



SPECIAL NOTICE: MEETINGS!

The November meeting will be held again at Macomb Community College in building "S" from 8 PM to 9 PM. Part two of the "clergy visits" workshop will take place at 9 PM, with Judy Meyer, Mel Zeoli and Rev. Carl Bornman. All area chairmen and people interested in visiting clergy are invited to attend.

There will be NO GENERAL MEETING in DECEMBER. (Enjoy your holidays with your families...enjoy life... that's why we are working in LifeSpan: So all may enjoy Life!)

January general meeting will be held one week early on January 13, so that we may finalize plans for our pro-life rally in Detroit. The meeting will again be at Macomb College at 8 PM. (Come, meet the new Life-Span officers)

November Elections

Elections will be held for new LifeSpan officers this November 18, at the regular LifeSpan general meeting. Active members (paid dues members) will be given a ballot by the membership chairman.

The nominating committee requests that candidates names be submitted no later than Nov. 15, so that the ballot sheets may be printed in time for Monday's election. Call Rayleen O'Connor at 751-2732 with candidate names.

Birthday Greetings
Mrs. Viola Imrick

Belated birthday greetings to Mrs. Viola Imrick from all of us in Life-Span. Why are we singling out Mrs. Imrick for this special notice? -- Because her family is truly pro-life. They mailed in special donations in honor of her birthday which was on Oct. 18. Thank you, Mrs. Judy Kostera and Mrs. Robert Imrick. The donations will be used to buy pro-life literature which will be distributed in our school presentations.

.....a beautiful letter.....

"I regret that I am unable to contribute more money or time to this most worthy cause, as I am a retired person and am involved in parish work as much as I am able. -- However, my prayers shall be offered daily for those who can be more active, and for God's help and blessing on your work.

Sincerely,
Mrs. Agnes Craig"

(From time to time, LifeSpan receives beautiful letters like this in the mail.

Thank you Mrs. Craig for letting us share your thoughtful words with us.)

REMEMBER..Christmas Cards, Botiques;
St. Angelas--Nov. 9 & 10,
St. Isaac Jogues--Nov. 10,
St. Sylvester's--Nov. 23.

Picketing!

Currently, a dedicated group of Life-Span members are picketing an abortion clinic in Sterling Heights. Why? The residents in Macomb County voted down the abortion proposal two years ago by a 64 percent margin. That clearly indicated that Macomb residents do not want an abortion clinic operating in the county.

To join the group, call Judy Meyer, at 463-6050 for information, guidelines and scheduling times.

BABIES

It is our pleasure to announce that Mrs. Ann Simoneau recently had a baby boy....John. We know a lot of our members are expecting. Please call Mel Zeoli, (772-1630) with the good news. We want all to congratulate our new mothers and their new babies.

Prayer for Life!

O God, Giver of Life, help us to do our part to save unborn babies, the aged and the infirm. Help us to aid pregnant mothers in distress as well as families with diseased, deformed or terminally ill members. Please strengthen us in our efforts to obtain an amendment to the Constitution to outlaw abortion and euthanasia in the United States. Amen.

By-laws are the objectives/policies/working rules of any organization. At the Oct. meeting it was resolved that these by-laws be read individually and if unchallenged adopted at the Nov. meeting. Questions or challenges may be directed to the Chairman, Mrs. Jean Polus, 751-0886

Proposed By-Laws of LifeSpan, East Area Chapter

I. Name. The name of this organization shall be LifeSpan, Inc., East Area Chapter.

II. Purpose. Sec. 1. We are committed to protect the right to life of all human beings, born and unborn.
Sec. 2. We encourage all citizens to take intelligent and responsible pro-life action at local, state and federal levels.

III. Organization.

Sec. 1. LifeSpan, Inc., East Area Chapter is a non-profit educational organization geographically located in all of Macomb County and parts of East Wayne County (namely Detroit and Pontiac, east of Woodward Ave., excluding zip code areas 48204, 48202 and 48226.)
Sec. 2. LifeSpan, Inc., East Area Chapter is structured by zip code areas for local activity and headed by area chairmen.
Sec. 3. LifeSpan, Inc., East Area Chapter is affiliated with LifeSpan which includes Wayne, Oakland and Washtenaw County Chapters.

