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You may have seen the **Display of White Crosses**

in your travels across the tri-county area. They are really quite eye-catching and people seem to be rather impressed by them.

Interestingly enough, when they see the sign that explains that these crosses represent the number of abortions performed in our country each day, their reactions are rather surprising.

Each church that has displayed them and our office, whose telephone number appears on the sign, receive telephone calls that are usually filled with outrage. "How dare we display such a thing." "How can I explain this to my child." "You are harassing women." "You are lying."

Clearly, the crosses make an impression. And that is exactly what they are designed to do. To each caller, we ask what is it about the display that disturbs them. If they have not just hung up after calling us names, they usually say that it can't be true; we are making people feel guilty. The obvious answer to this is if the display causes feelings of guilt, perhaps we should ask why.

The signage is, regrettably, true, and if the crosses make just one person rethink their position on abortion, then the display has done its job.

If you would like to have the display at your church, service club, etc., please call the Oakland / Macomb LIFESPAN office, **248-816-1546**, and you might save a life or two also.



Lifespan's Cross Display provides a vivid visual reminder of the tragic loss of life from abortion. The crosses are available by calling Lifespan's Oakland/Macomb Chapter for scheduling, 248-816-1546.

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Legislative Update

U.S. House passes 20-week abortion ban on anniversary of Gosnell conviction

By *Dustin Siggins*

The United States House of Representatives has passed a ban on most abortions after 20 weeks' gestation, ending four months of often vitriolic debate among Capitol Hill Republicans and pro-life activists about the contentious piece of legislation.

The bill passed 242-184, largely along party lines, with one member voting present. Four Republicans broke ranks and voted against the bill, while four Democrats voted in favor.

President Obama has previously vowed to veto the bill, should it pass both the House and the Senate.

The passage of the bill comes on the second anniversary of the conviction for murder of late-term abortionist Kermit Gosnell. Gosnell was convicted on three of four charges of murdering babies born alive after failed abortions. Gosnell's former staff members testified that the abortionist murdered "hundreds" of newborn babies in this way, often by "snipping" their spinal cords post-birth.

The vote on the bill was originally scheduled to coincide with the annual March for Life in January, but objections from Rep. Renee Ellmers, R-NC, and several other female GOP House members forced a delay.

The members said they did not support a rape exception that allowed a woman to have a late-term abortion only if she reported the crime to police before aborting her child. Their opposition led to changes in the bill, including the removal of the reporting provision for adults.

The provision was replaced with a requirement that abortionists ensure that rape victims have received either medical treatment or

licensed counseling a minimum of 48 hours prior to the late-term abortion. The counseling cannot be done at a facility that also does abortions, unless the abortion clinic is inside a hospital.

Other changes include, but are not limited to, the addition of language that requires the presence of a second doctor in the case of such abortions, in case the child is born alive. The bill mandates that a child who survives a late-term abortion is to be cared for in the same way as any premature child, and a woman can sue if this part of the bill is violated.

Accountability and reporting laws are also enhanced under the bill, and informed consent is required.

However, the legislation provides an exception to the informed consent and second doctor provisions, as well as a provision requiring the late-term abortion to be done "only in the manner which...provides the best opportunity for the unborn child to survive."

The bill allows the exception of these requirements, "would pose a greater risk of the death of the pregnant woman; or the substantial and irreversible physical impairment of a major bodily function, not including psychological or emotional conditions, of the pregnant woman."

In a public statement, Rep. Trent Franks, R-AZ - H.R. 36's main sponsor - said that "this proposal is substantially stronger than the original bill, and it places the focus back upon protecting mothers and their innocent little

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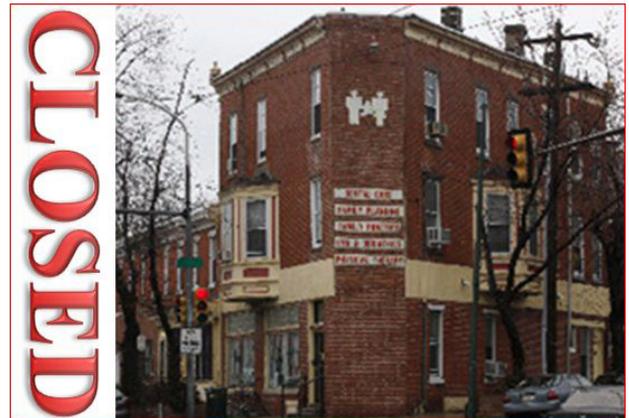
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Gosnell Abortuary

pain-capable babies, from the beginning of the sixth month until birth.”

