

Caring Pregnancy to hold 10th anniversary banquet in Holyoke

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Caring Pregnancy Resource Center of Northeast Colorado will hold one of its annual fund raiser banquets in Holyoke this year.

The banquet is scheduled for 6 p.m. on Saturday, Jan. 24 at the old HHS gym. Another banquet will take place at Akron the night before.

Holyoke's banquet is sponsored by Thrivent Care Abounds in Communities. The organization has pledged to match up to \$800 of funds raised, and its members will be helping as volunteers at the banquet.

Gianna Jessen, international speaker and writer, will be speaking at the two banquets for the Center's 10th anniversary celebration.

She campaigned in favor of Colorado's proposed Amendment 48 in the November election as an avowed pro-life spokesperson for Focus on the Family Action's radio advertising. She also appeared in a pro-life television ad during the fall election campaign, asking then-presidential candidate Barack Obama to support protection for babies born alive in the course of an abortion.

The Center annually hosts banquet fund raisers to raise awareness of the work of the Center and also to raise funds for the year's operations.

Although the Center's main office is located in Brush, it was able to open a satellite office in Holyoke in the spring of 2008. It provides counseling and other resources, including free pregnancy tests and support, free of charge to those involved in crisis pregnancy situations.

Director Jan Loesch travels throughout northeast Colorado to meet with clients and is available for appointments by calling 970-842-4324. Advocates at the Holyoke office may be reached at 854-4335.

Those interested in attending either of the banquets are asked to RSVP by Tuesday, Jan. 13. Ticket information is available from the Center at 970-854-4324 or by emailing neco.cpc@gmail.com. The Center's website is www.neco-cpc.org.

Further information about Jessen is available at www.giannajessen.com.