

# Lifeline Newsletter

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## 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 post-abortion healing.*



AAAPRC is committed to integrity and accountability. For more info visit [ECFA.org](http://ECFA.org).



## Annual Fundraising Banquet

Save the Date!  
Thursday, October 15, 2015  
At Laurel Manor

This year's Annual Fundraising Banquet is just a few short months away! We find it hard to believe too! Please join us for an elegant dinner at the beautiful Laurel Manor Banquet and Conference Center in Livonia. The evening includes an exciting ministry update and keynote speaker – Dr. Marc Newman! As founder and president of Speaker For Life, Dr. Newman is more than equipped to speak on the pro-life movement. In fact, he has spoken at nearly every major pro-life convention in the nation! In addition, he heads MovieMinistry.com – a site that helps Christians use movies to reach out to others. Join us in experiencing Dr. Newman's humorous and insightful presentation which reflects his passion for LIFE! This is a unique opportunity to invite family and friends to be impacted for the fight for Life.

Please join us for this wonderful celebration of the truly miraculous things God is doing in this ministry!

To Host a table for your family and friends, or for more banquet information please contact Crystal Squire at 734.425.8060, ext. 203.



As you are planning to attend this year's banquet, please join us in welcoming Crystal Squire as the new Director of Development! She is looking forward to greeting you when the doors open!

### Details

*Doors open at 6pm*

*Program: 6:30pm - 9:00pm*

*Mr. Ed Strach - Emcee for the evening*

*Business casual attire*

*Registration information available soon*



## So Far This Year...

- 379+ classroom visits
- 225+ packages of diapers distributed
- 141+ new clients
- 134+ pregnancy tests
- 43+ births recorded
- 25+ sonograms

## Our Volunteers are The Best!

Each and every day, countless people volunteer their time for the ministry of AAA PRC. Whether you have volunteered through a church group, organization, or as an individual, we take this opportunity to say **THANK YOU!** This ministry is not possible without your willing hearts, time, talents and dedication!

### Welcome to our new and returning volunteers!

Client Associate: Emily Avey

TEC Receptionist: Melissa Harris (Welcome back, Melissa!)

### Volunteer Opportunities

We offer volunteer orientations monthly. Call us at 734.425.8060 to reserve your spot in the next orientation! Or go to [friendsofaaprc.com](http://friendsofaaprc.com) for more information about all of our volunteer opportunities!

"I give thanks to my God always for you because of the grace of God that was given you in Christ Jesus."  
-1 Corinthians 1:4

## Client Chatter

Clients are given the opportunity to complete Bible studies as a way to earn additional items for their babies each month. Here is some of what the clients are learning through their studies:

*"Forgiving others is important because God has forgiven us from our sins freely. We must do the same even though it is difficult."*

*"The Lord Jesus knows all about me. He knows all my failures. And that does not stop Him from loving me."*

*"Jesus is for me now and that means He will always be! I don't have to wait to go to heaven for it to be a reality! It's a fact now! For this I am truly thankful!"*

*"Regardless of your past God still loves us all. We can still repent for our sins."*

*I learned to "spend quiet time with God daily and make positive choices and not to beat myself up over bad past decisions."*

*"Every person's 'atonement' was/is equal. God does not seek more from the rich or less from the poor. We are all equal in His eyes."*

*"Judge yourself before you judge others. Be a faithful believer."*

## Michigan's Abortion Rate on the Rise

While abortions decline in nearly every state, Michigan's abortion rise leads the nation from 2010 – 2014, according to David Crary and Associated Press. Spokespeople from all sides of the abortion issue share what they believe accounts for the increase in our state. Regardless of the root cause, we have a tremendous opportunity to meet the needs of the many women who are seeking abortion in our area! Read the full article here:

<http://bigstory.ap.org/article/0aae4e73500142e5b8745d681c7de270/ap-exclusive-abortion-declining-nearly-all-states>





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### New Websites Up and Running!

Please visit our new client website at

[aaapregnancyinfo.com](http://aaapregnancyinfo.com)

We have received a lot of positive feedback! It's exciting to see how God is using this site to draw women and families to our ministry!

