NEWSLETTER

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LorainCountyRightToLife.org

2020 SIGNATURE AD/BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN
TIME OF TRANSITION

Lorain County Right to Life will once again have our Annual Signature Ad and Billboard Campaign during the month of January, 2020. January 22, 2020 will mark the 47th year of legalized abortion on demand in the United States. The United States Supreme Court handed down two landmark decisions, *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton*, on January 22, 1973. These decisions legalized abortion on demand throughout all nine months of pregnancy and for any physical or psychological reason. During January we will have Pro-Life Billboards on display throughout Lorain County and on or around January 22, 2020, our Signature Ad will appear in local newspapers in the print and on-line editions, and also on our website. Please join us in this year's campaign by completing and sending in the Newspaper Ad Release Form inside this newsletter by January 7, 2020. If you would like a full-page sheet to collect other signatures, please call us at 440-322-0076 or email us at info@loraincountyrighttolife.org and we will get a sign-up sheet to you as soon as possible. The sign-up sheet, sample bulletin inserts, and other useful materials are also available on our Web-Site: loraincountyrighttolife.org. If anyone is interested in being a point of contact for their church, please call us or email us and we will send you everything you need to spread the word and collect signatures at your church.

January 2020 will begin a time of transition for our Signature Ad. 2020 will be the last year that the signatures of all who sign up will be in the print edition of the local newspapers. Starting in 2021, we will transition to only have the signature ad names in the online version of the Ad on our LorainCountyRightToLife.org Web-site. All print and online ads will continue to have a link to our Web-Site, where all the names can be viewed. This change will save on the increasing costs of the print ads. The cost savings will allow for a greater flexibility and greater reach with the online ads and may also allow for a greater number of billboards to be purchased.

NEWS AND NOTES:

HUMANITY OF PREBORN CHILDREN IN PUBLIC SCHOOLS TO BE TAUGHT: Pro-life lawmakers in Ohio have introduced legislation requiring that fetal development information be taught in public schools, with the expectation that more scientific information about prenatal humanity will increase understanding and respect for human life. House Bill 90, the Humanity of the Unborn Child bill, declares that the "state board of education, in collaboration with the department of health, shall develop an instructional program regarding the humanity of the unborn child," for the purpose of "achieving an abortion-free society." The program must contain "accurate, scientifically verifiable information concerning the probable anatomical and physiological characteristics of the unborn child" at numerous gestational intervals, though local school boards will have the final say on whether to use it. The bill forbids officials from "consulting any organization that provides abortions" in developing the program. HB 90 also requires the state health department to release to the public fetal development materials that "clearly and consistently state that abortion kills a living human being," maintain a list of pregnancy, childbirth, parenting and adoption resources, and forbids educators from "referring a student to a medical facility or any provider for the performance of an abortion." (From LifeSiteNews – July 8, 2019)

OHIO'S HEARTBEAT BILL: The Ohio Heartbeat Bill that passed and was signed into law by Governor Mike DeWine has been challenged in Court and blocked from being enforced. It was to go into effect in July, 2019. The ACLU of Ohio and Planned Parenthood brought the lawsuit on behalf of Pre-Term Cleveland and other Ohio abortion providers.

COME PRAY: Please join us on the first Thursday of each month, at the Prayer Vigil at the Planned Parenthood in Lorain from 3-4 p.m. This facility is located in the YWCA Women's Center building at 200 W. 9th St. While this facility does not perform surgical abortions, they (like all Planned Parenthood facilities) encourage sexual promiscuity, and provide abortifacients, such as the birth control pill, even to minor children. Please join the Prayer Vigil each first Thursday afternoon. Prayer is the most potent weapon we have in the battle for life! Please call 440-322-0076 if you have any questions or would like additional information.

BOARD/VOLUNTEER MEETING: The Board Members and Volunteers of Lorain County Right to Life meet on the first Monday of each month at Harvest Christian Church, 907 Eastern Heights Blvd., Elyria, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. To join us for a meeting and find out more about Lorain County Right to Life, please call (440) 322-0076.

