthy, loving home for them.

Also, pray for an open heart and something you can do to help the little ones, such as offering a prayer on a daily basis, helping someone who has a small child, volunteering to work with families at our centers or donating to Family Life Center to help us in our ministry of promoting life and providing services and assistance to families with children.

A Special Christmas Gift for Girls

The Annual Father Daughter Ball will be held at on Friday, February 7th & Saturday, February 8th from 6 PM until 8 PM. This event will take place at the Hibbing Alliance Church. All girls and their father figure of all ages 0-99 are welcome. Tickets are \$20 and



available starting December 16th at Casey Drug, Chisholm, and both Baron's Pharmacy locations, Hibbing.

Memorials & Donations

In Memory of Anne Varda by John Varda

Arimond, Sheila & Joel Cassingham Arsher Charitable Fund Bastianelli, Patrick & Kathleen Blagoue, Mark & Adele Blessed Sacrament, Hibbing Cianni, Paula Clover, Kris Culbert, Cora Godtey, Brittany Dostal, Thomas & Nancy Fagerstom, Craig & Gail Fokken, James & Barbara Grace Lutheran Church, Hibbing Harvey, Nancy Hjelle, Spencer & Mary Jo Holy Spirit Church, Virginia Horoshak, William Inmon, Jason Koepke, James & Mary Lees, Rich & Sherri Living Stones Fellowship Mahal, Grace Marinucci, Anthony & Cheryl MCCL

Musich, JoAnne Nelson, Donald & Darcy Nelson, Elise & Logan Odegaard, James & Paula Ongaro, Dave & Gwen Pagliaccetti, Mary Ann Quad City Food Shelf Roberts, Dan & Candy Ryan, Dennis & Lori St. Gianna Charitable Life Ministry, Holy Spirit, Virginia Sartori, Mark & Nancy Schleppegrell, Thomas & Susan Stalboerger, Laverne Staszcuk, Lori Steinbrecher, Aaron & Jennifer Strukel, Kenneth Sumner, Curt & Sue Swanberg, Laurie Sweet, Judith The Mane Salon Wenzel, Vicky Wyatt, Robert & Bonnie



From Quad City Food Shelf



Holy Spirit's Donation





Blessed Sacrament's cradle set up in the church for donations of baby items, and just one out of many deliveries of collected items.

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