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#### Happy Holidays!



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So peaceful this time of wonder So holy His moment of birth So amazing this Gift of Life

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#### **News Notes**

#### Aggressive men

Richard Seron, an abortion clinic security guard who was wounded by John Salvi during a clinic shooting in December, 1994, testified before the Massachusetts state legislature against clinic "buffer zones," saying women face more danger at abortion clinics from their partners than from pro-lifers.

Seron said that he had "stood toe-to-toe with Operation Rescue" during his three months at the clinic and never found their behavior objectionable, adding that "the right to choose includes the right to say 'no' at the last minute." He also said that the men who accompanied their partners to abortion clinics were the aggressive ones.

-Family Resources Center News October/November 1999

#### Forbes, Singer & Princeton

The chairman of Princeton University's Board of Trustees has rebuked fellow trustee and Republican presidential candidate Steve Forbes for his public stance against Peter Singer. Princeton board chairman Robert H. Rawson said the trustees were "extremely disappointed Mr. Forbes has chosen to attack publicly a faculty appointment that the trustees duly approved. "Mr. Singer, an Australian philosopher, has drawn widespread criticism in the United States and abroad for his provocative teachings that suggest euthanasia for terminally ill adults and certain severely disabled infants is often not wrong if it eliminates suffering. Forbes announced that he had not given money to his alma mater since Mr. Singer was hired and pledged to withhold all future financial support until the university rescinds Mr. Singer's appointment.

---Pro-life Infonet, November 1, 1999

#### Morning of Reflection

The fourth annual Morning of Reflection will be held Saturday, March 18 at Sacred Heart Major Seminary.

This event offers a time of reflection and renewal to pro-lifers as we begin a new century and continue our efforts to ensure protection of the most vulnerable lives among us. Call (313) 883-8682.

#### The Prayer

When Minister Joe Wright was asked to open the new session of the Kansas Senate, everyone was expecting the usual politically-correct generalities, but what they heard instead was a stirring prayer, passionately calling our country to repentance and righteousness.

The response was immediate. A number of legislators walked out during the prayer in protest. In six short weeks, the Central Christian Church had logged more than 5,000 phone calls with only 47 of those calls responding negatively. The church is now receiving international requests for copies of the prayer from India, Africa and Korea.

Commentator Paul Harvey aired the prayer on *The Rest of the Story* on the radio and received a larger response to this program than any other he has ever aired! *The Prayer* 

Heavenly Father, we come before you today to ask Your forgiveness and to seek Your direction and guidance.

We know Your Word says, "Woe on those who call evil good," but that's exactly what we have done. We have lost our spiritual equilibrium and reversed our values. We confess that:

We have ridiculed the absolute truth of Your Word and called it pluralism. We have worshipped other gods and called it multi-culturalism.

We have endorsed perversion and called it an alternative lifestyle.

We have exploited the poor and called it the lottery.

We have neglected the needy and called it self-preservation.

We have rewarded laziness and called it welfare.

We have killed our unborn and called it a choice.

We have shot abortionists and called it justifiable.

We have neglected to discipline our children and called it building self-esteem.

We have abused power and called it political savvy.

We have coveted our neighbor's possessions and called it ambition.

We have polluted the air with profanity and pornography and called it freedom of expression.

We have ridiculed the time-honored values of our forefathers and called it enlightenment.

Search us, O God, and know our hearts today; cleanse us from every sin and set us free. Guide and bless these men and women who have been sent to direct us to the center of Your will. I ask it in the name of Your Son, the living Savior, Jesus Christ. Amen.



#### **Baby Showers**

Continuing the tradition of caring for mothers and their babies, born and yet to be born,

Lifespan is planning its eleventh annual Baby Shower for crisis pregnancy centers.

On Sunday, March 12, 2000, Lifespan will host approximately 30 baby showers simultaneously at different locations throughout the metro area. Showers are usually held from 2:00-3:30 p.m., but may also be held after church services or simply as a gift drop-off shower.

If you or your church are interested in co-hosting a baby shower, please call our Main Office at (248) 777-9090.

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#### A Life Saved

The following letter was received by Pastor Henry Hankins, Good Shepherd Assembly of God Church in Clarkston.