Presidential candidate Carly Fiorina said that “the Democrats’ platform is that a life isn’t a life until it leaves the hospital. It is extreme. It is hypocritical. It is wrong.”

“The majority of Americans and the majority of women believe that abortion after five months is extreme. As does the world. The United States is one of seven countries to allow elective abortions after five months of pregnancy. So I hope we can find common ground here and get this bill passed into law,” said Fiorina.

Rep. Alex Mooney, R-WV, called H.R. 36 “an important step in protecting the unborn” in a speech on the House floor, while House Speaker John Boehner, R-OH, said on the House floor that “H.R. 36 is the most pro-life legislation to ever come before this body.”

H.R. 36 “reflects the will of the American people,” and “also reflects the contributions of many people and perspectives,” said Boehner.

The symbolic timing of the passage of the bill was not lost on many pro-life leaders. Maureen Ferguson, a senior policy advisor with The Catholic Association, said in a statement, “on the anniversary of Dr. Kermit Gosnell’s conviction, whose trial opened our eyes to heartbreaking realities in the abortion industry, it is fitting that the U.S. House will vote to ban late-term abortions.”

“Dr. Gosnell sits in jail because his reckless incompetence led him to kill premature babies born alive, but at least 140 other late-term abortion doctors continue to legally abort 18,000 babies annually past 20 weeks by industry-approved techniques like dismemberment,” said Ferguson, who noted that “overwhelming majorities of Americans recognize the humanity and human rights of a premature baby, and are opposed to the violence inherent in late-term abortion.”

H.R. 36 now moves to the U.S. Senate, where it is expected to be introduced by South Carolina Republican Senator Lindsey Graham. It is unlikely to pass the Senate due to Democratic opposition.

—*LifeSiteNews.com, May 13, 2015*

Ryan Bomberger, Radiance Foundation, Prevail Over NAACP Lawsuit

The NAACP has lost its legal battle to silence a black pro-life writer who, after *LifeNews.com* blogger, Ryan Bomberger, published his article at *LifeNews*, the NAACP threatened to sue *LifeNews.com* and Bomberger over the column that took the civil rights organization to task over its abortion position. The NAACP is upset about a column Bomberger wrote at *LifeNews* titled, “NAACP: National Association for the Abortion of Colored People,” and a legal battle between it and Bomberger ensued.

Last year, a judge issued a ruling in the NAACP lawsuit against Bomberger. The judge indicated that Bomberger had no First Amendment right to lampoon the NAACP by calling it the “National Association for the Abortion of Colored People” in an effort to mock its pro-abortion position and opposition to pro-life legislation.

On May 18, the Federal 4th Circuit Court of Appeals overturned that decision and ruled in favor of full free-speech rights for Bomberger, his group, the Radiance Foundation, and *LifeNews.com*. Judge Harvey Wilkinson wrote the opinion on behalf of the three-judge panel that unanimously ruled against the NAACP.

The ruling upheld Bomberger’s and *LifeNews*’ “expressive right to comment on social issues under the First Amendment.”

“We vacate the injunction against Radiance entered by the district court and remand with instructions that defendant’s counterclaims likewise be dismissed,” the court ruled, adding that it rejected the

NAACP’s attempt to “obstruct the conveyance of ideas, criticism, comparison and social commentary. Political discourse is the grist of the mill in the marketplace of ideas.”

As far as calling the NAACP the “National Association for the Abortion of Colored People”—the appeals court even went as far as saying Bomberger’s piece at *LifeNews* wasn’t an inventive and effective parody.

“Biting, surely, distortive, certainly; Radiance’s ploy was nonetheless effective at conveying sharply what it was that Radiance wished to say,” it said.

“The use of the satirical modification of the true NAACP name was designed, as many titles are, to be eye-catching and provocative in a manner that induces the reader to continue on.”

The ACLU has officially sided with The Radiance Foundation stating: “...the right to parody prominent organizations like the NAACP is an essential element of the freedom of speech.” The Electronic Frontier Foundation, which joined the ACLU in the Amicus Brief, expressed deep concerns “because a decision holding [The Radiance Foundation] liable for trademark infringement threatens a huge range of expression... Judge Jackson’s decision misreads both trademark law and the First Amendment.”