Our new donor website is also officially up—please visit us at

[friendsofaaprc.com](http://friendsofaaprc.com)

We hope you find this improved site helpful and easy to navigate!

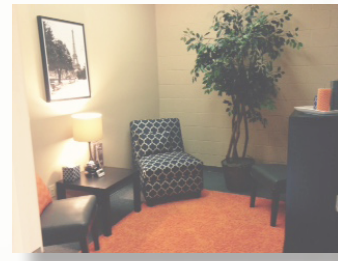
### Speaking of AAAPRC...

On occasion, churches, schools and organizations will ask us to come and speak about our ministry. We are so grateful for their outreach! We would like to thank the following churches for these special opportunities this last quarter!

- Livonia Church of Christ | April 26, 2015
- Ladywood High School | Pro-Life Club | April 29, 2015
- Resurrection Catholic Parish | June 13 & 14, 2015
- Faith Bible Church in Farmington Hills | June 14, 2015

### Giving Comes in Many CREATIVE Ways...

We received a financial gift from an anonymous donor specifically designated to update our Counseling rooms. And how our Counseling rooms needed to be updated! The results are shown below. We believe even before speaking any words, clients can “see” how much they mean to God through Him providing these beautiful rooms—His best for them! We have already received numerous unsolicited comments from clients about how comfortable and peaceful the rooms feel! Thank you anonymous donor!



### Car Seats A'Plenty!

Church of the Divine Savior recently donated money allowing us to purchase approximately 17 car seats for our clients! What a HUGE blessing! Car seats (and cribs) are two items which are always needed, but which we are usually not able to provide due to safety regulations. Many thanks to their Christian Service Commission, a tri-parish group who organized the donations. It is because of churches like these that we can reach out and support women and families in need!



## Teens Making a Difference for LIFE!



Many thanks to Ladywood High School's Pro-Life Club! On April 29th, they held a baby shower supporting AAAPRC. Our Director of Development, Crystal Squire was the guest speaker. She spoke about teen pregnancy and abortion rates, and provided STD information. More than 100 girl teens were present to hear about how the Center encourages our teen clients to choose LIFE! These wonderful teens came together and donated TONS of items to our baby shop including diapers, wipes, formula, baby clothes, diaper bags and more.

Thank you Ladywood!!!

## Individuals and Organizations Coming Together to Support LIFE!

A special thank you to Joanne Moening and Foresters Community Grant Program. Through Joanne's initiation, Foresters selected AAA PRC as a grant recipient. Other members of Foresters then joined with Joanne to help fill 44 new diaper bags with necessary items for our moms and babies! Thank you, again, Joanne for your creative thinking and dedication to helping AAA PRC. **Are you a member of Foresters?** It's easy to apply for one of these creative grants! Visit [foresters.com](http://foresters.com) for more information!

Thank you **Hosanna Tabor** for purchasing and filling 12 baby bath tubs just in time for Mother's Day! What a blessing to our clients!

Thank you to the **Covered in Prayer** group who specially designed, created and prayed over handmade blankets with each client who would receive one in mind!

## Sixth Graders and Lots of Socks!

Thank you, sixth graders from St. Michael Lutheran School in Wayne, for sorting, matching and organizing A LOT of baby socks! The students and their parents also enjoyed a tour of our Training & Educational Center during their visit on June 3rd.



## FREE and SIMPLE Ways to Help AAAPRC!

### AmazonSmile

Did you know you can now support AAAPRC when you shop on Amazon! Amazon will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to AAA Crisis Pregnancy Center whenever you shop on AmazonSmile. Visit [smile.amazon.com](http://smile.amazon.com) or go to

<https://smile.amazon.com/ch/23-7299199> to get started!

### Kroger shopping

Visit [krogercommunityrewards.com](http://krogercommunityrewards.com) to enroll, or re-enroll to continue supporting AAAPRC while you grocery shop. What a great opportunity to provide support to the center, all while just doing your regular grocery shopping! As a reminder, re-enrollment must be done annually. So far this year we raised \$697.27! Thank you, shoppers!

### iGive

Visit [iGive.com](http://iGive.com) and sign up to support AAAPRC while you shop online.