To Whom This May Concern:

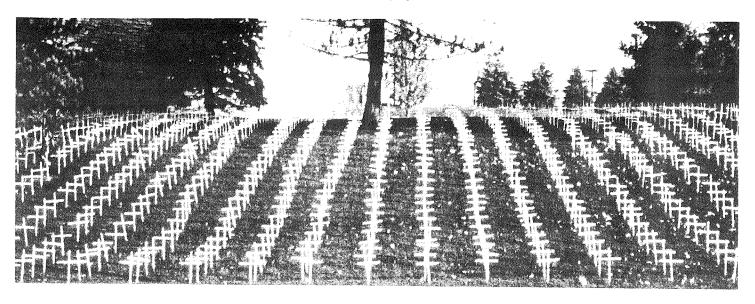
About two years ago, your church had several crosses on the front lawn. I'd like to share a story with you, on how this changed my life.

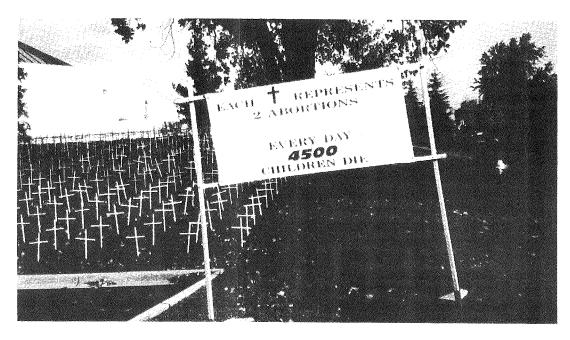
My 17-year-old daughter had informed her father and me that she was pregnant and was going to have an abortion. This was prior to the crosses going up. She came home very upset by them when she saw them. She then told us she could not do the abortion because of those crosses. We were scared for her, but happy about her decision and willing to do anything we could to help her through it.

I now have my first grandchild. He was born June 17th 1998...Yes, I've put this letter off. He's a total joy in all our lives, and I could go on and on about him.

I hope you will share this letter with those that are responsible for those wonderful crosses that saved this baby's life. And, if it were only for this one baby—It was so very worth it!

My most sincere THANK YOU, to those of you who did this. I will never forget what you've done. —Name withheld If you would like to schedule the crosses for your faith community, please call the Oakland/Macomb office, (248) 816-1546.







## Legislative

#### **Addresses**

#### President

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Dear Mr. President:

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

Dear Senator (last name):

#### U.S. Representatives

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

Dear Congressman or Congresswoman (last name):

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Dear Governor Engler:

#### Michigan State Senator

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Dear Senator (last name):

#### Michigan State Representative

The Honorable (full name)
P.O. Box 30014
Lansing, MI 48909
(517) 373-1837

Dear Representative (last name):

#### Partial-Birth Abortion Bans

In a landmark ruling, the Seventh Circuit Court of Appeals, on October 26, upheld the constitutionality of Wisconsin and Illinois laws prohibiting partial-birth abortions.

The full court of appeals sat *en banc* on the case, voting to uphold the Wisconsin and Illinois laws by 5 to 4 votes, with majority opinions written by Judge Frank Easterbrook. On September 24, a three-judge panel of the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Eighth Circuit struck down bans on partial-birth abortion enacted by Nebraska, Arkansas and Iowa. Thus, this decision creates a conflict among the circuit courts of appeal regarding the constitutionality of bans on partial-birth abortion.

"This makes it likely that the Supreme Court will rule, perhaps next year, on whether Roe v. Wade covers pulling most of a living baby feet-first outside of the womb, puncturing her skull and removing her brain," commented Douglas Johnson, legislative director for the National Right to Life Committee.

Abortion proponents asked a federal appeals court on November 11 to stay its order upholding Illinois and Wisconsin partial-birth abortion laws, pending an appeal to the U.S. Supreme Court.

Authorities in Illinois and Wisconsin, where the law calls for life in prison for violators, could begin enforcing the bans within seven days if the appeals judges refused to stay their order in the case.

The New York-based Center for Reproductive Law and Policy, which represents two Wisconsin abortion practitioners filed a joint request for a stay along with Planned Parenthood of Wisconsin. The American Civil Liberties Union of Illinois, which has fought Illinois' ban, planned to follow suit, ACLU spokesman Ed Yohnka said.