—*Edited from LifeNews.com, May 18, 2015*





LIFESPAN Chapter News

Oakland/Macomb
Wayne County/Downriver

Changing of the Guard



Irene Tharp and Diane Trombley
The director of our Oakland / Macomb Chapter, Irene Tharp, recently stepped down. The board elected Diane Trombley to that position. Diane knows she has some VERY big shoes to fill. Irene will continue as a member of the Oakland/Macomb board—which is a very good thing as we need her expertise and “big picture” outlook. Thank you, Irene, for all your years of dedication as director and your promise of continued direction as a board member.

Delicious Dinner

Yes, the dinner was delicious but so was the whole event. Celebrating our 45th Anniversary as well as Life made for a great evening. All those who spoke about how we began and where we are and where we are going provided information that many of our guests said they had never heard before! One of the highlights of the evening occurred when all those in attendance who were under the age of 25 were asked to stand. There was an audible gasp from the guests when some 50 young adults and students rose. We

did indeed see the leaders of the Pro-Life Generation! The future is in good hands.

Father’s Day Candy

Dads like flowers---but not as much as candy bars!! We will again be offering yummy chocolate candy bars, with or without nuts, caramel and/or crisps, to our dads on Father’s Day. If you would like to be part of this effort and offer them to the dads at your church or service club, call the Oakland/Macomb office for more information.

Jeopardy Is Coming—

but we could use a little help! On pages 1 and 3 in this newsletter, you will see notice of our upcoming Pro-Life Jeopardy Game for students. We have brought this VERY popular event back this summer and, as always, when you have a large number of teenagers at any event, they must be fed, and pizza and pop is on the menu. So here is a little head start in the question and answer department—ANSWER: Send it to Pro-Life Jeopardy. QUESTION: What will I do with all this loose change in my pocket?

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Join us at the FIREWORKS! - June 28

It’s that time of year when we celebrate our freedoms. We know that the vulnerable of our society don’t always get to celebrate the most basic of our freedoms: LIFE. So, let’s do something fun that will also help raise Pro-Life awareness!

Wear your pro-life t-shirt and come out to see the fireworks at the Livonia Spree! Each year, the Livonia Spree concludes with its Grand Finale Fireworks Extravaganza on Sunday night, June 28th, at dusk (approximately 10:15 p.m.). Livonia police close Farm-

ington Rd. to vehicle traffic at approximately 7 p.m., so be sure to come out early!

We will be out in front of our office on Farmington Road at the corner of Lyndon. It is really the best spot to watch the fireworks and we will be presenting the pro-life message through what we wear!

Don’t have a pro-life t-shirt or yours is worn out? No problem! We have a limited quantity of previous years’ CIDER Walk t-shirts, available for \$2 each or choose from other pro-life t-shirts in our office for \$5 or more. We will not be selling t-shirts on June 28th, so be sure to stop in our office before June 28th. For more info, call or email our office.

#1 DAD

Happy Father’s Day!

To all of the men who take on not only the title, but the amazing responsibility of being: Father, Dad, Daddy, Pops, Papa, Grandpa, etc., we hope that you are celebrated on June 21st and every day of the year! Happy Father’s Day!!!

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Wee Care

Happy Father's Day to some very special dads! I share a lot of stories about my moms, but this month, I would like to tell you about

some of our dads.

One dad had a fire and lost everything including all of his equipment for his landscaping business. Unfortunately, he was not insured and was taking every job possible whether shoveling snow in the bitter cold or installing roofs in the blistering heat just to try to provide housing and food for his family.

Another young man was shocked to find out that he was to become a dad. He was so worried and nervous about how he would help take care of and provide for this tiny life.



Wee Care layette, auctioned at Celebration of Life Dinner

Then there was grandpa "John." A very dear man whose daughter abandoned her son and, at 60 years of age, he is raising his tiny grandson.

And finally, there is a special dad who reluctantly called for

help. His wife was too embarrassed to contact us. They had never asked for help from anyone—never were on welfare, but one day at work changed all of that. He lost his job, and although he had applications in everywhere, his baby was about to be born and he was still unemployed.

BECAUSE OF ALL OF YOU—we were able to provide for these dads and their precious babies—offering them baby clothes, supplies, your prayers and your love.

And today, the first dad has found a steady job with benefits, a home to rent and is slowly starting to rebuild his family's life.

The second dad, the shocked and nervous one, is now beaming with pride as he shows everyone his son's picture!



Karen Patrosso and her lovely daughters, Kelly Burchart and Kim Gorsuch at LIFESPAN'S 2015 Celebration of Life Dinner



And Grandpa John—he is now an expert on diapering, car seat installation, and terms like onesies, "back to sleep" and when to vaccinate.

