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#### **NEWS NOTES**

#### entertainment'94

#### A win in Arkansas

With Bill Clinton in the White House, the Lieutenant Governor moved up to the Governor's slot. An election was held recently to replace the Lieutenant Governor. The candidates were pro-life Baptist minister, Mike Huckabee (R) and pro-abortion attorney, Nate Coulter, (D). Huckabee won the election. He is the former president of the half-million member Arkansas Baptist Convention and becomes the first GOPer elected statewide in Arkansas since 1980 when Clinton lost his first bid for re-election. He is only the fourth GOPer elected statewide in this century. This was the first election of the post-Clinton era in Arkansas.

-Right to Life of Greater Cincinnati September, 1993

#### Social workers

The 145,000-member National Association of Social Workers has adopted a new policy endorsing physician-assisted suicides and allowing social workers to be present. But the policy states that social workers should neither promote nor participate in assisted suicides.

—American Life League Communique September 17, 1993

#### Domino's

Domino's Pizza has the right to deny use of its corporate facilities to a group supporting abortion rights, the state Court of Appeals has ruled. The Washtenaw County chapter of the National Organization for Women wanted to hold a fund-raising event at Domino's Farms. But NOW's support of pro-choice abortion rights is incompatible with the religious views of Tom Monaghan. Send letters of thanks to Mr. Tom Monaghan, Domino's Pizza, 30 Frank Lloyd Wright Drive, Ann Arbor, MI 48106.

—Detroit Free Press, August 21, 1993

#### "Wrongful-life" suit

A woman who said she would have aborted her deaf child has sued doctors for failing to tell her the baby was susceptible to health problems.

Cathleen Bellettiere was seven weeks pregnant when she sought treatment for a fever. The child, Cheyenne America, is now 2.

—The Courier-Journal (Kentucky) August 11, 1993

#### Genocide

For every three black babies born, abortion kills two.

Each day more than 1,000 African-American babies will be killed by abortion; that's 58 black babies killed per hour, nearly one black baby killed per minute.

Although blacks are only 12 percent of the population, black women are having 32 percent of the 1.6 million abortions performed annually in America.

—Black Americans for Life (Sources: The U.S. National Center for Health Statistics and the Alan Guttmacher Institute)

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#### Jack Kevorkian ignores life

By Ron Seigel

ack Kevorkian, who is attempting to overturn Michigan's temporary ban on assisted suicide, is frequently praised for getting the public to think about life and death issues.

One issue, though, that neither Kevorkian nor his allies would like us to think too deeply about is how to ensure freedom of choice for the vast majority of patients who want to live.

Once patients are killed, how are we to determine whether or not they wanted to go, whether they were assisted or rudely shoved into the Great Beyond?

What complicates this even further is that Kevorkian and his followers have never pretended to limit assisted suicide to the terminally ill.

Last year, the Legislature established a commission to study these questions and consider possible assisted suicide legislation. The Legislature also instituted a temporary ban on assisted suicide. If no assisted suicide legislation is passed before the ban expires, it would be lifted.

Kevorkian and other euthanasia advocates found even this compromise unacceptable.

According to Kevorkian's lawyer, Kevorkian does not want any legal restrictions on assisted suicide. He wants procedures on this form of active killing determined solely by the medical profession. Under this system of selfpolicing, doctors would become a law unto themselves.

This would be equivalent to having nuclear power plants regulated by utilities or having cases of police brutality tried solely by judges and juries of police officers.

There is reason to fear that this could result in a cover-up of abuses. Furthermore, physicians have demonstrated (and freely expressed) prejudices against those with handicaps.

In 1983, a U.S. Civil Rights Commission report noted that people with handicaps faced discrimination in medical care.

About the same time, the president of the Michigan chapter of the Association for Retarded Citizens, declared: "Our experience dictates we not assume that health care professionals will properly inform parents of...opportunities for a fruitful life for their offspring who may be limited by a handicapping condition."

In 1979, three federally funded researchers noted that medical centers in the United States, Canada and England had policies denying operations to babies with certain forms of spina bifida in the hope they would die.

Noting that in their own hospital, many of the babies lived, partly because of "incomplete...team control of care," the authors said: "Decision on withholding for a malformed infant has been considered an ethical question...In our hands, it became as much a matter of practical difficulty."