Attorneys had been expected to take the appeals court's 5-4 decision to the U.S. Supreme Court, and it would have been surprising had they decided to do anything else.

#### **Pain Relief Vote**

By a bipartisan vote of 271 to 156, the U.S. House of Representatives overwhelmingly passed the Pain Relief Promotion Act, October 27, acting to protect vulnerable Americans. This bill prevents the federal government from becoming complicit in the killing of patients by assisted suicide or euthanasia through the use of federally controlled drugs, while affirming doctors' ability to prescribe these drugs to relieve pain. The bill also creates new programs to increase health personnel training in pain control techniques.

"The Pain Relief Promotion Act will enable doctors to kill the pain, not the patient," said Burke Balch, the National Right to Life Committee's Medical Ethics Director.

The bill now goes to the Senate, where a companion bill sponsored by Senators Don Nickles (R-OK) and Joseph Lieberman (D-CT) currently has a total of 32 sponsors and co-sponsors.

Under federal law and regulations, the use and prescription of certain narcotics and other dangerous drugs is generally prohibited unless a doctor with a special federal "registration" to prescribe them does so for a "legitimate medical purpose." In June 1998, U.S. Attorney General Janet Reno said that such a registration could be revoked if used to prescribe drugs for assisted suicide in any state that has not authorized the practice. However, overturning an earlier ruling by the Drug Enforcement Administration, she authorized their use whenever a state has repealed state law penalties for assisted suicide.

# Update



In a June 1999 Wirthlin Worldwide poll, 64% of Americans said federal law should not allow the use of federally controlled drugs for the purpose of assisted suicide and euthanasia, compared to 31% who disagreed (3.1% margin of error).

#### U.S. Continues Push for Abortion Worldwide

A U.S. delegation to the UN Commission on Population and Development, convened to review developments since the 1994 Cairo Conference, was pushing hard to expand UN policy on abortion, according to Bishop James T. McHugh of Rockville Center Diocese, NY. The Commisson met at the end of March as a committee to prepare a document to present to the UN General Assembly which convened June 30-July 2.

"I was surprised at the determination of the delegation of the United States to try to expand the document beyond Cairo, particularly on matters relating to abortion and family planning...It tried to implement attitudes prevalent in the United States and in the Clinton administration," said Bishop McHugh who was representing the Vatican at the meeting. The Vatican had registered several reservations to the Cairo document. Now the current committee was attempting to produce a document with even more objectionable elements than those approved in Cairo.

Despite reports by social scientists that the population problem of the next century will be underpopulation not overpopulation, the U.S. delegation seemed fixated on reducing population and mostly ignored the development mandate of the commission. U.S. representatives continued to talk about "safe abortions" for countries where there is a lack of basic medical supplies as well as limited access to any medical clinics.

"Although a decrease in maternal mortality in the developing world was

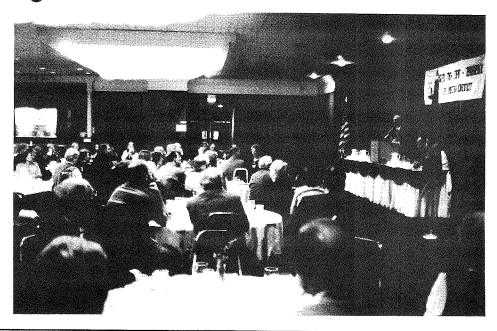
named as a top priority in Cairo, there has been no significant change since Cairo. The reason? The major development resources have been used on population control methods (including promotion of abortion) rather than on improving general and maternal health care which is known to be the key to saving women's lives," commented Jeanne E. Head, R.N., a member of National Right to Life's executive committee who attended the conference as the representative of the International Right to Life Federation.

Fortunately, several Latin American countries and Arab nations allied with the Vatican delegation in blocking consensus on the pro-abortion/population control agenda. The international war on unborn children calls all of us to continued vigilance, prayer and support of those leading the fight for a culture of life worldwide.

#### **Legislative Breakfast**

The Legislative Breakfast is now history, and all of you who attended can attest to its success. Lt. Governor Dick Posthumus, Sen. George Z. Hart and Rep. Nancy Cassis gave credit for the pro-life victories in Lansing and Washington to the grassroots movement. That's US, you and I! Together, we are making progress.

