ATTENTION: LADIES (12 YEARS OLD AND UP)

You’re Invited!

To our 4th annual “Born to be a Lady” Fashion Show!
To Promote the Dignity and Respect of Women!

The MC/Speaker will be Mary Dudley (former host of Michigan Catholic Radio’s Live from the Shrine, co-founder of Arrested by Mercy, a pro-life program)

Sunday ◆ March 21, 2010 ◆ 2:30-5:00 p.m.
Sts. Cyril and Methodius Slovak Catholic Church
(located near the northwest corner of 18 Mile and Ryan Rds.)

$15.00 per person, includes dessert & beverages

Registration Deadline: March 15, 2010 *late fee $20.00 per person

GOALS
• to understand the importance of modest appearance
• to understand the importance of a modest attitude
• to learn important guidelines for putting together modest outfits
• to find the resources to locate modest clothes
• to enhance better communication between mothers/daughters

Have questions? Want to register?
Contact Marilyn at 248-816-8489 or by e-mail at info@edcenterforlife.org or go to www.edcenterforlife.org
PREGNANCY HELP CENTERS
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CROSSROADS PREGNANCY CENTER
3205 E. South Blvd.
Auburn Hills, MI 48326
Phone: 248-293-0070

Berkley
CARE NET PREGNANCY INFO CENTER
2826 Coolidge Hwy.
Berkley, MI 48072
Phone: 248-545-6411

BLOOMFIELD HILLS
LADIES OF CHARITY CLOTHES CLOSET
St. Hugo of the Hills Church
2215 Opdyke
Bloomfield Hills, MI 48304
Phone: 248-646-0920

BRIGHTON
PREGNANCY HELPLINE
7743 W. Grand River
Brighton, MI 48116
Phone: 810-494-LIFE (5433)
or toll free: 866-850-LIFE (5433)

CLINTON TOWNSHIP
COMPASSION PREGNANCY CENTER
37540 Gratiot, Suite 100
Clinton Twp., MI 48036
Phone: 586-783-9620

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LENNON CENTER
24275 Ann Arbor Trail
Dearborn Heights, MI 48127
Phone: 313-277-5637

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DETOt PREGNANCY CENTER
Grace Bible Chapel
5440 Oakman Blvd.
Detroit, MI 48204
Phone: 313-415-6822

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15879 East Seven Mile Rd.
Detroit, MI 48205
Phone: 313-372-8803

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Detroit, MI 48224
Phone: 313-882-1000

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Detroit, MI 48219
Phone: 313-537-2130

FARMINGTON
ANOTHER WAY PREGNANCY CTR.
33100 Grand River
Farmington, MI 48336
Phone: 248-471-5858

GABRIEL PROJECT
St. Gerald Church
21300 Farmington Rd.
Farmington, MI 48336
Phone: 248-477-9485

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CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER
1760 Fort St.
Lincoln Park, MI 48146
Phone: 313-386-4005

LIVONIA
AAA CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER
16755 Middlebelt Rd.
Livonia, MI 48154
Phone: 734-424-8060

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29200 Vassar, Suite 545
Livonia, MI 48152
Phone: 248-478-8884

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Madison Heights, MI 48071
Phone: 248-414-4080
or 1-800-BETHANY

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17729 Flint
Melvindale, MI 48122
Phone: 313-382-5941

OXFORD/ORION
PROBLEM PREGNANCY CENTER
35 N. WASHINGTON
Oxford, MI 48371
Phone: 248-969-2177

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CROSSROADS PREGNANCY CENTER
3205 E. South Blvd.
Auburn Hills, MI 48326
Phone: 248-293-0070

PONTIAC
WOMEN & TEENS PREGNANCY CTR.
263 Cesar Chavez Ave.
Pontiac, MI 48342
Phone: 248-338-HELP (4357)

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PREGNANCY COUNSELING CTR.
25545 Five Mile Rd.
Redford, MI 48329
Phone: 734-522-8484

SOUTH LYON
GUADALUPE PARTNERS
P. O. Box 544
South Lyon, MI 48178
Phone: 734-262-6779

SOUTHFIELD
MOTHER & UNBORN BABY CARE
24500 Southfield Rd.
Southfield, MI 48075
Phone: 248-559-7440

TAYLOR
GUIDING HAND
PREGNANCY REFUGE
16994 Telegraph Rd.
Taylor, MI 48180
Phone: 734-946-4121

UTICA
BIRTHRIGHT OF MACOMB COUNTY
45464 Van Dyke
Utica, MI 48318
Phone: 586-254-5930

WATERFORD
PREGNANCY HELP CENTER
6695 Highland, Suite 202
Waterford, MI 48327
Phone: 248-886-1200

WESTLAND
SIGNS OF LIFE CHRISTIAN
CRISIS PREGNANCY CENTER
39105 Webb Dr.
Westland, MI 48185
Phone: 734-722-9776

RESIDENTIAL PROGRAM
FOR UNWED PREGNANT WOMEN
ABIGAYLE MINISTRIES
12313 19 Mile Rd.
Sterling Heights, MI 48313
Phone: 586-323-1411
Right to Life - LIFESPAN’s 21st annual Baby Shower
Sunday, March 7, 2010
(unless otherwise noted)
to benefit local Pregnancy Help Centers

Baby showers will be held at the following locations.
Bring new or used (but usable) baby or maternity items.
For more information, call Right to Life - LIFESPAN at 248-478-8878

