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HAPPY MOTHER'S DAY



*“God could not be everywhere, and therefore he
made mothers.” - Jewish Proverb*

Nonsensical Statements Abound at Planned Parenthood

Editor's Note: PAY CLOSE ATTENTION TO THE DEFINITION OF PREGNANCY - this is deliberate on the part of Planned Parenthood. Words mean something!!!!

By Paul Stark

A first-trimester surgical abortion, says Planned Parenthood to its prospective clients, uses suction to “take a pregnancy out of your uterus.”

This description is literally nonsense. “Pregnancy” isn’t a thing in the womb that you can remove. Pregnancy isn’t a thing at all. It’s a state or condition of a woman during which she carries her developing offspring. Virtually everyone understands this. Every dictionary says it.

Is it possible that an organization called Planned Parenthood doesn’t know what pregnancy is?

The more plausible explanation is that Planned Parenthood and others in the abortion movement have a serious problem acknowledging reality. And this problem seems worse now than ever.

How Planned Parenthood describes unborn humans

“An abortion ... kills the life of a baby after it has begun,” wrote Planned Parenthood in a 1952 pamphlet.

That was then. After it began performing abortions, Planned Parenthood didn’t want to call unborn humans “babies” anymore. After all, most people think that killing babies is wrong.

What about “embryo” and “fetus”? These are scientific terms for human beings during the prenatal (embryonic and fetal) stages of their development. Although the terminology may sound foreign or clinical (and thus is sometimes used in a dehumanizing way), it accurately acknowledges the existence of an individual member of our species. That’s a fact of biology that’s not in dispute.

But Planned Parenthood doesn’t like to concede even this. Instead, the organization often refers to embryos and fetuses with words and phrases like “tissue,” “uterine contents,” and “products of conception.” As descriptions of living human organisms (human beings), these are highly misleading and dehumanizing euphemisms.

Sometimes, though, Planned Parenthood takes euphemism to a whole other level.

Planned Parenthood: Babies don’t exist

Terms like “products of conception” at least acknowledge that something exists that is acted on in an abortion. That’s why the abortion is performed in the first place—there’s something in the uterus that the abortion practitioner tries to remove.

Calling an unborn child “the pregnancy” is different

because the word “pregnancy” means the mother’s condition rather than the entity inside her womb. It’s a way of pretending, as absurd as it is, that only the pregnant woman exists—there is no one with whom she is pregnant.

Likewise, Planned Parenthood vigorously employs terms like “women’s health care” to describe the intentional killing of individuals who are not women. Planned Parenthood thus rhetorically subsumes these individuals under their mothers so that their fate falls within the domain of the mothers’ health.

The group has recently extended this approach even beyond abortion. In the current debate in Congress over legislation to require equal treatment for newborn babies who survive abortion, Planned Parenthood, which opposes the bill, complains that such care would restrict “women’s access to reproductive health care.”

The legislation has no effect whatsoever on women’s health. Their health care doesn’t require the denial of health care to infants who are already born. So what on earth is Planned Parenthood talking about?

Instead of arguing for its position that abortion survivors shouldn’t receive ordinary medical care—instead of calling them some dehumanizing label—Planned Parenthood is pretending that those newborn babies don’t even exist. They are merely part of women. Only women and their health care exist.

This is the current state of Planned Parenthood’s rhetoric.

Denying reality doesn’t make it go away

In a 1995 essay, feminist writer Naomi Wolf, a supporter of abortion, criticized the abortion movement for its “lexicon of dehumanization” and its “reliance ... on a political rhetoric in which the fetus means nothing.”

“Clinging to a rhetoric about abortion in which there is no life and no death,” she wrote, “we entangle our beliefs in a series of self-delusions, fibs, and evasions.”

Twenty-four years later, the rhetoric to which the abortion movement clings is even more evasive—and perhaps more desperate. It’s a textbook example of Orwellian doublespeak. The purpose of doublespeak is to use language to obscure reality.