It is imperative that pro-lifers become acquainted with their legislators by visiting them. When phoning or writing, your message is more effective if they can put a face with your name. Elected officials must know that we are a viable organization which will continue to monitor their voting records carefully on the Life issues. Continue to read the *Lifespan News* for updates and the information you need to contact your legislators.



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# Chapter

#### Office hours

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

#### Holiday hours:

The office will be closed December 22 - January 3

#### Perfect gifts

Call the office before the end of December to purchase "The Ultimate" Entertainment 2000 Book. This book is full of 50% off coupons to restaurants, theaters and hundreds of other events in the metro area. The Entertainment Book is still only \$40 and besides saving money, you will be helping support prolife education. Call the office today at (313) 640-8534.

#### Rally for Life

It's hard to believe that we will again be coming together to memorialize the anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*. It has been 27 years since our government turned its back on the most innocent and vulnerable of its citizens by allowing abortion on demand.

Lifespan needs you more than ever. We need YOU, your family, your friends, your church and your organizations to help us send a powerful message to the people of metro Detroit.

No, after 27 years, we are not discouraged. We are not giving up until all our citizens are guaranteed the Right to Life which is stated in our constitution!" See details of the Rally on page 9.

#### **New Year's resolutions**

Be it resolved that I will do my best to

promote the pro-life cause in everything I do this year whether it be:

—treating my family with love and lifeaffirming examples.

—participating in a pro-life rally or event.
—voting for only 100% pro-life candidates.

—praying regularly for pro-life concerns. —writing to editors/legislators on prolife issues.

—becoming a church representative for Lifespan.

—volunteering for a crisis pregnancy center.

-inviting a friend to join Lifespan.

—putting pro-life stickers on my car/mail.

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#### Office hours

M-F 9-2:45 Irene Tharp, Director Diane Trombley, Ofc. Mgr. Mary Small, Adm. Assistant

**M** — music, familiar, soft and gentle.

**E** — excitement, seen in the eyes of the young and felt in the heart of each of us.

**R** — ribbons, bright colors on packages, on the fireplace, on the tree.

**R** — reflections, of Christmases past, shared love, families united.

**y**—young ones' drawings, of yellow stars covered with glitter, lopsided trees, blue Marys, brown Josephs and three-legged cows and lopsided angels, all hung on the refrigerator "with care."

**C**—candles, burning brightly yet softening everything in their glow.

**H**—happiness, bubbling, bursting, giggling, whispered, shared.

**R** — riches, of love, faith, caring, family, sharing an abundance of all that makes us human.

**9**—incense, a priceless gift, given to the new Infant and given back to us as we celebrate His birth.

**S** — snow, new-fallen, white, pure and reflecting the crispness of the eve of His birth.

**T**— tables, filled with goodness, lined by smiling faces, full tummies, followed by grandpas snoozing on the sofa.

**M** — memories, of all the things that form the fabric of our lives and enrich our souls.

A — angels, in church, on the tree, in the faces of our children and grandchildren.

**S** — serenity, found in our hearts and souls when we gaze upon the sleeping Child.

This is such a special season, filled with rushing here and there, planning parties and family get-togethers, selecting that perfect gift for our loved ones. Try to give yourselves the gift of time—time to remember the 'Reason for the Season," time to enjoy your efforts and time to look into the faces of your children and grand-children and discover the real reason why we work so hard in the pro-life movement. These children are our future. They will carry the message of life and hope and love into the next century—how truly blest we are.

Merry Christmas from the Oakland/ Macomb board and staff. May the New Year be filled with peace and happiness.

#### **Holiday hours:**

The office will be closed December 22 - January 3

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# News

#### Office hours

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#### Holiday hours:

The office will be closed December 20 - January 3

#### Christmas message

To Wayne West/Downriver Chapter board members, office staff, to all the volunteers who always make time to accommodate my many requests for help in the office or in your church communities, and to our faithful and loyal members who support Lifespan prayerfully and financially, I thank you. May the peace of Christ be with you and your families this Christmas and always.

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We need a few new church reps and city coordinators. You may be the vital connection between your community and Lifespan. It doesn't take much time and you can receive "on the job training" like most of us have. The rewards will be great. Call now to volunteer and be the "voice for the unborn."

