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# News Notes

## School-based clinics

Twenty-four school-based health clinics (SBHC) were evaluated from self reports concerning knowledge of key health facts, sexual activity, contraceptive use, pregnancies and birth rates. The SBHC youth (3050 in all) reported the following increases: greater knowledge of contraceptive methods, higher sexual activity rates and higher pregnancy rates.

When SBHC were created, they claimed that they would be able to reduce sexual activity and pregnancy rates by increasing the knowledge of contraceptive methods. This study contradicts the initial claim.

—Catholic Medical Association Newsletter  
July 1997

## Involuntary sterilization

The Swedish government has announced that it will begin an investigation to determine why 60,000 women were involuntarily sterilized between 1936 and 1976. The sterilizations targeted the poor, the mentally handicapped, people with learning disabilities and those who were not descended from the common Nordic bloodstock. Social Affairs Minister Margo Wallstrom called the practice "barbaric." Recent news reports have documented similar practices in Finland, Austria and Switzerland.

—American Life League communiqué  
September 19, 1997

## "Annoying" noises

A nurse in Egypt has admitted to killing patients to stop their "annoying" noises during her night-shift work. "Aida Nur el-Din allegedly routinely killed patients this year by injecting them with drugs stolen from the hospital dispensary," according to Pro-Life E-News Canada. After confessing to at least 18 murders, 42-year-old el-Din attempted to commit suicide by jumping from a third story window.

—American Life League communiqué  
September 19, 1997

## Abortionist fined

A Grand Island, NY doctor was fined \$1,000 for abortions on two patients with-

out their consent and for mistakenly sterilizing a third woman.

The NY State Board for Professional Medical Conduct also placed Dr. Rafael G. Cunanan, Jr. on probation for four years. Cunanan served as chief of obstetrics and gynecology at Niagara Falls Memorial Medical Center and medical director of Planned Parenthood of Niagara County.

—Infonet, October 7, 1997

## Say no to sex!

A new study published in Family Planning Perspectives reports that children who are taught chastity are less likely to engage in premarital sex than children who do not have the benefit of such teaching.

The study also showed that children who have a good relationship with their mothers are less likely to engage in premarital sex than those who consider their relationship lacking, and children whose mothers teach them about contraception are more likely to have intercourse at any early age than children whose mothers do not.

—Catholic Medical Association Newsletter  
July 1997

## Calendar of Events

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## Lifespan News

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## Merian's Friends' Petition

A petition drive by a group called "Merian's Friends" plans to collect 350,000 signatures by January in an attempt to legalize assisted suicide. The issue would then be placed on the November 1998 ballot.

The new law, if approved by voters, would be known as the Terminally Ill Patient's Right to End Unbearable Pain and Suffering Act.

The U.S. Supreme Court, in a unanimous decision, ruled that the Constitution does not include the right to assisted suicide.

Both the American Medical Association and the Michigan State Medical Society strongly oppose physician-assisted suicide.

Petition signatures and donations will be solicited at churches, stores and door-to-door. Do not be deceived by their rhetoric. **DO NOT SIGN THIS PETITION.** Warn your pastors, neighbors, family and friends.

Following are just a few of the many reasons Lifespan opposes this petition:

■ The proposed initiative does not only apply to those with terminal illnesses. Doctors can write lethal prescriptions for those suffering from "clinical depression" or other "mental illness."

■ The law does not provide for control or oversight of suicides or lethal drugs. No physician or health professional is required to oversee the drugs' use or disposal. Lethal prescriptions can be handed to anyone who identifies himself or herself as a patient's agent.

■ There is no requirement that family members be notified about a planned assisted suicide. And, for legal purposes, the cause of death will be classified deceptively as terminal illness not assisted suicide.

■ Tax dollars will be used to promote assisted suicide. The Department of Community Health will print and distribute free booklets (i.e., tax-funded publications) on how to use this law.

■ Michigan would become a haven for people from throughout the country who want assisted suicide. The law would apply not only to Michigan residents, but also to their relatives. Furthermore, Michigan would also become an exporter of suicide. Anyone can leave the state after receiving the lethal prescription.



# Right to Life - Lifespan Invites You to Breakfast

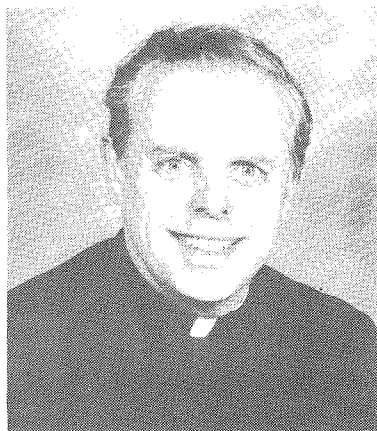
With invited guest speakers



*U. S. Congressman  
Joe Knollenberg*



*Michigan State Representative  
Deborah Whyman*



*Associate Director, Priests for Life  
Fr. Richard Hogan*

**Saturday, November 8**

**9:00 - 11:30 a.m.**

Registration: 8:30 a.m.