In 1983, physicians from the University of Oklahoma health care center advocated that society abandon the idea of the sanctity of life and accept a new ethic based on "quality of life," suggesting individuals with certain handicaps had inferior-quality lives.

All this is far from reassuring.

In its challenge to the state's assisted suicide moratorium, the American Civil Liberties Union comes from a different direction, but may drag us to the same destination.

Michigan ACLU leaders theoretically support the idea of state regulation of assisted suicide to guard against abuses. But nowhere in its suit does the ACLU insist on such regulations or say states are required by the Constitution to enact them. If the ACLU suit succeeds, countless people may die.

The first right our Founding Fathers placed in the Declaration of Independence was the right to live. They declared that to preserve such rights, governments are established. Both Kevorkian and the ACLU are undermining this principle.

For this reason, handicappers insist on guarantees of full legal protection for

those who want to live, before allowing participation in active killing for those who want to die.

—Detroit Free Press September 16, 1993 Reprinted with permission Ron Seigel is corresponding secretary of the Handicapper Caucus of the Michigan Democratic Party and a member of Right to Life-Lifespan's Detroit Chapter and Lifespan's Advisory Council.

#### Forcing the issue

"I assisted Thomas Hyde in a merciful suicide. There's no doubt about that. I state it emphatically. I will always do so when a patient needs it because I'm a physician."

With these words, Jack Kevorkian on August 4 dared police to arrest him for violating the state's new law against assisting a suicide.

His remarks amounted to a confession in the death of a 30-year-old man with Lou Gehrig's disease, who died of carbon monoxide poisoning in the Volkswagen van used in Kevorkian's first case of suicide aid in 1990 [AP, August 5, 1993].

Hyde was the 17th person to die with Kevorkian's help.

In the meantime, the Michigan Commission on Death and Dying is holding meetings to discuss the temporary ban on assisted suicide which took effect February 25, 1993.

In fourteen months, the Commission will report its recommendations to the state legislature.

Please write letters to the editor and your state legislators supporting the ban and opposing Kevorkian.

-Excerpts of this article from Life at Risk, July/August 1993



# Legislative

#### Addresses

#### President

President Bill Clinton The White House Washington, DC 20500

Opinion Line (202) 456-1111, before 5 PM

(202) 456-1414, after 5 PM

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Dear Mr. President:

#### U.S. Senators

The Honorable (Carl Levin, Donald Riegle) United States Senate Washington, DC 20510 (202) 224-3121

Dear Senator (last name):

#### U.S. Representatives

The Honorable (first and last name) House of Representatives Washington, DC 20515 (202) 224-3121

Dear Congressman or Congresswoman (last name):

#### Governor

The Honorable John Engler Office of the Governor P.O. Box 30013 Lansing, MI 48909 (517) 373-3400

Dear Governor Engler:

#### Michigan State Senator or Representative

The Honorable (full name) State Capitol Lansing, MI 48913 (517) 373-1837

Dear Senator (last name):

or

Dear Representative (last name):

#### **Hyde Amendment**

On September 28, the U.S. Senate voted 59-40 to renew the Hyde Amendment which prohibits federal funding of nearly all abortions. Michigan Senators Carl Levin and Donald Riegle both voted to repeal the Hyde Amendment.

The Senate rejected an amendment—supported by the Clinton Administration—that would have repealed the Hyde Amendment. (Repeal of the Hyde Amendment would require every state to provide abortion on demand through its Medicaid system, with the federal and state governments splitting the cost about 50-50.) The House already approved the Hyde Amendment on June 30, by a vote of 256 to 171.

While applauding the Senate vote, the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC) said that the real battle over federal funding of abortion is just beginning.

"The Clinton health-care plan would require federal funding of abortion on demand on a massive scale," said NRLC Legislative Director Douglas Johnson, "for at least the 20 million women who do not now have health insurance, or who are now covered by Medicaid. In addition, every working American would be forced to pay direct premiums for abortion insurance as part of the mandatory benefits package."

For more information, please read the article entitled, "Urgent Health Warning" on page 5.

#### FACE

The Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances bill, HR 796, better known as FACE, has passed the House Judiciary Committee and is scheduled to be voted on by the full House within weeks.

