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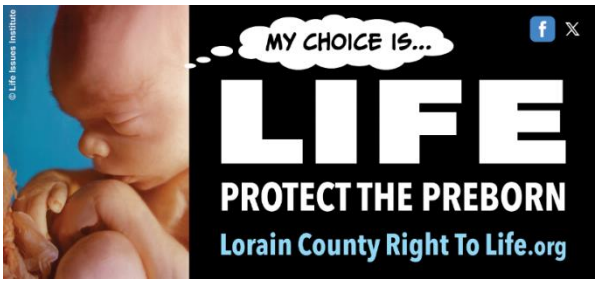

2026 AD AND BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN: Lorain County Right to Life will hold our Annual Bring America Back to Life Ad and Billboard Campaign in September 2026. The ads for the Campaign will be in local newspapers and on their websites, on social media, etc. Billboards will be displayed throughout Lorain County. The challenge we continue to face is to redirect Ohio in a Pro-life direction by convincing people of the humanity of preborn children and the inhumanity of abortion. This Campaign will be a reminder that we must re-humanize the de-humanized. Financial support remains critical to the success of the Campaign. We encourage a "free-will" donation to be considered based on what is judged to be appropriate for this all-important mission to bring Lorain County, the State of Ohio, and yes, America back to life. Sponsors who provide their names will be acknowledged prominently on our website. Campaign materials, including sign-up sheets, sample bulletin inserts, and other useful materials will be mailed out in the near future and will also be available on our website loraincountyrighttolife.org. If you would like to participate in this year's campaign, please use the coupon in this Newsletter or visit LorainCountyRightToLife.org/ AdCampaign. If interested in being a point of contact for your church or other organization, please call us (440-322-0076) or email us (info@loraincountyrighttolife.org) and we will send you everything you need to spread the word and collect names and donations.

NEWS AND NOTES:

FAIR & FESTIVAL TIME: We are looking forward to this year's Fair and Festival time in Lorain County. As in past years, we will have our Information Booth at the North Ridgeville Corn Festival – August 7th through August 9th, 2026, Lorain County Fair in Wellington, Ohio – August 23 through August 30, 2026, and the Elyria Apple Festival – September 18th through September 20th, 2026. In the near future we will be contacting our volunteers to sign up for one or more of these events.

THANK YOU! Before the close of last year, LCRTL learned the owner of our long-time print shop, Elyria Print would be retiring. We thank Sonny and Rita and all those at Elyria Print for their excellent service in printing, folding and mailing the newsletter. The many years of quality service have been a blessing!

UPDATE - PLANNED PARENTHOOD (PP) ATTEMPT TO EXPAND INTO LORAIN PUBLIC LIBRARY: In a disturbing new move, PP for a time was advertising that they were providing services out of the Lorain Public Library. PP was advertising, on their website, the Library as a "Health Center" location with walk-in and telehealth services. On receiving this news, our membership was notified by email to contact the Library Director/CEO. Several of our Board Members attended a Library Board Meeting to voice concerns that America's #1 purveyor of abortion was using the Library as an extension of their abortion clinic chain. As of this writing, thanks to the outcry from our members and lots of prayer, PP no longer has personnel in the Library and is no longer advertising the Library as one of their locations!

Help for Crisis Pregnancies is Available – *(loraincountyrighttolife.org/crisis-pregnancies-help-*available*-2/)*

BOARD/VOLUNTEER MEETING: The Board Members and Volunteers of Lorain County Right to Life meet on the fourth Monday of each month at Harvest Christian Church, 626 Lorain Blvd., Elyria, from 7:00 to 9:00 p.m. We normally meet in person and also have a teleconference option available for those unable to join us in person. Check our website for the upcoming meeting details. To join us for a meeting or to find out more about Lorain County Right to Life, please call (440) 322-0076.

NEWSLETTER REQUEST: As good stewards, we want to run this organization as lean as possible. We are unpaid volunteers and much of what we do is at little or no cost. We want to purposely spend as much of our budget as possible saving lives. However, we feel that our newsletter mailings are still necessary. Many organizations and businesses have gone paperless, which saves a lot of money. Nevertheless, we would like to hear from you. Let us know if you want paper or paperless. Please reply to: info@loraincountyrighttolife.org. or call 440-322-0076 (leave message) or P.O. Box 207, Elyria, Ohio 44036-0207.

While we gather your responses, we invite you to sign up, if you haven't already, for electronic email and our "Life Letter",

by emailing info@loraincountyrighttolife.org. Give it a try. The Life Letter is weekly, and we simply aren't budgeted to provide it in hard copy. It's very well done and keeps you up to date with what's going on. We value you and want to provide you with as much as possible. The fight for the unborn and the Right to Life (which is the bigger picture) is ongoing and requires an informed public to be successful.

