



LIFESPAN

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Vol. 49 No. 2 Presenting the Pro-Life Message in Southeastern Michigan Since 1970 — 50 Years! February/March 2020



Right to Life – LIFESPAN's

31st Annual Baby Shower

Sunday, March 8, 2020

(unless different date noted)

to benefit local Pregnancy Help Centers

Gift Suggestions

Sleepers, onesies, socks,
receiving blankets, crib
sheets, diapers (size 1 - size
4), baby wipes, wash cloths,
towels, pacifiers, bottles,
bibs, personal hygiene items
for baby, gift cards, cash
donations!

Baby showers will be held at the following locations.

More locations are added almost daily!!! Visit miLIFESPAN.org for updates!

Bring new or gently used baby items. For more information, call *Right to Life - LIFESPAN* at 734.524.0162

In alphabetical order by City:

Auburn Hills Christian Center, **Auburn Hills**

March 22nd - 29th

Sacred Heart of the Hills, **Auburn Hills**

Our Lady Queen of Martyrs, **Beverly Hills**

St. Hugo of the Hills, **Bloomfield Hills**

St. John Neumann, **Canton**

Guardian Angels, **Clawson**

Church of the Divine Child, **Dearborn**

Weekends from Mar 7th - 15th

St. Alphonsus-St. Clement, **Dearborn**

St. Anselm, **Dearborn Heights**

St. Sabina, **Dearborn Heights**

Weekend of March 7th & 8th

St. Gerald, **Farmington**

Weekend of March 14th & 15th

Christ Our Savior Lutheran, **Livonia**

Diaper Drive: Jan 2020

St. Colette, **Livonia**

Weekend of Mar 7th & 8th

St. Edith, **Livonia**

St. Genevieve-St. Maurice, **Livonia**

St. Michael, **Livonia**

St. Rafka Maronite Church, **Livonia**

Diaper Drive

St. Mary, Our Lady of the Snows, **Milford**

St. Stephen, **New Boston**

Northville Christian, **Northville**

Our Lady of Victory, **Northville**

Weekends from Feb 29th - Mar 22nd

Our Lady of Good Counsel, **Plymouth**

St. Kenneth, **Plymouth**

Weekends from Mar 7th - 22nd

Our Lady of Loretto, **Redford**

Weekends from Feb 22nd - Mar 8th

St. Valentine, **Redford**

St. Andrew, **Rochester**

St. Paul Lutheran, **St. Clair Shores**

Ss. Cyril & Methodius, **Sterling Heights**

Drop-Off

After all Masses on Mar 21st-22th

Traditional

Sunday, Mar 22nd after 9:30 am Mass

St. Jane Frances de Chantal, **Sterling Hts.**

Christ Our Light, **Troy**

Traditional

Sunday, Apr 19th - Time: TBD

St. Elizabeth Ann Seton, **Troy**

St. Thomas More, **Troy**

Weekend of Mar 21st - 22nd

Ss. Simon & Jude, **Westland**

Traditional

Sunday, Mar 8th from 1:00 - 3:00

1/31/2020

Choose a location near you, drop off some new (or clean, gently used items) and help our local moms and their babies. Sometimes, just knowing that there are resources available through local pregnancy help centers means the difference between aborting a baby and giving a baby LIFE!

Does your church/organization want to co-host a Baby Shower for one of the Metro Detroit Pregnancy Help Centers, but don't see your name listed? Please contact us today at the *LIFESPAN* Main Office & we'll get you everything you need! 734.524.0162 or mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org.

CBS Has Been Peddling Fake News Since 1973 When Walter Cronkite Mislead About *Roe v. Wade*

Editor's Note: They never stop trying... but then neither do we!

By Dave Andrusko

When we flip the calendar over to December, even more than usual, we come to think about the anniversary of an earth-shattering event that will be only seven weeks away: January 22, 1973.

Last year attention focused a great deal around the obvious – that it had been 40 years since seven Supreme Court justices turned abortion jurisprudence upside down. Dissenting Justice Byron White called this an “act of raw judicial power,” adding that the court majority’s “judgment is an improvident and extravagant exercise of the power of judicial review that the Constitution extends to this Court.”

Let’s begin by talking about what you hear in a 4-minute long, grainy kinescope of “*CBS Evening News*” from January 22, 1973.

The video begins with anchor Walter Cronkite looking up for the cue when he will be on camera as we hear the roll call of the names of all the correspondents who would be reporting from around the world (Pretty impressive list, by the way, not only of journalists but also of the breadth of coverage.).

Cronkite announced that an unnamed “landmark decision” that day had “legalized abortions,” a moment later adding, “during the first three months.” Correspondent George Herman took it from there to explain the details.

In light of the ancient technology (and the over four decades that have passed), I couldn’t help thinking of Cronkite’s “You are There” series which used real network correspondents to tell historical stories as if those stories were being televised live. Only this, of course, was not a re-enactment from the past, but living history.

Alas, Herman, like Cronkite and all correspondents, only partially described the decision[s] accurately. Herman alluded to a second case but did not clarify that it was *Roe*’s companion case – *Doe v. Bolton* – that fleshed out the expansionary impact of what *Roe* meant.

Three things stood out in Herman’s report, besides the initial error of reporting *Roe* as if it limited abortion to the first trimester.

One was a reference that later in pregnancy “the states may take legal action to protect the unborn child”! “Child”?

Second, the decision[s] “thus sets limits on the right to abortion on demand,” which, in fact, *Roe* and *Doe* did not.