A. All above mentioned chapters are united under a General Board of Directors which sets the policies of LifeSpan.
B. The General Board of Directors consists of each County Chairman and at least two members of each county chapter appointed annually by the County Chairman in consultation with the area chairmen.

IV. Membership.

Sec. 1. Membership shall be open to any responsible individual who endorses the purposes of this organization.
Sec. 2. Each member is asked to pay \$2.00 dues payable at the time of entry and renewable each year thereafter. These dues designate active membership.
Sec. 3. Membership may be excluded by a 2/3 vote of the Board of Directors for violation of the By-laws.

Sec. 4. General Membership Meetings shall be held on the third Monday of the month unless otherwise notified.
V. Officers. The officers of this organization shall be the County Chairman, the Vice-Chairman, Treasurer, Secretary and Ex-Officio Member (retired County Chairman of previous term) and Chairmen of the Standing Committees. These officers constitute the Board of Directors of LifeSpan, Inc., East Area Chapter.

VI. Elections.

Sec. 1. Election of officers will be held annually at the regular General Meeting in November.
Sec. 2. Candidates for office shall be selected by a Nominating Committee. The Committee shall be appointed at the September meeting.
Sec. 3. The immediate past County Chairman shall be named chairman of the Nominating Committee. Four additional members may also be appointed.

Sec. 4. Additional nominations may be made from the floor for all offices prior to the elections.
Sec. 5. Only active members may vote. Membership Chairman issues ballots to members at the November meeting.
Sec. 6. A majority of ballots cast by members present shall determine the election.

Sec. 7. The term of office shall be one (1) year. Re-election is encouraged for the second term only.
Sec. 8. No office shall be retained for more than 2 terms.
Sec. 9. Any vacancy may be filled by appointment of the County Chairman to fill out that term.

Sec. 10. Newly elected officers may assume their duties on or about January 22. (This date commemorates the horrendous decision of the U.S. Supreme Court which liberalized abortion on demand throughout the country.)

VII.

Duties of LifeSpan, Inc., East Area Chapter Board of Directors.
Sec. 1. The policies of the East Area Chapter of LifeSpan, Inc., shall be set by the Board of Directors.
Sec. 2. The County Chairman shall preside over all meetings; conduct all elections and be ex-officio member of all committees.
Sec. 3. The County Chairman shall attend the General Board of Directors Meetings of LifeSpan and also the Michigan Citizens for Life (umbrella organization for all state right to life groups).
Sec. 4. The County Chairman may designate suitable sites for general meetings and for Board of Directors meetings.
Sec. 5. The County Chairman shall sign all official papers and documents and shall be responsible for all oral and printed announcements, telechain messages, etc.
Sec. 6. The County Chairman shall appoint Zip Code Area Chairmen with consultation of the Board of Directors.
Sec. 7. The Vice-Chairman shall act for the Chairman in the Chairman's absence.

Sec. 8. The Secretary shall give due notice of meetings, keep record of the meetings and of those members in attendance and conduct all official correspondence of the organization.

Sec. 9. The Treasurer shall keep accounts and proper records of all receipts and expenditures. Signatures of the Chairman and/or Treasurer shall be on all checks written against the Treasury of LifeSpan, Inc., East Area Chapter.

Sec. 10. The Board of Directors shall establish the necessary controls to safeguard the funds and expenditures of the organization.

Sec. 11. Chairmen of the Standing Committees shall make reports of their respective committee's activities, plans, suggestions, etc.

Sec. 12. The Board of Directors shall meet whenever deemed necessary.
Sec. 13. A quorum of the Board of Directors will consist of 50% plus one (1).

VIII. Functions of the Standing Committees.

Sec. 1. Education Committee shall promote the pro-life philosophy of LifeSpan, Inc., through literature distribution in libraries, schools, churches, etc.; recruit and train speakers for pro-life presentations; establish workshops and seminars and maintain material for LifeSpan members and research inquiries.