**Gift Drop-off Only - After Church Services**

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- **Auburn Hills Christian Center**
  March 14 and March 21
  2592 E. Walton Blvd., Auburn Hills

- **Sacred Heart of the Hills Church**
  3400 S. Adams Rd., Auburn Hills

- **Resurrection Church**
  48755 Warren Rd., Canton

- **Guardian Angels Church**
  581 E. 14 Mile Rd., Clawson

- **Church of the Divine Child**
  March 6-7 and March 13-14
  1055 N. Silvery Lane, Dearborn

- **St. Alphonsus Church**
  7455 Calhoun, Dearborn

- **St. Anselm Church**
  March 13-14
  17650 W. Outer Drive, Dearborn Heights

- **Assumption Grotto Church**
  13770 Gratiot, Detroit

- **Brightmoor Bible Missionary Church**
  15128 Bramell, Detroit

- **Christ the King Church**
  Koelzer Hall, 16805 Pierson, Detroit

- **Old St. Mary Church**
  646 Monroe, Detroit

- **Sts. Augustine and Monica Church**
  4151 Seminole, Detroit

- **Our Lady of Sorrows Church**
  23615 Power Rd., Farmington

- **St. Gerald Church**
  21300 Farmington Rd., Farmington

- **St. Dunstan Church**
  1615 Belton, Garden City

- **St. Raphael Church with St. Mel Church**
  5775 Merriman, Garden City

- **St. Clare of Montefalco Church**
  1401 Whittier Rd., Grosse Pointe Park

- **St. Edith Church**
  15089 Newburgh, Livonia

- **St. Genevieve Church**
  29015 Jamison, Livonia

- **St. Maurice Church**
  32765 Lyndon, Livonia

- **St. Mary of the Snows Church**
  1955 E. Commerce, Milford

- **St. Stephen Church**
  18800 Huron River Dr., New Boston

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

- **Our Lady of Refuge Church**
  3750 Commerce Rd., Orchard Lake

- **Our Lady of Good Counsel Church**
  47650 N. Territorial, Plymouth

- **St. Kenneth Church**
  February 14 - April 4
  14951 Haggerty Rd., Plymouth

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

- **St. Valentine Church**
  25881 Dow, Redford

- **St. Andrew Church**
  1400 Inglewood, Rochester

- **St. Irenaeus Church**
  771 Old Perch Rd., Rochester Hills

- **St. Clement of Rome Church**
  343 South Main, Romeo

- **Living Rock Church**
  March 21, 1:00 p.m.
  33200 Ecorse Rd., Romulus

- **St. Kieran Church**
  March 1-2 and March 8-9
  53600 Mound Rd., Shelby Twp.

- **St. Therese of Lisieux Church**
  48115 Schoenherr, Shelby Twp.

- **St. Jane Frances de Chantal Church**
  38750 Ryan Rd., Sterling Heights

- **St. Matthias Church**
  12509 19 Mile Rd., Sterling Heights

- **St. Paul Lutheran Church**
  2550 Edsel Dr., Trenton

- **St. Thomas More Church**
  March 20-21 and March 27-28
  4580 Adams Rd., Troy

- **St. William Church**
  531 Common, Walled Lake

- **St. Josaphat Ukrainian Church**
  26440 Ryan Rd., Warren

- **River of Faith Church**
  3411 Airport Rd., Waterford

- **St. Bernardine Church**
  31463 Ann Arbor Trail, Westland

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**Gift Suggestions**

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

Thank you!
SMILE!
Put your special photo in LIFESPAN’s Resource Book!

Purchase a 1/8-page ad and feature your children, grandchildren or other family members in Right to Life - LIFESPAN’s Educational Fund Resource Book 2010.

**Photo Ads are tax-deductible.**

Fill out the form below for photo ads and send $35 with a non-professional photo, along with the names of those pictured, or other desired caption, to: Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund, 29200 Vassar, Ste. 545, Livonia, MI 48152. All picture ads must be received by **March 31, 2010**.

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 mkobradley@verizon.net (with “Lifespan Photo” in the subject line) and mail your check by post to the above Lifespan address. For more information, call Lifespan’s Main Office, at 248-478-8878.

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**Yes, please include my photo in Lifespan’s 2010 Resource Book!**

Name ____________________________________________________________
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 email; enclosed is my check.

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**Be a PATRON!**

**Resource Book Patron Ads:**

- **Gold Patron** $100  
- **Silver Patron** $50  
- **Bronze Patron** $10  
- **Memorial Patron** $10

Please PRINT name(s) exactly as you wish it to appear. Names of patrons in each of these categories will be listed on separate pages in the Resource Book 2010. **Patron Ads are tax-deductible; make checks payable to Right to Life - Lifespan Educational Fund.** Deadline for submission is March 31, 2010.

