# Geline Veursletter

Ready? Get Set! Race! Saturday, May 17th at Hines Drive



Join us for our third annual chip-timed race along with our Walk for Life on Saturday, May 17th at the Nankin Mills Recreation Area in Westland. Each year the numbers of race participants grow and this year we are more excited than ever! Please help us reach our goal of 300 runners/walkers.

# Pregnancy Resource Center

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www.aaaprc.org

### MISSION STATEMENT

The AAA Pregnancy
Resource Center is a
Christ-centered ministry
dedicated to the sanctity
of human life. We provide
resources to promote life,
teach God's design for
sexuality, and provide
counseling for postabortion healing.



AAAPRC is committed to integrity and accountability. For more info visit ECFA.org .

#### **RACE SCHEDULE**

Packet pickup: 8:00am - 9:00am 5k/10k start time: 9:15am 1-mile walk start time: 10:30am

#### **RACE FEES**

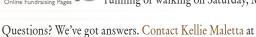
5k: \$20 early-bird / \$25 after April 21st 10k: \$30 early-bird / \$35 after April 21st

Walk: FREE



FREE t-shirt for all racers who register by April 29th and for walkers who raise \$200 or more! For complete information and to register, visit www.aaarace4life.com.

Your support makes ALL the difference to us! That's why participants are encouraged, but not required, to gather pledges to support AAAPRC. Similar to last year, pledges will be collected online via your FundEasy page. Follow the instructions upon registering. Thank you in advance for helping moms CHOOSE LIFE by running or walking on Saturday, May 17th!



kellie.maletta@gmail.com or 734.335.0338.

Pssst! Feel free to share our race info on your Facebook, Twitter or any other social media outlet you operate. Post www.aaarace4life.com on your page or share through your FundEasy site.

### It's a New Year... It's a Wonderful Life!

### 2014 Annual Celebration Banquet Thursday, October 9, 2014

This year's Annual Fundraising Banquet will be one-of-a-kind! Change is constant, especially in this technological world. We are happy to report that we've had to make changes for great reasons – we're growing in numbers and we're advancing in technology!

What does this all mean? Well, first of all, we just want to give God all the glory because He is advancing His kingdom through you! Since we are growing in numbers, we are also growing in resources and are able to minister to women and families like never before. So ... what's new??? This year our banquet will be held at Laurel Manor in Livonia. We will also be selling tickets for \$30 per person. Registration will be simple. Much like our race event, you will register online and receive an email confirmation.

Our theme will be "It's a Wonderful Life"... because when a woman has an unplanned pregnancy, as she stands on that bridge of indecision ... the bridge between life and death ... we want to be there to help her see that the life of her baby IS a wonderful life! Every life is sacred to God. These precious lives are created by God for a purpose. Every life makes an impact on so many others ~ their lives change the lives of those around them. Please save the date and plan to join us for this elegant evening! By partnering with us, the life you help to save will be a WONDERFUL life!



### So far this year...

664 items donated through our Baby Shop

132 classroom visits

64 new clients

55 pregnancy tests

16 ultrasounds

## One Client Gives Back

Jessica, a former client, organized a diaper drive at her college in support of the Center. She wanted to pay it forward for all the help she received from our program. Here is her story ...

In 2011, Jessica discovered she was pregnant and when she searched online for pregnancy centers, there we were.

Some might call this a coincidence, but we know God was with her that day. Jessica struggled with telling her parents, but she bravely gave them the news when she was four months along. They have been a great support system to her!

Jessica currently attends Schoolcraft
College and joined their Students for Life
group. Last year, her advisor suggested they
organize a diaper drive. Jessica immediately
said "Let's do it for AAA Pregnancy
Resource Center. They're amazing!" Jessica
and the group posted flyers throughout the
school encouraging staff and students to
donate by placing packages of diapers in
boxes throughout campus. After organizing
the diaper drive, she said "it was nice and
exciting to give back."

Please support the Schoolcraft College Students for Life group through prayers and by liking their Facebook page at: www.facebook.com/SCStudentsforlife.

