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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.

**We are now
on the RADIO!**



Sanctity of Human Life Sunday

On January 13, 1984, President Ronald Reagan issued a proclamation designating January 22nd as the first National Sanctity of Human Life Day. Back in 1973, the same year this ministry was founded, the United States Supreme Court legalized abortion-on-demand in all 50 states.

On Sanctity of Human Life Sunday January 23rd 2022, churches throughout the United States celebrate God's gift of LIFE, commemorate the millions of lives lost to abortion, and commit to protecting human life at every stage. Please join us as we mark this anniversary with prayer and fasting as these are our best and most effective weapons against abortion.

We also encourage you to take action by hosting a

Baby Bottle Campaign! It is really easy to do, please turn to page 3 to see the simple step-by-step instructions. Together we can make a difference!



FREE ProLife Workshop

January 29, 2022

If you find it difficult to defend your pro-life position in everyday conversations, and if you also find it difficult to effectively explain why you believe that ALL life is sacred, then plan to join us on **January 29, 2022 for a FREE PRO LIFE WORKSHOP!** This workshop will assist you and equip you to continue to fight the good fight. Classes will be led by **Patrick Schwenk** and **Mike Spencer** two dynamic teachers who will help guide audiences through these difficult conversations. Hearts full of grace and using compassionate language they will explain how to make a compelling case for LIFE in a pro-death culture. Don't worry if you are a newbie, one class is for beginners and the other for those ready to take it to the next level.



Patrick Schwenk
Beginners Class 101



Mike Spencer
Advanced Class 201

Workshops will be held at Northville Christian Assembly
41355 Six Mile, Northville, MI. 48168.

To register, please visit: www.friendsofaaprc.com



Coach Penrice's 5K FUNDamentals 12 WEEK TRAINING PLAN

FOR RUNNERS:

Begin each workout with a 5-minute walk, then:

DAY 1. Walk for 3 minutes, jog for 12 minutes. Repeat 2 times, followed by 5 minutes of walking.

DAY 2: Walk for 3 minutes, jog for 12 minutes. Repeat 2 times, followed by 5 minutes of walking.

Day 3: Walk for 3 minutes, jog for 15 minutes. Repeat 2 times, followed by 5 minutes of walking.

Day 4: (Optional) Walk for 3 minutes, jog for 12 minutes. Repeat 2 times, followed by 5 minutes of walking.

FOR WALKERS:

Day 1: Walk 50 minutes at an easy pace.

Day 2: Walk 50 minutes at a moderate pace.

Day 3: Walk 60 minutes at a moderate pace.

Day 4; (Optional) Walk 50 minutes at an easy pace.

Start training EARLY!! See Coach John Penrice's training tips and don't forget to join our Flapjack 5K page on **Facebook for the 2022 training guide!**

2022 Flapjack 5K Run JUNE 11, 2022

Last years race for LIFE was an incredible success as we had over 150 walkers, runners and volunteers that came out to help us make a difference! The weather was perfect for a walk or run and flying flapjacks were soaring overhead as participants crossed the finish line! We invite you to join us again this June as we seek to top our financial goals as well as our personal race times! Last year you raised an incredible **\$10,987!**

Don't miss out on all the family fun and prizes provided by our fabulous sponsors! To ensure that you and your team are ready, start training and preparing EARLY!

All skill levels are welcome from newbie to hardcore runners! We can't wait to see you there! You bring the running shoes and we'll bring the syrup!



CAUTION

All training and instruction is **non-professional**. It is strongly recommended that participants check with their own healthcare professionals before beginning any exercise program.

Looking for a New Years Resolution?

Start your New Year's Resolution EARLY! If you have never walked a long distance or ran in a 5K Flapjack Run before, never fear, we can HELP! Coach John Penrice is an avid runner and long time supporter of AAAPRC, he offers training tips on an exclusive Facebook page called Flapjack 5K Fundamentals, LIKE this page to be included on his weekly trainings and his 5K exercise plan as well as weekly devotionals and encouragement! **Registration opens in January, please check our website for details.**

"Remember not the former things, nor consider the things of old. Behold, I am doing a new thing; now it springs forth, do you not perceive it? I will make a way in the wilderness and rivers in the desert.

Isaiah 43:18-19

From the Director

Building pay-off Project

During the time when there was so much "unknown" at the beginning of the pandemic, it became heavy on my heart to pay off the balance of the building. None of us know what the upcoming few years' economy will look like and with the building debt free, the assurance that God's work here will continue is solid.