Third, and this is key to understanding where Justice Harry Blackmun, the author of *Roe* and *Doe*, was in 1973 (he became much more of an ardent pro-abortion feminist in later years), Herman reported, “In effect the court made abortions subject only to the decision of the pregnant woman’s doctor.” Not the woman, but “the pregnant woman’s doctor.”

Two guests were briefly interviewed. The first was Alan Guttmacher, “president of the Planned Parenthood Federation of America and a leader in the International Planned Parenthood Federation in the 1960s and early 1970s,” according to the Guttmacher Institute, formerly known as the Alan Guttmacher Institute. Guttmacher was spun off from PPFA in 1968 and has ever since earned the misbegotten reputation as a non-partisan source of abortion-related information.

Guttmacher told *CBS Evening News*, “I think to raise the dignity of a woman and give her freedom of choice in this area is an extraordinary event.” January 22, 1973, he accurately predicted, would be seen as a “historic day.”

Father James McHugh gave the pro-life response. At the time McHugh was executive director of the U.S. Bishops’ Office for Pro-Life Activities. McHugh (who later became Bishop McHugh) spoke of the decision having withdrawn “human rights” from the unborn.

“The judgment of the court will do a great deal to tear down the respect previously accorded human life in our culture,” he accurately predicted.

In case you think our Movement has not made an enormous difference, consider this. Near the end Herman remarks, “New York State, among others, already has liberalized abortion. Now the rest of the country must follow suit.”

He concludes by remarking matter-of-factly, “If the experience of New York State is any guide, **America will eventually have one abortion for every two births.**” [Emphasis added.]

Just yesterday we reported on the continued decline in the number of abortions, the abortion rate, and the abortion ratio. Tremendously encouraging news.

And why this has come to pass – and not a fulfillment of Herman’s prophecy? For one reason and one reason only: you.

- *LifeNews.com*, January 8, 2020

LIFESPAN'S 2020 BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN



We've started 2020 out with a bang! We have seven beautiful billboards located around the Metro Detroit area.

Our message is: The Greatest Gift a Mother Can Give... Life

Locations include:

1. East bound I-94 Freeway, west of Cadieux Road
2. East bound I-96 Freeway & Roosevelt Street
3. South bound Woodward Ave. south of Burroughs Street
4. South bound Trumbull & Al Kaline Drive (Cherry Street)
5. East bound Cherry Hill Road west of South Newburgh Road
6. North bound Groesbeck Highway north of Stephens Road
7. East bound Huron Road west of Telegraph Road

Can you find them all?



Thank you to the Thewes Foundation for their generous donation, allowing us to bring these Billboards to Metro Detroit.

Volunteer Needed

We are looking for someone who can commit to volunteering once a month for our Used Book Sale. We have signs that need to be put up (at 10 am) and taken down (3:15 pm) at our Monthly Sale. If this is something that you can help us with, please call Chris at the Main Office at 734-524-0162.

March for Life 2020



I love traveling with LIFESPAN on bus 3 and I look forward to the trip every year! The highlight of the trip time around, other than the actual march, was the tour of the state capitol. It just made me feel extra proud to be an American. It was also extremely cool to hear Trump talk at the Rally this year and to have a president who supports pro-life rights. It was a great trip all and all. Thank you for everything! –Laural Charrette



This trip definitely topped as one of my favorites. Everyone on this bus quickly became like family to me (as always) and I truly felt God's presence in everything we did as a group. This year was absolutely amazing and I am so sad for it to end. I can't wait till next year J -Anjelina

*My experience on this year's bus trip was so amazing seeing all the people there fighting for life was so inspiring. I also loved being able to take pictures with the police XD.
– Megan*



2020 Theme: Life Empowers: Pro-Life is Pro-Woman



It's so motivating to be surrounded by a sea of hundreds of thousands of people who share my pro-life virtues. It can be hard these days when the loudest voice in society condemns us for what we believe to be fundamentally right. The March for Life reminds me just how many people support the pro-life movement, and gives me hope for the culture of life in America! -Andrew



I am so glad I was given the opportunity to be on this trip! I am so blessed to have been able to spend my Thurs-Sun. with so many amazing people and get to know others better. I don't think anything went wrong, and I hope the years to come are this amazing. -Anonymous



LIFESPAN Youth in the News!!!

One of our Youth, Anjelina Dushaj, was interviewed by the Washington Examiner on January 24th in Washington, DC at the March for Life. You can read the article at:

<http://washingtonexaminer.com/news/16-year-old-activist-at-the-march-for-life-14-hour-bus-rides-sleeping-in-church-basements-and-baby-yoda?fbclid=IwAR1wTqDwpb5aHox2S9J5FiuJ19TqKR2JP7OnT-Z1M2RSV-uAtCsmhzL87Bs>

50th Anniversary LIFESPAN RAFFLE

Maximum of 500 tickets will be sold
Donation: \$50 per ticket

Grand Prize: \$10,000

- **Drawing:** LIFESPAN's 50th Anniversary Dinner (5/5/2020) – 9:00-9:30 pm
- **Location:** San Marino Club, 1685 E. Big Beaver, Troy, Michigan 48083
- Winner need not be present to win

* If fewer than 400 tickets are sold by the drawing time, the raffle will become a 50/50 drawing (the winning ticket holders will receive a percentage of half of all ticket sales).

