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# Stand Up, Stand Out



#### **Meet our Evening for Life Special Guests**

Brad Wenstrup and Jeanne Mancini are two individuals who understand deeply the cost (and rewards) of standing up for life in the public square. We are thrilled they will both join us for our annual *Evening for Life* as keynote speaker and emcee, respectively. They share many convictions, especially the value of upholding the sanctity and dignity of human life, and they are no strangers to the risks involved in standing up for the most vulnerable.

Wenstrup served Ohio's second district in the United States House of Representatives for twelve years. During his time in Congress, he consistently championed pro-life legislation including the Heartbeat Protection Act. As a former combat surgeon, Wentrup was instrumental in saving Congressman Steve Scalise's life during the congressional baseball shooting in 2017. His achievements in D.C. and successes in the Army Reserve and medical field, however, cannot compete with the experience of becoming a biological and adoptive father to his two children.



Mancini, too, has had a long career in public policy and has held roles in multiple agencies and organizations including the U.S. Department of Health and Human Services and most recently as President of the March for Life Education and Defense Fund. Like Wenstrup, the impact she has made with a microphone does not compare to the impact she has made in the lives of countless individuals who have been influenced by her leadership.

#### A New Location for Our Annual Event

Join us on Thursday, April 10 for the *Evening for Life* at the Cintas Center. Cocktail hour begins at 5:30 p.m. Dinner and programming commence at 7:00 p.m. Tickets are sold for

\$125 for individuals and \$1250 for a table of 10. If you're new to the PCPlus family or there's someone you've been hesitant to invite to your table in the past, now is your chance to stand up, stand out, and stand with us. Now, more than ever, our community needs the hope and refuge that is Pregnancy Center Plus.

#### **Sponsorship Opportunities**

Stand with us as a Sponsor of the 2025 Evening for Life. There are many levels of sponsorship, and each level is customizable. We are happy to create an opportunity that's best for you or your business. To become a sponsor, to get tickets, or for more information, visit SupportPCPlus.org. For customized sponsorships, call Tracy Green at 513-321-3100.

### **Evening for Life**Sponsorship Opportunities

#### PRESENTING PARTNER — \$25.000

Sponsor our laser-focused billboard, radio, and multi-channel social media campaigns for one month. Help PCPlus reach abortion-determined pregnant women before it's too late.

- 20 tickets to Private Reception (5-6:30 p.m.)
- 1 or 2 Prestige Tables for 10
- Seating with Keynote speaker by special arrangement
- Meet and Greet with speaker
- Name in program and on event screen
- Name in Spring Newsletter

#### PLATINUM PARTNER — \$15,000

Sponsor our 2025 Baby Bed Blessings campaign by providing 75 newborn infants with crib and mattress bundles that will provide safe sleep now and grow with the baby from infant to toddler.

- 10 tickets to Private Reception (5-6:30 p.m.)
- Premium Table for 10
- Seating with Keynote speaker by special arrangement
- Meet and Greet with speaker
- Name in program and on event screen
- Name in Spring Newsletter

#### **GOLD PARTNER — \$10,000**

*Sponsor our 24/7/365 hotline for one year.* 

- 10 tickets to Private Reception (5-6:30 p.m.)
- Prime Table for 10
- Seating for 2 with Keynote speaker by special arrangement
- Meet and Greet with speaker
- Name in program and on event screen
- Name in Spring Newsletter

#### SILVER PARTNER — \$5.000

Sponsor our online nurse chat 24/7/365 for one year.

- 4 tickets to Private Reception (5-6:30 p.m.)
- Preferred Table for 10
- Meet and Greet with speaker
- Name in program and on event screen
- Name in Spring Newsletter

#### **BRONZE PARTNER — \$3.000**

Sponsor 3 weeks of ultrasounds: the single most important and lifesaving service offered to pregnant clients in crisis.

- 2 tickets to Private Reception (5-6:30 p.m.)
- Preferred Table for 10
- Meet and Greet with speaker
- Name in program and on event screen
- Name in Spring Newsletter



### How I Stand Up, Stand Out

By Rachel Weidner, PCPlus Advisory Board

A loud minority encourages me to "be myself", but they do not want me to be like me, they want me to be like them. In today's politically charged and divided America, it's socially acceptable for me to stand out, but only if I'm standing up for the opinions shared across mainstream media platforms. My own personal convictions, supported by the objective truth that life begins at conception, have led me to embrace an unapologetically pro-life position, but publicizing such convictions—in a world that considers truth to be taboo—is risky. In the past, when I have taken risks to share my convictions, whether that be with friends, classmates, or co-workers, I have received rejection as often as I've received reward.

I had a friend in college who, after learning my convictions aligned with the teachings of the Catholic Church, looked at me skeptically and asked how I could be happy. She told me there were some things we would never agree on, and our friendship did not survive graduation.

