More Conversations and More Advocates

Training thousands to make abortion unthinkable for millions...

At JFA, we prize one-to-one conversations and the opportunity to help pro-life advocates develop skills for one-to-one conversations. What isn’t always obvious when you look at stories of those conversations is a different sort of story—what it took to bring those conversations into being.

Every semester, I look with pride at the list of high-quality events we’ve just completed across many states, awed by what JFA’s staff, volunteers, and supporters were together able to accomplish with God’s help. Spring 2016 was a good example, as you’ll see in this Impact Report highlighting our work across nine states, including 12 seminars, various presentations, and 16 days of outreach on nine campuses. Our passions for more conversations and more advocates animated and emanated from every one of these events.

Thank you for your generous gifts to JFA to help us continue to work to make abortion unthinkable. We’re honored to serve alongside you.

- Steve Wagner, Executive Director

Each conversation we create and each advocate we prepare carries a unique story. The events we produce to help advocates have conversations also carry their own unique story—the story of a team tirelessly seeking to make abortion unthinkable, one person at a time. Here we highlight a bit of that story with a list of recent events, punctuated by quotes and photos.

**GEORGIA** (Jeremy Gorr, Rebecca Haschke, Jon Wagner, Joanna Wagner, CK Wisner)
February 19-20: Interactive Seminars (Roswell, Athens)
February 20: Interactive Workshop (Smyrna)
February 21: Interactive Seminar (Kennesaw)
February 22-23: Outreach at Kennesaw State Univ. (Kennesaw)
February 24-25: Outreach at Univ. of Georgia (Athens)

**BAKERSFIELD, CALIFORNIA** (Catherine Wurts, serving Right to Life of Kern County with Mentors from Right to Life of Central California)
March 5: Interactive Seminar
March 7-8: Outreach at California State University, Bakersfield

**STILLWATER, OKLAHOMA** (JFA Team)
March 21-22: Outreach at Oklahoma State University

**FRESNO, CALIFORNIA** (Catherine Wurts, with Mentors from Right to Life of Central California—RLCC)
March 31: Interactive Workshop
April 2: Interactive Seminar
April 4: Outreach at Fresno City College
April 5: Outreach at California State University, Fresno

**LAWRENCE, KANSAS** (Tammy Cook, Joanna Wagner, Steve Wagner, CK Wisner)
March 29, 31 (and April 1): Multiple Workshops and Presentations (Two Groups of High School Students)
April 1: Interactive Workshop (Kansas City, KS)

The civil discourse, the fact-based information, the consistent effort to find common ground prompted numerous thoughtful discussions with students.”
- Marylee Shrider, Right to Life of Kern County

JFA/RLCC Mentor Marcos Espinoza led his interactive small group at the seminar in Fresno entirely in Spanish—a first for JFA.
April 2: Interactive Seminar
April 3: Interactive Workshop
April 4-5: Outreach at University of Kansas

**Pittsburgh, Pennsylvania** (Joanna Wagner, Steve Wagner, Former JFA Intern Holly Fugate)
April 8-9: Interactive Seminars

**Wichita, Kansas** (Paul Kulas, Jeremy Wheeler, JFA Team)
January 15-March 15: Design of Two New Exhibits
March 1-April 10: Construction of Two New Exhibits
March 31: Test of the Structure of the New Exhibits

Note: In addition to planning events and giving leadership to JFA, Paul Kulas and I led the JFA team in the design, construction, and structural testing that enabled us to display each of our new large-format exhibits for multiple days in April and May. Jeremy Wheeler and Jon Wagner worked many hours in the warehouse with Paul building signs. All of our training staff contributed ideas, gave feedback, and shouldered various day-to-day tasks for Paul so that the exhibits could be completed. You can learn more about funding the new exhibits at [www.jfaweb.org/invest](http://www.jfaweb.org/invest). Look for pictures of the new exhibits in a future letter, at [www.facebook.com/trainthousands](http://www.facebook.com/trainthousands), or at [www.jfaweb.org/blog](http://www.jfaweb.org/blog).

**Fort Collins, Colorado** (JFA Team)
April 17: Interactive Seminar
April 18-20: Outreach at Colorado State University

**Los Angeles, California** (JFA Team)
May 21-22: Interactive Seminars (Playa del Rey, UCLA)
May 22: Interactive Workshop
May 23, 25: Outreach at UCLA

**Other Events and Locations**
In addition to the events listed above, JFA trainers gave presentations in Sheboygan, Wisconsin (Jeremy Gorr), Valley Center, Kansas (Joanna Wagner), Wichita, Kansas (Tammy Cook), and Prescott, Washington (CK Wisner). Steve Wagner led an interactive seminar in Washington, D.C., and Rebecca Haschke led an interactive workshop in Norfolk, Nebraska.

**More Online: Unforgettable Conversations**
At the heart of all of these events are unforgettable conversations in which we seek to change hearts and minds about abortion. You can find stories of recent conversations at [www.jfaweb.org/spring-2016](http://www.jfaweb.org/spring-2016), along with more quotes and photos illustrating the impact of our spring 2016 events. One story linked there is CK Wisner’s story of a precious conversation she had with a young woman she calls “Jamie” — a story JFA will feature in its June 2016 letter. Thank you for partnering with JFA as we create events that make it possible for more advocates to have more conversations. Your gifts are especially helpful during these summer months, as our team focuses on planning a full slate of events for the fall!

- Steve Wagner, for the JFA Team

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