#### Mass for the Unborn

On the first Wednesday of each month, a Mass for the Unborn is celebrated at St. Raphael Catholic Church on the west side of Merriman, just north of Ford Rd., Garden City. The liturgical service begins with confessions at 5:30 p.m., rosary at 6:00 p.m. and Mass at 6:30 p.m.

We encourage churches/organizations to notify Lifespan

when special church services or public meetings are being held on the Life issues.

#### And the winners are...

Our thanks go to all of you who took the time to get pledges and to bowl in Lifespan's 18th Annual Bowling for Life.

Thank you, Marie Gonzales, for chairing this event again—the gift certificates added a special touch! And thanks to Rich Dreslinski who managed to get all the bowlers on lanes quickly while competing himself. Because of both of you, we had another good year of family fun.

Those winning the grand prizes for most pledges collected by November 15, include:

1stEvelyn Phelps\$227.00
2ndDorothy McGrath\$211.00
3rd Charles Kleinbrook\$172.00
4thRichard Dreslinski\$110.00
5th Kathi Carpenti
High games with handicap:
ManGlenn King257
Woman Donna King271
High series with handicap:
Glenn King701
No children qualified for the prizes.

We've had many requests to return to a Sunday in the summer. Let me know how you feel about this—your opinion is important.

#### Greetings to legislators

The holiday season is the perfect time to send a friendly greeting to your legislator, thanking him/her for their pro-life support in the past year, or gently urging them to consider our issues in the coming year. If you are not sure of the name of your legislator(s), see addresses on page 4 or call your local City Hall.

If you would like to send a card with a pro-life sentiment, your local Lifespan office has beautiful cards for purchase.

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### From the **President's Desk**

My dear pro-life friends,

May the blessings of this holiday be upon you and yours.

MERRY CHRISTMAS to all of our Christian supporters. May the message of Christ's peace, be upon you and your families. The celebration of the birth of Christ coming as a small baby to bring hope to the world is so appropriate for those of us who work to save the unwanted babies of the world.

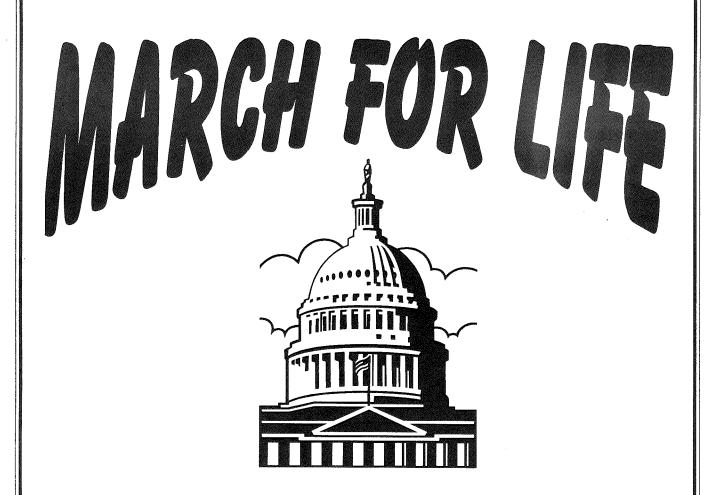
To our Jewish supporters, we wish you a HAPPY HANUKKAH. As the "Feast of Lights" is celebrated, may the candles of Dedication shine brightly in your homes and the blessings of God be upon you and your families. What eight candles will do to light up our homes—many will brighten the world. SHALOM.

HAPPY NEW YEAR TO ALL. These are exciting times to be alive. How many people will be able to say they saw and celebrated the turn of a new millennium. This one is so different from the last in so many ways. The most significant I think is our super information highway and the amount of information and activities of the world thrust upon us everyday. We are a people who are constantly busy doing many things—it is time during this holiday season to sit back and evaluate what is important as we go into the year 2000.

Change is inevitable, but what will always remain constant is the calendar and time. So during this blessed season, take time, time for your God, yourself, your family and your friends.

Our pro-life movement must be lived daily with the goal of changing hearts and minds about Human Life; Respect for Human Life is essential for Peace in the World. It will begin with you and permeate to your family, friends and co-workers. It

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# JOIN THE MARCHERS WHO ARE JUST LIKE YOU—PRO-LIFE!