HR 796 provides for severe penalties for a person who "physically obstructs, hinders, *or* impedes the ingress or egress

of another to a medical facility...or to the structure or place in which the medical facility is located" [emphasis added]. These penalties include:

- up to three years in federal prison (on first offense, up to one year)
- fines of up to \$250,000 per offense
- awards of unlimited civil damages for "emotional distress," which would be automatically tripled, to clinic clients, owners, or staff

However, these penalties would not apply to those who block the doorway of a medical facility in order to protest animal research, promote AIDS funding, demand national health insurance, protest unfair working conditions within the facility, or whatever. No federal offense occurs unless the impeding is done "with intent to prevent or discourage any person from obtaining" a "reproductive health service"—defined in the bill to include abortion and abortion counseling.

Moreover, HR 796 should be rejected because the prohibited activities described could include peaceful picketing, handing out pro-life leaflets, and "sidewalk counseling" outside of abortion facilities.

Even if a federal prosecutor felt that no deliberate criminal violation had occurred, the bill allows any woman whose entry is delayed, or any aggrieved abortion clinic owner or staff person, to file a *civil* lawsuit to seek unlimited damages for "emotional distress" (which, if awarded, are automatically tripled), in addition to attorneys' fees.

This bill would make federal felons out of persons who engage in non-violent civil disobedience—but only on one issue. And that is unconstitutional.

Please contact your U.S. Representative and Senators today.

—Excerpts of this article first appeared in National Right to Life News March 9, 1993 Reprinted with permission

## Update



#### **Urgent "Health" Warning**

resident Bill Clinton and First Lady Hillary Rodham Clinton have submitted to Congress a proposal to replace existing health insurance with a national health care system. This proposed law would establish a "basic benefits package" for all Americans. The Clintons want abortion to be one of these basic "benefits."

Under the President's proposals, federal law would in effect declare that abortion is nothing more than a routine "pregnancy related service" — simply one method of birth control among many. All employers would be forced to provide their employees with coverage for abortion on demand. Every citizen would have money deducted from his or her paycheck to pay the "premiums" for such coverage.

The pro-abortion movement is focusing all of its political resources on bringing pressure to bear on Congress to adopt the President's abortion proposal. Pamela Maraldo, the president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA), says, "We must secure access to those [abortion] rights in mainstream health care, and once and for all put the abortion debate to rest...and now is the time."

Yes, now IS the time—for every American who recognizes that every abortion is an act of violence, not a "medical benefit," to communicate strong opposition to the President's abortion plan to his or her U.S. House member and two U.S. Senators.

Letters to Members of Congress should be in your own words—but here are examples of the types of points you may want to make in your letters.

- The President's abortion proposals would compel all Americans to pay for abortion on demand. You strongly object to being forced to pay for such insurance.
- Abortion is not an acceptable method of birth control, and the federal government must not promote it as such.
- 72% of Americans say that abortion should not be part of the national health plan (March CBS/New York Times

You can ask for your representative by name, or, if you are not sure of the name, just give the operator your zip code and you will be connected to the right office.

Here are some other steps you can take to help defeat the President's abortion proposals:

• Write a short letter (about 200 words) to the "Letters to the Editor" column of your local newspaper, explaining what the President's propos-

# Pro-lifers must keep abortion out of any national health plan

poll). 84% say that abortion should not be permitted as a method of birth control (Nov. 1992 Wirthlin poll).

- Many elective medical and quasimedical services will not be part of the federally mandated "basic benefits" package. Even the Alan Guttmacher Institute—the research/propaganda arm of Planned Parenthood—has admitted that "many" private insurance plans regard abortion as "elective" and therefore exclude it. ("Health Care Reform," AGI, 1993, page 12).
- Government health programs should foster the well-being of unborn children—not promote their destruction. Every abortion stops a beating heart.

Letters generally are more effective than telephone calls. However, to telephone a congressional office, call the Capitol Switchboard, (202) 224-3121, 225-3121.

als would do and why you are opposed. Mention whether or not your senators and congressmen have taken a position on the issue.

- Telephone local radio "talk shows" and make the same points. Make a special effort to alert the listeners of local Christian radio stations to the importance of this issue.
- Send a copy of any letter received from a Member of Congress on a prolife issue, or any press report that discusses your representatives' positions, to: Right to Life - Lifespan, Main Office, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia, MI 48152. Copies of letters will be forwarded to National Right to Life Committee.