The reality Planned Parenthood aims to obscure is no mystery—it’s the reality of the helpless human beings whom the organization routinely dismembers and kills. (The organization calls this process of tearing off arms and legs a “gentle” procedure “to empty your uterus.”) Planned Parenthood wants everyone to pretend that those humans simply aren’t there.

But they are. Denying reality doesn’t make it go away.

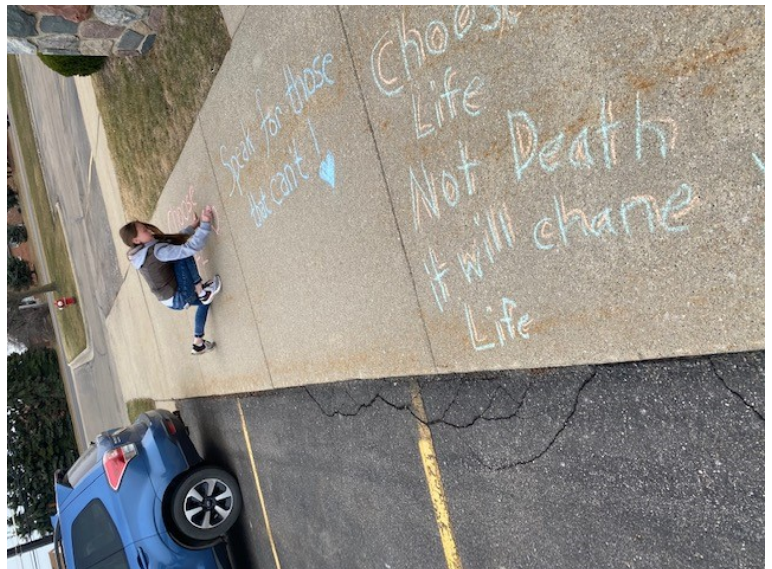
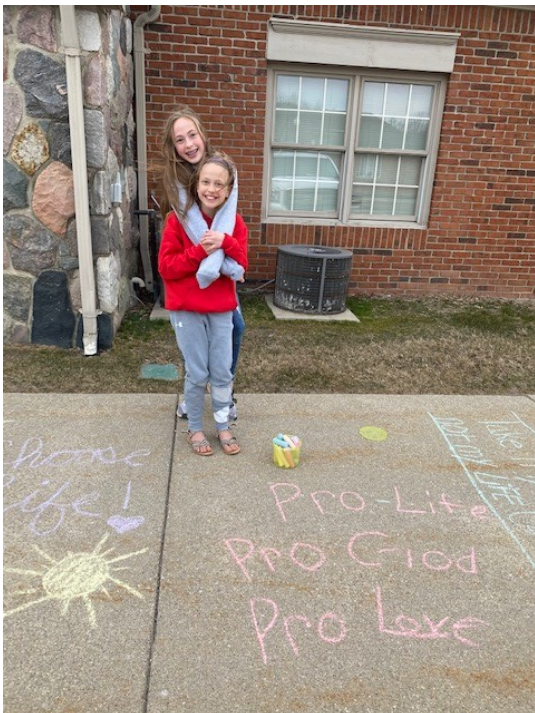
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National Pro-Life Chalk Day: March 23, 2021

Pictures from Our Lady of the Lakes in Waterford.



Pictures from Melissa Krause & her daughters



Next National Pro-Life Chalk Day is on October 26, 2021.

Contact Lynn Gura at 248-816-1546 for more information.



Margaret Joyce

It is with great sadness that we say goodbye to our pro-life sister and a co-founder of LIFESPAN in Oakland County, Margaret Joyce.

Margaret loved the Lord and loved life. Her whole life embodied her philosophy on value of all human life and the worth of every human person she met. From a wife to John who was an OB-GYN physician and working in his office (Margaret was an RN), to raising her 8 children, to working on the causes of Life, volunteering at Our Ladies of Charity, she was the epitome of goodness and kindness to her fellow man.