## Burton Manor

27777 Schoolcraft, Livonia

(south side of I-96 service drive,  
between Inkster and Middlebelt)

**Reservations are required  
by Wednesday October 29**

**\$15.00 per person**

**Make check payable to:**

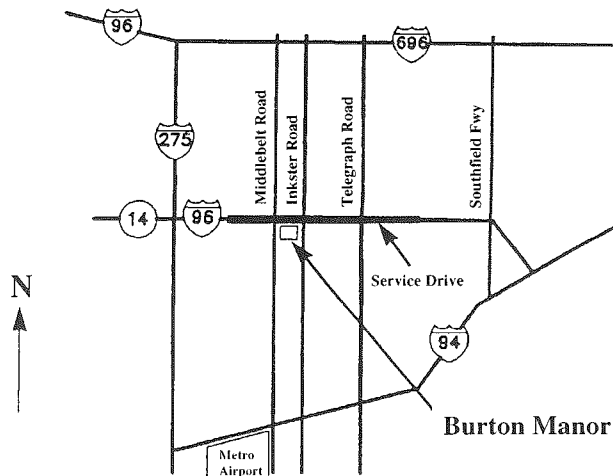
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**and mail to:**

**28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia 48152**

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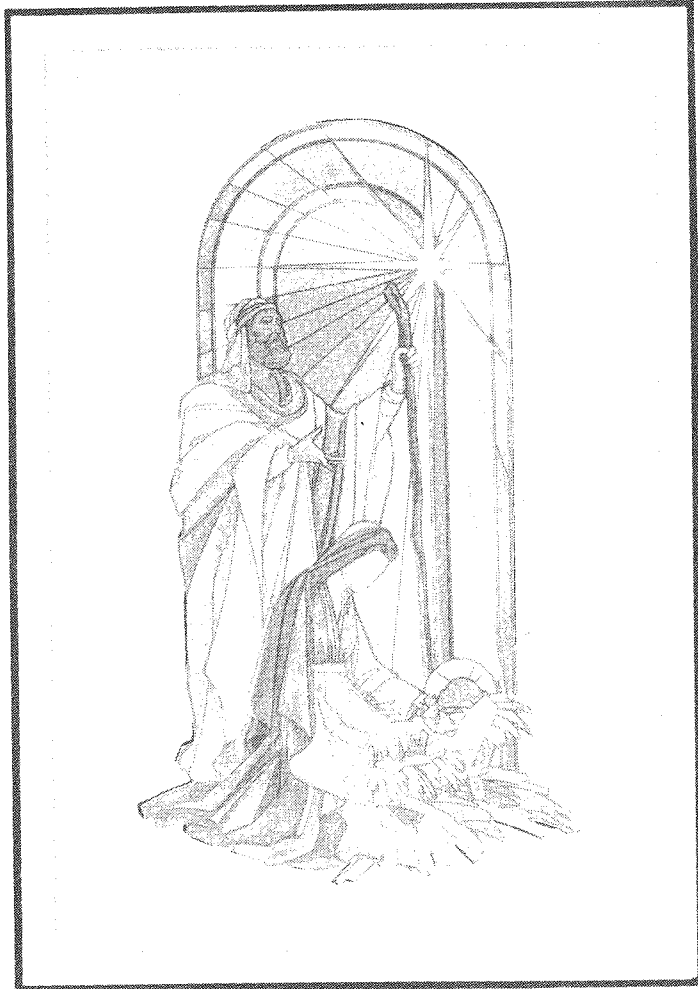
Michael Legg will serve as emcee, and Ron and Karen Meier will share their personal testimony about their son, Steven, who was born with Down Syndrome. Karen writes the syndicated newspaper column, "Family Room."



**Plan now to hear an update on legislative issues**

# 1997 Christmas Cards

Your purchase represents support for pro-life activities during the coming year. To place an order, arrange for pickup at a location near you and/or for more information, call: Detroit Chapter at (313) 874-0432, Oakland/Macomb Chapter at (248) 816-1546 or Wayne West/Downriver Chapter at (313) 422-6230.



**Holy Family** (in rich multi-color foil with foil-lined envelopes)

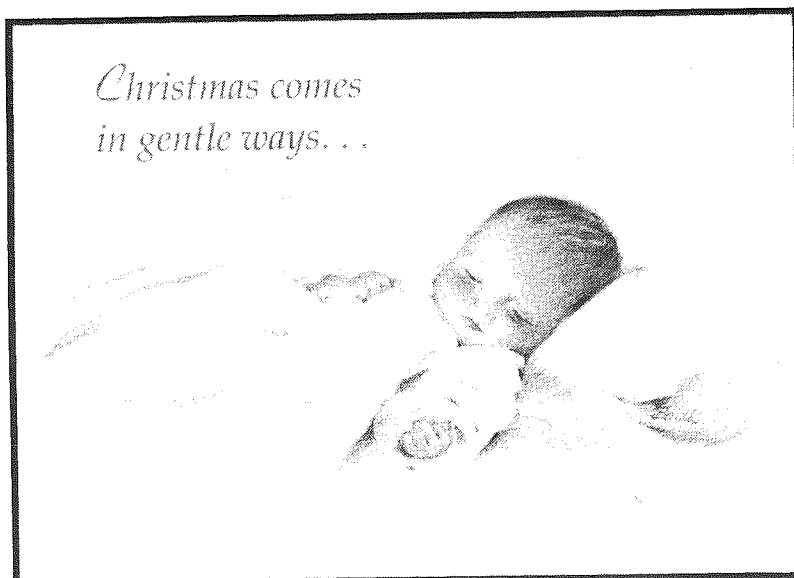
Inside Verse:

*As the Christ Child touches each of us  
with His love  
may our hearts be filled with joy  
for God's precious Gift of Life*

*Blessings to you at Christmas and always*

(Actual size:  $5\frac{3}{8}$ " x  $7\frac{1}{4}$ " )

**\$14.00 per box of 20**



*Christmas comes  
in gentle ways. . .*

**Sleeping Infant** (in soft pastels)

Inside Verse:

*So gentle this time of wonder  
So holy His moment of birth  
So wondrous this Gift of Life  
When Love was born on earth*

*May the Lord of Life bless you  
this Christmas and throughout the coming year*

(Actual size:  $6\frac{3}{4}$ " x  $4\frac{7}{8}$ " )

**\$5.00 per pkg of 10**

# Kevorkian proves his contempt of disabled

By Wesley J. Smith

With the death of Karen Shoffstall, 34, Jack Kevorkian has once again expanded the envelope of those he is willing to help kill. Shoffstall wasn't so much in despair about her current condition, as have been the many disabled persons whose lives Kevorkian has helped end previously. Rather, Shoffstall's primary fear seems to have concerned future debilitation.

Unfortunately, in Kevorkian she found someone willing to reinforce her deepest terror. Never mind that multiple sclerosis is not a terminal condition. Never mind that it is unpredictable and that spontaneous remissions are common. Never mind that a frequent symptom of MS is depression. And never mind that many suicidal people change their minds or that people who become disabled later usually adjust to their condition and lead full, rich lives. By agreeing to help kill her, Kevorkian's own bigotry against disabled people led him to presume her life was not worth continuing. Perhaps that is why her parents want Kevorkian charged with murder.

It is no secret that Kevorkian disdains the disabled. He has often stated that paraplegics and quadriplegics are "pathological" if they do not want to die. Indeed, he considers the suicides of disabled people as being good for the general community, writing in an Aug. 17, 1990, court statement that such deaths "can only enhance the preservation of public health and welfare."

Such anti-disabled attitudes are common in the so-called "right-to-die" movement. Assisted-suicide advocates usually pretend for tactical and political reasons that they only want to legalize assisted suicide for the "terminally ill" when "nothing else can be done to alleviate suffering," (a false premise to be sure). But their silence in the face of the Shoffstall outrage and their failure to strongly oppose

Kevorkian's participation in the self-destruction of disabled people speaks louder than their words. As noted disability rights activist Paul Longmore states, "The reason people in the assisted suicide movement have not (widely) condemned Kevorkian is because the whole movement is riddled with deep prejudice against the disabled."

Longmore's opinion finds affirmation in the tragic New York case of Myrna Lebov. Lebov, like Karen Shoffstall, was disabled by MS but not bedridden. Indeed, the week before she died, she swam 28 laps with the help of her physical therapist.

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Lebov had a very big problem besides MS: her husband, George Delury. He so thoroughly loathed his wife's disability that he urged her repeatedly to commit suicide because, as he told her, she was "sucking the life" from him "like a vampire." After all, he wrote in his diary, he had "work to do, people to see, places to travel," which he couldn't do as long as Lebov burdened him with her existence.

When in 1995, Lebov finally succumbed to Delury's pressure and agreed to kill herself, he mixed a poisonous brew for her to drink from drugs she had been prescribed. When the poison merely put her to sleep, Delury smothered her with a plastic bag. As one police official later put it, Delury put Lebov out of his misery.

Notwithstanding the above, Delury was immediately embraced by the assisted-suicide movement. Kevorkian's minister

of propaganda, Geoffrey Fieger, suggested on national television that he would gladly get Delury off. The New York Hemlock Society created a legal defense fund. The publisher who brought Derek Humphry to national attention by distributing his how-to-commit-suicide guide, *Final Exit*, agreed to publish Delury's book, which he wrote while he served four months in jail as part of a plea bargain. He remains a popular speaker at euthanasia movement gatherings.

This is all reminiscent of a very popular movie that was released a while ago. The plot involves a married couple, both doctors. The wife, disabled by multiple sclerosis, perceives her life as useless, and she becomes terribly worried that she is a burden. She wants to end her suffering and free her husband to make a new life for himself while he is still young. So, she begs him to kill her as an act of love. After intense soul searching and anguish, he agrees and with tears in his eyes, he lethally injects his wife as a friend plays a soulful piano concerto in the next room.