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#### **Student Essay Contest**

#### **ELIGIBILITY:**

Any student in grades 9-12, in public, private or home school, who resides in Oakland, Wayne or Macomb Counties, is eligible for the contest except for students in the immediate family of a Board Member of Right to Life - Lifespan.

#### **RULES:**

- 1. The topic of the essay entry may feature one or more aspects of abortion, infanticide or euthanasia.
- 2. The essay shall be no longer than 1000 words.
- 3. The essay should be typed, but may be legibly handwritten.
- 4. Each entry must be the student's original work and shall not have been submitted to any other publisher or in any other contest.
- 5. Each entry must show the name, address, phone number, age and grade of the student, plus the name of a parent or guardian printed neatly on the reverse side of the entry.
- 6. All entries must be received by 3:00 p.m., Friday, November 12, 1993, and mailed to: 1993 Student Contest, Right to Life - Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia, MI 48152.
- 7. Each entry becomes the property of Right to Life Lifespan, and each student who enters the contest assigns copyright for the entry to Right to Life - Lifespan.
- 8. The essay shall be judged on content and style.
- 9. All entries shall be considered by impartial judges selected with experience in the content. Judges reserve the right to award no prize winner if no entry is deemed meritorious of the prize.
- 10. Decisions of the judges shall be final.

#### PRIZES:

First prize:

\$500 Savings Bond

Second prize: \$200 Savings Bond

Third prize:

\$100 Savings Bond

The first prize winner shall also be invited to read the winning essay at the 1994 Rally for Life in Detroit, and the winning entry shall be printed in Lifespan News.

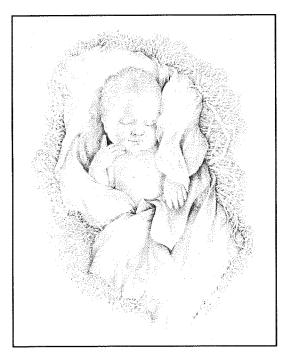
#### For more information, call:



Right to Life - Lifespan 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127 Livonia, MI 48152 (313) 533-9090

### 1993 Christmas Cards

Your purchase represents support for prolife activities during the coming year. To place an order, arrange for pickup at a location near you and/or for more information, call: Detroit Chapter at 874-0432, Oakland County Chapter at 258-9760 or Wayne West, Downriver Chapter at 422-6230.



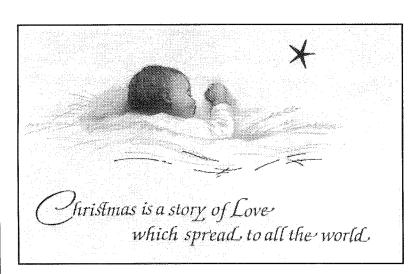
Babe in Swaddling Cloth (embossed) Inside Verse:

God so loved the world
that He gave us His only Son
May He who is the Way, the Truth
and the Life
Bless you this Christmas
and always
(Actual size: 5" x 6%")

\$12.00 per box of 18

#### Shepherds in Adoration (in earth tones, red lettering) Inside Verse:

May the wonder and innocence of children enkindle in our hearts a reverence for Life at Christmas and always (Actual size: 4½" x 6½") \$5.00 per package of 12





Sleeping Infant (in pastels, gold lettering) Inside Verse:

As we rejoice at the birth of Baby Jesus
May our hearts be filled with joy and awe
at the wonder of God's gift of Life
Blessings to you at Christmas
and all through the year
(Actual size: 5" x 6¾")

\$10.00 per box of 18

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# Chapter

#### Office hours

MWF 10-2; TTh Closed Carol Smith, Chairman Mary Cascos, Ofc. Mgr.

#### Thanks, Betty!

Our beloved office manager extraordinaire, Betty Queen has done it again. She has retired. Once before, after attaining age 65, she managed to sneak out, but we put her back into service when needed. This time she has arranged for a very capable and willing replacement, so we think her retirement might stick.

Since the chairperson has a full-time job, Betty has really done the day-to-day Detroit Chapter work. She has been tireless working for life for the past 15 years. We just can't quite imagine the office without her

Of course, she is not quitting her pro-life work. She will continue to be our recording secretary, our gracious hostess for our monthly board meetings, newsletter chairperson, and, we are sure, will do many other volunteer chores. Whew! That's retirement?