The early years of LIFESPAN were filled with organizational meetings, determining priorities of action, and also working under deadlines and ever-changing challenges created by our opposition. In the early years, we needed to recruit fellow pro-lifers to help deliver the pro-life message to the community. Margaret was the catalyst that keep us moving and pushing forward, no matter the difficulty or what seemed to be an impossible task. She recruited her husband, her children, or neighbors and the workers in Oakland County grew. It was hard to say no to Margaret. As her obituary pointed out "she lived her life just as she admonished her children and friends to do: 'Look around, see what needs to be done, and do it'". The LIFESPAN organization we have now is because of so many people like Margaret who saw we needed a "voice for the preborn" and made one.

Margaret was an Irish mother to the core. She and John were blessed with nine children: Jim, Kathy, Jack, Patrick, Tom, Dave, Molly, Tim and baby Joseph (deceased). She has 18 grandchildren and 3 great grandchildren. As Alzheimer's stole her memory, one thing that could stimulate a reaction was a visit from her grandchildren or an announcement of a new baby in the family. Pro-life to the end.

I dedicate these words below to Margaret. I paraphrase words from Congressman Henry Hyde that Margaret heard so many years ago --it is pertinent today and to her eulogy.

When we stand before God and terror will rip your soul like nothing you can imagine. I really think that those in the pro-life movement will not be alone. I think there'll be a chorus of voices that have never been heard in this world but are heard very beautifully and very loudly in the next world and I think they will plead for everyone who has been in the movement. They will say to God, 'Spare them, because they loved us, 'and God will look at us and say not, 'Did you succeed?' but 'Did you try?'"

- Henry Hyde

Yes, Margaret, You tried: REST IN PEACE.

Donations have been made -

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Margaret Adelaide Caleal

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LIFESPAN Chapter News

Oakland/Macomb Counties

Another Sad Loss

We have lost another LIFESPAN friend. Margaret Joyce was one of the founding members of LIFESPAN and she, along with her husband Dr. John Joyce, MD, and her eight children did anything and everything to promote the cause of Life. From marching, to mailing, to speaking, to teaching, to praying, oh how she prayed for our efforts, she did it all. Her children stuffed envelopes, babysat for member's little ones and, following her example, were part of Generation Truth before there was a Generation Truth. She and John were even Godparents to some of our member's children. There is a sense of loss, but it is hard to feel sad knowing that Margaret is at home, with her Lord, and again with her beloved John. Rest in peace, Margaret.

New Dinner Date

Elsewhere in our newsletter, you will see the new date for our **Celebrate Life** dinner. Once again, we had to move it forward and we want to be sure that everyone who was signed up for the dinner when it was in May will let us know if they still want to come in October. It is critical that we hear from you because we already have a waiting list of folks who want to come, but we must be sure that we have reached everyone who already has a reservation before we contact the wait-listed people. You should have received an email from the Oakland/Macomb office or directly from

Lynn Gura asking you to confirm your reservation. Contacts for the Oakland/Macomb office is 248-816-1546, oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org. We ARE going to have a dinner and we will celebrate each other and Life.

Email Addresses

We communicate so much via email these days and often emails change. We hope that you would please EMAIL US YOUR EMAIL ADDRESS so that we know the one we have is correct? Our email address is oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org. We do not share this information with ANYONE, EVER.

Dr. Jerome Lejeune

Dr. Lejeune was a French geneticist who discovered the cause of Down syndrome in 1958 – a third chromosome on the 21st set of genes. Before his discovery, many people believed that Down syndrome was the fault of the parents. Having a child with Down syndrome was considered shameful, and most people with Down syndrome were institutionalized and failed to receive

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100 Years of a World with Legal Abortion

