

RIGHT TO LIFE OF SANILAC COUNTY

NEWSLETTER

January 1, 2019



Winter Edition

HAPPY NEW YEAR

With the end of 2018 we are thankful for the many blessings we have received. With 2019 upon us let us resolve to make this a better year, and do better with all of the resources that we have. I found this quote to be quite fitting as we end our year and begin a new one:

"When you start to feel like things should have been better this year, remember the mountains and valleys that got you here. They are not accidents, and those moments weren't in vain. You are not the same. You have grown and you are growing. You are breathing, you are living, you are wrapped in endless, boundless grace. And things will get better. There is more to you than yesterday."

— Morgan Harper Nichols

I would also like to thank all of the volunteers that helped our organization in any way over the course of the past year. YOU are truly a blessing to our organization. THANK YOU!

POLAR RUN/WALK FOR LIFE - January 12, 2019

Mark Heberling has once again agreed to run for LIFE! This is a 1 mile fun run/walk. See all of the details on the blue piece of paper inside the newsletter. Please donate or participate if you can. All proceeds will go to the Blue Water Pregnancy Care Center in Port Huron.

MINI MARCH FOR LIFE & MEMORIAL SERVICE

On January 20, 2019, we will celebrate Sanctity of Human Life Sunday.

This is a day for Americans to focus on the value of each and every human life.

It is celebrated every year on the Sunday closest to the anniversary of the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decisions Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton, which legalized abortion in every state for any reason through all nine months of pregnancy. You are all invited to join us on Sunday, January 20, 2019 for our Annual Mini March for Life and our Memorial Service. Both events will take place in Sandusky at the St. Joseph Catholic Church Hall of Holy Family Parish, located at 59 N. Moore Street.

2:00 PM begins the Mini March for Life, the OUTDOOR EVENT for the day. Come inside the church hall and pick up a sign and march with us to the Courthouse steps and back.

2:30 PM begins the Memorial Service, the INDOOR EVENT for the day. Our guest speaker will be Jennifer MacDonald the Executive Director from the Blue Water Pregnancy Care Center in Port Huron.

Join us for ONE or BOTH of these non-denominational events!

Fellowship with refreshments and treats will follow the indoor service. For more information about this event please contact Amy Roggenbuck at 810-404-0860.

VISIT WWW.RTLSC.COM FOR UP TO DATE DETAILS

ORATORY CONTEST FOR HIGH SCHOOL STUDENTS - March 9, 2019

We are happy to announce that our 10th Annual High School Oratory Contest will be held on Saturday, March 9th 2019 at 10:00 a.m. at the Knights of Columbus Hall located at 145 W. Wedge Road in Sandusky. This contest is open to all high school students who are in 9th through 12th grade. It is open to public and home schooled teens. You must register for this contest by 2-28-19. Registration Forms and Contest Rules can also be found on our website at www.RTLSC.com. Go to the Events tab and then to the far right.

Students need to research, write and give a 5-7 minute pro-life speech in front of a panel of judges, on one of these topics: Abortion, Infanticide, Euthanasia or Human Cloning/Embryonic Stem Cell Research. We will award cash prizes to the top 3 winners. First place wins \$300, second place wins \$200 and third place receives \$100. Our first place winner will be invited to give his/her speech at our annual benefit dinner on March 21st (see info below). They will also receive 2 free tickets to the dinner. The winner will also advance to the Right to Life of Michigan State Oratory Contest held in May.

Please encourage any and all students to compete in this contest. They have a good chance of winning some cash to help out for college. All participants must complete a registration form to enter the contest. Registration forms are due by February 28th, 2019. It is free to register for the contest. To get more information and a Registration Form please call Amy Roggenbuck at 810-404-0860 or send an email to RTLSanilac@gmail.com or print one off from our website.

All are welcome to attend. Come listen to the teens give their speeches and show your support for the youth in our county. Look for more information about this event on our Facebook page. Search for us on Facebook: Right to Life of Sanilac County. Like our page, if you haven't already.

SYMPATHY TO THE FAMILY OF GEORGIA WILLIAMS

It is with great sadness that we inform you of the passing of Georgia Williams. Georgia passed away in early December. She had been a judge for the first 9 Oratory Contests that we held as an affiliate. She was a dedicated member of the 3 person judging team. It will be tough to find a replacement for her. She will be greatly missed at this year's contest. Please keep Georgia's husband Bob and their children and grand children in your thoughts and prayers as they go through this difficult time.

ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER - March 21, 2019

Our Annual "Focus on Life" Benefit Dinner will be held on, Thursday, March 21, 2019. It will be held at Countryside Free Methodist Church inside the Family Center located at 912 W. Sanilac Road in Sandusky, MI. Doors will open at 6:00 p.m., with the Dinner and Program beginning at 7:00 p.m. Please mark this date on your calendar now!

Our special guest speaker for the evening will be Mr. Roger Stanwick. Roger is a post-abortive man who deeply regrets his involvement nearly 40 years ago. He believes abortion is also a man's issue because they too suffer the loss, guilt, regret and sorrow that follows. After 25 years of denial, Roger now speaks at churches and prolife events. Join us for his testimony and personal reflection.

Tickets are \$20 per person, with a student rate of \$10, or you can reserve a table for eight at \$160.00. We also accept credit cards. Please call Amy at 810-404-0860 to make your reservations today. Reservation forms can be printed from our website at www.RTLSC.com. Go to the Events tab and look for the teal green button.

Membership Form

Name: _____
Address: _____
City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____
Home Phone: _____ Cell: _____
Email: _____

- _____ Family Membership: \$20.00/year
_____ Individual Membership: \$15.00/year
_____ Student Membership: \$10.00/year
_____ Please contact me about volunteer opportunities

Please make checks payable to: Right to Life of Sanilac County

Mail this form and your payment to:

Patty Haupt

100 W. Wedge Rd., PO Box 169

Sandusky, MI 48471

Due to our legislative activities, memberships and donations are not tax-deductible.



MEMBERSHIPS

It's that time of year when your annual membership renewals are due. Please take a moment to renew or to join our group for the first time! Members will receive the RLM News on a quarterly basis and are welcome to attend all of our monthly meetings. Simply fill out the form above and return it to Patty Haupt, our NEW Treasurer at her address listed on the form. If you have any questions about your membership, please contact Patty directly at 989-280-6148. Thank you.

CHANGING OF THE GUARD

We have some changes with our officers for 2019. Our faithful Treasurer, Rose Banker, who served us for well over 10 years, has decided to retire! Best wishes to Rose and Doug Banker as they both can now enjoy their retirement!

Patty Haupt was nominated and was elected at the meeting held back in December. Patty will be serving two roles, as both Vice President and Treasurer. Please welcome Patty to her new role!

2019 OFFICERS:

PRESIDENT: Amy Roggenbuck

VICE PRESIDENT: Patty Haupt

SECRETARY: Febe Garcia

TREASURER: Patty Haupt

*"Before I formed you in the womb I knew you;
and before you were born I sanctified you,
and I ordained you a prophet to the nations."
Jeremiah 1:5*

PREGNANCY HELP & OTHER OPTIONS:

Are you experiencing an unplanned or crisis pregnancy? Seeking confidential help, information about adoption or post-abortion assistance? Help is available.

ONLINE HELP:

teenbreaks.com

optionline.org

impregnant.bethany.org

HOTLINES:

800-57WOMAN (800-579-6626)

Para español 866-767-2466

For men 877-LIFE OPTIONS (877-543-3678)

TEXT FOR HELP:

"HELPLINE" to 313131

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Right to Life of Sanilac County is a nonpartisan, nonsectarian, nonprofit organization of diverse and caring people united to protect the precious gift of human life from fertilization to natural death.

We work on the behalf of defenseless or vulnerable human beings, born and unborn, within our identified life issues of abortion, infanticide, euthanasia and assisted suicide.



MONTHLY MEETING SCHEDULE

We meet every month on the 2nd Thursday of the month. All meetings are held at the H.E.L.P. Thrift Store located at 95 W. Speaker St., in Sandusky (except for the annual picnic in September). We MAY change our meeting location, if we do, it will be posted on Facebook and on our website at www.RTLSC.com. The * highlighted dates have been changed to reflect conflicts. Please make a note of this. All members are welcome to attend. Please listen to 660 AM and 97.7 FM for any weather related cancellations.

January 10, 2019

February 7, 2019

March 7, 2019

April 11, 2019

May 9, 2019

June 13, 2019

July 11, 2019

August 1, 2019 (Fair week is August 4-10)

September 12, 2019 (Annual Picnic)

October 10, 2019

November 14, 2019

December 12, 2019

*Scheduled change - due to conflicts

"The care of human life and happiness, and not their destruction, is the first and only object of good government." - Thomas Jefferson