Sec. 2. Fund Raising Committee should suggest and produce various forms of fund-raising activities which allow monies to promote our pro-life purposes, and the committee should also be responsible for annual LifeSpan fund raising projects.

Sec. 3. Membership Committee should recruit new members, implement membership interest surveys, prepare and maintain membership roster and monthly reports for County Chairman, Vice-Chairman and Treasurer and be responsible for activities of the area chairmen.

Sec. 4. Political Action Committee shall encourage all members to take intelligent and responsible pro-life action at local, state and federal levels. The committee will also monitor pro-life and anti-life legislation and report this information to the general membership; survey political candidates and provide pro-life political information to the community.

Sec. 5. Publicity Committee will promote pro-life philosophy of LifeSpan; announce LifeSpan's general meetings and activities through press releases to the newspapers, TV and radio. The publicity committee should also provide and/or suggest flyers, posters, signs and advertising literature for special events. There should also be a pro-life newsletter for the membership on a regular basis.

Sec. 6. Telechain Committee shall provide instant communication the LifeSpan Board of Directors to the local membership through the telephone chain of information which in turn requires immediate action, study or development, such as letter writing, watching special programs on TV, attending meetings, rallies, etc.

Sec. 7. The Standing Committees shall meet a minimum of twice (2) yearly.

Amendments.

Sec. 1. The By-laws of LifeSpan, Inc., East Area Chapter may be amended in whole or in part at any general meeting. Any proposed change or amendment must be read and discussed at two consecutive general meetings. Proper notification to all the membership must be made before a final vote is taken on the proposed changes or amendments.

Sec. 2. A 2/3 vote of all members present shall be necessary to amend these By-laws.

IX.

- Letter Writing -

A few months ago LifeSpan members were urged to take on a new project; Write Once a Week...or operation W.O.W. the public. Many people were gone on vacation during the summer and some people don't see the value in it. Right now over 60% of the mail being received in Washington by Senators and Congressmen are on the abortion issue.

Letters to the editor, to state and local officials should be a weekly project of every LifeSpan member. Pledge today that you will write AT LEAST ONE LETTER A WEEK TO PROMOTE THE RIGHT TO LIFE MOVEMENT!

Here is some background material for some national letter writing we want you to do: Senate votes to prohibit federal spending on abortion. Senator Dewey Bartlett of Oklahoma has successfully amended the Labor, Health, Education & Welfare appropriations bill (H.R.15580) "no part of the funds appropriated under this act shall be used in any manner directly or indirectly to pay for or encourage the performance of abortions except such abortions as are necessary to save the life of a mother."

The fight is not over however, H.R. 15580 is now in Conference Committee where the Senate and House iron out the difference in the two versions of the bill. IT IS POSSIBLE THAT THE BARTLETT AMENDMENT COULD BE DELETED OR MODIFIED IN CONFERENCE. After the Conference Committee's action the bill will then go back to the House and Senate for final vote.

Suggested letter writing to be done: 1. Write to your Representatives and Senators asking them to use their influence with the Conference Committee on H.R. 15580 to see that the Bartlett Amendment stays intact. (Elford Cederberg of Michigan is a member of the Conference Commit.) 2. Write letters of thanks to Senators Bartlett, Bennet, Buckley, Dole, Curtis, Goldwater, Helms and Pastore for their efforts in seeing to the passage of the Bartlett Amendment. 3. Write to your Congressmen in support of H.R. 1449, the adoption subsidy bill which would provide an alternative to abortion. 4. Write your Congressmen and in particular Congressman Don Edwards of California, chairman of the House Judiciary Sub-Committee on Civil Rights and Constitutional Amendments to urge hearings on a Human Life Amendment. 5. Write to your Congressmen and Senators urging them that they oppose the confirmation of Nelson Rockefeller as Vice-President of the United States.

Address Senators Phillip Hart and Robert Griffin at Senate Office Bldg., Wash. D.C. 20510, Congressmen Robert Huber, Lucien Nedzi and James O Hara at House Office Bldg., Wash. DC20515.

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