The world recently passed the 100th anniversary of the Soviet Union becoming the first country to legalize abortion on November 18, 1920. The Soviet abortion rate eventually rose to 3 out of every 4 pregnancies. Vladimir Lenin and the Communist Party focused on three justifications for legalized abortion: 1) Women are dying from illegal underground abortions. 2) The State was protecting the health of women from dangerous conditions or life-threatening pregnancies. 3) The State expected the gradual disappearance of abortion once it was safe and legal. Quite interesting that the perverse propaganda in support of abortion 100 years ago and today remains identical! This legal slaughter of the innocents has spread throughout the globe since 1920. Currently, only 26 countries fully protect the preborn, 39 countries protect the child except in cases of rape or when the mother's life is at risk, and 55 countries protect babies with broader exceptions for the mother's health. Most of these pro-life leaning countries are in Latin America, Africa, and Muslim-majority regions in Asia. This leaves 81 countries, essentially Europe, India, East Asia, North America, and Communist states, which promote abortion on demand. Even among this group, the vast majority protect the preborn after the first 10-14 weeks of the pregnancy. The United States and Canada join China and few others in allowing the killing of the preborn throughout the pregnancy. To make matters worse, these abortionist regimes promote abortion imperialism and

continually threaten the enshrine abortion as an international "right" at the United Nations. The 2021 UN Commission on the Status of Women recently met in March. The European Union and United States led the charge for far-reaching pro-abortion and anti-family policies and attempted to bully states in Africa, Asia, and Latin America into compliance. The abortion agenda and transgender agenda were often explicitly linked together by EU and US diplomats. This attempt to enshrine abortion as an international right was defeated for now. Brazil led the pro-life push alongside a diverse coalition including Nicaragua, Egypt, Nigeria, Qatar, and Saudi Arabia. (Source: Human Life International)

Save the Date: Legislative Luncheon

With the LIFESPAN Auction and Fundraising Dinner moved to October 12, our annual Legislative Luncheon will take place on **Saturday, June 19** at the Ancient Order of Hibernians Hall in Redford. The keynote speaker is Christian apologist and nationally syndicated radio host Bob Dutko. Within social distancing guidelines, we can accommodate about 100 attendees for this event. We will send out an e-mail blast with complete information by the end of April. See back page for more information.

Pray for an End to Abortion around the World!

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Wayne County



Wee Care



To all our mothers and mothers-to-be -
the new mom surrounded by family, flowers, balloons and gifts at the hospital...
the new mom dropped off at the homeless shelter with her newborn baby...

the mom cradling her adoptive baby as she is placed in her arms...

the mom holding tightly her baby's blanket as she makes the ultimate sacrifice and gives her baby up for adoption...

the mom, who has tried for so long, who cries tears of joy at discovering she is pregnant...

the teen mom, who is terrified, who cries when she discovers she is pregnant...

the mom, who has lost a child...

the mom who is about to give birth...

To all our moms, mothers-to-be and their precious babies - we love you and care about you!

We would also like to extend special Mother's Day wishes to all of the moms, grandmothers and great-grandmothers who continue to provide for our Wee Care babies. For those who crochet afghans, sew blankets, purchase baby clothes and diapers, plan showers and church collections, send monetary donations and especially who pray for our moms and their little ones--God bless you for having the hardest, best job in the world!

Have a beautiful day! Love, Karen

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Youth Report

The Genesis of Generation Truth Youth Mailings

In the year 2003, the month of September, in a city called Troy, in a state called Michigan, Right to Life - LIFESPAN's Oakland/Macomb Chapter office began a long journey of accepting the names and addresses of high school students (10th-12th grade) and youth group leaders who wanted to be kept informed on what was happening in the local area related to pro-life issues.

LIFESPAN received an invitation to be a vendor at a special event at Shrine High School, as they began their new school year. It was an event where students could go and learn more about various non-profit organizations in the area, so they could determine where they would like to be involved as volunteers.

Well, to our delight and surprise, 55 students wrote their names and addresses on the signup sheet we had sitting on the table! These names and addresses began a brand new Youth Mailing List for LIFESPAN! Since that time, the list of names has changed and grown so much!

Would you like to be added to our Youth Mailing List? Please send your contact information to oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org.

Our Generation Truth youth have been very busy this year. On March 23rd, we participated in the National Pro-Life Chalk Day. You can see some pictures of this event on page 3 of this newsletter.