There follows a dramatic courtroom scene in which the doctor is tried before a jury of his peers and exonerated. One sympathetic juror explains that euthanasia for the disabled is acceptable so long as "the patient wants it."

No, this isn't a made-for-TV movie based on a true story. It is the infamous "I Accuse" (Ich Klage an) a propaganda film produced in Germany in 1941 to promote the idea that disabled people have "lives unworthy of life."

That a movie that has been widely condemned for its pernicious bigotry so presciently mimics current headlines, should give us all great pause.

*Wesley J. Smith is the author of "Forced Exit: The Slippery Slope From Assisted Suicide to Legalized Murder" (Times Books/Random House).*

*—Detroit News, August 24, 1997  
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# Chapter

detroit

oakland/macomb

## Office hours

MW 10-2; TThF Closed  
Carol Smith, Director  
Mary Cascos, Ofc. Mgr.

## Our loving sympathy

The Detroit Chapter would like to express our heartfelt sympathy to our past office manager and current board secretary, Betty Queen, on the passing into eternal life of her beloved husband, Archie.

Archie was always there to lend a helping hand whether it was picking up cribs for a crisis pregnancy center, labeling our monthly newsletter or just greet-

ing us when we came to our monthly meetings at their home. We will miss him deeply. We know that Archie is in heaven with Mother Teresa looking over our pro-life efforts and welcoming all those who struggle for LIFE into God's Kingdom.

Our prayers are with you, Betty, during this difficult time.

## Christmas cards

Our beautiful Christmas cards are now available. The cards are a great way to share a pro-life message with your family and friends and at the same time help support our ongoing efforts to educate.

If you do not have a Lifespan church representative, give the office a call for the nearest distributor. Treat the Detroit

Chapter to a special Christmas gift by volunteering to be your church's representative. Call (313) 874-0432.

## Rally reminder

Please mark your calendar for Sunday, January 18th, and join us for an indoor memorial event at Wayne State University, Community Arts Auditorium, from 2-4 p.m., to commemorate 25 years since *Roe v. Wade* made it legal to end the lives of millions of our children.

See page 8 for more details.

## Detroit Chapter

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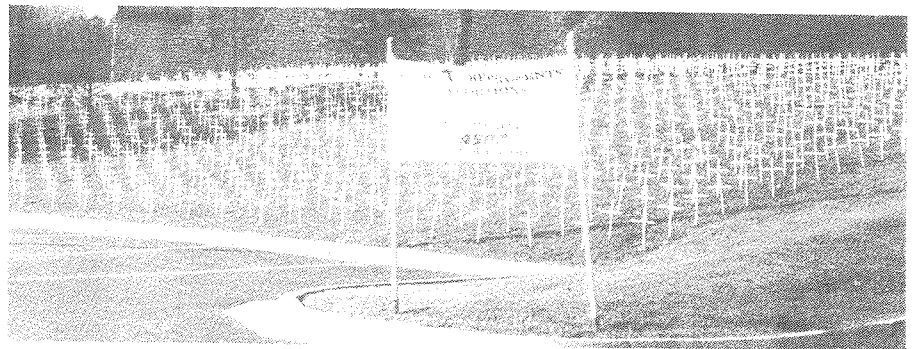
MTTh 9-5; WF 9-2:45  
Diane Fagelman, Director  
Diane Trombley, Ofc. Mgr.  
Mary Small, Adm. Asst.

## At risk

The following appeared in the program of the Special Olympic Superstar Competition of Oakland County, March 15, 1997. The message is so simple and yet gives us a profound understanding of the fragility, innocence and intrinsic value of each human life. As you read it, keep in mind that there are those in our society who would discard these lives, as well as any other life that does not fit their definition of normal or useful. As you read it, keep in mind that you are reading about one of the likely outcomes of assisted suicide. As you read it, keep in mind that we must NEVER allow being different to mean being expendable!

*Nothing is so clear in this world as the glory of the special child. It shines in its hard times*

*with words—they are songs if you listen carefully. And in his troubled walk—there is a dance if you pay attention. The special child whether or not he came into the world in agony or had that agony imposed on him by the world—that child is a blessing. It is our work to celebrate his being on this earth, to celebrate his life, his spirit, his right to grow, to be who he is. No matter how difficult that being in the world might be, the special child has a share in this world and this world must have a share in him. The special child and those*



*who are his guardians must learn how to give life to each other, and Special Olympics will tell us with simplicity and joy how we might begin that gratifying task.*

## Crosses completed

The crosses are completed and ready for scheduling. The display was first seen at St. Hugo of the Hills Church the first two weeks of October, and it is truly a stunning reminder of the lives lost to, and touched by, abortion.

It is impossible to see the display and not realize that there MUST BE better solutions to human problems than destroying human life!

Call the Oakland/Macomb chapter for scheduling information (248) 816-1546.

## Oakland/Macomb Chapter

Coventry Place  
1637 W. Big Beaver Rd., Suite G  
Troy, MI 48084-3540  
(248) 816-1546

# News

## From the President's Desk

Dear Friends,

Over the past several weeks, our offices have been receiving phone calls and visits from concerned parents of school children. They were being asked to participate in fundraising projects connected with Target, a subsidiary of Dayton-Hudson, and/or General Mills.