Join us for the 27th annual March for Life in Washington, D.C. The March will be held on Monday, January 24, beginning at noon, with a Rally in the Ellipse, just south of the White House. The March lasts for approximately 2-1/2 hrs., ending at Capitol Hill. We can then visit Michigan's Representatives and Senators in their offices, imploring them to restore protection for human life from womb to tomb.

A youth bus trip is planned, leaving January 23 from the Lifespan Oakland/Macomb office in Troy and returning January 25. The cost is \$70 per person; there will be one adult chaperone for every six young people.

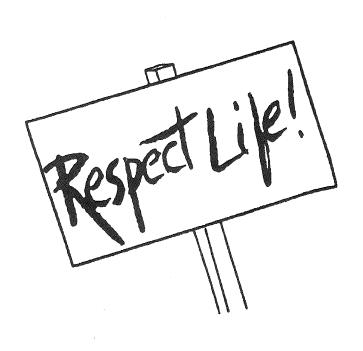
For more information on the March, call (248) 777-9090

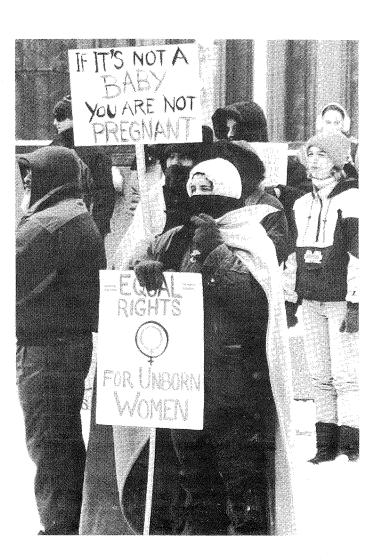
For information on the bus trip, call Kim (248) 879-3846

## Rally for Life

Sunday, January 16, 2000 2:00 - 3:00 p.m.

Downtown Royal Oak Municipal Area (behind Police Station, next to library) at 11 Mile Rd. and Williams St.





This 27th annual pro-life rally is hosted by Right to Life - Lifespan. Mark your calendar—join us to hear inspiring, energizing speakers, heart-warming music and to applaud the student essay award winners. Let us publicly affirm our belief in the value of all human life.

#### The Madness of It All...

In a colloquy on the Senate floor on October 20, Senator Rick Santorum (R-Pa.) challenged Senator Barbara Boxer (D-Calif.) to explain at which physical point in the emergence of a baby during birth would she be willing to grant the baby a right to life.

Santorum: "So you would accept the fact that once the baby is separated from the mother, that baby cannot be killed?..."

Boxer: "Define 'separation.' You answer that question."

Santorum: "...Let's say the baby is completely separated; in other words, no part of the baby is inside the mother."

Boxer: "You mean the baby has been birthed and is now in the mother's arms? It is a human being?..."

Santorum: "Say it is in the obstetrician's hands."

Boxer: "I had two babies...I gave birth. I can tell you, I knew when the baby was born."

Santorum: "Good. All I am asking you is, once the baby leaves the mother's birth canal and...is in the hands of the obstetrician, you would agree you cannot then abort the baby?"

Boxer: "I would say when the baby is born, the baby is born and would then have every right of every other human being living in this country, and I don't know why this would even be a question."

Santorum: "Because we are talking about a situation here where the baby is almost born. So I ask the question of the senator from California, if the baby was born except for the baby's foot, if the baby's foot was inside the mother but the rest of the baby was outside, could that baby be killed?"

Boxer: "The baby is born when the baby is born...That is the answer to the question."

Santorum: "I am asking for you to define for me what this is."

Boxer: "I can't believe the senator from Pennsylvania has a question with it. I have never been troubled by this question. You give birth to a baby. The baby is there, and it is born, and that is my answer to the question."

Santorum: "What we are talking about here with partial birth, as the senator from California knows, is the baby is in the process of being born—"

Boxer: "In the process of being born. This is why this conversation makes no sense, because to me it is obvious when a baby is born; to you it isn't obvious."

Santorum: "Maybe you can make it obvious to me. What you are suggesting is if the baby's foot is still inside of the mother, that baby can then still be killed?" Boxer: "I am not suggesting that."

Santorum: "I am asking."

Boxer: "I am absolutely not suggesting that. You asked me a question, in essence, when the baby is born."