Also, on April 27th, we participated in the National Pro-Life T-Shirt Day 2021 with StandTrue. Do you have pictures of you wearing your T-Shirt? We would love to be able to add them to our next newsletter. Please send any pictures to mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org.

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The Assisted Suicide Juggernaut Continues in the U.S.

By Nancy Valko

Since Oregon passed the first physician-assisted suicide law in 1997, 8 more states and the District of Washington, D.C. passed assisted suicide laws by 2020. They are:

- **California** (End of Life Option Act; approved in 2015, in effect from 2016)
- **Colorado** (End of Life Options Act; 2016)
- **District of Columbia** (D.C. Death with Dignity Act; 2016/2017)
- **Hawaii** (Our Care, Our Choice Act; 2018/2019)
- **Maine** (Death with Dignity Act; 2019)
- **New Jersey** (Aid in Dying for the Terminally Ill Act; 2019)
- **New Mexico** (Elizabeth Whitefield End of Life Options Act; 2020)
- **Oregon** (Death with Dignity Act; 1994/1997)
- **Vermont** (Patient Choice and Control at the End of Life Act; 2013)
- **Washington** (Death with Dignity Act; 2008)

So far in 2021, 13 more states have proposed assisted suicide bills and 4 states with assisted suicide laws are facing bills to expand their assisted suicide laws.

These 13 states are **Arizona, Connecticut, Indiana, Iowa, Kansas, Kentucky, Massachusetts, Minnesota, Nevada, New Mexico, New York, North Dakota** and **Rhode Island**. Most of these states have been repeatedly hounded for years to pass an assisted suicide law.

The 4 states with bills expanding their assisted suicide laws are **California, Hawaii, Vermont** and the state of **Washington**.

The expansions range from expanding “qualified medical providers” from doctors to a range of non-doctors including nurses to eliminating so-called “safeguards” such as 15 day waiting periods, in person requests and even to allow electronic prescribing and shipping of lethal overdoses. **Compassion and Choices** (the former Hemlock Society) and other assisted suicide supporters have long portrayed assisted suicide “safeguards” as “burdensome obstacles.”

CONSCIENCE RIGHTS AND CENSORSHIP

Conscience rights for health care providers has been a very real problem since the 1974 *Roe v Wade* U.S. Supreme Court decision legalized abortion in the U.S. The legalization of assisted suicide in several states has made this even worse for nurses, doctors, pharmacists and other healthcare workers. Even healthcare institutions have faced discrimination problems.

The Christian Medical and Dental Association even compiled a long list in 2019 of “Real-life examples of discrimina-

tion in healthcare.”

Now we are seeing censorship. A March 28, 2021 *Wall Street Journal* op-ed titled “Big Tech Censors Religions, Too” stated that:

In January, Bishop Kevin Doran, an Irish Catholic, tweeted: “There is dignity in dying. As a priest, I am privileged to witness it often. *Assisted suicide, where it is practiced, is not an expression of freedom or dignity.*” Twitter removed this message and banned Bishop Doran from posting further. While the company reversed its decision after public opposition, others haven’t been so lucky.” (Emphasis added)

CONCLUSION

Back in 2014, I wrote a blog “Should a Pro-Life person Become a Nurse” about a worried pro-life student nurse who wrote me asking “what area of nursing can I move into that does not demand that I do things that I absolutely will not do?”

I wrote her back and told her that I had that challenge in several areas I worked in over 45 years but was able to live up to my ethics despite some difficult situations and that I never regretted becoming a nurse.

However, conscience rights are not a luxury but rather a necessity.

This is why some of us nurses in Missouri worked so hard to get a conscience rights law passed in 1992 after the Nancy Cruzan starvation and dehydration death that, although not as strong as we wanted, is still in effect today. And I was thrilled when the Trump administration announced a new Conscience and Religious Freedom Division in 2018 to enforce “federal laws that protect conscience and the free exercise of religion and prohibit coercion and discrimination in health and human services.”