I am so excited to share with you that we have been blessed beyond words by a foundation that has agreed to come along side of us to help get the building paid off by the end of 2022 by offering matching fund grant, dollar for dollar up to \$130,000!

This message is simply an fyi, not a request for your money. You, as our donors have been faithful over the years, to supply the needed financial support to maintain and grow this ministry operationally. We are looking outside of our regular donor base to achieve this goal. This is the purpose of the radio program, to attract new donors interested in joining this project.

If you know of a friend or business that may be interested in donating a one time gift to the center, it will be matched and go towards this project. We estimate that a \$100 donation will pay off 5 sq ft of the building. Please join with us in prayer for this project, we are excited as we venture through this project, giving all the glory to our Lord!

I am encouraged as we move forward into 2022. Most churches are meeting in person once again, that alone, is a huge blessing. As a ministry closely connected to the churches, this means that we can do some relational things like the Sanctity of Human Life Baby Bottle drive in January! We also are hosting the annual "Pro-life Workshop" again and this year it has increased into two classes, offering a #201 class that takes the pro-life message up to the next level of debate.

Yes, positive things are happening! As children of God, let's encourage one another and keep our eyes on the One that has called us!

I look forward to sharing with you all that God has for us going into 2022, thank you for your support and partnership in saving lives and loving families! May God's blessings overwhelm you in 2022!

Serving together in Christ,
Peggy

**Merry Christmas and Happy New Year to you
and your loved ones!**



How to Host a Baby Bottle Campaign:



1. Make an Announcement

The church makes an announcement 1-2 weeks before the campaign to inform and generate enthusiasm to participate.

2. Get the Bank-Baby-Bottles

AAAPRC provides the special baby bank-style baby bottles for you to distribute to your church, youth group, or bible study.

3. Bottle Bring-back

Bottles are taken home, to the office, or to school and loose change, bills, checks are collected.

4. Return to AAAPRC

After the campaign ends, bottles are collected by the church or host and returned to the center with our sincerest thanks!

SAVE THE DATES 2022

JANUARY:

49th anniversary of
Roe v. Wade

23rd: AAAPRC BABY
BOTTLE CAMPAIGN
AND SANCTITY OF HU-
MAN LIFE SUNDAY

29th: PRO-LIFE
WORKSHOP

MARCH 16th:

5K Fundamentals train-
ing begins: Couch to
Flapjack 5K

APRIL 5th:

Annual OPEN HOUSE

JUNE 11th:

Annual Flapjack 5K

October 6th:

Annual Fall Fundraising
Banquet

2021 Fall Fundraiser was a great SUCCESS!

Our annual Fall Fundraiser held at Burton Manor, featuring the Benham Brothers was a fantastic success! Dinner and dessert were the backdrop for a gripping testimony from Teresa; her story told from a different perspective, that of a soon-to-be grandmother. She shared her journey of how she and her daughter navigated the uncertainty of her daughter's unplanned pregnancy and how a child would effect the plans they both had for the future, she struggled to come to terms with the challenges that were now a reality and felt an abortion might be the only answer for them both, even though it went against her deeply held beliefs. But with the help of AAAPRC and the compassionate counseling offered here at the center, she was able to discover the hope she needed for the road that lay ahead. She found within herself the strength to be the support her daughter was going to need which gave her daughter the courage to say YES to life! And now together they are enjoying the all JOYS of motherhood and grandmother-hood! Truth is so powerful! It is victorious and REAL stories

like these that bring others into this fight for truth and LIFE. The Benham Brothers didn't disappoint either with a testimony about temptation and loss and how God, through it all, can take the ashes of poor decisions and disappointment and turn them into joys and blessings unimaginable. Their message taught us that cancel culture is just not in God's economy! And even in temptation God can make a way out and set us on a path we never imagined. The Benham Brother's testimony taught us that sometimes the hardest thing to do is say YES to God and NO to the quick victory or the quick fix. Sometimes it is the long road with all its challenges that yield the most fruit in our lives, and isn't that how our God works? It was such a timely and relevant message to those that make their way to our doors here at AAAPRC! The job of parenthood isn't for the faint of heart, but our faithful God will be there along side each of us every step of the way, we can count on that! And here at AAAPRC we are committed to being the hands and feet of Jesus to all our clients.