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Fill out the order form below. Enclose check or provide credit card information and return to:

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*** Once payment is received, your tickets will be sent to you.**

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Number of Tickets: _____ @ \$50 each. Total Amount: \$ _____

☐ Check made payable to **Right to Life - LIFESPAN Ed. Fund**

☐ MasterCard ☐ VISA ☐ Discover ☐ American Express *Your credit card will be charged by LIFESPAN Educational Fund

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Verification Code is 3-digit number on the back of the credit card

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Name(s) on Ticket(s) (if different from above): _____

[] If sold out, please return money [] If sold out, please accept as a donation

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President Trump Tells March for Life: “Every Child Born and Unborn is a Sacred Gift from God”

By Steven Ertelt

President Donald Trump told tens of thousands of pro-life advocates at the March for Life that unborn children have worth and value.

“Every child is a precious and sacred gift from God,” he said during his speech. “Together we must protect, cherish, and defend the dignity and sanctity of every human life.”

“When we see a baby in the womb, we glimpse the majesty of God’s creation,” he added. “Every child, born and unborn, is made in the holy image of Almighty God.”

The president thanked the millions of Americans who are pro-life and the march participants for showing up to fight to fight against abortion.

“It is my profound honor to be the first president in history to attend the March for Life!” Trump told the crowd.

“We are here for a very simple reason: To defend the right of every child – born and unborn – to fulfill their God given potential,” he said. “Young people are the heart of the March for Life and it is you who is making it the pro-family, pro-life generation.”

President Trump defended his pro-life record, starting with taking action on his first day in office to defund International Planned Parenthood.

“From my 1st day in office I have taken historic action to protect the unborn,” he said. “Unborn children have never had a stronger defender in the White House... As the Bible tells us, each person is wonderfully made.”

“And during my first week in office, I reinstated and expanded the Mexico City Policy and we issued a landmark pro-life rule to govern the use of Title X taxpayer funding. I notified Congress that I would veto any legislation that weakens pro-life policy or that encourages the destruction of human life,” he said. “At the United Nations, I made clear that global bureaucrats have no business attacking the sovereignty of nations that protect innocent life. Unborn children have never had a stronger defender in the White House.”

“We have taken decisive action to protect the religious liberty – so important – religious liberty has been under attack all over the world and frankly, very strongly attacked in our nation. You see it better than anyone. But we are stopping it. And we’re taking care of doctors, nurses, teachers, and groups like the Little Sisters of the Poor,” he added.

“We are preserving faith-based adoption and to uphold our founding documents, we have appointed 187 federal

judges, who apply the consultation as written, including two phenomenal supreme court justices – Neil Gorsuch and Brett Kavanaugh,” the president said.

The president condemned Democrats for pushing abortion on demand.

“Sadly, the far left is working to erase our God-given rights, shut down faith-based charities, ban religious leaders from the public square, and silence Americans who believe in the sanctity of life. They are coming after me because I am fighting for you and we are fighting for those who have no voice. And we will win because we know how to win. We all know how to win. We all know how to win. You’ve been winning for a long time. You’ve been winning for a long time,” he said.

“Together, we are the voice for the voiceless. When it comes to abortion – and you know this, you’ve seen what’s happened – Democrats have embraced the most radical and extreme positions taken and seen in this country for years and decades, and you can even say, for centuries.”

Nearly every top Democrat in congress now supports taxpayer-funded abortion all the way up until the moment of birth. Last year, lawmakers in New York cheered with delight upon the passage of legislation that would allow a baby to be ripped from the mother’s womb right up until delivery.

President Trump proclaimed “Mothers are heroes” as he thanked attendees for their leadership. He added, every child brings joy to a family... every human life is made in the Holy image of Almighty God.”

He concluded, “I went to thank you, it’s so great to represent you, I love you all, and I say with true passion ‘Thank you, God bless you, and God bless America.’”



- LifeNews.com, January 24, 2020

LIFESPAN Chapter News

Oakland/Macomb Counties

Be the Change

As you read through this issue of the *LIFESPAN* News and see the information on BE THE CHANGE, please note that the session on Feb.28 is for ADULTS! (folks out of High School). We frequently have programs for our young people - the future of the pro-life movement - but this session is for those who help shape and guide our young people - the current supporters of the pro-life movement. Our young people are bombarded on social media, in school and among their peers on the "benefits" of abortion and they need the steadying influence of the adults in their lives to help them understand that the things they see on "Twitter" are frequently false! Please plan on attending.

Diamond & Silk Dinner Plans

As the day of our dinner, May 5th, comes closer, we will need willing hands to help us with the dozens of details that will need attention. As the time draws closer, perhaps in early April, please let us know if you can help - put flowers on tables, arrange display tables, place information on tables, distribute our table favors, clear tables after the event, short trips to the store for the things we have forgotten. These are a

few of the things that always need doing. None of them are too burdensome, but as the saying goes, "many hands make light work".

Dinner Reservations

Speaking of the dinner, if you plan to come, please reserve your place early on. We have an absolute capacity of 800 seats. As you may have noticed there is no charge for the dinner, but we hope that those who attend will generously support our pro-life efforts. A 50th Anniversary is a great milestone for LIFESPAN but none of us wants to have to wait another 50 years to see human life protected.

"We must take sides. Neutrality helps the oppressor, never the victim. Silence encourages the tormentor, never the tormented."