# An "Eggcellent" Blessing

St. Kenneth's Church in Plymouth recently held a Right to Life "drop-off" baby shower supporting the Center. St. Kenneth's set up a cradle filled with plastic eggs. Church members took an egg, purchased what was listed inside and then dropped the items off the following Sunday (March 23rd). We were so blessed by this generous event! Their volunteers dropped off 1,108 items for our material goods program! Many thanks to Mark, Joanne, Stephen and David Moening, Bridget Wassermann, Mary Blaszkiewicz and Stephanie Socha!! And thank you, St. Kenneth's Church!







# Lights, Cameras, Action!

This ministry could not be possible without our volunteers. We normally appreciate them each Spring via thank you cards and other small tokens. This year God made a way for us to appreciate our volunteers at a fun "red carpet" event on Friday, March 7th. Volunteers were greeted on a red carpet and a professional photographer was available to take a photo of each person and their spouse or guest. Not only did all those in attendance enjoy delicious desserts, but also a beautiful PowerPoint honoring each volunteer by name. Spouses and guests were able to see just how much each volunteer is appreciated and what a calling it is to be a part of this ministry. Thank you to all those who attended and to Kim Breton and Jan Rozenboom for coordinating such a nice evening!







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Thank you, Charlie Richards for serving as a board member director during the last 3 years. We appreciate your faithfulness and the wisdom you have shared over the years. May God continue to bless the work He calls you to in the future.

### Tweet. Tweet. Tweet.

No, we are not trying to impersonate a bird. But we are in the world of Twitter! *Please follow us* @AAAPregResCen.

We also have a client Twitter. Feel free to follow us there @aaapregctr.

Do you know any young Twitter fanatics? Would some of the teenagers in your youth group be willing and available to provide us with tips? Or follow us for that matter? If so, please have them contact Crystal Squire at crystal.aaaprc@ymail.com. #weappreciateit



# Alternative Answers to Abortion Pregnancy Resource Center

THANK YOU to all the churches who participated in the SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY Baby Bottle Campaign!

Your support of the Center is making a HUGE difference in the lives of the women and families God brings to AAAPRC – thank you!

Bethany Bible Church
Canton Friendship UMC
Christ Church of Redford
Cornerstone Worship Center
Covenant Community Church
Dunning Park Bible Chapel
Fair Haven Assembly of God
Family Victory Fellowship
Grace Baptist Canton
Grace Christian Fellowship

Harvest Bible Church
Hosanna-Tabor Lutheran Church
Life Church Canton
Memorial Church of Christ
Oakland Hills Community Church
Plymouth Baptist Church
Praise Baptist Church
St. Paul's Evangelical Lutheran
Warren Road Light & Life FMC

Has your church ever done a BBC for AAAPRC? Would you like to? Our Mother's Day~Father's Day Baby Bottle Campaign is a GREAT opportunity to introduce this FUNdraising idea to your church family. Pass out the bottles on Mother's Day (May 11th) and have them brought back on Father's Day (June 15th)! Call Beth at the Center for all the details or email her at prcdevelopment@sbcglobal.net.

## Ditch Google. Use Good Search.com

By changing your search engine to goodsearch.com, you can benefit AAAPRC. Make sure you choose "AAA Pregnancy Resource Center in Livonia, MI" as your charity. We have raised more than \$184.03 to date. So simple and so helpful ... thank you!

# Did you know???

Abortion bans by week are changing in many states. There are currently 12 states that ban abortions after 20 weeks – AL, AZ, AR, GA, ID, IN, KS, LA, NE, ND, OK and TX. The state of Arizona stands alone in banning abortions after 12 weeks. But we doubt they will stand alone for long. Let's continue to pray that every state decreases the number of weeks an abortion is legal – until they're no longer legal!

According to a pro-choice site "...in 2012 Nebraska enacted the very first ban on abortion after 20 weeks ... many other states quickly followed suit." To read more and see what many pro-choicers have to say on this issue, visit the following site:

www.prochoiceamerica.org/what-is-choice/fast-facts/abortion-bans-after-12-weeks.html



# **Attention**Kroger Shoppers!

If you are currently supporting us through Kroger's community rewards, please be sure to re-enroll by April 30, 2014. Otherwise, your rewards will stop supporting AAAPRC. Never heard of this program? If you have a Kroger Plus card, please be sure to enroll! Visit krogercommunityrewards.com and follow the easy steps. Each time you visit Kroger, your receipt will show that you're supporting AAAPRC – it's that easy!

