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President Joe Biden ever-so-discretely awards former PPFA president Cecile Richards the Medal of Freedom

By Dave Andrusko

Offering what hopefully will be his last tribute to the abortion industry, on Wednesday [November 20, 2024] pro-abortion President Joe Biden awarded the **Medal of Freedom** to former Planned Parenthood president Cecile Richards. However, according to Jeff Mordock of the *Washington Times*:

The ceremony was not listed on Mr. Biden's public schedule, nor was his decision to award the medal to Ms. Richards publicly announced until after the presentation.

Members of the media were not invited to watch the ceremony, which was not live-streamed on the White House website.

Mordock wrote that Biden bestowed "the nation's highest civilian honor to the former head of Planned Parenthood in a clandestine ceremony."

The White House Press Office described Ms. Richards in terms just this side of elevating her into a secular saint:

"With absolute courage and conviction, Cecile Richards fearlessly leads us forward to be the America we say we are - a Nation of freedom. Carrying her parents' torch for justice, she's led some of our Nation's most important civil rights causes - to lift up the dignity of workers, defend and advance women's reproductive rights and equality, and mobilize Americans to exercise their power to vote. A leader of utmost character, she has carved an inspiring legacy that endures in her incredible family, the countless lives she has made better, and a Nation seeking the light of equality, justice, and freedom."

Just to make the contrast more explicit, Mordock writes

In May, Mr. Biden presented the Medal of Freedom to former New York City Mayor Michael R. Bloomberg, Olympic champion swimmer Katie Ledecky and former Vice President Al Gore among others in a public ceremony that was both broadcast and attended by journalists.

What is the Presidential Medal of Freedom? It is described as "the foremost U.S. civilian decoration, awarded to individuals who have made 'an especially meritorious contribution to the security or national interests of the United States, world peace, cultural or



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other significant public or private endeavors."

That describes Richards who was the crafty, politically adroit President of PPFA from 2006 to 2018?

Speaking of a total lack of self-awareness, check this out from 2020. Sarah D. pointed out on November 10 that Richards deleted a tweet celebrating what she anticipated would be the impact of the election of pro-abortion Kamala Harris as the Vice President.

So, what did the tweet say?

**Excited for all the babies this year
Who will be named Kamala**

Babies?!

Finally, in 2018, Melissa Ohden, who is the Founder and Director of The Abortion Survivors Network, the only healing and advocacy organization for abortion survivors and their families, wrote about Richards' then new book. In "Make Trouble: Standing Up, Speaking Out, and Finding the Courage to Lead—My Life Story," Richards wrote

Parenting isn't for everyone, and I will fight to my last breath to protect every person's right to decide whether to have children. But raising our three kids — Lily, Hannah and Daniel — is, bar none, the absolute best thing I've ever done.

Melissa wrote that

In excerpt from her new book posted in the Dallas News, Cecile Richards, the former President of Planned Parenthood, gave her top ten pieces of parenting advice.

You can't make this stuff up.

- November 21, 2024, National Right to Life News

LIGHTS FOR LIFE

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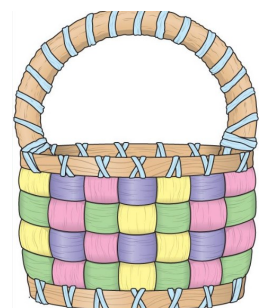
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Our Silent Auction is just around the corner and we are in need of **baskets for our auction items**. If you have baskets you can spare, you can either drop them off at the Oakland/Macomb Chapter office (1637 W. Big Beaver, Suite G, Troy, MI 48084), the Wayne County Chapter office (32540 Schoolcraft Road, Suite 210, Livonia, MI 48150), or the

Main Administrative Office (in the same building as the Wayne Chapter, but in Suite 100 on the first floor). Call Chris at the Main Office, **734-524-0162**, if you have any questions.





SAVE THE DATE!

Celebration of Life Dinner

Tuesday, May 6, 2025

We are so excited to have

Rachel Campos-Duffy

Co-host of Fox & Friends Weekend on Fox News as our speaker!

Outspoken Pro-Life Advocate · Mother of 9 Awesome Kids

Wife of the Future Secretary of Transportation Sean Duffy

For more information:

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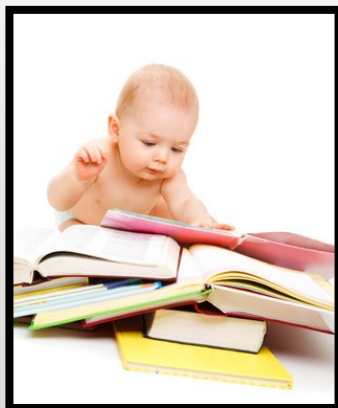
Book Depot Help!