UNBORN CHILD DIGNITY ACT: Senate Bill 27 (SB 27), the Unborn Child Dignity Act, was introduced in the Ohio Senate on February 12, 2019 and passed the Ohio Senate on March 27, 2019. This bill seeks to promote the dignity of the unborn through proper burial while strengthening Ohio's laws on informed consent. Deceased unborn infants deserve the same respect as other human beings. Currently, the Ohio Revised Code prohibits the trafficking of the products of conception (2919.14) yet fails to establish protocols regarding the humane disposal of aborted infants. Several states, including Indiana, have enacted legislation to ensure that miscarried, stillborn, or aborted infants are treated with dignity. If enacted, this legislation would require the Ohio Department of Health to establish rules for the proper disposal of products of conception and define "humane disposal" as earthly burial or cremation. This legislation was originally introduced in 2015 following then Attorney General Mike DeWine's announcement that Planned Parenthood locations in Ohio are depositing fetal remains in landfills. In 2017, there were 20,893 abortions in Ohio. Sending thousands of aborted babies' remains to landfills is neither dignified nor humane. (From Ohio Right to Life.)

DEATH WITH DIGNITY OR MURDER?

In 1990 in Florida, 26 year old Terri Schiavo suffered a traumatic brain injury which left her incapacitated. While her cognitive abilities were extremely limited, her overall health stabilized. Because of her inability to swallow, she became dependent on a feeding tube for nutrition and hydration. She was incapacitated, but not terminally ill. Terri's husband initially fought hard for her to survive, however, over time, he changed his mind and fought Terri's parents and siblings (who were more than willing to assume her care) in court claiming that the tube was an extraordinary medical procedure and should be removed. He eventually prevailed, and Terri died a gruesome death from starvation, even though euthanasia is illegal in the United States.

Euthanasia is defined as the act or practice of killing or permitting the death of hopelessly sick or injured individuals in a relatively painless way for reasons of mercy. The practice is legal in Belgium, Canada, Colombia, Luxembourg, The Netherlands and Switzerland and groups are ramping up to try and make it legal in more countries, including the United States, where physician assisted suicide has already become legal in Maine, Vermont, New Jersey, Colorado, Montana, Washington, Oregon, California, Hawaii and the District of Columbia.

In Ohio, assisted suicide is a third degree felony, punishable by up to five years in prison. Regardless of this fact, the push to make it legal is rearing its ugly head once again. Groups like "Death with Dignity", and Compassion and Choices" are raising funds and making public appearances to present assisted suicide as a compassionate choice. (From *Lifelines – Summer 2019, by Denise Leipold, Right to Life of Northeast Ohio. Read the entire article at rtlofneo.com/news*).

Several excellent resources on Euthanasia, Physician-assisted Suicide, Living Wills and Mercy Killing, can be found at Euthanasia.com, epcc.ca/, and patientsrightscouncil.org.

NEWSPAPER AD RELEASE FORM

I, the undersigned, do agree that my name is to be included in the Right to Life Ads in the local Lorain County Newspapers and on the Lorain County Right to Life website on or about January 22, 2020, which indicates my support of the Pro-life cause. My donation ($5.00 per name) will help defray the cost of these ads and will help in providing funds for the rental of billboards in the Lorain County area to have the Pro-Life message on display during the month of January. Please make checks payable to LORAIN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE. Return this form and all contributions by January 7, 2020 to Lorain County Right to Life, P. O. Box 207, Elyria, OH 44036.

Name_____

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(Please include your name & address; only your name will appear in the ad.)

ATTENTION STUDENTS AND TEACHERS: Our website (www.loraincountyrighttolife.org) is regularly updated with extensive information on Pro-Life issues. Perfect for papers and assignments. Check out the Resources and Issues tab on our website. We also welcome suggestions for additions.

THANK YOU! We would like to thank all the volunteers for Lorain County Right to Life who worked at our Information Booth at this year's North Ridgeville Corn Festival, Lorain County Fair and the Elyria Apple Festival. We greatly appreciate you and hope to see you next year.

Community Corner

A THANK YOU TO OUR SPONSORS: We would like to thank the following sponsors who have recently provided business cards for our newsletter. We encourage recipients of the newsletter to patronize these businesses when you have the opportunity. Again, thank you for your support of Lorain County Right to Life.

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To appear in The Community Corner, send your business card and the amount of $50 to Lorain County Right to Life, P. O. Box 207, Elyria, OH 44036-0207. Donations received will help defray the cost of our newsletter. For any further questions, please contact Lorain County Right to Life at 440-322-0076.

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SPEAKER'S BUREAU: Our Speaker's Bureau can give a Pro-life presentation at a meeting of your church, school or organization. LCRTL has recently added a program for the High School age group. If you would like to arrange to have a speaker, please call 440-322-0076.

PRO-LIFE DOCTOR'S LIST: A list of local Pro-life doctors, who do not practice abortion nor support its use, is available on our Website, (www.loraincountyrighttolife.org) under the Resources and Issues tab.

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