



# LIFESPAN

## news

Vol. 53 No. 2 Presenting the Pro-Life Message in Southeastern Michigan Since 1970 – 54 Years! Feb/Mar 2024

### *Right to Life – LIFESPAN's* **35<sup>th</sup> Annual Baby Shower**

**Sunday, March 10, 2024\***

*(\*unless different date noted)*

to benefit local Pregnancy Help Centers



Baby showers will be held at the following locations.

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#### **In alphabetical order by City:**

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*\*End of April–Beginning of May*

**St. John Fisher Chapel, Auburn Hills**, 3665 E. Walton Blvd.

*\*April 14 (11-12:30 pm)*

**St. Hugo of the Hills Church, Bloomfield Hills**, 2215 Opdyke

**St. John Neumann Church, Canton**, 44800 Warren Rd.

**Sacred Heart Church, Dearborn**, 22430 Michigan Ave.

*\*March 3*

**St. Thomas the Apostle, Garden City**, 31530 Beechwood Ave.

**St. Joseph Catholic Church, Lake Orion**, 715 N. Lapeer Road

**St. Colette Catholic Church, Livonia**, 17600 Newburgh

**St. Edith Catholic Church, Livonia**, 15089 Newburgh Rd.

**St. Genevieve–St. Maurice, Livonia**, 29015 Jamison St.

**St. Michael the Archangel Church, Livonia**, 11441 Hubbard.

*\*April 14*

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**Our Lady of Victory Church, Northville**, 770 Thayer

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**Our Lady of Loretto Church, Redford**, 17116 Olympia

*\*March 2/3 & March 9/10*

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**St. Paul Lutheran, Saint Clair Shores**, 22915 Greater Mack Ave.

**St. Elizabeth Ann Seton Church, Troy**, 280 E. Square Lake Rd.

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*\*May 2024*

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*Right to Life - LIFESPAN*  
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**Tuesday, May 7, 2024**

**San Marino Club in Troy**

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## What is NARAL Pro-Choice America trying to accomplish by yet another rebranding?

By Dave Andrusko

I wrote about this (belatedly, I must confess) last week. My lame excuse for not catching the latest name-change is that the abortion group now known as “Reproductive Justice for All” changes so often it almost begs not to be seen – certainly not by the editor of NRL News.

For veterans who’ve (like me) been around seemingly forever, we know that the original name was the National Association for the Repeal of Abortion Laws. Next its moniker was the National Abortion Rights Action League [NARAL] then the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League – that became the NARAL Pro-Choice America in 2003 before settling in on “Reproductive Justice for All.”

The newest iteration became official, on September 20, 2023, according to Kimberlee Kruesi of the Associated Press. “The rebrand was needed to better reflect how people think about abortion access little more than a year after the U.S. Supreme Court revoked the constitutional right to the procedure, according to the advocacy organization,” Kruesi wrote.

“The fight for abortion rights and access is at a critical moment. With the coalition of Americans who support reproductive freedom growing by the day, our leadership identified a clearer and more inclusive path forward to mobilize this new and expanded base of support,” said Mini Timmaraju, president of the group, in a statement.”

In truth what that means is that abortion groups have expanded their outreach to include issues that have zero to do with abortion and lots and lots to do with potentially adding new members. The AP’s Kruesi explains this in a typically evasive manner:

*For decades, abortion-rights advocates used the term “pro-choice” while pushing for policies protecting reproductive rights and women’s health services. But when the nation’s highest court decided to overturn **Roe v. Wade**, supporters and opponents of abortion rights scrambled to adjust their messaging in a country where individual states now determine abortion laws.*

Lisa Lerer of the New York Times is much blunter:

*“NARAL is incredibly resonant for the political world, but we’re not necessarily in the business anymore of just winning political opinion within elected officials and policymakers,” Ms. Timmaraju told the Times. “We are now in a much bigger fight for the heart and*



*soul of the American people and those are folks who are brand-new to the abortion debate.”*

According to Lerer

*Along with the new name, the group plans to increase its focus on state organizing and to adopt a broader approach, joining causes like eliminating the Senate filibuster, supporting voting rights and expanding the Supreme Court.*

So how does the new name fit the changing environment? Kruesi writes elliptically

*Reproductive Freedom for All reflects that abortion restrictions are just another form of the government intruding on individual freedom – an argument activists have increasingly focused on over the past year, the group said.*

Get it? The one thing that the pro-abortion heavyweights have learned is that the further away their name moves from telling people what they actually do – kill millions upon millions of helpless unborn babies – the better off they are. “Reproductive Freedom for All” is gauzy enough to persuade some people that that they are not the awful people they truly, truly are.