Volunteer (AKA: a book angel!) needed to organize & maintain the Religious Book area of our Book Depot in Livonia.

Preferably Mondays

(Day is negotiable)

Please call Chris at the Main Office at 734.524.0162



Looking for a **Graphic Designer** for our website.

- Must have prior experience
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Contact Chris Hansen at the Main Office at 734.524.0162 or mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org.

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Be the Change

Saturday, March 8, 2025

Auburn Hills: 9:30 am – 1:30 pm

Livonia: 12 pm – 4:30 pm



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For more information contact:

Lynn Gura at 248.816.1546 or oakmac@rtl-lifespan.org

To Register Online:

<https://righttolifelifespan.regfox.com/2025-be-the-change>

2025 Rose Ceremony:

A Mass for the Pre-Born

Wednesday, January 22 6pm Mass



Commemorating 52 years of legal abortion in Michigan
and *65+ million preborn lives* lost due to abortion in the USA.



Our Lady of Good Counsel

47650 North Territorial, Plymouth, MI 48170

For more information or to host a
Rose Ceremony at YOUR church, contact:

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LIFESPAN Chapter News

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Going Forward

Each year, when we turn the calendar page from December of one year to January of the next year, I wonder to myself, where did it go? Where did the previous year go? The older we become, the faster time seems to go. It is actually time to plan for the events for the new year but before we go, we need to remember what we have accomplished in the old year.

So, what did we do in 2024? Youth events that included Be the Change, Bus Trips, Life Advocate Intensive, essays, educational materials, answering questions, and working with Youth Ministers. The Celebrate Life dinner and auction in May, the Annual Luncheon, Bowling for Life, Golf Outings, Baby Showers, Life Chain, White Cross display, National Day of Remembrance for the Aborted Child, Christmas Cards, the Resource Book and Newsletters now printing in color and providing extensive pro-life information, monthly mailings to representatives at various faith communities, increased presence on various social media platforms, phone interviews, Father's Day candy and Mother's Day carnations, Lights for Life, Volunteer Luncheon, and one of the most important things we do each year is answer questions that come to us over the phone. Sometimes those phone calls come from moms who need

help, sometimes from folks who don't like what we stand for or what we do, some who have sincere questions and need solid pro-life information to share with family and friends.

None of this is possible without the aid of our many volunteers who help with all these activities and whatever else we come up with like stuffing envelopes or cutting ribbons and tags for the Mother's Day flowers. If I started to try and name each one, first I would be sure to miss someone and secondly, there is not room enough in this column to name them all individually. Just let it be known that we treasure your dedication to Life and your willingness to go the extra mile to accomplish our mission.

Happy New Year to you All. We pray for the good Lord's blessings on your families, a renewed sense of justice and protection for vulnerable lives and the determination to continue until we accomplish that goal.

Diane

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January's Big Week

January 20 marks Inauguration Day every four years. It is a day to pray for our country and breathe a sigh of relief that the most aggressively pro-abortion Administration in American history is over. **January 22** is the anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* ruling legalizing abortion nationwide, which of course was supplanted by *Dobbs v. Jackson Women's Health* on June 24, 2022. However, since pro-abortion judges never allowed existing Michigan law to take effect in summer 2022 and then the voters chose to amend the State Constitution in November 2022 to legalize all abortions and eliminate health regulations on abortion facilities, we now mark 52 years and counting of legal abortion in Michigan on January 22. **January 24** marks the **National March for Life** in Washington, D.C. Pray for a blessed and powerful experience for all in attendance, especially those on LIFESPAN buses, and for safe travel to and from the March.

The Beauty of Life: Rose Ceremony

On **Wednesday, January 22 at 6pm**, we mark this sad anniversary of legal abortion in the United States with the annual **Rose Mass at Our Lady of Good Counsel Catholic Church** in Plymouth. If you have never been, it is truly a beautiful and inspiring evening. For Christian brothers and sisters who are not Catholic, the Rose Ceremony within that Mass is worth the time. We would love to speak with any church about hosting a Rose Ceremony of your own. Mother's Day, Father's Day, or Respect Life Month in October would be ideal times to do so.