Last quarter, we raised \$375.46! Thank you to all those who participated – keep up the shopping!

# Capital One Giving

Hello, Capital One credit card user. Yeah, that's right. We're talking to you! Did you know that you can use your credit card rewards to support the Center?



Yeah, ours was too. To support us in this mind-blowing way, login to your Capital One credit card

account and click on your rewards (miles). Where it says Redeem, choose Charities under Other. Search for us by typing in AAA Pregnancy. We will be the first to pop up – AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center. Thank you!

# Ministries for Men

### Handyman Ministry

We are looking for some "handymen" to assist in keeping AAAPRC's buildings up-to-date. Painters, carpenters – even two extra hands. Please contact Ted Braboy at 734.564.4594 or email tedbraboy@comcast.net if you can help out on occasion.

### Men2Men Ministry

Do you have a heart for fathers? Then this ministry is for you! Men2Men volunteers are responsible for ministering to the fathers that walk through our doors. They greet fathers in the lobby and sit down with them to offer a listening ear and sound advice. Our need is on the first Thursday of every month from 5-7:30pm. To be a part of this ministry, please contact us at 734.425.8060.

# Lifeline Newsletter

# From the Director's Heart



I recently read this passage during one of my daily readings. It vividly described the combined efforts of those that serve the Center by giving their time, their finances, their gifts and/or their prayers:

"Consequently, you are no longer foreigners and strangers, but fellow citizens with God's people and also members of His household, built

on the foundation of the apostles and prophets, with Christ Jesus Himself as the chief cornerstone. In Him the whole building is joined together and rises to become a holy temple in the Lord. And in Him you too are being built together to become a dwelling in which God lives by His Spirit." Ephesians 2:19 (NIV)

This building, where we serve our God for the purpose He has determined: the saving of innocent lives, serves as the "household" mentioned in the above scriptures. In Him, the entire ministry is joined together. Beginning at the board level and filtering through to the associates that meet with each client. We are jointly serving and accomplishing the goals that God has set for His work here. He continually uses each of us to that end, and each one uses their specified gifts.

As the battle continues to save lives, we unite (to become joined together as one). We stand firm, we encourage one another, and we pray for one another. Thank you for faithfully doing your part.

I hope many of you plan to participate in this year's Race/Walk for Life on May 17th.

Blessings to each of you in the name of our Lord Jesus,

Peggy

### Volunteer Update

Welcome our new volunteers! We are *truly blessed* by your willing hearts to give of your time and talents.

Shopkeeper Monica Capilla

Client Associate
Brooke McEachern

### Volunteer Opportunities

We offer volunteer orientations monthly. Please visit our website at aaaprc.org or call Jan at 734.425.8060 for more information.



# Speaking in "techy" terms – we are now app-friendly!!!

Whether you're saying "Finally!" or "What in the world is an app?!" – get excited! We are growing more techy and have now developed a new way to reach you and all those interested in our ministry. If you have a smartphone, tablet, iPad or something similar, please download our app in support of this new adventure!

Search for us in your App Store or feel free to scan the QR code\* on the left. Make sure to say "yes" in accepting push notifications, that way we can keep you updated on current events.

\*What's a QR code? A machine-readable code consisting of an array of black and white squares, typically used for storing URLs or other information for reading by the camera on a smartphone. Why squares and not circles? We're not sure. Someone out there must be a fan of squares.

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- Annual Fundraising Banquet save the date! (page 1)
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### Material Needs:

- 14-16 oz. baby bath products
- Boy pull-ups
- New underwear, both boy and girl sizes 2 and 3, for our potty-training moms



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# **Upcoming 2014 AAA PRC Events:**

Annual Race/Walk for Life | 05.17.14

Mother's Day ~ Father's Day Baby Bottle Campaigns | 05.11.14 - 06.15.14

Wash for Life | *July 2014 (exact date TBD)* 

Annual Fundraising Banquet | 10.09.14

Marathon Mission ~ Detroit Free Press Marathon | 10.19.14 (name AAAPRC as your charity ~ visit www.marathonmission.net for details)

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