 Patron name(s)—Gold, Silver, or Bronze: __________________________________________________________
Memorial Patron name(s): ___________________________________________________________________

Amount enclosed $ ______________________
Name __________________________________________ Address _________________________________________
City ___________________________ Zip ________________ Phone (include area code) __________________

**Make checks payable, and mail to: Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund**
29200 Vassar, Ste. 545, Livonia MI 48152
For further information, call 248-478-8878
Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund

RESOURCE BOOK 2010

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. Fill out the form below and send it to us with your remittance included. **Deadline for submission is Wednesday, March 31, 2010.**

**Advertising Contract:**

I wish to publish _________________ page ad for the sum of $______________

Please run _______ last year’s ad _______ enclosed, new ad _______ E-mailed ad

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Because of the difficulty of working with various formats, we prefer to receive pdf files, at 300 dpi, all fonts embedded, sent by e-mail to mkobradley@verizon.net, indicating “Lifespan Resource Book Ad” in the subject line. In the case of electronic submissions, please send contract and check by post to the address below. You may also send a hard copy, camera-ready ad. If you are not able to submit camera-ready art work, we will help you with your ad; call us. Payment must accompany ad and contract. Advertisers will be sent a copy of the Resource Book upon request only. Lifespan reserves the right to refuse any advertisement if it deems unsuitable.

A complimentary dinner ticket to the 2010 Mother’s Day Dinner on Tuesday, May 4 will be given to any individual for every $200 worth of **new** ads obtained for the Resource Book. The ad seller’s signature must appear on the contract below when the ad and remittance is received by **Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund.**

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_____ Yes, please send me a copy of the 2010 Resource Book.

**Contributions to Right to Life - LIFESPAN Educational Fund are deductible as charitable contributions for Federal Income Tax purposes.**
Should We Say We Told You So?

Five years ago, the State of California passed Proposition 71, which was to provide funding for the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine and make California an Embryonic Stem Cell Research powerhouse similar to the National Institutes of Health, but without federal regulations. The LA Times has recently reported that the institute has decided to strive for a “more immediate goal: boosting therapies that are much further along in development” using adult stem cells. In plain language, Embryonic Stem Cell Research has not provided any beneficial results and they are turning to what pro-life people have said all along provides the best option for cures and treatments…adult stem cells.

The fantastic promises that were made when this proposition was being discussed were ambitious, to say the least. Calmer voices tried, without success, to temper the rhetoric with cautions about the lack of evident success using embryonic stem cells for research, but the warnings went not only unheeded but were severely criticized. Charges of “promoting a religious agenda” and “standing in the way of cures for suffering people” were thrown about with reckless abandon.

Well, guess what? Officials at the Institute are now funding the very research they claimed as obsolete—adult stem cell research. Having found no treatments, no cures, no advantages to using human embryos as research material, they are now turning to what works. Investors.com, the web site for the Investors Business Daily put it this way—“To us, this is a classic bait-and-switch, an attempt to snatch success from the jaws of failure and take credit for discoveries and advances achieved by research Prop 71 supporters once cavalierly dismissed. We have noted how over the years that when funding was needed, the phrase, “embryonic stem cells” was used. When actual progress was discussed, the word ‘embryonic’ was dropped because ESCR never got out of the lab.” (See www.investors.com/NewsAndAnalysis/Article.aspx?id=51787)

Perhaps you recall Diane Fagelman’s letter from the last issue of the Lifespan News, and how the University of Michigan is leaping onto the ESCR bandwagon with tax dollars. Perhaps Ms. Feldman, director of the A. Alfred Taubman Medical Research Institute at the university, should give the directors of the California Institute for Regenerative Medicine a call before she signs too many checks.

—Diane Trombley, co-editor

Hillary Clinton Promotes Fundraising Push for Pro-Abortion Reproductive Health

U.S. Secretary of State Hillary Clinton announced [recently] that the United States would engage in a massive funding push over the next five years to promote ‘reproductive health care and family planning’ as a ‘basic right’ around the word.

Clinton has previously stated for the record that this includes abortion. The plan includes potentially siphoning off funds currently directed towards fighting HIV/AIDS, tuberculosis and malaria.

Commemorating the fifteenth anniversary of the controversial International Conference on Population and Development (ICPD) in Cairo, Clinton said there were only five years left to achieve ICPD’s goal that “all governments will make access to reproductive healthcare and family planning services a basic right.”

Last April, in testimony before the U.S. House Foreign Affairs Committee, when asked whether the United States’ definition of “reproductive health” includes abortion, Clinton replied that, “We happen to think that family planning is an important part of women’s health and reproductive health includes access to abortion that I believe should be safe, legal and rare.”

—LifeNews.com, January 15, 2010

Is This What They Need Most?

As they did after Hurricane Katrina and the tragedy in New York on 9/11, International Planned Parenthood is again offering “aid” this time to suffering Haitians following the devastating earthquake in that nation on January 12th.

On their supporter’s Facebook page, International Planned Parenthood is seeking monetary donations to “assist” the people in Haiti. Working with an organization in Haiti, PROFAMIL, International Planned Parenthood is promising that 100% of the donations will go to PROFAMIL. The International Planned Parenthood website goes on to explain that PROFAMIL has been operating in Haiti since 1984 to provide “sexual and reproductive healthcare.” The group “educates the public about prevention and ensures widespread access to condoms” to “young people aged 10-25” with “regular condom demonstrations,” according to the web site.

One might ask if the children aged 10 and up who have been injured or orphaned by this terrible tragedy are lining up to see a “condom demonstration” and if PROFAMIL is offering clean water while they wait.

It was once said that the moral test of government is how that government treats those who are in the dawn of life, the children; those who are in the twilight of life, the elderly; and those who are in the shadows of life, the sick, the needy and the handicapped.

—Hubert H. Humphrey (D), 38th Vice-President
LIFESPAN NEWS February/March 2010

37th Annual March for Life, Washington, D.C.