And lastly, the dad who was so embarrassed to call—he did find a job and one of the very first things he did with his first paycheck was to give a donation to Wee Care.

There is one other dad for whom I ask you to pray. A social worker stopped in our office today and asked us if we had any literature on prenatal development. That morning, her son had told her that he needed money for his girlfriend to have an abortion. He said that it was okay, the baby was just a blob of cells. He then told his mom that his girlfriend was four months pregnant! When she began to tell him how developed that precious baby was at 4 months, he was so surprised. We gave her some excellent material to show him and she asked us to pray for her son and her first grandchild. Please keep them in your prayers.

May God bless all of our Wee Care dads! May God bless our cherished grandpas, dads, husbands, sons and sons-in-law on Father's Day and everyday! *Love, Karen*

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“The Threat of Assisted Suicide”

Wesley J. Smith, Author and Senior Fellow
Discovery Institute



“What is Happening with POLST in MI?”

Edward L. Rivet II, Legislative Director
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Euthanasia's Cancerous Corruption of Medical Morality

Editor's Note: Some weeks back, we wrote of the euthanasia decision by the Canadian Supreme Court that gives that nation legal permission for euthanasia. At that time, we asked the question, "Could this happen here?" When we see the dreadful slide by the once-principled stand of the Dutch doctors, we again ask, "Could this happen here?"

By Wesley J. Smith

During World War II, German doctors euthanized disabled babies and adults. As Robert Jay Lifton reported in *The Nazi Doctors: Medical Killing and the Psychology of Genocide*, no one forced these doctors to kill. Many of them believed euthanasia to be a "healing treatment" that ended "unlivable" lives, liberated families from the burden of caregiving, and kept the country from "wasting" scarce resources on the *lebensunwertes leben* ("life unworthy of life"). Such was the fruit of years of utilitarian indoctrination and the resulting societal acceptance of eugenics ideology.

At the time, Netherlander doctors were well aware that German medical ethics had devolved. Thus, when the German commander of the occupation, Arthur Seyss-Inquart (now known as "the Butcher of Holland"), commanded that Dutch medical practices adjust to the German way, Netherlander doctors courageously defied the order.

Seyss-Inquart was furious. First he exacted financial revenge, stripping doctors of their medical licenses. The doctors stopped signing birth and death certificates, but continued treating their patients. Seyss-Inquart then took lethal action. One hundred doctors were arrested at random and shipped to concentration camps, from whence few returned. Still, the remaining doctors held their ground. They would not turn on their most vulnerable patients.

Eventually, in a triumphant success story of peaceful civil disobedience, the Germans backed down and rescinded the order. The medical adviser to the Nuremberg Trials, Dr. Leo Alexander, wrote about the

episode in the *New England Journal of Medicine*:

Thus, it came about that not a single euthanasia or nontherapeutic sterilization was recommended or participated in by any Dutch physician. They had the foresight to resist before the first step was taken, and they acted unanimously and won out in the end.

But times have changed, and not for the better. It is a painful irony that some of the very policies Seyss-Inquart could not force upon Netherlander doctors have been willingly embraced by their contemporary counterparts—including the technically illegal but widely accepted infanticide of disabled babies.

Today, most Dutch doctors openly embrace euthanasia and assisted suicide—and not only for those who are dying. A just-released study in the *Journal of Medical Ethics* delineates the profoundly corrupted medical morality of the Netherlands. The study asked doctors about their practice of, and attitudes toward, euthanasia. An astonishing *60 percent* of respondents reported having lethally injected a patient. Demonstrating how thoroughly euthanasia consciousness has permeated medical ethics in the Netherlands, *only 14 percent* of respondents said that they could not conceive of killing a patient.

Even though 40 percent of the surveyed doctors had never performed euthanasia, almost all reported that they would under certain circumstances. Making plain the morally infectious nature of euthanasia, large percentages reported that they could "conceive of" killing patients who were not terminally ill or, in some cases, who were not even physically ailing. A whopping *34 percent* could "conceive of" killing a patient as a way to end suffering caused by "psychiatric disease." Forty percent of doctors are willing to

kill "early-stage dementia" patients, and 33 percent are willing to kill "advanced dementia" patients who had requested as much in an advance medical directive. Death statistics bear out medical views: euthanasia killings of the mentally ill have sharply increased.

A wide swath of doctors expressed willingness to kill the elderly. More than a quarter (27 percent) of the doctors said they would kill an elderly person "with medical grounds for suffering but in the absence of severe physical or psychiatric disease." Even more startling, 18 percent disclosed that they could "conceive of" euthanizing an elderly person who was simply "tired of living, without medical grounds for suffering."