Santorum: "I am asking you again. Can you answer that?"

Boxer: "I will answer the question when the baby is born. The baby is born when the baby is outside the mother's body. The baby is born."

Santorum: "I am not going to put words in your mouth—"

Boxer: "I hope not."

Santorum: "But, again, what you are suggesting is if the baby's toe is inside the mother, you can, in fact, kill that baby."

Boxer: "Absolutely not."

Santorum: "OK. So if the baby's toe is in, you can't kill the baby. How about if the baby's foot is in?"

Boxer: "You are the one who is making these statements."

Santorum: "We are trying to draw a line here."

Boxer: "I am not answering these questions."

Santorum: "If the head is inside the mother, you can kill the baby..."

Boxer: "I say to my friend, I know what I said. I am saying your characterization of what I said is incorrect. I didn't talk about the head or the foot..."

#### President's Desk

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will take time, but we will change hearts and minds—the work has already begun.

This coming year will be an exciting one. We will continue with our yearly activities and work toward some new goals in Lifespan. Remember to give the gift of a Lifespan membership to someone you love, it will carry the message of Life into a new home. Don't forget—take time, sit back and relax and think of all the wonderful gifts we have—especially the first and most important—LIFE. WITHOUT IT, NOTHING ELSE MATTERS.

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#### **Calendar of Events**

Dec. 22-Jan. 3 Closed for holidays
Jan. Deadline for Entertainment Book sale
Jan. 16Rally for Life, p. 9
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Mar. 21Nurses for Life Mtg.
April 8"Ethical Directions for Third
Millennium" Nurses for Life Seminar

#### **Educational Center for Life**

Molly Kelly's presentation at Holy Name Parish was a huge success! Molly's message was about Parent Power and that it is time for parents to take back control of their children's upbringing with love and example. Raising children to be abstinent requires a deep faith in God and courage to educate our children on the values of chastity.

Parents are the primary educators of their children. To help you, the Educational Center for Life is a pro-life resource center with many educational materials available for your use, such as curriculum, brochures and Molly's videos; an audiotape of the session at Holy Name is also available.

All of this was made possible because of the donations made to the Center for such programs. We will be repeating this program next fall and would welcome any input from interested parents.

The mission is possible, and as Molly said, we have the power to give our children the best education on moral issues with our knowledge and example. For information, call ECL (248) 816-8489.

#### Lifespan Gift Membership Only \$5

Give holiday gift memberships to people you feel would benefit from reading Lifespan News. We'll send the recipient an attractive gift card.



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Right to Life - Lifespan, 28200 Seven				
Mile Rd., #127; Livonia, MI 48152.				

#### Crisis hotline numbers

If you or someone you know is experiencing a crisis pregnancy, help is available. Call your Lifespan office listed on pages 6 or 7. Bethany Christian Services also has a 24-hour hot line number **1-800-BETHANY**.

Sheltering homes are available to women in crisis pregnancies, call Casa Vitae at (248) 559-5407 or Abigayle Ministries at (810) 326-0459.

For post-abortion counseling, call P.A.C.E. at (734) 722-2839 or Project Rachel at (888) 722-4355.

For people with life-limiting illnesses, call Angela Hospice (734) 464-7810 or Cranbrook Hospice (248) 334-6700.

Project Life, Archdiocese of Detroit, also offers pastoral guidance to persons considering abortion or assisted suicide. If a relative, friend or even yourself are in need of this counseling assistance, do not hesitate to call **1-800-281-2102**.

#### Donations have been made In loving memory of:

#### Nancy Rucinski

Given by: Wayne West/Downriver Brd.
Pat and Bob Holscher
Linda and Art Kournoian

#### In celebration of:

The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Nester and Virginia Shimshock

#### The 50th Wedding Anniversary of Al and Dorothy VanHoutte

Given by: Their Children

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.

Please send donations to your local Lifespan office.

#### Entertainment Books

Entertainment 2000 Books are available for \$40.

Call your local Lifespan office to

order your book—Detroit (313) 640-8534; Oakland/Macomb (248) 816-1546 or Wayne West/Downriver (734) 422-6230.

The books make excellent Christmas gifts for family and friends.





Dear Friends,
The young couple
was tired; she was

about to give birth, and they were wandering from place to place trying to find somewhere to rest and spend the night.