A sea of youth dominated the massive crowd, one of the largest—if not the largest—in the history of the 37 years of the annual March for Life, according to LifeSiteNews. Organizer Nellie Gray told the press that the numbers of marchers this year far exceeded last year, which was estimated at well over 300,000. Right to Life - LIFESPAN’s “Movement in Motion” was there with five full buses of youth!

“The March for Life this year was epic amazing!” relates Annie Fournier, one of Lifespan’s participants. “This year, Lifespan was able to participate in the Wreath Laying Ceremony at the Arlington National Cemetery. I was fortunate enough to be picked to help place the wreath at the front of the grave. It was a chance of a lifetime. The experience was humbling because I realized just how many soldiers sacrifice their lives for us so that we have the freedom to stand up for Life. I felt really honored to be chosen to assist in the ceremony. I love going to the March for Life and I hope that we get twice as many people to go next year.”

Note: To all who are interested in the “Movement in Motion” Youth Bus Trip to Washington, D.C., be sure to mark your calendars! The 2011 March for Life will be held on Monday, January 24th. Plans will be formulated in February, and more details will follow in the next newsletter.

Right On, Mr. McCartney!

Washington Post columnist Robert McCartney was one of the few mainstream media reports to show any appreciation for the March for Life. Here is an excerpt from his story: “I went to the March for Life rally Friday on the Mall expecting to write about its irrelevance. Isn’t it quaint, I thought, that these abortion protesters show up each year on the anniversary of Roe v. Wade, even though the decision still stands after 37 years. What’s more, with a Democrat in the White House likely to appoint justices who support abortion rights, surely the Supreme Court isn’t going to overturn Roe in the foreseeable future. How wrong I was. The antiabortion movement feels it’s gaining strength, even if it’s not yet ready to predict ultimate triumph, and Roe supporters (including me) are justifiably nervous. In this case, I was especially struck by the large number of young people among the tens of thousands at the march. It suggests that the battle over abortion will endure for a long time to come.”

—LifeNews.com, January 25, 2010
Chapter News

Lifespan needs YOU!

Each year Lifespan publishes a pro-life Resource Book in conjunction with our Mother’s Day Dinner. This fundraiser is a vital part of our continuing efforts to educate the public on all LIFE issues. You can help continue this wonderful tradition of defending life by contacting your church, your organizations and your family and friends to solicit ads for the Resource Book. See page 5 of this newsletter for an ad form. Advertise your business, your organization or your love for LIFE and help save lives at the same time. Deadline for ads is March 31. Also make sure to mark your calendars for Tuesday, May 4, and join us for wonderful food and fellowship at our Mother’s Day Dinner.

Memorials

Help Detroit in its efforts to keep the office open. We do not receive any federal monies. Our only contributions come from our fundraisers and our membership donations. One great way to help contribute is by sending in a donation in memory of loved ones who have died or in honor of a special occasion such as a birthday, graduation or anniversary. Send your donation to the Detroit Office, and your memorial will be published in the next Lifespan News. A card will also be sent, upon request, to the family or person who is being honored or remembered. Instead of flowers or a card, your donation will help us save lives.

Pro-life churches wanted

If you belong to a pro-life church but do not read about pro-life activities in your church paper, please call us. We mail Lifespan bulletin notes on a monthly basis to update churches on current and future pro-life events and legislation. Call your pastor and ask if we could e-mail and/or mail our church bulletin notes. No fee is required.

Roses are coming

If you belong to a pro-life church and you would like to help us sell Mother’s Day Roses with a tag that reads, “Thanks, Mom, for Life!” call 313-640-8534 and volunteer to help.

STUDENT ART CONTEST

DEADLINE: MARCH 12, 2010

PRIZES:
First: $500 Savings Bond; Second: $200 Savings Bond; Third: $100 Savings Bond.

RULES:
1. Any student in grades 9, 10, 11 or 12, in public, private or homeschool, who resides in Wayne, Oakland or Macomb County and/or is a member of Right to Life - LIFESPAN, regardless of residency, is eligible for the contest, except for students in the immediate family of a board member of Right to Life – LIFESPAN.
2. The theme of the pro-life art contest entry is: “Celebration of Life.” Entries might reflect pro-life issues involving family life, children, babies, the handicapped or the elderly.
3. Entrants are required to submit, on a separate sheet of paper, a written explanation of their artwork, in no more than 50 words, answering the following three questions: What pro-life message are you expressing? How did you impart this message through your art? Why is this message important to you and your work? Each entry must include, on this same separate sheet of paper, neatly printed, the title of the artwork, the student’s name, address, phone number, age and grade, name of school and the names of his/her parents or guardian.
4. A student may submit more than one entry. Each entry must be the student’s own original concept, design and execution and may not violate any U.S. copyright laws.
5. Artwork must be 8” x 10” and oriented vertically for possible reproduction on the cover of Lifespan’s Resource Book. The artwork must be submitted on regular art stock paper and be matted or mounted. Acceptable media will be watercolor, pencil, pastel, tempera, crayon, acrylic, pen-and-ink. No photographic entries will be accepted.
6. The winning entries become the property of Right to Life – LIFESPAN and will not be returned. Each student who enters the contest assigns copyright for the entry to Right to Life – LIFESPAN.
7. Artwork entries shall be considered by impartial judges selected with experience and knowledge of art.
8. Entries will be judged on originality of concept, presentation, composition and how they relate to pro-life issues, adherence to contest guidelines and design technique.
9. Judges reserve the right to award no prize winner if no entry is deemed meritorious of the prize. Decisions of the judges will be final.
10. All entries must be received by Friday, March 12, 2010, and mailed or delivered to Student Art Contest 2010, Right to Life – LIFESPAN, 29200 Vassar St., Suite 545, Livonia, MI 48152.