Finally, ask yourself this. What is it that pro-abortionists want Reproductive Freedom from? They want freedom from responsibility. They created that child; they seek a pass from caring for that helpless child.

They also want freedom from their own consciences which is why they insist we de-attach the stigma that comes from taking their own child’s life.

But to be that blunt puts them on much shakier grounds. Pro-abortionists don’t like being put on the defensive.

It’s our job to make them own up to what they are doing – and to whom – almost 900,000 times a year.

- National Right to Life News, January 4, 2024





## LIGHTS FOR LIFE

*Continued from January 2024 LIFESPAN News*

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# Upcoming 2024 Pro-Life LIFESPAN Events



**35<sup>th</sup> Annual LIFESPAN Baby Showers**  
March 10, 2024

***Be the Change* Training**  
April 12 & April 13, 2024



**Celebration of Life Dinner & Auction**  
May 7, 2024

**Mother's Day Flower Sale**  
May 12, 2024

**Father's Day Candy & Pens Sale**  
June 16, 2024



**National Day of Remembrance for Aborted Children**  
September 14, 2024

**Michigan March for Life (Lansing)**  
November 8, 2024

***Right to Life - LIFESPAN***

***Spring Pro-Life***

***Sidewalk Chalking Day***

**Tuesday, March 19, 2024**

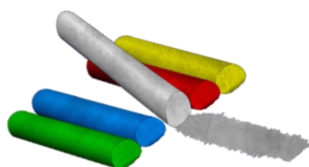
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HURTS WOMEN**   
*Love them both!*  
*A baby's heart begins to  
beat at 21 days!*



## **Federal Administration Position on Abortion**

Joe Biden headlined a pro-abortion rally today and promised he would sign legislation to kill babies in abortions up to birth if Democrats win complete control of Congress this November.

“Give me a Democratic House of Representatives and give me a bigger, bigger Democratic Senate where we will pass a new law restoring and protecting *Roe v Wade*, and I will sign it up immediately,” he said.

On the flip side, he promised to veto any bill that limits abortions, even abortions up to birth.

“As long as I have the powers of the presidency know this, if Congress passes a national abortion [ban] bill, I will veto it,” Biden said to cheers.

- *LifeNews.com, January 23, 2024*

# LIFESPAN Chapter News

Oakland/Macomb Counties

## What Can We Do?

We barely hung our new calendars on the wall, when all the news programs turned their attention to the upcoming November election. At the very same time, abortion supporters turned up the volume on their rhetoric and their vitriolic condemnation of anything and everything pro-life.

Most political pundits believe that abortion will be a deciding factor in how people vote this year and since the pro-abortion lobby has the ear of mainstream media, it makes it difficult for a pro-life voice to be heard. We must find a way to offset the lies and exaggerations of abortion supporters.

Almost everyone is on some social media platform – Facebook, Instagram, X, Snap Chat, Nextdoor, and so on. Let’s make it a point of passing on any and all pro-life statements, memes, pictures, quotations - whatever - that we get on our feeds. Sometimes we just pass them back and forth to friends and family who are already pro-life. I am suggesting that we “share” them whenever we get them and let them go wherever they may. I am sure that some of

your “friends” will block you, or snooze you, or criticize you, but there may be one or more whose minds we just might change. At the very least they cannot “not see” pictures we send or life affirming words they read. I don’t know if this will work, but if we remain silent, nothing will be done. I saw a quote recently that I think is appropriate, I don’t know where it came from, but it works for me: “They tried to bury us - they didn’t know we were seeds.” Let’s all give it a try and let’s encourage our friends and family to do it too.



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Diane Trombley, Director  
Lynn Gura, Office Staff/Youth Director

## Office Manager Opening

Former Office Manager Pam Jankowski resigned for a full-time position elsewhere and we wish her all the best! We are now seeking qualified candidates to fill the Office Manager position. See the help wanted ad for the Office Manager on miLIFESPAN.org and share it with anyone interested.