Hunger for Truth: Enjoy a Slice to Support LIFESPAN's Mission

Join LIFESPAN for our first restaurant fundraiser! On **Thursday, January 23** plan to enjoy some delicious Detroit-style pizza at **Buddy's Pizza in Livonia** between 11am and 8pm. **Mention LIFESPAN when you order** dine-in or carry-out and 20% of proceeds will return to the Chapter.

Shine Your Light: Luminaries for Life

It all began as another solemn commemoration of the *Roe v. Wade* anniversary, on **Friday, January 24** several churches within Wayne Chapter continue to mark the night of the National March for Life, January 24 this year, by lighting **Luminaries for Life** with the message, "It is better to light one candle, than to curse the darkness." If you are not with one of the participating churches and would like to order luminaries, please call or email the Chapter Office 734-422-6230 or wcdcr@rtl-lifespan.org.



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Wee Care



To all the wonderful friends who donated to Giving Trees or sent individual gifts to Wee Care during the Christmas season – my gratitude is endless! You are a Godsend – restocking our empty shelves with blankets, sleepers, onesies, diapers and so much more, so that we can continue in the new year to provide for God’s tiniest miracles!

As 2024 came to a close, we put together hundreds of packages. We always try to make sure that every precious little one born during the holidays or in January, receives the warm clothes, blankets and diapers that they desperately need. It means more than you can imagine to the moms. Their baby is provided for and they know that strangers care about them and are praying for them. Sometimes, as they cuddle their baby in their arms on Christmas, dressed in a new sleeper and wrapped in a soft blanket, those are the only gifts that they received. Your love for them, however, and your love for their baby is the greatest gift of all!

Thank you for all you do! May God bless your New Year with good health, good times, much laughter and all the happiness that you have given to others!

Love, Karen

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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:

In this New Year of 2025, I want to sincerely thank you all for your continued monetary and prayer support of our organization’s work with young people:

- To help give them things to participate in throughout the year including activities, events, and volunteer opportunities!
- To help them grow stronger, more solid in their pro-life convictions and connect them with other young people who hold the same desire to protect the gift of LIFE in every way possible, from the first moment that little human being becomes an individual in the womb to the last natural breath.
- To help sponsor high school students, college students and young adults so they can attend the summer training program (Life Advocate Intensive Training) presented by Protect Life Michigan.

We have two bus groups going to the 3rd annual Post-Roe March for Life in DC. You can watch (the best) coverage of the March for Life on EWTN on Friday, January 24th. In the next newsletter, you will be able to see pictures from our *Movement in Motion Bus Trip* and read comments from the students, young adults, chaperones, and other adults. I can’t wait to share

this all with you soon! *In the past Trump Administration, the Vice President spoke at one of the Rallies before the March and the President gave a video greeting to the Marchers; then in 2019, the President was at the Rally in person to speak to the Marchers. Who knows what will happen this time...will VP JD Vance be there? Will the President give another video greeting? We’ll see!*

Registration is now open for our **Be the Change** event that will take place on March 8th. See page 13 for more information which includes the RegFox online registration link you can go to. We are accepting new baby items at the event, if anyone who attends wants to bring some items to donate to our **Wee Care** Program. See above for an update from Karen Patrosso who is the director.

Let’s continue on our mission to make abortion unthinkable... love the moms, dads and their preborn babies!

Be the Change

Lynn A. Gura, Youth Director for LIFESPAN Ed Fund

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- Submit copy of your ad either as a hard copy, camera-ready ad or email ad to: mainoffice@rtl-lifespan.org.
- If you are not able to submit camera-ready work, we will help you with your ad, just contact us!
- Payment must accompany Contract.
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From the President's Desk



Happy New Year! Another year has passed, and we are looking forward to a much brighter hopeful 2025. I do not know about you, but this Christmas and Hanukkah season contained more joy and hope than I experienced in a long time. I wonder why it is. For me, it is the realization that our country will be able to get back to the Judeo-Christian ethics that our founding fathers preserved in the

Constitution. For pro-lifers that means the freedom to have LIFE, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness. This recently has been an illusion for us pro-life believers.