Prizes will be notified by phone. The first-prize entry is also eligible for reproduction on the cover of Lifespan’s Resource Book 2010, distributed throughout the year as an educational resource on pro-life issues to teachers, legislators, pro-life leaders and others. The winning entries may also appear in an issue of Lifespan News. For more information, call Lifespan’s Main Office 248-478-8878.
March for Life

We would like to offer a heartfelt THANK YOU to all those who responded to our request for donations for the recent Movement in Motion but trip to Washington, D.C. 255 hearty souls traveled from our Troy office (also a pick up and drop off stop at Madonna University) to Washington D.C. for the March. Thanks to your generosity, we were able to keep them all well fed and content during the long hours on the bus. Bagels, cream cheese and jelly, muffins, juice, apples, cookies, crackers and water helped to keep the “hungries” away and allowed our travelers to focus on the business at hand.

That business not only included the March, but a privileged opportunity to lay a wreath at the Tomb of the Unknowns, meetings with elected officials (thanks to the offices of Candice Miller, Thaddeus McCotter and Mike Rogers) and an opportunity for each of them to see the hundreds and hundreds of young people their own age marching for Life.

The Movement in Motion is a gigantic project for our office. Mountains of printed material, hours on the phone finding restaurants, accommodations and attractions, planning the itinerary, lining up chaperones, calling travelers for phone number verifications and on and on. We begin preparations in early February for the next year’s March and the pace picks up in mid-September until the March in January. Lynn Gura, our youth activities coordinator, deserves all of the credit for planning a great trip. No matter how much work it is, no matter how many glitches must be ironed out, no matter how long it takes, the one word we hear most often from our travelers makes it all worth it. What is the word? AWESOME!

Fashion forward

You will see notice of our Born to Be a Lady Fashion Show on the front page of this newsletter. Lifespan and the Educational Center for Life co-sponsor this annual event, and it will be held on the 21st of March. If you know any young ladies (middle school through high school) who would like to model modest fashions in our show, please call the Oakland/Macomb office and let us know. The whole idea behind the show is an opportunity to let our young women know, and see, that trendy, fashionable clothes can also be modest and attractive.

Pinckney Pro-Life

Pinckney Pro-life is an organization of young people who put up pro-life billboards around the state of Michigan. They are currently in need of financial help to keep their billboard up near the Schaefer Rd. abortion clinic in Dearborn. Please send your contribution to:

Pinckney Pro-Life
8031 Main St., Suite 302, Dexter, MI 48130
Phone: 734-426-4740
www.pinckneyprolife.org

40 Days for Life

The Spring/Lenten Campaign begins with a Kick-Off Event on Tuesday, February 16th, 7 - 9 p.m., at the National Shrine of the Little Flower (northeast corner of 12 Mile and Woodward Rds.) Speakers will be Archbishop Allen Vigneron, Archbishop of the Archdiocese of Detroit, Suffragan Bishop D. L. Bradley from Bethlehem Temple Church and Michelle Yax, Director of Mother and Unborn Baby Care.

40 Days for Life is a community outreach of prayer and fasting in front of Womancare Clinic in Southfield from February 17 to March 28. For more information, call Barb Yagley, 248-703-3577, or go to their website, www.40daysforlife.com/southfield.

Prayer to End Abortion

Lord God, I thank you today for the gift of my life, And for the lives of all my brothers and sisters.
I know there is nothing that destroys more life than abortion.

Yet I rejoice that you have conquered death by the Resurrection of Your Son.
I am ready to do my part in ending abortion.
Today, I commit myself
Never to be silent,
Never to be passive,
Never to be forgetful of the unborn.
I commit myself to be active in the pro-life movement.
And never to stop defending life until all my brothers and sisters are protected, And our nation once again becomes a nation with liberty and justice, not just for some, but for all.
Through Christ our Lord. Amen. —Priests for Life
What appears below is the text of a letter sent by National Right to Life Committee to certain members of the U.S. House of Representatives, contrasting the abortion-related provisions of the House-passed and Senate-passed health care bills.

January 14, 2010

To the Honorable Members of the U.S. House of Representatives:

A final version of health care legislation, containing components of the differing bills passed by the House of Representatives and the Senate, is currently being assembled through a process largely hidden from public view. We are writing to share the perspective of the National Right to Life Committee (NRLC), the federation of right-to-life organizations in the 50 states, regarding the minimal criteria that we believe should apply to the provisions that implicate abortion.

We believe that the House-passed bill (H.R. 3962), as revised by the Stupak-Pitts Amendment that was adopted by the House on November 7, 2009, by a vote of 240-194, meets the minimal requirements explained below, with respect to abortion policy. Regrettably, the House-passed bill and the Senate-passed bill (H.R. 3590) are far more divergent on abortion policy matters than one would understand on the basis of accounts in the news media. In reality, the Senate-passed bill contains provisions that would ultimately result in substantial expansions of abortion, driven by federal administrative decrees and federal subsidies. Any member of the House who does not wish to support legislation that will produce such sweeping pro-abortion results must make their support for a final bill, on both procedural and direct votes, contingent on inclusion of the elements described below.