## Office Hours for February-March

### TUESDAYS & THURSDAYS

10:30AM-3:00PM (staffed by Board volunteers)

### SATURDAYS (except 2/10, 2/24, 3/30)

9:00AM-1:00PM (staffed by Chapter Director)

## End Both Abortion & Modern Slavery!

As February is Black History Month, LIFESPAN would like to reiterate our defense of human dignity in all its forms. The two greatest evils in American history are slavery and abortion. The Radiance Foundation, headed by our April **Be the Change** youth conference speaker Ryan Bomberger, established the End Both campaign which can be found at <https://radiancefoundation.org/endboth>. The campaign details that 56 million abortions occur

annually, killing preborn babies equal to 0.8% of the world’s population. In 1860, 25 million people were enslaved worldwide, equal to 1.9% of global population. Today, 27 million people are enslaved, which is 0.4% of global population.

## ASK PRO-ABORTS TO DESCRIBE WHAT THEY DEFEND!



March for Life 1974 - Year 1!

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Timothy Pruse, Director

Wayne County



# Wee Care

What a whirlwind this month has been! Snow – football – lots of babies being born – lots of requests for help – gifts dropped off – layettes picked up – and did I mention snow?

The weather outside might be gloomy and frigid, but inside our Wee Care office, it is filled with warm hugs and sunny smiles as people donating baby supplies are always so happy and moms receiving them are overwhelmed with relief, gratitude, and happy tears.

On a personal note, one of the highlights of this month has been the birth of a very precious great-great nephew. Last year I had written the heartbreaking news about his sister who had died two weeks before her

delivery date. This little guy, thanks to many, many prayers was delivered a month early and at a little over 3 ½ lbs. has stolen the hearts of everyone. His momma gave herself shots every day for 9 months to help this tiny miracle be born. As I look at his sweet pictures and share in his family's joy, I can't help but think if only we were a country that cherished and protected EVERY baby conceived. Let us never stop fighting for the lives of every precious unborn baby.

Love, Karen



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Phone: 734-524-0165

Office Hours: By appointment

Karen Patrosso, Director

*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

**Here are updates on our Youth Outreach Program:**

Thank you for your support of our young people and their chaperones as they traveled to Washington, DC for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Post-Roe March for Life which took place on Friday, January 19<sup>th</sup>. Weather was snowy/rainy and the temperature was in the 30's, but their hearts were warm and full of love for the Gift of LIFE! They were happy to be a part of the March, some for a 2<sup>nd</sup> or 3<sup>rd</sup> time, some for the 1<sup>st</sup> time! Please see page 12 to view some pictures and comments from our Marchers!

Next on the agenda for 2024 for our young people is our annual **Be the Change** event! There is a flyer on page 9 with information as to the dates/locations and a link that you can register for the event. Registration is NOW OPEN and will go until April 11<sup>th</sup>. On Friday, there will be a pizza dinner and on Saturday, there will be a pizza lunch. The Friday talks will be repeated on Saturday by the speakers. This event is focused on our young people, but we would be glad to have parents, teachers, youth ministers, and anyone else who wants to hear our speakers join us!

Celebrate Life!

**Lynn A. Gura**, Oakland/Macomb Counties Youth Director, 248-816-1546, oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org

Find us online at: [miLIFESPAN.org](http://miLIFESPAN.org) & @miLIFESPAN



March for Life 2024 - Year 51!

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Lynn Gura, Youth Director

# Free Speech America Deep Dive on Google's Pro-Abortion Stance

By Tierin-Rose Mandelburg

Google is in full support of abortion and it isn't even trying to hide it anymore.

The Media Research Center's Free Speech America division recently conducted a study which indicated just how much the search engine supports abortion.

Free Speech America analyzed searches on Google, Bing and DuckDuckGo for their study. They used the word "pregnancy" for their search. What was the first thing that popped up on Google? None other than the "largest abortion mill in the entire country: Planned Parenthood," the study indicated.

Free Speech America noted that for Bing and DuckDuckGo, neutral results were found and links to "popular health websites like Mayo Clinic and Healthline.com" were featured.

were featured.

Leave it to Google to show how pro-abortion they are. Other than just promoting Planned Parenthood's "Pregnancy Information" page, Google also added four other links below the main result. "Pregnancy Options" and "How Pregnancy Happens" are two of those four. Naturally those links praise abortion and bash places like Crisis Pregnancy Centers who apparently "lie" to women to get them to NOT abort their kids.