- Elle Wiesel

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January at WCC

Report on Luminaries: about the same as the past - over 3,000 given out. Our Rose Celebration at OLGC was well attended again this year and The New Fund-raiser Dinner Dance was a big surprise with over 100 people attending! Thanks to the AOH Hall (Ancient Order of Hibernians) in Redford and staff for their donation to help us in our fundraiser and make our first year a success. We hope each year it will get better and better. Our opening guest Councilman Scott Bahr always has a great message about LIFE. He is a true solider and Christian Champion.

Check your Membership Date

We have a tentative budget in place that Ron, our Treasurer, and I have finalized for board approval. So that we can have an accurate 2020 budget, we need to have an accurate account of total members to move forward with planning to continue our mission here in Wayne County. Looking forward to working with you

all this coming year. Just a heads up I will be sending letters out to those who have not renewed for several years. We hope that you will reconsider keeping your membership, which allows us to fulfill our continued mission, believing that human life has value in all stages of development from conception until natural death. We are committed to speaking on behalf of those who cannot speak for themselves - pre-born, the aged, the incapacitated. Your membership helps us in this fight. Thank You.

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Wayne County



Wee Care

An elderly couple holding hands -
A bride gazing into her husband's eyes -
A mom holding her baby for the very first time -
A dad cradling his newborn in his big arms -
A grandparent's heart bursting with pride as she hugs her grandchild -

LOVE - it's just pure love! These are the moments - the "Hallmark" moments. But unfortunately, some of our moms don't experience love like this.

There may not be an elderly couple in their lives that show by example what love is. There may not be a husband who has vowed to care and provide for her. There may not be a dad who sticks around or cares about the child she is carrying. There may not be grandparents who support her decision to give her child life.

But, what there is is a mother overwhelmed with love as they place her newborn in her arms at delivery. Unfortunately, she is also overwhelmed with fear and anxiety over how she will provide for this precious child. At mo-



ments like this - you make such a difference in her life and hundreds like her each year. You provide her sweet little one with diapers, clothing, warm blankets and everything

she needs. Because of your support, Wee Care exists and is able to provide information on housing, childcare, WIC, social workers, etc., and they let our moms know that others care and are praying for them.

Because of you, she can take a deep breath, hold her baby close and feel that unbelievable, indescribable, heart-bursting love that every mother should feel. Thank you for loving our moms and their babies!

Hope you have a Spring filled with joy and happiness (and a Valentine's Day filled with love and chocolate!)

Love, Karen

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All material and monetary donations to Wee Care are tax-deductible. Checks must be made payable to Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund.



Youth Report

The LIFESPAN 2020 *Movement in Motion* had no complications this year! All four buses made it safely to and from Washington DC on schedule. There was no government shutdown or major snowstorm to interfere with our plans.

Every year, we pass the Capitol Building after the March for Life concludes by the Supreme Court. This year our students toured the Capitol on Saturday. It is important for them to see staples of our government and how they function especially in relation to the pro-life movement. The tour was made even more exciting by the fact that at the March for Life Rally, the day prior, we were addressed for the first time ever by the President of the United States! It speaks volumes about the pro-life movement that he is backing us. To say the least, it was impactful to have the leader of our nation stand before us and defend the right to life. This was a historic moment for the pro-life movement that we were able to partake in. Hopefully, this will not be the only time we'll see a president at

the March for Life!

Be sure to check out some quotes from the students and pictures of the trip on pages 4 - 5.

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Our Special Guests are

Diamond & Silk

Come spend a memorable evening celebrating our

50th Anniversary

Auction & Fundraising Dinner!

Tuesday, May 5, 2020

San Marino Club in Troy, Michigan

Auction Opens at 5:30 pm

Dinner Begins at 7:15 am



*LIFESPAN is not charging for these events, but please understand that this is the most important fundraiser of the year.
We hope that you can join us and help us continue our efforts to protect all human life.*

50th Anniversary Fundraising Dinner Reservations: Reservations due by Friday, April 17th.

☐ Yes, I (We) plan to attend this Fundraising Event. Number of seats: _____ Seat with: _____

☐ Yes, I (We) plan to reserve a table to 10. (Please list names of all those for whom table reservations are made on a separate sheet of paper.
Table seating will be determined by date of receipt of reservation).

☐ I (We) are not able to attend. Enclosed is a donation of \$ _____ to support your pro-life efforts.

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Phone (_____) _____ Email Address _____

For Dinner reservations, please call or mail this form to:

Right to Life - LIFESPAN, 1637 W. Big Beaver Rd., Ste. G, Troy, MI 48084. For more information, call 248.816.1546.

*Photos/videos may be taken at this event and may be used on the web, in publications and/or other media. If you would prefer that your image
not be included, please contact Right to Life - LIFESPAN's Main Office at 734.524.0162 or mainoffice@rtl-lifespain.org*

2020 Silent Auction

Auction Items Needed!

Every year at our *Celebration of Life* Dinner in May, we have a wonderful variety of items for the Silent Auction and Gift Card Tree. We are looking for items that will bring in large auction bids, such as:

- Accommodations at tourist destinations
- Restaurant Gift Cards (Red Lobster, Applebee's, etc.)
- Sporting Event Tickets
- Specialty/Department Store Gift Cards
- Golf Packages
- Family-Friendly places to visit
- Movie Packages

Monetary donations will be put to good use; donate any amount and an auction item will be created in your name. Please go to miLIFESPAN.org/donate to donate online or call the Main Office at 734-524-0162 for more information.