We believe the list below embodies long-established federal policies on abortion (including the “Hyde Amendment” principles), as applied to the new programs created by the health care legislation. Every item below is also consistent with public opinion as expressed in poll after poll showing strong opposition to inclusion of abortion in health plans subsidized or run by the government. And, again, every item on the list is also consistent with the substance of the Stupak-Pitts Amendment that was included in the House-passed H.R. 3962.

1) The federal government must not operate a program that funds elective abortions. The House-passed bill would create an insurance plan (the “public option”) operated by the federal government, but the Stupak-Pitts Amendment, adopted on November 7, would prevent that government program from paying for abortions. The Senate-passed bill does not contain a “public option,” and it seems doubtful that a full-blown public option will be included in the final bill. But the Senate-passed bill would create a new program under which the federal Office of Personnel Management (OPM) would administer two or more multi-state insurance plans. The bill provides that “at least one” such plan would be required to do so by the federal administrator. NRLC believes that any OPM-operated plans should be prohibited from covering elective abortions, or perhaps even be required to do so by the federal administrator. 

2) Federal funds must not pay the premiums of private health plans that cover elective abortion. Both
the House and Senate bills would establish new programs that would provide federal subsidies to help tens of millions of Americans purchase health insurance. Under the House-passed Stupak-Pitts Amendment, a citizen who takes advantage of this new benefit would not be required to help pay for anyone else’s abortions; if a subsidized person wished to purchase abortion coverage, the coverage would have to be purchased separately and with non-federal funds, which could be done through the Exchange. In contrast, the Senate bill would result in a situation in which private plans that cover elective abortion would qualify for the federal subsidy, but every enrollee in such a plan would find himself or herself subject to a requirement that he or she make a separate monthly payment into a fund used exclusively for elective abortions—an “abortion surcharge,” if you will. Secretary of Health and Human Services Kathleen Sebelius recently insisted that this separate-payment requirement would apply to every person who participates in the exchange. As we read the language, the requirement would apply to anyone who enrolls in a subsidized plan that covers elective abortions, which would surely include many people who would learn of the “abortion surcharge” only after enrolling, but who would have no choice other than to pay the abortion surcharge or see their entire health coverage lapse.

(3) The final bill must contain restrictions on abortion funding that are bill-wide and that are permanent—not rigged to depend on annual reenactment of certain language on an appropriations bill. The House-passed Stupak-Pitts Amendment applies longstanding principles (no federal funding of elective abortion and no federal subsidies to plans that cover elective abortion) to everything in the House bill. In contrast, many of the “restrictions” in the Senate bill, in addition to their other deficiencies, are narrow, and also temporary—they are tied to whatever abortion policy is enacted each year on the Health and Human Services appropriations bill, to cover Medicaid. Yet, the health bill itself makes long-term appropriations for authorized programs, and these funds will flow outside of the regular appropriations process. These new structures should be governed by permanent abortion policy language written into the law—not language that will produce a pro-abortion policy unless the pro-life side prevails in every subsequent year on an essentially unrelated appropriations bill. Limitation amendments on appropriations bills are a disfavored form of legislation, which expire annually, and which are often subject to being blocked by obscure procedures. (Indeed, just last month legislation was enacted that lifted a longstanding ban on the use of congressionally appropriated funds for abortion on demand in the District of Columbia—without either the House or the Senate ever having an opportunity to vote directly on the abortion funding language.) Any final health bill must permanently bar federal funding of abortion and federal subsidies for plans that cover abortion, for all of the programs covered by the bill—including the Indian health provisions and the funds appropriated to Community Health Centers (CHCs), both of which were added late to the Senate bill, by the Reid Manager’s Amendment. We urge that you reject any proposal that would tie to the annual appropriations process the abortion policies that will govern the programs for which the health bill itself enacts authorizations or makes direct appropriations.

(Please note: The $7 billion added for CHCs are not covered by even a temporary restriction; these funds could be used to pay directly for abortions without restriction, as documented in an NRLC memorandum posted here: http://www.nrlc.org/AHC/NRLCmemoCommHealth.pdf)

(4) Since the legislation will permanently reauthorize Indian health programs, it should contain a permanent ban on Indian health programs providing elective abortions. Here again, the House-passed bill is satisfactory, because the Stupak-Pitts Amendment applies to the entire House-passed bill, including the Indian health reauthorization section. A permanent ban on funding of abortions through federally subsidized Indian health programs was actually approved by the Senate the last time that the Indian health reauthorization was on the Senate floor in amendable form (the Vitter Amendment, adopted February 26, 2008), but that legislation was never enacted. A permanent reauthorization of Indian health programs was added to the Senate health bill by the Reid Manager’s Amendment, but without the permanent ban on funding of elective abortions.