Betty will be in our office during October to train her replacement, Mary Cascos, so give her a call, tell her, "Thank you, we'll miss you, and God bless!"

#### **EARTHFEST**

On Saturday, August 14, we had a activist booth at EARTHFEST which was held at the Michigan State Fairgrounds.

The EARTHFEST event is sponsored by a rock music magazine as an annual free-speech assembly to celebrate music arts, activism and community involvement.

A list of the participating causes included AIDS awareness, animal rights, hemp awareness, racial and economic justice, women's rights, prolife and, of course, pro-choice (known to us as pro-abortion).

As you can imagine, this is not your ordinary middle America event, and consequently, our message of non-violence, justice for all, including moms and their unborn children, is reaching a new audience.

Our Detroit Lifespan Chapter is proud to have participated for the past two years and considers this one of our most important activities of the year.

We were responsible for bringing a crisis pregnancy group along, and next year we hope to be able to report that all four allotted pro-life booth spaces were filled. (Yes, the other side had four groups represented plus many other booths seemed to throw in a little pro-abortion information as an extra!)

If any other related pro-life groups are interested, call us and we can give you all the particulars. Qualities needed are tolerance and open-mindedness to counter-culture folks and ideas, plus an appreciation for loud rock music or a deaf ear!

Memorable happenings, both positive and negative, occurred, but we are convinced that our message is definitely needed at EARTHFEST.

#### Rally for Life

Keep in mind that our next pro-life rally will be held on Sun., Jan. 16, 1994 at Kennedy Square in downtown Detroit.

Detroit Chapter 5930 Woodward Ave. Detroit, MI 48202-3516 (313) 874-0432

#### Office hours

M, T, Th, F 12-3; W 10-4 Diane Fagelman, Chairman Clare Schneider, Secretary

October is designated RESPECT LIFE MONTH in the Archdiocese of Detroit. Any member interested in participating in the activities, contact the Christian Service chairperson in your parish. Please call us if you have a problem or need materials.

Is your church or school planning a CHRISTMAS BAZAAR? This is a great opportunity to sell the Lifespan Christmas cards. Call 258-9760.

The Birmingham Community House is hosting a HOLIDAY CARD SALE in which Lifespan is a participant. The date is Wednesday, November 10, 1993. The hours are 10:30 a.m. - 5:00 p.m. The address is 380 South Bates in Birmingham. We need your support.

#### **Attention members**

When you are temporarily away, please notify the office. All *Lifespan* 

News issues will be stopped until you alert the office of your return. The responsibility to let us know rests entirely upon the member. Let us know of any change of address as well.

#### Membership meeting

Anyone interested in helping increase our membership, please attend: October 26, 7:30 p.m., 800 S. Adams, Birmingham, #102; refreshments.

Oakland County Chapter 800 S. Adams, #102 Birmingham, MI 48009-7005 (313) 258-9760

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## News

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#### Office hours

M-F 10-4 Patricia Holscher, Chairman

#### Farewell

During the past 3½ years, many of you have had the privilege of knowing our office manager, Linda Kournoian. She has always been pleasant, knowledgeable and eager to help. She has made many friends with her quick wit, humor and compassion.

However, Linda is leaving our office to take care of her grandchildren full-time. She promises that she will be back among the volunteer ranks after a short vacation. I know you join me in wishing her good health and happiness always.

P.S. We're still interviewing for office manager. Call 422-6230.

#### **Thanks**

Thank you, Cindy and Mich Gauvin and Mary and Fred Babcock, for hosting our Super Garage Sale. The sale items even spilled over into Maria D'Alfonso's garage. Together with helpers, Cindy Babcock, Paula Ervin, Linda Goad, Carol de Grandchamp and Diane Rivard, over \$1000 was raised. It was a great deal of work, but somehow that grand total soothed sore feet and aching backs.

#### **Christmas cards**

The money earned from the Garage Sale will help

defray the downpayment on our '93 Christmas cards which are in our office now. See page 7. Call 422-6230 for distributor nearest you or to become a distributor yourself.

#### **Westland Bazaar**

Don't forget your homemade craft donations for the Westland Bazaar to be held October 22, 23 and 24 during mall hours. Please plan on visiting our booth to Christmas shop. We always have great bargains.