Free Speech America's study also pointed out that Google and YouTube (which is owned by Google) regularly censor pro-life users, Google fails to acknowledge that abortion ends the life of a baby and that following the Dobbs decision in 2022, Google made sure to tell its employees that it would cover out-of-state abortion costs for them.

- National Right to Life News, January 18, 2024

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## Joe Biden Wants to Deny Federal Funds to Pro-Life Pregnancy Centers

By Jerry Cox

The Biden Administration has proposed a federal rule change that would prevent pro-life pregnancy resource centers from receiving federal tax dollars under the Temporary Assistance for Needy Families (TANF) program.

Under TANF, states receive blocks of federal tax dollars that they can award to organizations and programs that:

- Assist needy families so that children may be cared for in their own homes or in the homes of relatives;
- End the dependence of needy parents on government benefits by promoting job preparation, work, and marriage;
- Prevent and reduce the incidence of out-of-wedlock pregnancies;
- Encourage the formation and maintenance of two-parent families.

Many states award TANF funds to pregnancy resource centers and similar organizations, because these organizations help meet some or all of these goals. However, in October the Biden Administration quietly rolled out a rule change that could stop states from giving these federal funds to pregnancy centers.

The Biden Administration's analysis of the proposed rule says: *Similarly, programs that only or primarily provide pregnancy counseling to women only after they become pregnant likely do not meet the reasonable person standard because the connection to preventing and reducing out-of-wedlock pregnancies is tenuous or non-existent, and therefore do not accomplish purpose three. States that*

*provide funding for these types of programs, including through entities sometimes known as crisis pregnancy centers or pregnancy resource centers, must be able to show that the expenditure actually accomplishes the TANF purpose, that prior expenditures by the state or another entity for the same or a substantially similar program or activity actually accomplished the TANF purpose, or that there is academic or other research indicating that the expenditure could reasonably be expected to accomplish the TANF purpose. If pregnancy prevention programming is a part of an ongoing program, such as year round after-school programming, only those costs associated with delivery of pregnancy prevention should be cost allocated and non-TANF funds used to fund other activities.*

In other words, the Biden Administration is arguing that pregnancy resource centers should not be eligible for TANF funds, because the centers help women after they become pregnant instead of just focusing on pregnancy prevention.

Many pregnancy resource centers provide everything from ultrasounds and pregnancy tests to maternity clothes, diapers, and formula — typically free of charge. They often operate on very tight budgets and rely heavily on volunteers and donations. There's no doubt they provide actual services to women, children, and families, and it's ridiculous for the Biden Administration to rewrite its rules to exclude them from the TANF program.

- LifeNews.com, November 30, 2023



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**for 7th grade through young adults**

**Fri., April 12, 2024**  
Livonia

**OR**

**Sat., April 13, 2024**  
Auburn Hills

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# Movement in Motion

## Bus Trip to the March for Life 2024

It is always a great joy to send students, parents, chaperones, and young adults on the Youth Bus Trip to DC. Knowing how excited they are preparing for the trip, then hearing from them while they are in DC and afterwards when they return, and getting lots of terrific photos from them, it's like I was with them the whole experience! You can see some of the photos on this page. I hope you enjoy them as much as I have!

I will be able to share many of their comments with you in the next Newsletter and in the LIFESPAN Resource Book (that will be given out at our annual Celebrate Life dinner) so please stay tuned! I am excited to hear what they have to say!

The snowy, cold weather in DC on the day of the March for Life caused some rearranging of itinerary plans after the March, but everyone I have talked to so far said they had a great experience at the March. Their hearts were full of love for Life and their passion for Life kept them on the move!

Bus 1 attended the Priests for Life National Prayer Service in the morning before the March and were able to meet Bishop Strickland, Sister Dede Byrne, Mark Houck, Mark Lee Dickson, and Frank Pavone (he will be our dinner speaker in May). Bus 2 went to the Basilica for the Mass for Life before the March, spending extra time in the Basilica after the Mass to look around and go into the side chapels.

Bus 1 also was able to visit Smithsonian museums afterwards and Bus 2 was able to visit some memorials (Lincoln, Martin Luther King Jr., and Jefferson memorials).

It sounds like there is interest from many of our Marchers to attend the MI March for Life on Friday, November 8, 2024. LIFESPAN will send some buses from different locations for the day...stay tuned for more details!