Mark Twain warned that there are damn lies and then there are statistics. But sometimes statistics tell hard truths. Decades of medicalized killing have euthanized Hippocratic values in the Netherlands. As our country debates whether to grant American doctors wider authorization to end lives, we should pay careful attention. If we allow our medical ethics to be remade in the Netherlander image, in a few decades it may be nearly impossible to find a doctor who is not willing to kill.

Wesley J. Smith is a senior fellow at the Discovery Institute's Center on Human Exceptionalism and a consultant to the Patient's Rights Council.

—*First Things*, May 15, 2015



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*Life is worth defending,
regardless of whether in the womb
or in the nursing home.*
~ Alliance Defending Freedom ~

From the President's Desk



My deepest thanks go to all of you who worked so hard on making our Dinner such a success. This Dinner, as you know, was to celebrate 45 years of working to promote the cause of LIFE in the metro Detroit area.

It was both a night of joy, but also sadness. Sadness, because we have not been able to change enough hearts and minds to overturn *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*.

We celebrate though with great joy in the fact that due to the thousands of dedicated men and women like you, we have been able to grow and sustain our work under great duress and intimidation by the opposition. The pro-aborts just wanted us to “go away” after the 1973 decision, but, in fact, it motivated us to dig our heels in, pray and forge ahead until the killing of the innocents stops.

The progressive, anti-life community owns the media, our schools of academia, some of our churches, a good many of our politicians and at least 40% of the American public. What they do not own yet is our First Amendment right of free speech, which enables us to reach out and change hearts and minds. As long as there are good honest people willing to speak the truth, we will exist.

So I want to take this opportunity to thank you again for all the work you do on behalf of LIFESPAN. We must continue to persevere and influence the community through love. By our work and example, we will be influential in changing hearts and minds. So, be not discouraged, but joyful—be faithful to the cause.

May God grant us all the courage to continue our work until respect for human life, as reflected by our laws, be granted to all, from conception to natural death.

Diane

Diane Fagelman, President



2015 Celebration of Life Dinner guests (top photo), Steven Suda, piano player (bottom left), youth volunteers (bottom right)

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LIFESPAN is still looking...
LIFESPAN is looking for volunteers to be on a **Garage Sale Committee**. Do you love garage sales? We have someone in Plymouth who has graciously given us the use of a prime location for a garage sale to benefit LIFESPAN. The date of sale can be anytime from now until October. Volunteers are needed to plan the sale as soon as possible. We are hoping to make this an annual event, any time between April and October. LIFESPAN is also in need of a volunteer **Treasurer** to be on the LIFESPAN Inc. Board. If you are interested in helping us with a garage sale or if the treasurer's position appeals to you, call **734-524-0162**.

**All good things must come to an end...even
our Used Book Sale!**



LIFESPAN would like to thank Mary Cascos, our Used Book Sale Chairperson, for all her hard work and dedication over the years to this event. Unfortunately, we will no longer be holding a yearly Used Book Sale. Thank you for your past donations, but we are no longer accepting book donations at this time. All is not lost! We are planning on having a liquidation sale of all remaining books—you'll still have a chance to get one more great deal! Stay tuned to *LIFESPAN News* for dates and times!

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Fathers (Grandfathers and Great-Grandfathers) are Wonderful People!

*Fathers are wonderful people
Too little understood,
And we do not sing their praises
As often as we should...*

*For, somehow, Father seems to be
The man who pays the bills,
While Mother binds up little hurts
And nurses all our ills...*

*And Father struggles daily
To live up to "HIS IMAGE"
As protector and provider
And "hero of the scrimmage"...*

*And perhaps that is the reason
We sometimes get the notion,
That Fathers are not subject
To the thing we call emotion,*

*But if you look inside Dad's heart,
Where no one else can see
You'll find he's sentimental
And as "soft" as he can be...*

*But he's so busy every day
In the grueling race of life,
He leaves the sentimental stuff
To his partner and his wife...*

*But Fathers are just WONDERFUL
In a million different ways,
And they merit loving compliments
And accolades of praise,*



Tom Tharp and Les Winterburn with Grandson, Jack Winterburn

*For the only reason Dad aspires
To fortune and success
Is to make the family proud of him
And to bring them happiness...*

*And like OUR HEAVENLY FATHER,
He's a guardian and a guide,
Someone we can count on
To be ALWAYS ON OUR SIDE.*

—Helen Steiner Rice