You've heard the story year after year and probably thought, "if I had been there, I would have helped."

I know you would have helped because you have helped so many of our poor, destitute, frightened moms when they have come to Wee Care. Many of them have gone from place to place, from family members to friends, from agency to agency—only to be turned away.

We don't provide housing (although we do give referrals), but we certainly do provide warm clothing, soft blankets, snowsuits, diapers, formula and everything they need for their precious infant who is about to be born.

So, this year, as you gather with your loved ones at Christmas services or at midnight Mass and they begin to tell the story once again of the tired, poor, young girl about to give birth—know in your heart that, yes, you would have helped her, just as you have helped so many moms and their precious babies at Wee Care.

And so dear friends, may your Christmas be filled with cherished moments. May your heart be touched by your family's love and by God's love, and may you realize how special you are to us at Wee Care.

Merry Christmas, everyone!

—Karen Patrosso, Director Wee Care (248) 777-2727 A Program of Right to Life - Lifespan

hesitate to call <b>1-800-281-2102</b> .	gitts for family and friends.		A Program of Right to Life - Lifespan	
Right to Life - Lifespan believes that human I speaking on behalf of those who cannot speak to preserve respect for human life? A contri	ife has value in all sta k for themselves — th	e unborn, the aged, the incapacit	tion until natural death, and is committed to attack. Won't you please help in our struggle	
Annual Membership Student/Senior Member	\$ 20.00 \$ 7.00	Monthly pledge Other	\$ \$	
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Please detach at the dotted line and return		Lifespan, 28200 Seven Mile e not tax-deductible.	Rd., #127, Livonia, MI 48152-3736.	

#### Shoppers, beware!

In doing your holiday shopping, please keep in mind that many corporations are ardent financial supporters of Planned Parenthood, the world's largest promoter and provider of abortion. Among these corporations are:

Cargill—Operations include Honeysuckle White turkey, etc.

**Dayton-Hudson**—Operations include department and discount stores (Dayton's, Hudson's, Target, Mervyn's and Marshall Field's).

**Esprit**—Operations include apparel and apparel outlets, Dr. Seuss apparel, etc.

**Harley-Davidson**—Operations include motorcycles, motorcycle parts and accessories, apparel and collectibles.

Hewlett-Packard—Operations include computer-related equipment and service. LeviStrauss—Operations include apparel (primarily jeans, Brittania, Slates and Dockers).

May Department Stores—Operations include Lord & Taylor, etc.

**Sony**—Operations include electronics (video equipment, cameras, televisions, VCRs, CD players, etc.).

**Tandy/Radio Shack**—Operations include electronics and appliances retailer and manufacturer.

Walt Disney—Operations include motion pictures, theme parks and resorts, records, retail stores and products, etc.

Whole Foods Market—Operations include Whole Foods Market, Merchant of Vino, etc.

To obtain a complete boycott list of Planned Parenthood corporate supporters, send a \$10 check to: Life Decisions International, P. O. Box 907, Washington, DC 20044.

#### 1999 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 your local Lifespan office: Detroit (313) 640-8534, Oakland/Macomb (248) 816-1546 or Wayne West/Downriver (734) 422-6230.

#### Madonna and Child

Ivory and dusty rose card with embossed figures, accented in gold foil with gold-lined envelopes.

Actual size 6" x 8" \$14.00 per box of 20

#### Adoration

Three-dimensional look in earthtone colors with gold-foil highlights.

Actual size 7" x 5-1/4" \$5.00 per pkg. of 10



#### **Baby Jesus**

Full-color, radiant illustration of the Baby Jesus, lying in the manger and gazing at the night sky. A simple, but compelling card.

Actual size 4-7/8" x 6-3/4" \$5.00 per pkg. of 10

#### Verse

May the love of the Infant Jesus surround you and fill your heart with the Spirit of Christmas the comfort of hope the warmth of peace and a reverence for Life

#### Verse:

So peaceful this time of wonder So holy His moment of birth So amazing this Gift of Life When Love was born on earth

May the Lord of Life bless you this Christmas and always

#### Verse:

We celebrate the miracle
of one small Baby's birth
and how He brought
the Gift of Life
to all on earth

May the love that came that Christmas night light all your days with hope and joy

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