# ASSISTED SUICIDE BILLS MUST BE DEFEATED IN AT LEAST 10 STATES

*By Alex Schadenberg  
Executive Director, Euthanasia Prevention Coalition*

Assisted suicide bills have currently been introduced in 10 US states including: Florida, Indiana, Iowa, Massachusetts, Michigan, Missouri, New Hampshire, New York, Pennsylvania, Wisconsin. We expect several more states to introduce an assisted suicide bill in 2024.

Some of the assisted suicide bills are being debated in states that are not likely to legalize assisted suicide, while other states are more concerning. All of these bills should be treated seriously.

No new state has legalized assisted suicide in the past two years but the assisted suicide lobby remains relentless.

The key to holding the line on assisted suicide is to stop states from legalizing it. The key to defeating an assisted suicide bill is to **call it what it is**. The purpose of assisted suicide is to cause death.

**Read more at** <https://alexschadenberg.blogspot.com/2024/01/assisted-suicide-bills-must-be-defeated.html>.

**2024 Fundraising Dinner Reservations:** Reservations due by **Friday, April 19, 2024**.

Yes, I (we) plan to attend this Fundraising Event. Number of seats: \_\_\_\_\_ Seat with: \_\_\_\_\_

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## From the President's Desk



Dear Friends,

How much is too much? You have heard this many times and sometimes there is just no answer to this question. I ask this question in conjunction with the pro-life cause and what we do within our organizational structures. So many pro-life organizations, so many anti-life organizations, so many pro-life issues to deal with, so many losses, so many unanswered questions about the future, so that sometimes we ask ourselves just how much time and money should we spend? How many defeats can we handle? How much is too much for us to work for the pro-life cause?

The answer dear pro-life friends is this: the question of "how much is too much" does not exist in the pro-life movement. The cause is too great! We work, we give, we persevere in promoting the pro-life cause until our last breath.

If we do not have LIFE, there is nothing we are able to do. So, as long as God has given us this LIFE, we must work to promote the cause of LIFE, Liberty, and Freedom within our Country, and especially within the community we live.

With all the darkness that surrounds us - abortion, euthanasia, infanticide, human trafficking, killing of our young with fentanyl, and now the mutilation of our children through sex change surgery and hormone-altering therapy - it is sometimes tempting to raise up our arms and say - It is all too much! This is a luxury we do not have. We must stay strong and fight for those who have no voice and STAY WE WILL!

Through the years, and because of your dedication, much good has been happening. We do not always see or hear of the positive forces that protect Human Life, but they are here all around us. One of the most important forces, that is often overlooked, is the Pro-life Movement. This includes the millions of local organizations, like LIFESPAN, which have kept this issue in the public square in your local area. The thousands of Pregnancy Help Centers, like our Wee Care program, that help moms and their babies. The many youth groups like our LIFESPAN Youth programs, Generation Truth, who bring educational and needed programs to our youth. The many miscellaneous pro-life organizations who work to promote LIFE within medicine, academia, politics, and the legal professions. The thousands (including the buses we organized by LIFESPAN for our youth) that went to the Washington DC, March for Life in January, and who stood out in the cold and snow to demonstrate their commitment for LIFE.

In other words, there has been an army of individual citizens working for over 54 years to stop the death peddlers. These are the people who know the truth about our existence. LIFE is given to us by God, not man. We have been given our freedom by Him and if we succumb to the ideology that the government (made up of men and women) know what is best for us, we definitely will lose our freedom forever. We would then be controlled by the State and no longer have our God given individual rights.

Be proud, stand up straight, keep your chin held high for you are a part of that army. We can NEVER DO TOO MUCH to promote the cause for LIFE! May God give us all the courage to continue this most vital work.  
- Diane

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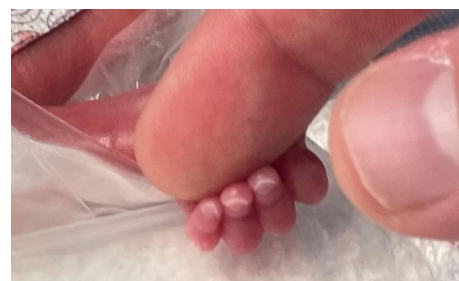
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Have questions? Please contact Charles Kleinbrook at 248-352-9569 or [MrChip1234@aol.com](mailto:MrChip1234@aol.com)

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