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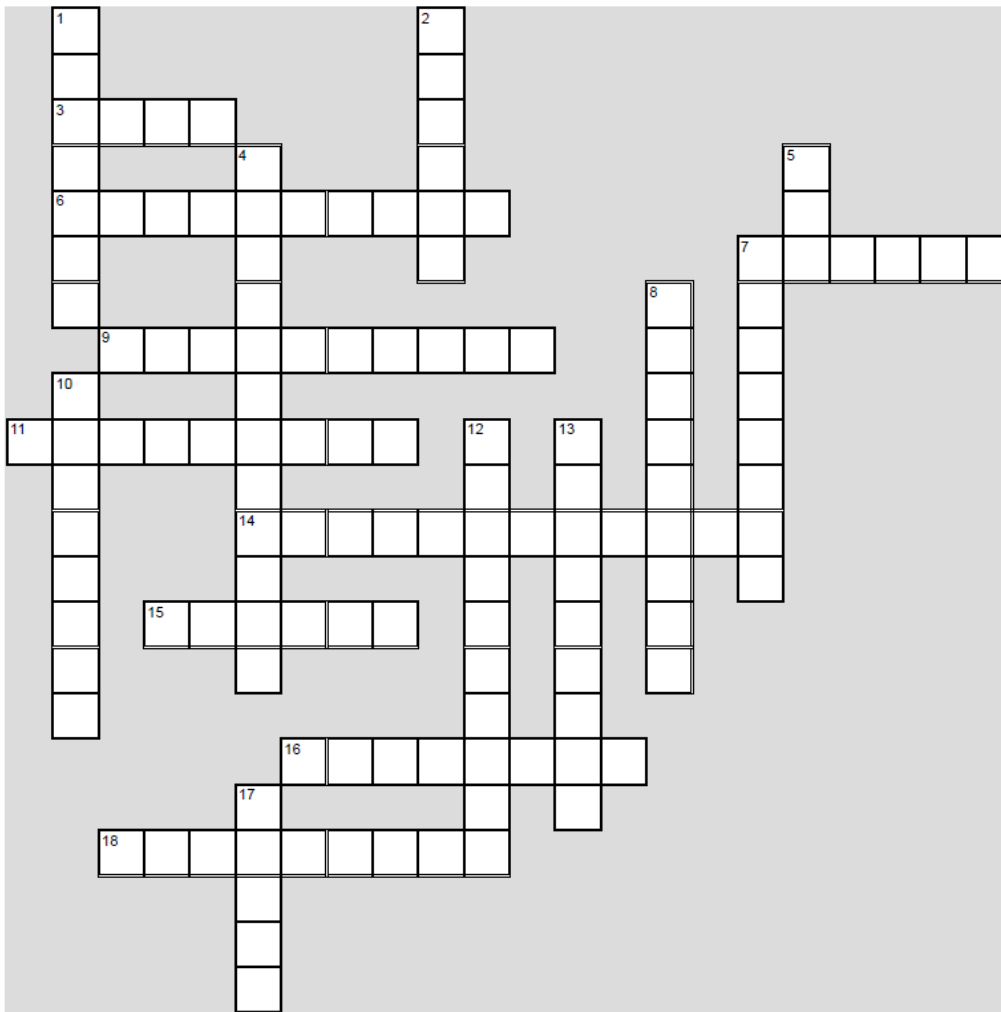
Russel Bommarito, Freda & Frank Herbert, given by Janet Bommarito ★ The Decker & Glaza Families, given by Elizabeth Glaza ★ Albert Kisner, Marsha Van Hoey, Richard Masiarak, given by Ed & Laurie Van Hoey ★ Ralph Dolence (husband), Ronald Dolence (son), given by Christina Dolence (wife & mother) ★ Eleanor & Marshall Robinson, Morris, Marian & Joyce Michaelson, given by Patti Michaelson ★ Jean, Ed & Leonard, given by Linda & Jim Krol ★ Donna Decker, given by Paul & Susan Kowalski ★ Departed Family Members, Deceased Dear Friends, given by George & Marilyn Wootton ★ Ann Mott, given by Mary Gallagher ★ Chester & Margaret Rule, Edward & Ardella Shedlowsky, given by Bruce & Sandy Rule

IN HONOR OF:

Friend of Life, Mary Carolyn Skruch ★ Elaine Kisner, given by Ed & Laurie Van Hoey ★ Friend of Life, Maureen Zucal ★ Angela, given by Linda & Jim Krol ★ Friend of Life, William Tollman, Jr. ★ Friend of Life, Daniel Vecchioni ★ Friends of Life, Bruce & Sandy Rule ★ Friend of Life, Karen Frederick ★ Friend of Life, Michael Lichocki ★ Friend of Life, given by Joseph MacLean



Puzzle the Pro-Lifer!



WORD LIST:

BRAINWAVES
CELL
CHEMICAL
CONCEPTION
DILATION
DNA
HEARTBEAT
HICCUPS
IMPLANTATION
MOTHER
ORGANS
PARTIALBIRTH
PLANB
SALINE
STILLBORN
SWIMMING
ULTRASOUND
UMBILICAL
VIABILITY

Across

- 3 The basic unit of life. Biology rule: Where there is one, growing _____, there is life.
- 6 A method of viewing your baby while he/she is still in the womb.
- 7 A type of abortion that uses a salt solution to poison and burn the baby before it is delivered; although, he/she is not always born deceased.
- 9 These are able to be measured by an EEG at just 6 weeks! If only the Scarecrow were so lucky!
- 11 The stage of pregnancy where the baby is able to survive outside of the mother's womb. Used to be at 30 weeks, but is now at about 23-24 weeks, due to medical progress.
- 14 The stage of pregnancy where the newly-conceived baby makes his/her home in the uterus, after previously being in the Fallopian tubes.
- 15 Child responds at approx 20 weeks to outside stimuli, including the voice of the _____.
- 16 A type of abortion which is prescribed during the first 8-9 weeks of pregnancy.
- 18 A type of delivery in which the child is no longer alive.