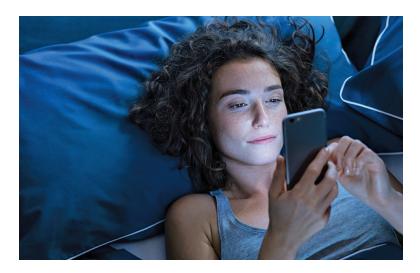
While tabling with Students for Life, a passersby called out claiming that I must hate women if I'm "pro-baby", but others stopped to talk and to listen, engaging in meaningful dialogue in the middle of UC's campus.

More recently, I've been encouraged and energized in conversations with a colleague who is searching for truth amidst the fast-paced social scene of young professionals in New York City. I encouraged her to attend a night of Eucharistic adoration and praise and worship at St. Patrick's Cathedral hosted by the Sisters of Life. Please pray that she has the courage to do so.

What can you do?

Each of these situations about taking risks to share my beliefs recounts interactions with individuals, rather than with large groups. I've found that I can have the greatest impact investing in relationships, rather than posting on social media. This goes to show that regardless of your position or the span of your sphere of influence, it matters that you stand up for life by your word and your example.

As our *Evening for Life* speakers, Brad Wenstrup and Jeanne Mancini take on new titles as former congressman and former president of the March for Life, they will continue to stand for the unborn, on and off the record. You may not ever have as large of a platform to share your convictions, but hearts are often changed slowly and typically only one at a time. Some of the most powerful encounters with truth happen within the walls of our own homes.



### **24/7 Nurse Chat:** There at that Critical Moment

Sandy\* reached out to us last night well after midnight. She was ready to end her pregnancy — a decision driven by panic and a lack of information, not a lack of love. Everything changed in an instant.

Using our 24/7 chatline, our registered nurse shared both compassion for her situation and medically accurate information, as well as a video about the type of procedure she was considering. This text conversation occurred outside regular business hours, when she most needed someone to meet her in that critical moment of fear and anxiety; before she had taken the abortion pills sitting on her bathroom counter. It opened her eyes to a truth she had not known before. Sandy's response was immediate and heartfelt: "I just couldn't do that to my baby." In that moment, her heart shifted.

Our nurse made an appointment for the following morning for her to get an ultrasound at the Center and learn more about all the wrap-around free services we offer to help her through the pregnancy, and ultimately to thrive as a parent.

With relief, she shared that real-time texting with our nurse brought her hope and helped her to visualize a positive image of herself as a mother. "Texting with that kind nurse helped me to stop and think before making the biggest mistake of my life." Now connected with PCPlus, she's receiving prenatal care, enrolling in our parenting classes, and preparing for a future brimming with possibilities.

This is one of the hundreds of stories from our Nurse Chat Service that you make happen each year through your partnership.

\*Pseudonym



#### DEAR PRO-LIFE FRIENDS OF PCPLUS,

The Holy Spirit's work within each of us is life changing. That "grain of mustard seed" in Jesus' teaching (Matthew 13: 31-32) can be you or me saying "Yes" to His call. While we may be small as that seed, the Holy Spirit works through our "Yes" making all those branches and growth possible. Perfect example...that smallest of seeds planted 42+ years ago was known then as the *Problem Pregnancy Center*. We grew to be *Pregnancy Center East*, and now we're aptly known as *Pregnancy Center Plus* (*PCPlus*)!

## When they see the good that you do they give glory to God.

When abortion was legalized on January 22, 1973, I was in labor with my son. I heard that horrible announcement and heard His call. "If we don't change this immediately, money will get in there, and it will take the rest of my life!" It has.

So, I helped to found the Center, going on the offense in defending, helping women, their unborn children, their fathers, families. The joy, fulfillment, friendships, challenges met, the blessings in my own life reflect the beauty of so many clients over the years.

Why do I still volunteer: how does one *love well* each day? Keep answering His call.

In our subsequent newsletters, PCPlus volunteers will elaborate: why they volunteer, the catalyst, and why it's vitally important in their lives. Grains of mustard seeds all.

As I close, let's also spread the *Seven Words*: "Pray to Heal the Wounds of Abortion."





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In the last few years, we have experienced a significant increase in Hispanic/Latino couples regularly seeking our services. PCPlus is searching for Spanish fluent women and men who are interested in volunteering as Client Advocates or Male Mentors.

#### **Commitment:**

- 4-12 hours per month. Daytime, evening, and Saturday shifts available.
- Flexible schedule.
- No prior experience required. Training provided.

Go to SupportPCPlus.org/volunteer for more information or to schedule a tour. Or call Lauren at 513 321-3100.

Volunteers are vital to the fulfillment of our mission. Help us minister to our Hispanic/Latino sisters and brothers. Join us for possibly the most rewarding volunteer opportunity of your life!

Gracias!