These parents contacted us because they were aware that both of these companies are on pro-life boycott lists due to their financial support of Planned Parenthood. Planned Parenthood is the largest provider and promoter of abortion in the United States.

Children cannot get Tylenol from a school nurse without parental permission. Yet Planned Parenthood can perform abortions on children, give them birth control and teach them sexual behavior that could end up killing them—all without the permission or even knowledge of their parents.

At the urging of these parents, a letter was mailed to some principals and pastors; also included was information on Planned Parenthood.

If you would like a packet of documentation on Planned Parenthood, Target/Dayton-Hudson and General Mills sent to you or your children's school, call the Main Office at (313) 533-9090.

Before you participate in these fundraising projects, please remember millions of our school children are missing because of abortion. And support for these companies supports abortion on demand.



### Office hours

M-Th 10-4; F Closed  
Patricia Holscher, Director  
Linda Kournoian, Ofc. Mgr.

### Legislative Breakfast

Mark your calendars now for Saturday morning, November 8 to have breakfast with invited guest speakers, Congressman Joe Knollenberg and State Representative Deborah Whyman.

Fr. Richard Hogan, Associate Director of Priests for Life, Michael Legg, emcee, and Karen and Ron Meier complete the speakers' list.

All U.S. and state elected legislators are invited, and we try to place all attendees with an elected official or an aide.

See page 3 for reservation and other information.

This is always an informative and inspiring event. We would like to have hundreds attending—the more people, the stronger pro-life lobbying force we are in Washington and Lansing. Won't you make this event a priority? If you can't come, please consider sending someone in your place.

### Card distributors

The Christmas cards have arrived and are very beautiful. The selling season usually begins in the middle of October, and we need a few more distributors to market our cards. The selections should interest many different tastes.

When presented to the public, these cards will sell themselves, but we need more members who are willing to show them at work, group meetings, churches or from their homes to neighbors, family and

friends. If cards are being offered at your church, call and volunteer to help.

Many of you have busy schedules, but want to do something to help Lifespan. Selling cards requires little time and effort, yet is very beneficial to our treasury and will ultimately finance our educational programs.

Please call to see how you can help. We need YOU!



### 1998 Right to Life calendars

Because of your requests, we ordered a few pro-life calendars whose pictures have captured the many appealing faces of children. The joys of childhood are pictured in full color. These calendars provide pro-life information, fascinating quotations on each page and squares large enough to write important messages. They make great stocking stuffers and gifts for shut-ins. Come by the office to get one, priced at \$5 each, or call to reserve yours.

### Reminders

- Don't sign Merian's Friends' Petition
- Mark calendar for indoor Memorial Remembrance
- Send pro-life Christmas cards
- Purchase Entertainment Books for your Christmas shopping
- Thanks for taking part in LIFE CHAIN

Wayne West/Downriver Chapter  
27578 Schoolcraft  
Livonia, MI 48150-2203  
(313) 422-6230

wayne west/downriver

# 25 Years of Loving Them Both

## Indoor MEMORIAL EVENT

to Commemorate the 25th Anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*  
(Supreme Court Decision on Abortion)

Sunday, January 18, 1998 • 2 - 4 p.m.  
Wayne State University, Community Arts Auditorium



Featuring  
**Nat Hentoff**

Syndicated columnist with *The Washington Post & The Village Voice*  
**25 Years of Roe — With its Unsuspected Effects**

with  
**Monsignor John Zenz, Archdiocese of Detroit**  
**Pastor Rick Parker, Bethany Pembroke Chapel**  
**Lifespan Student Essay Winner and**  
**Gospel Music in the Detroit Tradition!**



*Nat Hentoff*

Call (313) 874-0432 or (248) 816-8489 for more information  
Cosponsored by Right to Life - Lifespan and Educational Center for Life

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**Join Right to Life - Lifespan in a public statement on the 25th anniversary of *Roe v. Wade* in remembrance of the millions of lives impacted by abortion.**

Plans are now being made to purchase a full-page ad in the *Detroit News* on Thursday, January 22, 1998. The ad will list the names of the contributing sponsors. **Space is limited to the first 2700 names.** This is not a fundraiser. The \$10 fee for each name listed will defray the cost of the ad.

**Please send your check today so we can list you with those who will not allow this day to go unnoticed.**

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Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (include area code) \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Number of names: \_\_\_\_\_ Amount Enclosed: \_\_\_\_\_

**List individual names of contributing sponsors at \$10.00 each:**

(Please type or print clearly.)

(Example: Valerie Smith, NOT Valerie and Vick Smith;  
NOT Mr. & Mrs. Vick Smith; NOT Vick Smith Family)

(Use another sheet of paper  
for additional names)

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First Name

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Last Name

\_\_\_\_\_ I do not wish my name to be listed in the ad, but wish to make the enclosed donation of \$ \_\_\_\_\_.