(5) The final bill must contain an airtight “anti-abortion mandate” language. By this, we mean language to prevent any agency or official given authority under the bill from issuing administrative mandates that would require any private health plans to cover abortions. The Senate bill contains a bewildering array of provisions that grant authority to the Secretary of Health and Human Services and other federal entities to issue binding regulations on various matters. (One analyst recently wrote that the Senate bill “contains more than 2,500 references to powers and responsibilities of the secretary of health and human services,” to say nothing of other federal authorities.) Some of these provisions could be employed in the future as authority for pro-abortion mandates, requiring health plans to cover abortion and/or provide expanded access to abortion, unless there is clear language to prevent it. For example, under the Mikulski Amendment, adopted by the Senate on December 3, the Department of Health and Human Services could force every private health plan to

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cover elective abortions merely by placing abortion on a list of “preventive” services—as Senator Ben Nelson pointed out in a statement in the December 3 Congressional Record, explaining his vote against the Mikulski Amendment, in which he also noted that Senator Mikulski had declined to accept a suggested revision to exclude abortion from the scope of this authority. While the Senate bill does contain some anti-mandate provisions, our analysis finds that these clauses are worded in such a way that they control only specific provisions of the bill, or are ambiguous in their scope. What is needed is the language that was contained in the amendment proposed by Senators Nelson and Hatch, which the Senate added on December 8, which said that “nothing in this Act (or any amendment made by this Act) shall be construed to require any health plan to provide coverage of abortion services or to allow the Secretary or any other person or entity implementing this Act (or amendment) to require coverage of such services.” The House bill already contains similar language, in Section 222 (e) (1).

(6) The final bill must have strong pro-life “conscience” language. At a minimum, the “conscience” protection provision for health care providers that was included in the House-passed health bill (H.R. 3962, Section 259, sometimes referred to as the “Weldon language”) should be included in the final bill.

In conclusion: NRLC believes that enactment of the abortion-related provisions of the Senate-passed health care bill would ultimately result in substantial expansions of abortion, driven by federal administrative decrees and federal subsidies, and a vote to advance such legislation would be described in those terms in the NRLC congressional scorecard for the 111th Congress. In contrast, inclusion of the substance of the House-passed abortion language, on the six points cited above, would preserve long-established federal policies on abortion, and would fully address our concerns regarding the abortion policy issues.

We thank you for your consideration of our acute concerns on this critical issue.

Sincerely,
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A Quiet Admission Speaks Loudly

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The ringleader was National Cancer Institute (NCI) researcher Louise Brinton. Why is that important six plus years later? Because of a study published last April whose results are just beginning to be appreciated for what they say about the ABC link.

Brinton was one of seven co-authors of “Risk Factors for Triple-Negative Breast Cancer in Women Under the Age of 45 Years,” which appeared in the American Association for Cancer Research’s medical journal, Cancer Epidemiology, Biomarkers and Prevention. The study is primarily about the association between the use of contraceptives and increased risk of a particularly virulent form of breast cancer in women under the age of 45.

But the study also matter of factly acknowledges a 40% risk increase in abortion risk for women who’ve had abortions and lists abortion among “known and suspected risk factors.”

The academic pedigree of the study is impeccable. Lead author Jessica Dolle is associated with the renowned Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center located in Seattle, Washington.

I’m told that various publications and independent researchers have tried to contact Brinton to ask her to comment on the apparent discrepancy. As of yesterday, to the best of my knowledge, she has not responded.

I asked Dr. Brind, a frequent contributor to National Right to Life News and a regular at NRLC’s annual conference, about what this bombshell tells us. [The following is a direct quote.]

“It tells us that some people think they can operate in parallel universes—stating one thing as a fact in one forum, and the opposite in another. Asserting that the link’s non-existence was “well-established” made it official to the medical establishment.

But the Dolle paper is like catching a politician “off mike,” when you get to hear what they really think.

Of course, the Dolle paper is published, but then again, so are the mountains of worldwide data that show the ABC link to be real. And they just get buried by the NCI, the media, and their ilk. In fact, the Dolle paper is really a recalculation of data published by the group led by Prof. Janet Daling in 1994 and 1996—data that Brinton’s NCI has “officially” called unreliable.

But as a co-author of the Dolle paper, Brinton now calls these results “consistent with the effects observed in previous studies.” Seeing the contradiction, at least one mainstream reporter—from Canada’s national newspaper, the Globe & Mail—has asked to talk to Brinton at the NCI. But the NCI underlings just referred her to the 2003 “workshop” claims of no link.

Obviously, they think they can get away with it. The lives of many women and children will be saved if they don’t.

—Today’s News and Views, National Right to Life Committee, January 12, 2010. Dave Andrusko is the editor of National Right to Life News and an author and editor of several books on abortion topics.
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Save the Date!
Mother’s Day Dinner
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Dear Friends,

As I write this article, I’m freshly back from the March for Life, in Washington, D.C. The experience of marching down Constitution Avenue to protest the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision on abortion compels one to reflect on our pro-life cause and renews one’s purpose and commitment. If you need to energize yourself and reinforce your commitment for life, attend a March for Life in Washington! Mark your calendar for next year (January 24), but if Washington is too far away, plan to attend a Lifespan event in your local community.

As usual the mainstream press did not and will not cover this event with the same zeal as they have for anti-war, gay rights or other liberal demonstrations. You will not see on Channels ABC, CBS or NBC the 300,000 people who marched in Washington and the 100,000 plus in San Francisco. You will not see the thousands of youths standing up for life.

How sad, what is the media afraid of? They are afraid of the truth! The truth that over 52 million lives (I believe the number to be much higher) have been lost since the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision of 1973. The truth that the majority of American citizens do not want abortion on demand as the law of the land. The truth that there is no constitutional right to abortion. The truth that the tide is turning, and that society, especially our youth, is questioning the validity of killing millions of our most vulnerable citizens for convenience. The truth that the March in Washington, D.C. and the one in San Francisco represents but a small percentage of our fellow citizens speaking out for all of us in defense of human life. There is a large cross-section of American citizens who understand that life begins at fertilization and that abortion kills a human person. In pro-choice publications, some of the leaders tell their followers, “Do not show a picture of an aborted fetus because if you do, we lose.”

