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2014 Spring Semester Recap

Many people don't feel prepared to discuss abortion and therefore they don't. That is where SEAT WORK comes in, or PART I of the Justice For All Training Program. Attendees learn the basics of having a good conversation about abortion.

Helping people step out of their comfort zones is an emphasis of PART II, the FEET WORK. This is critical because talking to strangers (or friends) about abortion is **NOT** par for the course, even for people who are outgoing or extroverted.

Our mentor-driven approach to FEET WORK, helps to lessen the jumping-off-the-diving-board feeling of starting a conversation. Our mentors help volunteers become more comfortable talking with strangers by always staying nearby during outreach.

This spring, we trained a total of 393 people in SEAT WORK and 221 people in FEET WORK. As always, I want to see many people come to the FEET WORK and get their feet wet. Below I have captured some of the highlights from our training events this spring, including reflections from some of the participants.

University of Oklahoma (OU)

January 27 -28

This was my second time participating in a JFA event in one way or another, and I definitely think it was worth my time. So often many people want to speak up against abortion but have never logically thought through the arguments for or against abortion. It is amazing to me how predictable the conversations go, and JFA covers these very extensively during the training session. I used many of the tools that were taught in the training session and felt equipped as we went on campus and struck up conversations. Grant Malone. OU Student

Arizona State University (ASU)

February 10-11

After working with JFA I learned the skills, knowledge, and compassion...[to offer] a coherent explanation of pro-life views, views that can be shared with others without condemnation or division. Combining philosophy, logic and a modern scientific understanding, I was able to skillfully share empathetic pro-life statements that stood firm while upholding the dignity of post-abortive women and men and especially those in the prochoice community. Above all, I was humbly reminded, through that of a strong and friendly mentorship example, just what it meant to love thy neighbor.

Paul Yunker

RIGHT: At Arizona State University, an adoptive mother wrote on our Free Speech Board about the birth mother's decision to not abort due to seeing abortion images like the ones on the JFA Exhibit.



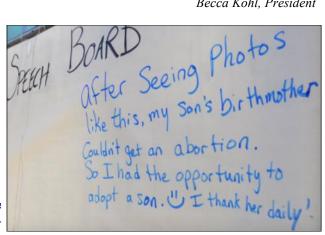
ABOVE: Our large Exhibit is still our best conversation starter, but the Exhibit is only as good as the number of volunteers we can train to use it. Volunteer, Brenda, converses in front of it with an Arizona State student on Hayden Lawn.

Fort Hays State University (FHSU)

February 24-25

I truly believe that the most effective aspect of the outreach was the ability of the Justice for All staff to connect with the group they're working with. Myself and each member that attended the seminar felt so comfortable and trusting of the staff. They built friendships in a matter of hours. It's so much easier to learn from people you respect. This made the outreach incredibly effective (at least in the lives of the students in the Students for Life) because they were able to work alongside people they felt they could truly trust. What a rare thing that is!

Becca Kohl, President



University of Georgia-Athens (UGA)

March 3-4



LEFT: The bed sheet brigade returned. I had not seen the tactic of holding bed sheets to help prevent people from viewing our display in several years. A group of students held bed sheets in front of our Exhibit at UGA for numerous hours each day.

University of Colorado-Colorado Springs

April 7-8

The first conversation I had was with Steve a third year biology major. In the beginning he said that he wasn't sure about when life began and since he was a biology major, I asked him what science taught. He said that he knew science teaches life begins at conception. I went on to ask when he thinks it should be considered valuable enough to protect...before our conversation was finished he said that if he did become a doctor or work in the medical field he would never participate in an abortion. He said it out loud several times as if it was the first time he was making that decision. It was like he was discovering his new personal ethics for the first time, it was really interesting and cool to watch him actually form and verbalize his personal beliefs on the spot.

Mary Watson

University of Kansas (KU)

March 10-11

This spring we visited the University of Kansas on two separate two-day trips. I joined the team on both of the trips and had several great conversations.

One conversation that sticks out to me was with a male student, Tommy, who didn't seem to be that interested in abortion nor in talking about it. He was pro-life, but was wasn't sure it was his responsibility to talk to others about abortion.

That quickly changed. The moment he saw the abortion image, he admitted that he needed to do something about it. He asked, "Is that was abortion looks like?" He took several JFA Exhibit brochures to share, one in particular to share with his roommate. His roommate had taken a girl to get an abortion. Pray that more men like Tommy,

who are already pro-life, will be a voice for the unborn.

RIGHT: This KU Student
and I covered a wide
range of concerns about
abortion. We discussed
the biology of unborn,
whether the unborn
deserves equal rights,
and the bodily rights of
the mother.



At JFA we track the number of days we conduct outreach. This spring we held 21 days of outreach on public university campuses. Here is a complete list of the days we conducted outreach. Please join me in prayer over the people we spoke with on each campus, that much fruit for God's glory will come from our interactions with them.

Jan 27-28 University of Oklahoma, Norman

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\Diamond	Feb 10-11	Arizona State University, Tempe
\Diamond	Feb 17	Univ. of Central Oklahoma, Edmond
\Diamond	Feb 24-25	Fort Hays State University, Hays, KS
\Diamond	Mar 3-4	University of Georgia, Athens
\Diamond	Mar 4-5	Wichita State University, Wichita, KS
\Diamond	Mar 10-11	University of Kansas, Lawrence
\Diamond	Mar 17-18	University of North Texas, Denton
\Diamond	Apr 7-8	Univ. of Colorado, Colorado Springs
\Diamond	Apr 14-15	Georgia State University, Atlanta
\Diamond	Apr 28-29	University of Kansas, Lawrence
\Diamond	May 5	Wichita State University, Wichita

Thank you for your support of my work. Please also join me in prayer for JFA's continued work to train thousands to make abortion unthinkable for millions, one person at a time.

In Christ

Paul G. Kulas