**Make check payable to:** Right to Life - Lifespan (Ad)

**Mail to:** Right to Life - Lifespan, Main Office, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia, MI 48152

*Donations to Right to Life - Lifespan are not tax-deductible*





# Legislative Update



## Addresses

### President

President Bill Clinton  
The White House  
Washington, DC 20500  
Opinion Line: (202) 456-1111, M-F, 9-5  
Fax Number: (202) 456-2461  
e-mail: President@whitehouse.gov

Dear Mr. President:

### U.S. Senators

The Honorable (Spencer Abraham, Carl Levin)  
United States Senate  
Washington, DC 20510  
(202) 224-3121  
1 (800) 522-6721

Dear Senator (last name):

### U.S. Representatives

The Honorable (first and last name)  
House of Representatives  
Washington, DC 20515  
(202) 224-3121  
1 (800) 522-6721

Dear Congressman or Congresswoman  
(last name):

### Governor

The Honorable John Engler  
Office of the Governor  
P.O. Box 30013  
Lansing, MI 48909  
(517) 373-3400  
e-mail: migov@aol.com

Dear Governor Engler:

### Michigan State Senator or Representative

The Honorable (full name)  
State Capitol  
Lansing, MI 48913  
(517) 373-1837

Dear Senator (last name): or  
Dear Representative (last name):

## Partial-Birth Abortion

For the second time, President Clinton has blocked legislation to ban the brutal practice of partial-birth abortion. Mr. Clinton's veto, on October 10, of the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (HR 1122) came despite lopsided, bipartisan majorities in the House and Senate in favor of the bill, and despite enactment of similar bans by 15 states.

"President Clinton's veto means that each year thousands of living babies will be pulled feet-first from the womb and their heads punctured—unless Congress overrides the veto," said Douglas Johnson, legislative director for the National Right to Life Committee. The House gave final approval to the bill on October 8 by a margin of 296-132—10 votes over the two-thirds majority required to override a veto. The Senate approved the measure on May 20 by a vote of 64-36—three votes short of a two-thirds majority, but the largest margin yet.

The American Medical Association endorsed the Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act on May 19, calling partial-birth abortion "a

procedure we all agree is not good medicine." The bill contains an exception to allow a partial-birth abortion if "necessary to save the life of the mother whose life is endangered by a physical disorder, illness or injury."

KEY: X = Pro-Life Vote

O = Pro-Abortion Vote

### U.S. Representatives/Michigan

8 Stabenow	O
9 Kildee	X
10 Bonior	X
11 Knollenberg	X
12 Levin	O
13 Rivers	O
14 Conyers	O
15 Kilpatrick	O
16 Dingell	X

### ACTION ALERT

Please contact your U.S. Representative and Senators now to urge support for overturning President Clinton's veto.

For more information, call your local Lifespan chapter or the Main Office at (313) 533-9090.



## Pro-Life Essay Contest

### ELIGIBILITY:

Any student in grades 9-12, in public, private or home school, who resides in Wayne, Oakland or Macomb Counties, is eligible for the contest except for students in the immediate family of a board member of Right to Life - Lifespan.

### RULES:

1. The topic of the pro-life essay entry must feature one or more aspects of abortion, infanticide or euthanasia. The essay must be titled.

2. The essay shall be a minimum of 500 words, a maximum of 1000 words. No poems will be accepted.

3. The essay should be typed, but may be legibly handwritten.

4. Each entry must be the student's original work and shall not have been submitted to any other publisher or in any other contest. One entry per student.

5. On the **BACK** only of the last page of the essay, the student must **PRINT** neatly his/her name, address, phone number, age and grade, name of school, plus the names of his/her parents or guardian.

6. Each entry becomes the property of Right to Life - Lifespan, and each student who enters the contest assigns copyright for the entry to Right to Life - Lifespan.

7. The essay shall be judged on content and style.

8. All entries shall be considered by impartial judges selected with experience in the content. Judges reserve the right to award no prize winner if no entry is deemed meritorious of the prize.

9. Decisions of the judges shall be final.

10. All entries must be received by **noon, Wednesday, November 12, 1997, and mailed or delivered to: 1997 Student Contest, Right to Life - Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia, MI 48152.**

### PRIZES:

First Prize: \$500 Savings Bond  
Second Prize: \$200 Savings Bond  
Third Prize: \$100 Savings Bond

Prizes will be awarded at the 1998 Rally for Life in Detroit in January. The first-prize winner shall also be invited to read the winning essay at the Rally, and the winning entry shall be printed in *Lifespan News*. For more information, call Lifespan's Main Office (313) 533-9090.

## Shoppers, beware

In doing your holiday shopping, remember that the following corporations are ardent financial supporters of Planned Parenthood, the world's largest promoter and provider of abortion. Please see related article under *President's Letter* on page 7.

**Dayton-Hudson**—Operations include Dayton's, Hudson's, Target, Mervyn's and Marshall Field's. Write to: Mr. Robert J. Ulrich, Chairman & CEO, Dayton Hudson Company, P.O. Box 1392, Minneapolis, MN 55440. Phone: (612) 370-6948.