Lifespan has been working since 1970 to educate our community on this very fact. I attended the first March for Life in 1974, and I have come to believe that no matter how the media manipulates the news through selected omission of the facts, we are having an impact. We are changing human hearts. The number of attendees in 1974 was probably 30,000—in today, it is 300,000. Slowly and surely, it will continue to grow because a society cannot survive by killing off its future citizens. The youth of today understand this and because of their numbers, I am convinced that permissive abortion laws will change. We need to continue our efforts to change hearts and minds—we must be vigilant and never give up the fight. Thank you, our readers, for being there and being a part of this great effort to save human life.

Diane Fagelman, President
Right to Life - LIFESPAN

“All Things Girl—Modern & Modest”
By Teresa Tomeo, Molly Miller and Monica Cops

Modern & Modest does not just show a girl how to dress and act like royalty, it lifts her up from the inside out. It’s a beautiful mix of fashion and beauty for girls with heavenly designs. The authors understand a girl’s heart and lead her through the basics of the fashion world. Everything from make-up to clothes, perfume, speech and style are presented in a girly, yet Godly way.

“All Things Guy—A Guide to Becoming a Man that Matters”
By Teresa Tomeo, Molly Miller, Monica Cops and Cheryl Dickow

Many fathers suspect the “feminizing of the faith” and long for a more muscular Christianity to pass along to their sons. They want something that isn’t just a matter of fulfilling Mass obligation or being a “nice person.” This book speeds through the basics of the Faith always aware that boys learn to know, love and serve God in their own generation—not their grandparents. There are precious few resources for young men. Don’t let the opportunity to grow strong, faithful men slip by. Use “All Things Guy” as a resource.

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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… 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. Send donations to your local Lifespan office.

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“Lights for Life” Tree Remembrances

The following were donations made in support of Lifespan’s Lights for Life Christmas tree which stood along I-275, at Grand River. Many thanks to all. Look for this project to continue each year during the Christmas season.

IN MEMORY OF: Deceased members of Dr. Thomas A. Dooley K of C #5492; given by Dr. Thomas A. Dooley Council; Gloria Carnago and Caterina Palazzolo, given by Rosalie Hart; Matthew J. Adams, given by Dr. and Mrs. Monroe Adams; Lona D. Ingraham and Albert E. Ingraham, given by Linda Seng; Timothy J. MacLean and Dr. John Joyce, given by Joseph MacLean; Mr. and Mrs. Stanley Zurek, given by Mr. and Mrs. Michael T. Jablonski.

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A Quiet Admission Speaks Loudly About Abortion and Breast Cancer

By Dave Andrusko

The first couple of sentences might seem to have precious little to do with abortion and breast cancer but read the following quotation right to the end. It’s from a post by Fr. Tad Pacholczyk, Director of Education at The National Catholic Bioethics Center:

“Back in the early 1800s, most practicing physicians refused to believe that the simple gesture of washing their hands between patients could help prevent the spread of childbed fever among the pregnant women they examined. Even in the face of compelling scientific evidence, they remained stubbornly opposed to the practice. As a result of this intransigence on the part of the medical establishment over a period of many years, childbed fever (also known as puerpural infection) ended up unnecessarily claiming the lives of thousands of young women. Today, a similar intransigence exists among many physicians who refuse to “wash their hands” of abortion; they also fail to acknowledge a key and dangerous effect of abortion on women’s health, namely, an increased risk of breast cancer.”

I quote from Fr. Pacholczyk for a lot of reasons (it’s a very clever parallel, for starters), but most of all because it illustrates the power of conventional thinking, a.k.a. the received wisdom. This is critically important in the debate over abortion. Physicians have been indoctrinated to believe (or have chosen to believe) that it is hooey to contend that having an induced abortion heightens a woman’s risk of incurring breast cancer. So, too, has the public, and legislatures around the country.

What is the fallback, the last line of defense that makes their consciences rest easy (and defeats various legislative initiatives)? The conclusion reached by a National Cancer Institute workshop in 2003 that there is no association.

The importance of this conclusion is almost immeasurable, including that it represented a dramatic turnaround for the National Cancer Institute. As Joel Brind, Ph.D, wrote for National Right to Life News:

“Evidence of the link between abortion and breast cancer [the ABC link] is not new. It has appeared in the medical literature since 1957. The issue assumed a high national and international profile in 1994, when a study published by the National Cancer Institute (NCI) in its own journal showed a 50% increased risk of breast cancer by age 45 for women who’d had any abortions.

“That study, by Janet Daling and colleagues of the Fred Hutchinson Cancer Research Center in Seattle, Washington, also showed particularly alarming risk increases—150%—for women who’d had an abortion under age 18. And if such women also had a family history of breast cancer, the risk increase was reported as extraordinarily high.

“The NCI—the largest institute of the National Institutes of Health—has been backtracking ever since. Up until 2003, the NCI called the ABC link’s evidence ‘inconsistent.’ But in that year, an NCI ‘workshop’ proclaimed that the link’s nonexistence was ‘well established.’”

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