Down

- 1 By swallowing amniotic fluid, the baby has these at about 8 weeks. Might need a glass of water or a scare.
- 2 All of these are present by the 10th-11th week, including the heart and liver. From this point on, they just mature and grow in size.
- 4 A type of abortion in which the abortionist delivers all but the head from the birth canal and causes death by emptying the skull of its contents. (Illegal in the U.S. since 2003.)
- 5 This is unique from Day 1. Provides instructions as to what the sex, eye color, height, and other characteristics of the individual will be.
- 7 Michael Phelps is mimicked, as the baby does this in the fluid at just 7-8 weeks!
- 8 A lesser-known form of abortion, Exsanguination causes the person to be drained of all blood. This is done by cutting the _____ cord before delivery.
- 10 The D stands for _____ in a D&E abortion.
- 12 The moment a new, special life is created in the mother from the sperm fertilizing the egg.
- 13 The child has this as early as 18 days after gestation. It is strong and steady by the middle of the third week.
- 17 A type of last-minute contraception which has been known to cause abortion. Also known as the Morning-after Pill.

Answer Key: January 2020 Puzzle

1. SEVENTY THREE
2. NORMA MCCORVEY
3. MARCH FOR LIFE
4. RYAN BOMBURGER
5. NINE MONTHS
6. FR. PAVONE
7. YOUNG
8. SLAVERY
9. LIFESPAN
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By facilitating adoption, we are investing in not only a child's future, but the future of America

By Maria V. Gallagher

A national restaurant chain is once again going above and beyond the call of duty in promoting adoption.

Wendy's is donating money from the sale of its Frosty key tags at participating restaurants to further adoption of children from foster care. Each key tag costs \$2.00 and entitles the customer to a free Frosty dessert with each purchase of other menu items. The tags carry a message of love for adoption.

The founder of the fast food giant, the late Dave Thomas, himself benefited from adoption, and credited his adoptive family for planting the seeds for his success.

The charitable campaign is a welcomed relief from the many companies that support Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion operation. Planned Parenthood has been skilled at promoting itself as a benevolent organization when, in fact, it takes the lives of more than 345,000 preborn children each year.

Adoption remains a loving alternative to abortion. So many families have been formed through the blessing of adoption. Yet adoption referrals from Planned Parenthood are few and far between, especially when compared with the operation's staggering abortion rate. Just recently, news broke that Planned Parenthood had committed more abortions annually than ever before. It's more evidence that the massive organization is not dedicated to "women's health," but rather to promoting and performing and profiting from abortion.

As a nation, we need to do much more to celebrate adoption. We need more government policies that streamline the adoption process and help support adoptive families. We crave more news stories, television promos, and social media posts that drive home the beauty of adoption.

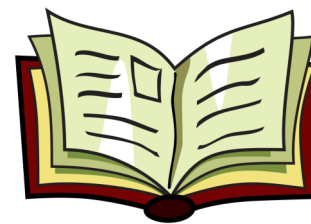


Wendy's®

Proudly displaying a pro-adoption key tag is just one small but important step that can be taken to further the cause. With each adoption, hearts are joined together, love blossoms, and a life is cherished and protected.

In donating to facilitate adoption, we are investing in not only a child's future, but the future of America.

- NRLC News Today, January 2020



LIFESPAN's Monthly Book Sale Books Needed!

With our monthly book sales, we are again accepting book donations.

Please call the Main Office at 734.524.0162 to schedule a drop-off.



Right to Life - LIFESPAN's *50th Anniversary* **RESOURCE BOOK 2020** Advertising Contract

This book will contain pro-life informational material that will be used throughout the year.
 Your ad represents support for *LIFESPAN's* educational efforts.
 Please fill out the Contact below and send it to us with your remittance included.

I wish to publish a _____ page ad for the

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Please run:

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_____ enclosed NEW ad

_____ EMAILED ad

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Inside Front Cover - Color
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Inside Back Cover - Color
\$375

Outside Back Cover - Color
\$500

1/4 Page
(3½ x 5)
\$125

1/8 Page
(3½ x 2½)
\$75

1/2 Page
(5 x 7)
\$175

Deadline for submission is Friday, March 20, 2020.

- Submit copy of your ad either as a hard copy, camera-ready ad or email ad to: mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org.
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- **Payment must accompany Contract.**
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- *LIFESPAN* reserves the right to refuse any advertisement that it deems unsuitable.

Contact Person _____ Phone (_____) _____

Name of Advertiser/Business _____ Email _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Ad Seller's Signature _____ Phone (_____) _____

_____ YES, please send me a copy of the 2020 *LIFESPAN* Resource Book.

Call the Main Office to use a Credit Card or mail checks payable to:

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Put your special photo in LIFESPAN's Resource Book



Purchase a special ad to recognize the accomplishments of someone special! It's a great way to acknowledge a graduate, retirement, anniversary, 1st Communicant, scout troop, special teacher, etc.! Purchase a 1/8-page ad to feature your children, grandchildren or other special someone in *Right to Life - LIFESPAN's 50th Anniversary Resource Book 2020*. **Photo Ads are tax-deductible!** Fill out the form for photo ads below and send \$45 with a non-professional photo, along with the names of those pictured, or other desired caption, to: *Right to Life - LIFESPAN Ed. Fund, 32540 Schoolcraft Rd., Ste. 100, Livonia, MI 48150-4305*. All picture ads must be received by **March 20, 2020**. If you

would like your pictures returned, include a self-addressed, stamped envelope. If you prefer to e-mail your photo, you may send them in JPEG format to mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org (with "LIFESPAN Photo" in the subject line) and mail your check to the above LIFESPAN address. For more information, call *Right to Life - LIFESPAN's Main Office* at 734.524.0162.