#### **Christmas Crib**

Last year, we initiated our successful Christmas Crib. Maybe you'd like to join this year! If you and your loved ones are still buying Christmas presents for those who have "everything," and it's become such a hassle each year that it takes the fun out of gift shopping, why not consider giving a cash donation to our Christmas Crib.

Your donations will be used for cribs, mattresses and swaddling clothes for "born babes" in our "Wee Care" program, as well as for much needed literature and videos for students who are trying to teach their peers about the "unborn babes" threatened by abortion.

We have helped over 300 families with baby furniture, formula, food and clothing from January through August, 1993.

#### Memberships

Membership renewals and reminders are in the mail. Please do not consider your Christmas Crib donation as payment of your membership dues. We still need each and every membership to cover our everyday office expenses.

Wayne County, West and Downriver Chapter 27578 Schoolcraft Livonia, MI 48150-2203 (313) 422-6230

#### From the **President's Desk**

Dear Friends,

Well, it's over. Another LIFE CHAIN Sunday come and gone, and here it is, the morning after. The weather was perfect (okay, so it was a little windy), the participants were tremendous, and Channel 2's coverage was exceptional.

All in all, I'd say it was a great day for God and metro Detroit. I could use up the rest of this column and several other pages thanking pastors, coordinators and organizers who accomplished so much and worked so hard for the babies and their mothers.

I wish each of you could have had the opportunity to drive the route during LIFE CHAIN to see the magnitude of mile after mile of signs. It is an exhilarating, yet humbling, experience.

As some of you know, we start working on LIFE CHAIN in January. So, it's not too early for me to ask for your suggestions and comments for 1994.

On another note, I hope you are as incensed as I am with the Detroit News and Detroit Free Press. We have been hearing the argument that it's cheaper to kill the poor before they're born, than support them afterwards for years. It gets worse every time I hear it.

During the 70s in Florida, a state representative, who was also a doctor, introduced legislation to exterminate all the residents of the state homes for the mentally retarded thereby saving the taxpayers many millions of dollars a year. My oldest brother, Dick, who will be 53 tomorrow, is retarded.

Better ask yourself, who will be next?



#### **Unmasking UNICEF**

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represents an attempt to overcome women's resistance to the health damaging effects of these technologies.

UNICEF denies its complicity by crying, "clean hands, clean hands!" while conniving with the World Bank, UNFPA and other population control groups to fund the clinics, stock the shelves, train the midwives and village health workers, and provide the vans which tour the countryside of developing nations sterilizing the people.

The public record provides a clear chronicle of UNICEF's operations which fund abortion advocacy, abortifacient/contraceptive supplies and sterilization.

The face behind the mask at UNICEF is a very ugly one, indeed.

#### What You Can Do

- 1. Stop contributing to UNICEF appeals—especially the annual "Trick or Treat for UNICEF" Campaign—until the organization ends its anti-life, antifamily involvements.
- 2. Find out more about UNICEF. A substantial packet of documentation of UNICEF's programs is available from the Population Research Institute. Due to postage and copying costs, they are forced to charge \$20.00 for the packet. Population Research Institute, P. O. Box 2024, Baltimore, MD 21297-0330; phone: 301-670-1864.
- 3. Call your local Lifespan office for more information.
  - -Population Research Institute

#### Baby Hope

Susan Ferrans and John Dirian have already named their unborn baby, Hope. Their baby was conceived only 27 weeks ago, but her parents say she has her brother's nose. They got a glimpse of Hope inside her mother's womb during an ultrasound test. But the ultrasound also showed that Hope's stomach and bowels were in the space where her lungs should be. Her heart was pushed to the right side of her chest.

Early last month, doctors at the Medical Center of the University of

California, San Francisco, performed experimental surgery on the fetus. They partially removed the 9 inch long fetus, weighing 1½ pounds, through an incision in Ferran's uterus. After moving the tiny organs back into place, they patched the hole in the fetus' diaphragm. This uncommon and severe birth defect, congential diaphragmatic hernia, occurs when a hole in the diaphragm fails to close during fetal development. The lungs fail to develop and the baby is born usually unable to breath.

Dirian expressed his loving concern for his unborn child when he said, "One day, I was watching the monitor and she looked right into the camera and smiled. It broke my heart. We knew we had to do everything possible to have her here with us. It's been hard but we refused to give up on our little girl. She's a fighter and we're here for her. That's why we named her Hope."