**Esprit**—Operations include: apparel and apparel stores. Write: Mr. Jay Margolis, Chairman, Esprit, 900 Minnesota St., San Francisco, CA 94107. Phone: (415) 648-6900.

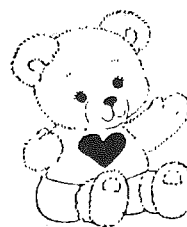
**General Mills**—Operations include: Betty Crocker products (SuperMoist and other cake mixes, Hamburger Helper, Pop Secret popcorn), Bisquick, yogurt, Gold Medal flour, all "Big G" cereal varieties, and many more. Write: Mr. Stephen W. Sanger, Chairman & CEO, General Mills Inc., P.O. Box 1113, Minneapolis, MN 55440. Phone: (800) 328-6787

**Hewlett-Packard**—Operations include: electronics (including computer-related equipment and service). Write: Mr. Lew Platt, Chairman, President & CEO, Hewlett-Packard Company, 3000 Hanover St., Palo Alto, CA 94304. Phone: (800) 752-0900 or (415) 857-1501.

**Levi Strauss & Company**—Operations include: apparel (primarily jeans, Britannia & Dockers). Write: Mr. Robert D. Haas, Chairman, Levi Strauss & Company, P.O. Box 7215, San Francisco, CA 94120. Phone: (415) 544-6000 or (800) 872-5384.

**Tandy/Radio Shack**—Operations include: electronics and appliances retailer & manufacturer. Write: Mr. John V. Roach, Chairman & CEO, Tandy Corporation, 1800 One Tandy Center, Fort Worth, TX 76102. Phone: (817) 390-3700.

To obtain a complete boycott list of Planned Parenthood corporate supporters, send a \$5 check to: **Life Decisions International, P.O. Box 907, Washington, DC 20044.** Enclose a self-addressed, business-size envelope with 55¢ affixed.



A baby on the way—what a beautiful, joyous time in your life!

Every time you hear the baby's heart-beat or feel the baby kicking, you are overcome with both love and excitement—unless—you are terrified, thinking about how you will provide for the little one and not having the means to do so.

One young mother was recently in this situation. After giving her a layette overflowing with sleepers, blankets and everything she needed, we received the following note:

*I am sending this card to thank you and your staff for blessing me (and my unborn child). I had nowhere to turn and trusted God to help me. And through you all, He did just that. Now a lot of stress and anxiety is relieved, and I'm glad that this baby will have a good head start. Thank you for caring and helping me. I will never forget what you have done for me and my baby.*

For everyone who has donated a baby bottle, a tiny outfit, a package of diapers, perhaps a teddy bear, or has crocheted a beautiful afghan or donated money—this note is for you!

May you have a beautiful and blessed Thanksgiving!

—Karen Patrosso, Director  
Wee Care (313) 533-2727

A Program of Right to Life - Lifespan

## Crisis hotline numbers

If you or someone you know is experiencing a crisis pregnancy, help is available. There are 23 pregnancy help centers located throughout the metro Detroit area.

For more information, you may call your Lifespan office listed on pages 6 or 7. Bethany Christian Services also has a 24-hour hotline number; please call 1-800-BETHANY. Or, you may wish to call Project Life at (313) 237-5755. Project Life also offers alternatives to suicide.

Those suffering from post-abortion stress may wish to call Project Rachel at 1-(888) RACHEL5 or PACE (Post-Abortion Counseling and Education) at (313) 722-2839.

## Donations have been made In loving memory of:

### Archie Queen

Given by: Andrea Baier  
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## To commemorate the 40th Wedding Anniversary of:

### Rev. Deacon & Mrs. Robert Modes

Given by: Gerald & Mary Ellen  
Shaughnessy

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 of Metro Detroit will be used to save the lives of many through our efforts.

Donations may be sent to your local Lifespan office. Sorry, they are not tax-deductible.

## Gospel of Life Presents...

St. Kenneth Church's Gospel of Life Group invites you to hear Fr. Richard Hogan, Associate Director of Priests for Life: Friday, Nov. 7th, 7 p.m. Mass and 8 p.m.—"Better off Dead? The Debate Over Assisted Suicide" and Saturday, Nov. 8th, at 7 p.m.—"Raising a Pro-life Family in a Pro-death Culture."

St. Kenneth Church is located at 14951 Haggerty Rd., south of Five Mile Rd., in Plymouth. For more information, call Mike Mitchell (313) 420-2784.

## Bill Knapp's coupons

Our participation in the Bill Knapp Community Support coupon project continues. We are now saving for an outdoor exhibit tent to be used by all chapters.