Yes! Please include my photo in LIFESPAN's 50th Anniversary Resource Book 2020!

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Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Name(s) of people in photo (or other caption) _____

_____ My photo and check are enclosed _____ My photo will be sent by e-mail; enclosed is my check.

Ad Seller's Name (if name is other than above) _____ Phone _____

Be a LIFESPAN Patron!

Resource Book 2020 Patron Ads:

☐ Gold Patron \$100

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Patron Name(s) - Gold, Silver or Bronze _____

Memorial Patron Name(s) (deceased): _____

Amount enclosed: \$ _____

Name _____ Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____ Phone _____

Ad Seller's Name (if name is other than above) _____ Phone _____



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50 Years Strong!

Who do you think of when you think of **LIFESPAN**? What names come to mind – Past and Present?

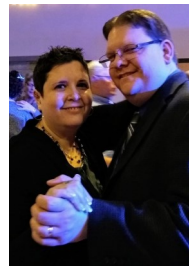
To celebrate our 50th Anniversary, we will be listing in our Resource Book all the names submitted of people who have been a part of **LIFESPAN** now and from the beginning.

In order to have their names listed, the names must be mailed, emailed or phoned in to our Main Office by Friday, April 3rd.

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A big Thank You goes out to the Ancient Order of Hibernians in Redford for allowing the Wayne County Chapter to hold our 1st Annual Dinner Dance on January 25th at your beautiful hall. We thank you for your generosity & support.



2019 Michigan Dismemberment Petition

379,418 Dismemberment Petition signatures were submitted to the Michigan Bureau of Elections on December 23, 2019. The number needed was 340,047. The Bureau of Elections may take several weeks to validate a sufficient number of signatures, at which time the legislation will be sent to the Michigan Legislature. The Legislature has 40 days to consider the ban, which, after a successful majority vote, will become law without Governor Whitmer's signature. If the legislation is not passed into law, the measure is then placed on the general election ballot for public vote.

Will it pass?

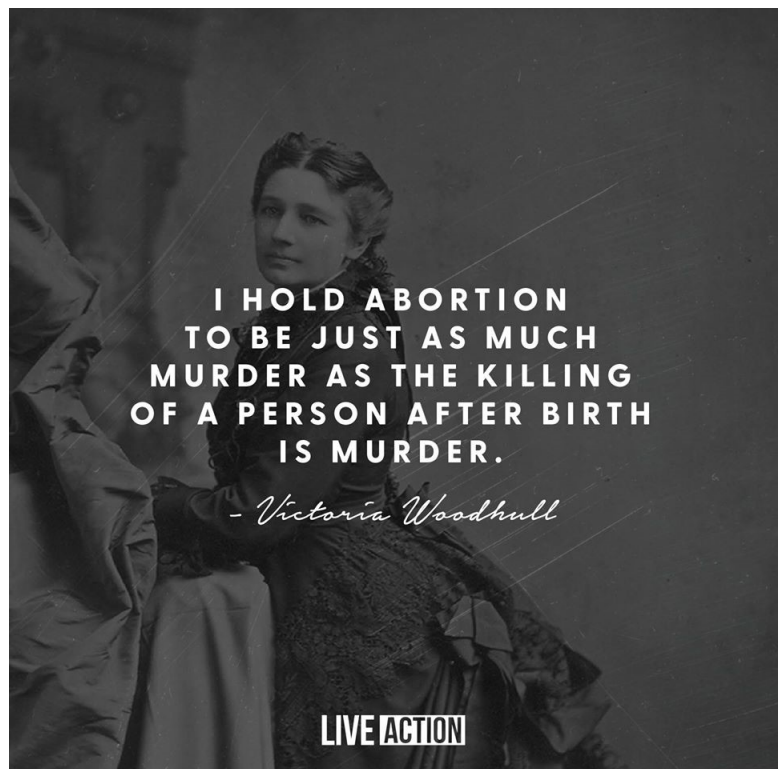
When interviewed by LifeNews.com, "Michigan House Speaker Lee Chatfield said he is confident that they will pass the pro-life bill, according to the local news. Both the state House and Senate have Republican majorities.

'This is an issue that we feel strongly about, and should the petitions and signatures be authorized and submitted to us, we fully intend on taking it up again and passing it out of the House chamber,' Chatfield said."

<https://www.lifenews.com/2020/01/23/michigan-bill-would-ban-dismemberment-abortions-tearing-babies-limb-from-limb-2/>

Answer Key: February 2020 Puzzle

1. HICCUPS
2. ORGANS
3. CELL
4. PARTIAL BIRTH
5. DNA
6. ULTRASOUND
7. **Across:** SALINE, **Down:** SWIMMING
8. UMBILICAL
9. BRAIN WAVES
10. DILATION
11. VIABILITY
12. CONCEPTION
13. HEARTBEAT
14. IMPLANTATION
15. MOTHER
16. CHEMICAL
17. PLAN B
18. STILLBORN



From the President's Desk

Elections matter. And knowledge of the pro-life position of each candidate matters. LIFESPAN has a 501(c)3 / 501(c)4 tax status. This does not allow us to endorse any candidate. It does allow us to educate our members on issues. The issue I want to address in my letter today is how important it is to "know who you are voting for and know the policies of the parties they are affiliated with"! Take for example the recent action of the new Democratic leadership of Oakland County.