Society has long insisted that health care professional adhere to the highest standards of ethics as a form for society. The vulnerability of a sick person and the inability of society to monitor every health care decision or action are powerful motivators to enforce such standards. For thousands of years, doctors (and nurses) have embraced the Hippocratic standard that “I will give no deadly medicine to any one, nor suggest any such counsel.” Should that bright line to separate killing from caring now be erased by legislators or judges?

Without a strong resistance movement, the assisted suicide movement will only keep expanding. So far, much of the public has been shielded from the real truth by euphemisms and false reassurances from assisted suicide supporters, a mostly sympathetic mainstream media and often spineless professional and health care organizations.

We all must educate ourselves to speak out before it is too late.

- NancyValko.com, March 30, 2021

You've seen them on TV and Social Media

Our Special Guests are

Diamond & Silk



Come spend a memorable evening at our

Fundraising Dinner & Auction

Tuesday, October 12, 2021

San Marino Club in Troy, Michigan

Auction Opens at 5:30 pm

Dinner Begins at 7:15 pm

LIFESPAN is not charging for this event, 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.

Stay Tuned to future Newsletters for Updates due to COVID

Contact Oakland/Macomb Office for more details: 248-816-1546

Legislative Luncheon - Saturday, June 19, 2021 - Registration Form

YES! I want to attend LIFESPAN's Legislative Luncheon! Reservations required by **Friday, June 11th**. ALL tickets will be held at the door.

_____ Tickets @ \$25 each

_____ Tickets @ \$15 each (students 21 or younger)

**Make checks payable to: *Right to Life-LIFESPAN* and send to:
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_____ I am unable to attend, but please use this donation of \$_____ to help LIFESPAN in its work.

Name(s) _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Phone (____) _____ Email _____

If you would like to sit with anyone specific, please send in your registration forms together or list names here (we will do our best to accommodate seating requests): _____

Photos/video may be taken at this event by LIFESPAN and may be used by us on the web, in publications and/or other media.
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From the President's Desk

My Dear Pro-Life Brothers and Sisters,

I believe we, pro-life advocates, are in deep trouble with this new administration in Washington, D.C. Like so many of us, I do not have answers as to how to combat an administration who has all three chambers of our government willing to pass laws that destroy human life. How we got here and what these people are trying to accomplish is for another day. What we do have to do is figure out how to survive the madness in D.C. Our tax money is already, again, paying for abortions worldwide. Planned Parenthood is receiving 600 million dollars of our tax money every year and increasing, to kill babies in the womb. The Hyde Amendment, which stopped our taxes for paying for abortion, is being threatened - THEY want to abolish it. This was passed in the 1980s and was a hard-fought amendment by Congressman Henry Hyde - one of the last true Statesmen our country has seen. The conscience clause laws, which protect health care workers from having to assist in abortions and euthanasia, are being threatened - THEY want to abolish it. In the meantime, these governmental bodies continue to promote activity at the border that tolerates a disrespect for human life, again.

This letter is not just to discuss the problems at the border, but to point out, like so many other causes, under the lie of "compassion for human persons," people are being destroyed, not helped. As I watched the video feed of two men dropping two small children (ages 3 and 5) over a 14 ft. fence (just search videos on the internet), I became outraged as well as deeply saddened by "man's inhumanity towards their fellow man". They did this despicable act without any thought of the safety of these children or respect for their life. Then there was a 10-year-old found wondering in the desert alone, as he was abandoned with no thoughts to his life or him as a human being. The farmers across the border are talking about the number of human bodies they find dead on their property. The baby that was tossed in the Rio Grande and drowned, just to get rid of the "baby problem." It is a fact that the Mexican cartels are making more money by human trafficking and getting people to come over illegally in this country than they do on drugs. What is that saying about the society we live in today?

It is my opinion, so much of the mess we have been experiencing today in this country started in 1973, when abortion became legal; it set a message into the consciousness of our society: "it's ok to kill in order to

get rid of a problem." It has touched 2 generations. The message to society is that human life is expendable if you feel it is a burden to your personal needs. In other words, if someone gets in your way, it is ok to kill them. It has caused us to lose our National soul. Throughout history, man has used others for their own gain. But as civilization improved, we became more compassionate and the respect for human life increased. It was the key to a healthy and loving civilization. Enacting laws, to directly attack this philosophy, began to erode the gains that hundreds of generations tried to improve upon. Until we as a country gets back to a philosophy of respect for life and the human person, nothing will change.