Though the cost of surgery is being covered by an experimental research fund through the California medical center, contributions are being accepted for the family's travel and incidental expenses and may be made to the Baby Hope Fund at Citizen's Bank, Box 3678, Center Line MI 48015.

#### Spiritual adoption

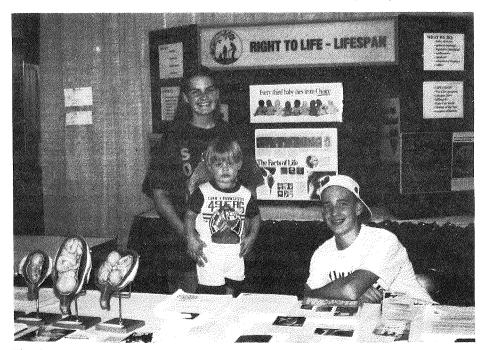
To help stop the anti-life push in the U.S., the late Archbishop Fulton J. Sheen encouraged the spiritual adoption of an unborn child. This is done by praying that one particular but unknown child's life be spared abortion and be allowed to continue to live. To help accomplish this, it was recommended an individual say the following daily prayer for a period of one year.

"Jesus, I love you very much. I beg you to spare the life of the unborn baby that I have spiritually adopted who is in danger of abortion."

During your earthly life this spiritually adopted child of yours will be known only to God, but in the world to come it is hoped that you will meet the child whose life was spared by your prayers.

#### Pope speaks in Denver

"Precisely when science and medicine are achieving a greater capacity to safeguard health and life, the threats against life are becoming more insidious. Abortion and euthanasia—the actual killing of another human being—are hailed as 'rights' and solutions to 'problems'—an individual problem or society's. The slaughter of the innocents is no less sinful and devastating simply because it is done in a legal and scientific way."



Thanks to all who visited or worked at our booth at the Michigan State Fair from August 27 through September 6. Pictured from left to right are Mary and Jayson Thomas and Ben Bradley who helped set up the booth.

#### **Therapists for Life**

A new information and advocacy group is being organized for physical therapists and other allied health professionals who are concerned with society's increasing disregard for the value of each human life, and the contributing role with which modern medicine is assisting in this decline.

For more information on Therapists for Life, or to receive their quarterly newsletter free of charge, please contact: Therapists for Life, P. O. Box 327, Oxford, Michigan 48371.

#### Women in Ramah

The Melvindale Crisis Pregnancy Center will be sponsoring a P.A.C.E. (Post-Abortion Counseling and Education) Bible Study, designed for women who have had one or more abortions.

If you or someone you know is interested, contact Debra Hinojosa at 382-6879, or contact the Melvindale CPC at 382-5941. All inquiries are confidential and without obligation.

#### Rummage/bake sale

Set aside Saturday, November 20, 9:00 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. for Christian Activist Network's fundraiser to help women in crisis pregnancies.

The sale will take place at Trinity Baptist Church, 14800 Middlebelt (south of 5 Mile), Livonia. Call Kay at 261-9888 to donate items or to help.

#### **Dinner/Auction**

Mother and Unborn Baby Care's 8th annual "Miracle of Life" Dinner Auction will be held Sat., Nov. 6 at 6:30 p.m. at the Southfield Manor. Tickets are \$50 per person; call John and Pat Connell, 737-1650 for tickets. To donate items, call Sr. Annrita, 559-7576.

#### Knapp's coupons

We have reached our goal of 75,500 coupon points for the display board for the Detroit Chapter!

Thanks to the following people for coupons sent in the past two months: Barna, Roy, Reuter, Sinclair, Locke, Cylkowski, Wilhelm, Valliere, Lee, Swiatkowski, Church, Bogedin, Lenz, Nye, Pipoly, Miller, McDermott, Sherwood, Gibbons, Wagener, Sabo, St. Perpetua Parish, Kwiatkowski. Lohrengel, Truchan, Gorny, St. Agatha Women's Club, Lesiak, Henrich, Lucas, Vanesley, Kral, Garrett, Nizol, McGinn. Kleinbrook, McLaughlin, Davidson, Purcell, Shimkus, Kelley, Tschirhart, Mahoney, Jakubowicz, St. Theodore Church, Smith, Konopka, Pernak, Kacher, O'Connor, Kamrath, Bleecker, and others whose names we do not have.