Most recent donors of coupons are:

Bosley, Trombley, Fagelman, Dolence, St. Theodore Church's Over 50 Club, Wyszynski, Malickie, Lucas, Masterson, Miller, Schweiger, Kacher, Basner, Konopka, Prussing, Moots, Babik, Moore, St. Daniel Church, Behaeghe, Schultz, Brenner, Wilhelm, Sporka, Barylski, AAA CPC, Freda, Sisson, Spas, Yarnevich, Sanderson, Mosquera, McLaughlin, St. Linus Church, Burger, Nizol, Ward, Dadabbo, Wood, Martinuzzi, Sabo, Dunn, St. Raphael Church, St. Perpetua Church, St. Roch Church, Lohrengel, Poeppel, Lesiak, Phillips, Ervin, Archer, Sobieck, Yanik, Dell'Eva, Sterbenz, Modes, Bettega, McDermott, Sudeck, Ober, O'Connell, Kral, Hespen, Wagener, Truchan, Bowker, Bergmooser, Konti, Gross, Noonan, St. Sabina Queenship of Mary Guild, Salesky, Lenze, Benninghouse, Lutz, Widman, St. Maurice Church, Lemming, Kleinbrook.

When you present your check to the cashier at any Bill Knapp's Restaurant, ask for a Community Support Coupon. Send the coupons to Right to Life - Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia 48152. Thanks!



## Educational Center for Life

Are we busy, you ask? The Educational Center for Life started preparing in July for

the activities at the State Fair, local speaking engagements and recruiting professionals for several conferences planned through December. We were at the following conferences/conventions: National Right to Life, Changing Face of Health Care, Lutherans for Life, Michigan Nurses for Life, CYO Leadership, Catholic Physicians, Michigan Association of Non-Public Schools, and Michigan Family Forum/Michigan Dept. of Public Health. We are also making plans for Molly Kelly appearances in December at metro Detroit public/private schools.

The issues of chastity, abortion, assisted suicide, alternatives (CPCs and Hospice) are our priority. This year marks the 25th anniversary of the *Roe v. Wade* decision by the Supreme Court. It is a time in which we much love both mother and child and recognize that the slippery slope has arrived.

We have professional speakers, the latest videos and books which we encourage all of you to become aware of at our office. We welcome your phone call or visit.

**1637 W. Big Beaver Rd., Suite G  
Troy, MI 48084-3540  
(248) 816-8489**

## Washington, D.C. March

Are you planning on attending the March for Life on January 22 in Washington, D.C.?

Are you interested in bus or flight arrangements?

Please call our Lifespan Main Office at (313) 533-9090 to help us make travel plans for this event.

### Right to Life - Lifespan of Metro Detroit Membership Form

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 unborn, the aged, the incapacitated. Won't you please help in our struggle to preserve respect for human life? A contribution brings you the monthly newsletter as well as educational materials and special mailings.

_____ Annual Membership	\$ 15.00	_____ Monthly pledge	\$ _____
_____ Student/Senior Member	\$ 7.00	_____ Other	\$ _____

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_  
Address \_\_\_\_\_ City \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Please detach at the dotted line and return to: Right to Life - Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile Rd., #127, Livonia, MI 48152-3736.  
Donations are not tax-deductible.

Right to Life - Lifespan of Metro Detroit  
Wayne West/Downriver Chapter  
27578 Schoolcraft Road  
Livonia, MI 48150-2203



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A PETITION to amend 1978 PA 368, entitled "Public health code," by amending sections 2844, 5658, 5660, 7401, 16221, 16226, 17033, 333.20165), sections 5658 and 5660 as added and sections 16221 and 16226 as amended by 1996 PA 594, section 7401 as amended by 1996 PA 24179, and by adding part 56b entitled "Terminally Ill Patient's Right To End Unbearable Pain or Suffering Act"; to amend 1953 PA 181 (MCL 52.201) entitled "Open meetings act," by amending section 3 (MCL 15.263), as amended by 1988 PA 278, and to repeal acts and parts of acts. The proposal

The Act proposed by this Petition would do all the following: (A) Give a terminally ill adult who is competent, fully informed and a resident of this State the right to hasten death; (B) Assure the patient's right to revoke his or her request for medication at any time and numerous other patient safeguards; (C) Make it a crime for physicians who prescribe medication pursuant to this Act; and (F) Punish a physician or other individual who violates this Act.

The full text of the proposed legislation appears on the reverse side of this petition and its attached pages. Words added are in capital letters.

We, the undersigned qualified and registered electors, residents in the County of \_\_\_\_\_, State of \_\_\_\_\_,

**WARNING -- A person who knowingly signs this petition more than once, signs a name other than his or her own, or sets opposite his or her signature on a petition, a date other than the actual date of signing, is guilty of a misdemeanor.**

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CERTIFICATE OF CIRCULATOR

I, the circulator of this petition, assert that I am qualified to circulate this petition, that each signature on the petition was signed in my presence to my best knowledge and belief, each signature is the genuine signature of the person purporting to sign the petition, the person signing the petition at the time of signing a qualified registered elector of the City or Township indicated preceding the signature, and the elector was qualified to sign the petition.

**WARNING -- A circulator knowingly making a false statement in the above certificate, a person not a circulator who signs as a circulator, or a person who signs a name other than his or her own as circulator is guilty of a misdemeanor.**