The successful demonization of pro-life people and the cause has been more evident in the past four years. This is due to a number of factors but the most relevant was the overturning of *Roe v Wade*. The opposition is again threatened with the possibility, they no longer will be able to kill their offspring. This type of upraising I had not seen since 1970 when this movement and our organization were fledglings-fighting to keep legalized abortion out of the State of Michigan. During pre-election campaigning for Proposal B, in 1972, there were hateful angry people all around us. There were death threats, coffee thrown at our signs, angry nasty words and counter demonstration opposing us and our position. There was a difference though; in the seventies we felt free to speak out and fight for the rights of the pre-born without fear of any government reprisal. As the years have passed slowly our freedoms were curtailed, especially in these last four years, pro-lifers have had to watch their backs, when speaking out for the life issues. Arrests, prosecution,

and jail were the fate of many pro-life people praying at abortion facilities or doing undercover work to expose the lies of the anti-life bureaucracy; while those that burned our federal buildings and defaced our monuments, were allowed to go free. This is what I hope will change. It is a new day in America. As pro-lifers we never did nor will we ever stop fighting for the rights of all our citizens, the pre-born and born. But I am convinced that in the next four years we will be able to do this without fear from our government agencies.

It is time to rededicate our efforts to change hearts and minds. In the next four years we will have the opportunity and freedom to work within our community to do just that. To bring truth as to the humanity of the pre-born, the sick and the elderly. *LIFESPAN* will be here to help you to do this. Yes, there is a lot to do, as seen during this past election campaign. There are many of our fellow citizens who have accepted the lies. Let us help them to understand the truth. So, the next time you are challenged with the statement "women have the right to choose"! Ask them, the right to choose what! If they do not say to "right to kill my child" then they do not know the truth! This is a person (who if they will listen) needs to know just what happens in the abortion procedure - A HUMAN LIFE IS DYSTROYED!

May God give us the courage to speak out for truth!

Yours in Life, Diane

Donations have been made -

In Memory of:

Gerald Joseph Schefke

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Join two Detroit originals for a *Right to Life-LIFESPAN* Wayne Chapter **Restaurant Fundraiser** at Buddy's Pizza in Livonia.



THURSDAY, JANUARY 23

11:00am-9:00pm

Mention Right to Life-LIFESPAN when making your dine-in, take-out, or delivery order and 20% of the proceeds will return to LIFESPAN Wayne Chapter to educate the community on human dignity from conception until natural death!

Buddy's Pizza

33605 Plymouth Rd., Livonia, MI 48150

(734) 261-3550





"It is better to light one candle, than to curse the darkness"

2025 LUMINARIES FOR LIFE CANDLE KITS

Please solemnly commemorate the reality of 52+ years of legal abortion in the State of Michigan in January by Lighting candles for the preborn babies lost to abortion. We have much work to do and know that even a small flame of light will show the way.

Candles will be lit on the evening of Friday, January 24th to mark the National March for Life.

The kits include the bag, the candle, and an instruction sheet.

Place your order for Luminaries for Life by calling the LIFESPAN office, 734-422-6230. Please place orders by Thursday, January 16, 2024. Donations are appreciated to help us cover the cost of the supplies. We thank you and your faith community ahead of time for participating in this loving project!

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

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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	\$35.00	_____ Platinum	\$500.00 or more
_____ Student/Senior Member	\$25.00	_____ Gold	\$250.00
_____ Monthly Pledge	\$ _____	_____ Silver	\$100.00
_____ Other	\$ _____	_____ Bronze	\$50.00

Name _____ Phone _____

Address _____ City _____ Zip _____

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Please complete this form and return with your donation to: *Right*

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**Right to Life – LIFESPAN’s
36th Annual Baby Shower**

Sunday, March 9, 2025*

*(*unless different date noted)*

to benefit local Pregnancy Help Centers

Baby showers will be held at the following locations.

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

Watch for fliers from your local church listed below to find out what the Pregnancy Help Center needs.

For more information, call *Right to Life - LIFESPAN* at 734.524.0162

Gift Drop-Off ONLY - After Church Services (unless noted otherwise)

In alphabetical order by City:

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

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

St. Anselm Catholic Church, Dearborn Heights
17650 Outer Dr W

St. Edith Catholic Church, Livonia
15089 Newburgh Rd.



St. Colette Catholic Church, Livonia
17600 Newburgh Rd.

St. Genevieve-St. Maurice Women’s Sodality, Livonia
29015 Jamison St.

St. Damien of Molokai Church, Pontiac
120 Lewis Street

Our Lady of Loretto Church, Redford
17116 Olympia **March 1/2 & March 8/9*



Choose a location near you, drop off some 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!