Please continue to save Bill Knapp's coupons for us for our next project which is a display board for the Oakland County Chapter.

When you present your check to the cashier at any Bill Knapp's Restaurant, ask for a Community Support Coupon.

Send the coupons to Right to Life -Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia 48152. Thanks, and God bless!

#### Spartan cash for labels

Lifespan is enrolled in Spartan Stores Cash for Labels Program. Spartan Stores will pay us \$.02 for every Spartan brand UPC symbol (except canned pop and refrigerated biscuits) received before December 31, 1993. Spartan products are carried by many grocers in the metro area.

Please send the UPC symbols only, not the whole label, to Right to Life - Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia 48152. Thanks!

#### Remembrances

You can live on after death by helping those whose lives are threatened by abortion, euthanasia or infanticide.

A bequest in your will to Right to Life - Lifespan of Metro Detroit will be used to save the lives of many through our efforts.

Donations may be made in memory of loved ones who have died. A memorial card will be sent by Lifespan in your name to the family of the deceased.

Donations may also be made to honor someone special, and near and dear to you, for a particular occasion, or just because...

- In celebration of the birth of Sarah Catherine, daughter of Rachelle and Jim Schneider, requested by Grandma, Clare Schneider.
- In celebration of the 1st birthday of Joseph Compton, son of Micheal and Dorothy Compton, requested by Grandma Marge Bradley.
- In memory of Arthur "Jerry" Martell, requested by Mr. and Mr. B. Fuller and Dr. and Mrs. John Joyce.

#### **Baby showers**

On Sunday, March 13, 1994, from 2:00 to 3:30 p.m., Right to Life - Lifespan will be hosting approximately 20 baby showers simultaneously at different locations throughout the metro area for crisis pregnancy centers.

If you or your church would like to help coordinate a baby shower, please call Mary Jo Raftery, our Baby Shower Co-Chairman, at 261-3383, or our Main Office at 533-9090. The babies need you!

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#### **Behind the Mask of UNICEF**

he United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) claims to represent the needs of children throughout the world. It claims to prioritize a "first call" for children's access to world resources in every nation. It claims, through its Convention on the Rights of the Child, to have formulated a program that will help guarantee well-being and respect for all children.

Such claims form a false face masking a cynical program that uses children to prevent other children from being born. UNICEF's record reveals that it is not a champion of children or family values. UNICEF's public record reveals that it promotes population control programs which advocate abortion, abortifacients and all methods of population control technology without limitation.

If it's true that we're known by the company we keep, UNICEF may be better understood by examining some of its insidious collaborations.

#### **UNICEF Collaborates**

An "interagency partnership" composed of the United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF), the World Bank, the United Nations Development Programme (UNDP), the World Health Organization (WHO), the United

Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA), International Planned



Parenthood Federation (IPPF) and the Population Council (PC) have proposed a "Safe Motherhood Initiative." The centerpiece of the initiative is the legalization of abortion within all public and private maternal and health programs in developing countries. The World Bank is to provide the economic compulsion and guaranteed funds necessary to carry out this agenda.

#### UNICEF Promotes Population Control

UNICEF networks are a major conduit for abortion pressures and for

abortifacient drugs, devices and sterilizations promoted by the United Nations Fund for Population Activities (UNFPA), the World Health Organization (WHO), the World Bank (the Bank) and the International Planned Parenthood Federation (IPPF).

UNFPA has been denied funding by the United States Congress because of UNFPA's involvement in directing and managing the coerced abortion and sterilization program in China. Both UNFPA and IPPF are noted for their abortion advocacy and activity. IPPF has illegally supplied vacuum aspiration kits for abortions to the Philippines, Bangladesh, Korea, Singapore, Hong Kong, Vietnam and India. Yet UNICEF has provided funds for both organizations (The Hastings Center Report, Vol. 10, No. 2, April, 1980).

The lack of access to alternative health care options in developing nations, combined with the politicized propaganda and health-destroying technologies of international population control idealogues, strongly impacts on patients' abilities to give informed consent in UNICEF Maternal and Child Health Care (MCH) settings.

In addition, the linkage of population control pressures to primary health care centers for mothers and children

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