We need to get back to the Judeo-Christian ethics our country was founded upon. We need to instill in our young the love for God, love for family, and love for Country. We need to start with love for life, especially in the womb. That is our first right - all other rights follow. We must first have LIFE.

IF WE WANT PEACE, WE MUST HAVE PEACE IN THE WOMB. Until then, we will continue to have an erosion of the sanctity and purpose of the human person.

May God give us the courage to continue our work, no matter the difficulties, or even the persecutions we may experience during these trying and difficult times.

LIFESPAN will be here as long as we are needed and supported. LIFESPAN and its members will bring the voice of TRUTH to our little area of the world. I look forward to one day not being needed!

— Diane Fagelman
President of Right to Life - LIFESPAN



Volunteer Treasurer Needed

The Wayne County Chapter is looking for a volunteer who could serve as a Treasurer for the Chapter.

Training will be available.
Basic knowledge of QuickBooks or accounting principles a plus.

Call Tim at 734-422-6230 for more information.

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the medical care they needed.

Dr. Lejeune was an outspoken advocate for these individuals, both inside and outside the womb. His scientific discoveries made it unequivocally evident to him that "life has a very long history, but each of us has a very definite beginning – the moment of conception." He truly was a voice for the voiceless!

He authentically lived out his favorite saying, which is truly lovely: "Every patient is my brother."

- Remembering Dr. Jerome Lejeune: "Truly, a voice for the Voiceless" -
NRL News Today (nationalrighttolifenews.org)



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

2021 Pro-Life Events

Mother's Day Fundraiser
Sunday, May 9, 2021

Annual Legislative Luncheon
Saturday, June 19, 2021

Father's Day Fundraiser
Sunday, June 20, 2021

National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children
Saturday, September 11, 2021

Wayne County Chapter Inaugural Golf Event
Monday, September 13, 2021

Life Chain
Sunday, October 3, 2021

Annual Dinner & Silent Auction
Tuesday, October 12, 2021

National Pro-Life Chalk Day
Tuesday, October 26, 2021

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Right to Life - LIFESPAN Membership Form

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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.

_____ Annual Membership	\$30.00	_____ Platinum	\$500.00 or more
_____ Student/Senior Member	\$20.00	_____ Gold	\$250.00
_____ Monthly Pledge	\$_____	_____ Silver	\$100.00
_____ Other	\$_____	_____ Bronze	\$50.00

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

Email Address _____

Please complete this form and return with your donation to: **Right to Life - LIFESPAN, 32540 Schoolcraft Rd., Ste. 100, Livonia, MI 48150-4305.** For more information, call **734-524-0162.**

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Legislative Luncheon

**Saturday
June 19, 2021**

**IN DEFENSE
OF LIFE**



Defending the Most Vulnerable, Handicapped and Weak in our society!

Why attend?

SO MANY REASONS: You are pro-life. You want to gather with other Pro-Lifers after the long isolation of Covid-19. You want to support the oldest local organization dedicated to promote the Pro-Life cause from conception until natural death. You want to be informed about the latest legislative and legal updates on the Life Issues in the State of Michigan. Pick a reason, or two, and register today!

Keynote Speaker: BOB DUTKO is a noted Christian apologist and nationally syndicated Radio Host and will present his acclaimed talk "The Truth About Abortion". Bob hosts the "The Bob Dutko Show" weekdays from 12 - 4pm on WMUZ 103.5 FM.

Legislative Update Speaker: TBD

Registration at 10:30 AM

Event runs 11:00 AM – 1:15 PM

**Located at the
Ancient Order of
Hibernians (AOH) Hall
25300 Five Mile Rd.
Redford, MI 48239**

**Call 734.422.6230 for more information &
See page 9 for Registration Form**