ATTENTION CHURCHES IN LORAIN COUNTY: Lorain County Right to Life seeks your help in the fight for the rights of the preborn. This is a Biblical matter even more than political. Jesus died for the born and the preborn. There are some new things going on and new resources for churches. We would love to tell you about them. As announced in our last newsletter, we continue to contact area churches and would like to be in touch with every church. This is an ambitious goal, and it would be helpful if you would contact us. If you are a pastor, please contact us. If you are a church member, please ask your pastor to contact us, or ask your pastor if you can help out by contacting us! Email info@loraincountyrighttolife.org Phone: 440-322-0076, Thank you for partnering with us to save lives!

OHIO "MEDICAL AID IN DYING ACT (MAID) – Four Democratic state lawmakers are fronting an effort to legalize assisted suicide for Ohioans with terminal diagnoses, following an effort that in 2018 that did not go anywhere. The so called "Ohio Medical Aid in Dying" (MAID) Act which does not yet have its bill number or committee assignment, would allow terminally ill residents with less than six months to live to request a prescription for lethal, aid-in-dying medication. Two doctors would have to okay the oral and written requests for the prescription to be filled, according to Ohio End of Life Options. Rep. Eric Synenberg (D-Beachwood) is leading the legislative effort. A News Release from Ohio Right to Life stated, "This radical legislation opens a Pandora's box for health care industries to profit off suicidal deaths in Ohio. "It can be difficult to sort out truth from fiction with legislation such as this. Ohioans know that in truth, countless patients who think they want to die by suicide actually fear loss of autonomy and being a burden to their family," said Carrie Snyder, Executive Director of Ohio Right to Life. "Further, only 3% of Oregon patients were referred for psychiatric evaluation to screen for depression, and in Colorado, two women in their 30s were given suicide poison for anorexia, which is a treatable mental health condition and not a terminal illness," said Snyder. The suicide rate of the entire population increases when suicide is validated and legalized. People with disabilities fear coercion to head down this pathway, and insurance companies have denied lifesaving treatment while offering to provide cheap lethal drugs instead."

SUPREME COURT ALLOWS ABORTION DRUG STATUS 'STATUS QUO" TO STAND: The U.S. Supreme Court has punted a critical decision, at least temporarily allowing the abortion drug mifepristone to continue being prescribed remotely and shipped over state lines, undermining pro-life state laws and endangering both unborn children and their mothers.

In an unsigned order on May 14th, the high court stayed an order from the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Fifth Circuit in Louisiana's challenge against the Food and Drug Administration's (FDA's) diluted regulation of the abortion drug. The appellate court's order had agreed with Louisiana that the abortion drug must be prescribed and dispensed in-person, rather than remotely, and was immediately appealed to the Supreme Court by the abortion drug's manufacturers, Danco and GenBioPro, which are both parties to the case. Justices Clarence Thomas and Samuel Alito both dissented, arguing that the Supreme Court should have denied the stays and blocked the remote prescribing and dispensing of mifepristone while litigation continues in the Fifth Circuit. "I write separately to note that, as Louisiana argued below, it is a criminal offense to ship mifepristone for use in abortions," Thomas observed in his dissent. (*From Washington Stand, 5-15-26 by S. A. McCarthy)*

ATTENTION PARENTS: We would like to offer our Speaking Engagements to include area middle and high school classrooms. Parents can request a speaker at their child's school to present Pro-life educational material. Please call 440-322-0076 for additional information.

AD AND BILLBOARD SPONSOR FORM

I, the undersigned, do agree that my name is to be included in the Lorain County Right to Life Website Ad in the month of September, 2026. My donation which indicates my support of the Pro-life cause, will help defray the cost of the print and online ads and will help in providing funds for the rental of billboards in the Lorain County area. These will have the Pro-Life message on display during the month of September. Please make checks payable to LORAIN COUNTY RIGHT TO LIFE. Return this form and all contributions by September 4th, to Lorain County Right to Life, P. O. Box 207, Elyria, OH 44036.

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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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ATTENTION STUDENTS AND TEACHERS: Our website (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.

SPEAKER'S BUREAU: Our Speaker's Bureau can give an in-person or online Pro-life presentation for a meeting of your church, school or organization. LCRTL also has 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 doctors, who do not practice abortion nor support its use, is on our Website (loraincountyrighttolife.org) under the Resources and Issues tab. Know a doctor who belongs on our Pro-Life list? Ask them to fill out the form on our website.

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