

Alpha Family Center

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Saturday June 18

An event you won't want to miss! If you have never attended Lifewalk why not start this year? You will not be disappointed. It is a time of fellowship, reflecting and

CELEBRATION!

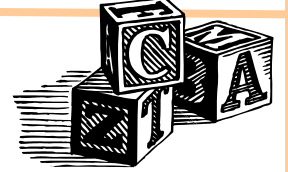
Mark your calendar now!

Lifewalk provides a huge portion of our operating expenses throughout the year!

Dirty Diaper

HELP!! We are in desperate need of baby diapers in **large sizes.**

ALPHA BITS



"Forever, oh Lord, Your Word is settled in Heaven." Psalm 119:89

In times of uncertainty it is good to know that God's promises are reliable and unchanging. We are grateful for His hand on our center through 2010. One hundred and forty nine young ladies received free pregnancy testing and compassionate counsel on adoption, abortion and abstinence. Six babies' lives were spared as their parents chose life and when abortion seemed the way to go. We thank the many donors who made it possible for us to assist parents with over 18,000 baby items. Your kindness reaches so many!

God Bless you,

Lorrie & Missy



Ways You Can Help

Meijer Rewards

Alpha will receive a % of everything you purchase! It's a super program we can benefit greatly from.

Our code: 798412

www.meijer.com/rewards

Needed Items:

Diapers (lg)

Layette Items:

Newborn outfits

Sleepers

Bath Items

Pacifiers



Shoot For

Don't miss our annual "Shoot For Life" event held at Haymarsh Hunt Club on Saturday, **August 6!**

Invite your friends and save the date!



Hear Ye! Hear Ye!

If you feel passionate about the pro-life cause, then we need YOU! Please consider serving on our Board of Directors. We have packets ready for those who are interested. Please pray about joining the Alpha team!

Volunteer Training

We are recruiting volunteers for several training classes to be held this year. We're looking for enthusiastic individuals who desire to make a difference. The most important quality to possess is a love for God and for others. We also need people who like to help keep our Center neat and organized. Call 696-2616 and request a volunteer packet.

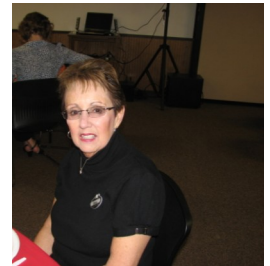


Thank you to **Kent City Baptist Church** for hosting a benefit concert on May 8, Mother's day. The concert featured the talented duo, Gideon Whitehead and

Alena Merimee. A free will offering was taken and donated to the Alpha Family Center. **North Kent Community Church** delivered a trunk load of size 2 diapers! We were so very blessed to have **The Springs church** youth and leaders help switch the clothing at the center. We would also like to thank **Cedar Springs Manufacturing and Bill & Diana Hoover** for making it possible for Alpha to purchase new televisions and DVD players for each of the counseling rooms which benefit families enrolled in our Earn While You Learn and Sexual Integrity Programs! We are also grateful for the many that stepped up and helped with our roof and frozen water problems! We didn't have to leave the water running all winter! We were also blessed with a \$1,500 grant from the **Sparta Foundation** to help with our roof repairs! **The Cedar Springs City Employees** donated to Alpha for the privilege of wearing jeans on casual Friday. **Ravenna Baptist Church** held a "Dresses with a Purpose" fundraiser and raised \$500 selling used formal dresses.

Volunteer

We would like to introduce one of our volunteers, Char Dunn. She has been coming in faithfully for the past ten years to help young families. Her smile and calm demeanor bring real comfort to others in times of nervousness and uncertainty.



Thank you Char!



A Thrift Store and More! Cherie Kwekel, an Alpha mentor, recently opened her store in Cedar Springs. A portion of the sales made at Jessie's Hope is being donated to Alpha Family Center! This store honors Cherie's mother, Jessie, as she instilled hope in her children and taught them to endure in the face of hardship, to be resourceful and to the care about the needs of others. Please shop and donate!



Shop at **Save A Lot** in

Cedar Springs and donate a dollar to Alpha! Thank you to Sue and her crew for