Just 2 days before the Oakland County Commissioners met, I became aware of a vote that was on the Agenda for the December 12, 2019 Commissioners meeting (just before Christmas, when so much is happening and so few are paying attention to legislative actions). This item on the Agenda would give \$500,000 of Oakland County's tax revenue to Planned Parenthood. This is the financial short-fall of funds, Planned Parenthood in Oakland County had, due to the Trump Administration curtailing Federal funds to Planned Parenthood. So, where did they turn but to their democratic pro-abortion politicians, who are now running Oakland County. I testified, along with other pro-life concerned citizens, but as the vote came in, it was like so many other meetings I've testified at throughout the 50 years - it was a done deal. The vote came in along party lines, the Democrats run the County, the vote gave this blood money to Planned Parenthood. Oh yes, there was a false narrative about the money going to Women's Health Services and not abortion. If that was the case, there are a lot of clinics throughout Oakland County that could use that money, why did they not get it? We all know Planned Parenthood is in the Abortion industry. Abortion is not Health Care!!

To those of you living in Oakland County I ask, did you know about this? Most of you have not. People are going about their busy days working and taking care of their families and are unaware of what's going on in their local governments. Votes will be taken without the knowledge of the electorate; we must always be on guard.

Forget about getting any of this from News stations because with their progressive propaganda agenda, they will only cover the anti-life side to these issues. The press is often very quiet on these issues until after the vote. Even those of us who work daily in this movement are often times unaware of issues being voted on, especially in local municipalities. We depend on the locals to call and advise us so we can educate our members.

What can I do about this, you ask? You must know the people running for office in your community. You must know their values and their opinion on pro-life issues. You must look critically at each candidate and not only assess their words, but also, their actions and votes in the

past. You must look at the Platform of each Party, for it is an indication of the philosophy of the candidate. Example: the Democratic Party has in their Platform, under reproductive health, that a woman has the right to choose. The Republican Party, in their Platform, support LIFE and affirms all persons, born and unborn, be protected by our laws.

Please help us to increase our membership, thus educating others on the life issue. Cut out the coupon in your newsletter and pass it on to a family member or friend. We have strength in numbers. The pro-life movement has grown substantially over the past 50 years. We are winning in changing hearts and minds. But we need more voices! May God give us all the strength and courage to continue the fight.

— Diane Fagelman,
President, Right to Life - LIFESPAN

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Monthly Used Book Sale

Join Us at our Monthly Sale!

Saturday, February 29, 2020

Saturday, March 28, 2020

10:00 am - 4:00 pm

**Enter LIFESPAN's Book Depot through
Angels, Saints & Stuff!**

**Northwest corner of Merriman
& Seven Mile Rds.**

**19223 Merriman Road,
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Want to donate books?

Call Chris at the Main Office to schedule a time: 734-524-0162

2020 Pro-Life Events

February - May

"Be the Change" Adult Training: Fri., February 28, 2020

"Be the Change" Youth Training: Sat., February 29, 2020

Monthly Used Book Sale: Sat., February 29, 2020

LIFESPAN Baby Showers: Sun., March 8, 2020

Monthly Used Book Sale: Sat., March 28, 2020

Monthly Used Book Sale: Sat., April 25, 2020

Annual Dinner: Tue., May 5, 2020

\$10K Raffle: Tue., May 5, 2020

Monthly Used Book Sale: Sat., May 30, 2020

Donations have been made -

In Memory of:

Robert A. Hansen

Given by: Tony & Chris Hansen

Dr. Augie Perrotta

Given by: Donald & Phyllis Byerlein

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... Send donations to your local *LIFESPAN* office.

The Consequences of Roe v. Wade

61,628,584

Total abortions since 1973

Based on numbers reported by the Guttmacher Institute 1973-2017, with 3% added for GI estimated possible 3-5% undercount for 1973-2014. Another 12,000 per year added for 2015-2019 for abortions from "providers" GI says it may have missed in 2015-2017 counts. 1/20

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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* will be used to save the lives of many through our efforts.

Have questions? Please contact Charles Kleinbrook at 248-352-9569 or MrChip1234@aol.com

Right to Life - LIFESPAN Membership Form

Feb/Mar 2020 News

Right to Life - LIFESPAN believes that human life has value in all stages of development from conception until natural death, and is committed to speaking on behalf of those who cannot speak for themselves - the preborn, the aged, the incapacitated. Won't you please help in our struggle to preserve respect for human life? A contribution brings you the LIFESPAN News as well as educational materials and special mailings.

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_____ Student/Senior Member	\$20.00	_____ Gold	\$250.00
_____ Monthly Pledge	\$_____	_____ Silver	\$100.00
_____ Other	\$_____	_____ Bronze	\$50.00

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

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REGISTRATION 9:30AM
EVENT 10:00AM-1:30PM

UNIVERSITY OF MICHIGAN -DEARBORN,
GABRIEL RICHARD NEWMAN CENTER

REGISTRATION 1:00PM
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\$10 PER PERSON FOR STUDENT TRAINING

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