### GoodSearch

Ditch Google or Bing! Visit [goodsearch.com](http://goodsearch.com) and sign up to support AAAPRC while you surf the internet. We've raised more than \$221 to date!

### Capital One

You can use your Capital One credit card rewards to support AAAPRC. Login to your 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. Thank you!

If you have any questions about signing up for any of these four options, please contact Lisa at [asst.aaaprc@gmail.com](mailto:asst.aaaprc@gmail.com) or call the Center and leave a message at extension 207.



# From the Director's Heart

Here at the center, we are constantly in awe of the ways we witness God at work and the ways He reminds us that this ministry is led and belongs to Him. Most recently, we were reminded by the way that God led Beth Swicker away from her position of six years as Development Director into the unknown...into the "trust me" direction. During the same time that He was speaking to Beth's heart that it was time for her to move on, he was preparing Crystal Squire for that very position, really detailed preparing her! Because this ministry is led and belongs to our God, he was making preparations before anyone was aware of the change that He was about to bring. Although it was with sadness we said goodbye to Beth...we rejoice in all that God has planned for the future of His work here and the direction that He plans to lead Crystal as the new Development Director. We are excited!!!

We have started preparing for this year's banquet, and I hope to see you all there.

I pray a safe and relaxing Summer for each of you.

Serving together for Life,

Peggy Roberts



**"O Lord, you are my God; I will exalt you and praise your name, for in perfect faithfulness you have done marvelous things, things planned long ago." Isaiah 25:1**



## Mother's Day/Father's Day

## Baby Bottle Campaign

Between Sunday, May 10th and June 21st, the following churches participated in our annual Mother's Day/ Father's Day Baby Bottle Campaign to support the ministry of life here at AAAPRC. We cannot thank them enough for their kind generosity and faithfulness!

*Bethany Bible Church*

*Bethel Baptist Temple*

*Calvary Missionary*

*Christ Our Savior Lutheran*

*Cross Pointe Community Church*

*Faith Bible Church in Livonia*

*Faith Bible Church in Farmington Hills*

*Family Victory Fellowship*

*Fellowship EPC*

*His Church Anglican*

*Mt. Hope Congregational Church*

*St. Michael Lutheran in Canton*

*St. Theodore Catholic Church*

## Thank YOU for making our annual Race for Life a HUGE success!

The weather more than cooperated for us... a light drizzle to keep all the runners/walkers cool, but NO flooding. Woo hoo! This year we had over 150 runners & walkers participate --- more than we've ever had before!! We are SO thankful for all of our volunteers, corporate sponsors, runners/walkers and the family/friends that sponsored them. Special thanks to our top team (Our Lady's Counsellor's who raised \$1,150) and our top individual (Bob Unis who raised \$1,105... almost as much as the top team!). Collectively \$14,175 was raised!

Thank you for running with us! Praise GOD!

## Capital Campaign Committee:

*Help us get ready to move!!*

We are still in need of five people to work on a temporary committee dedicated to raising funds for the renovations of our newly purchased building at 32080 Schoolcraft!

If you...

- Have business experience or own a local business
- Have served on a similar committee previously, i.e. your church's capital campaign committee
- Have strong communication skills and are willing to meet with potential donors
- Have a feeling that God's hand is nudging you in this direction...

...then please call Peggy at 734.425.8060!

**\*\*God is leading us into this exciting venture. Dare to join us and be a part of it!\*\***





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## IMPORTANT!

- *Annual Fundraising Banquet save the date (page 1)*
- *Capital Campaign Committee volunteers needed (page 5)*

## Material Needs:

- *Diapers: sizes 3 and 4*
- *Seasonal Maternity clothes*
- *Enfamil Formula and Enfamil Gentle Ease Formula*

## Upcoming 2015 AAAPRC Events

National Life Chain | **10.4.15** | **2p – 3:30p** | Meet in front of the AAA PRC Middlebelt location

Annual Fundraising Banquet | **10.15.15** | Watch for registration information coming soon!

Mission Marathon | **10.18.15** | Run the Detroit Free Press Marathon or Half-Marathon and name AAA PRC as your charity! Register at [www.freepmarathon.com](http://www.freepmarathon.com)

National Adoption Month Baby Bottle Campaign | **11.2015**

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