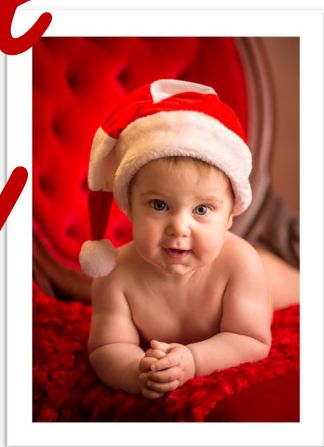


Our Speaker for 2022 AAAPRC Fall Fundraiser is **Star Parker**



Star Parker is a powerful speaker on abortion, life and redemption. As a young teenager growing up in an America still reeling from the racial turmoil and sexual upheaval of the 60's and 70's she found herself living a lifestyle of reckless decisions. Please **save the date for our Fall Fundraiser on October 6th 2022** to hear the incredible story of how God transformed her life and put her on a new path to reach the next generation by boldly speaking biblical truth into our post-modern secular culture. You won't want to miss it!

Thank You!



Thank you to **St. Aiden's Catholic Church** for blessing 10 of our clients with Thanksgiving Day food boxes as well as gifts & food for Christmas!

Thank you to **Real Life Nursery School** in Canton which held a Mitten & Hat drive! They provided 4 full bags of beautiful hats and mittens for our clients!

Thank you to **Trinity Church** who hosted a Baby Shower for us in November. Our own Janet Rozenboom talked about volunteering and what we do here at the center. Trinity donated several car loads of brand new baby items which will greatly bless our clients.

Thank you to **St. Michael's Lutheran Church** for choosing us as your missions support for the month of October! Janet Rozenboom gave a short talk about how children are a gift from God.

Thank you **Lake Point Bible Church** volunteers for coming to help us do the material goods season change-over from Fall to Winter!

Congratulations to Lakita Riley who was the happy winner of our September drawing for a new washer & dryer set! Thank you **Kevin Smith from Smith & Sons** for being kind enough to volunteer to deliver and set them up! What a blessing!

Mom to Mom group from Oak Point Church also donated 3 car loads of baby products and clothes! Thank You!

Thank you to **Covenant Community Church** for the wonderful Breakfast Brunch which provided numerous donations to our holiday themed Baby Shop!

Thank you to **Hossanah Tabor** for collecting breast feeding supplies for our moms and hosting a diaper drive!



Free and Simple Ways to Help The AAAPRC:

Shop with Scrip: It has never been easier to raise funds while you shop. The AAAPRC will earn funds instantly when you use gift cards to pay for everyday purchases, like gas, groceries, clothing, restaurants, and gifts, almost anything you need to purchase. Please contact Peggy Roberts at 734-425-8060 ext 202 for mor information.

Kroger: Visit krogercommunityrewards.com to enroll and support the AAAPRC! Since 2013 when we partnered with Kroger, your day-to shopping has raised over \$19,000! Thank you Shoppers!

Thrivent Financial: The Thrivent Choice program helps members make a positive impact in their communities. By participating in Thrivent Choice*, participants choose the AAA Pregnancy Resource Center as their charity ...since 2016 over \$ 894 has been raised!

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 listed under Other. Search for us by typing in AAA Pregnancy...we should be the first to pop up. THANK YOU!

AmazonSmile: Did you know that you can support the AAAPRC when you shop on Amazon? They will donate 0.5% of the price of your eligible AmazonSmile purchases to us! Visit smile.amazon.com or go to <https://smile.amazon.com/ch/237299199> to register. *(Please be sure to do your shopping through the amazon website, NOT on your mobile app, as donations do not apply on mobile app purchases.).* To date, over \$582 has been raised! Thank you!

Online Giving Page: Giving is easy and secure on our online giving page! You can give a one-time donation to a specific area of this ministry or set up a recurring donation. You can also set up an online giving account to keep track of your giving. Just go to friendsfaaprc.com, click on DONATE from the home page, then click on the DONATE NOW button to access our online donation page.

Volunteer: AAAPRC offers volunteer orientations twice a month, on the 2nd Tuesday and 2nd Saturday of each month, as an opportunity for you to find out more about the ministry and how God may want to use you here. Call us at 734-425-8060 to reserve your spot in the next orientation or go to friendsofaaprc.com for more information! We look forward to meeting you!



SO FAR THIS YEAR...

667+ Classroom Visits: We provide virtual and in-house classes for our clients as well as baby boutique shopping day(s) upon completion of chosen classes.

993+ Client Visits: New clients come in to speak with our trained associates about their unplanned pregnancy. Appointments can include a pregnancy test, an ultrasound, and information on our material goods program.

67 Births Recorded!

Our associates keep in contact with their clients after the expected due-date has passed in order to check in with them, ask how mom and baby are doing and to see if there is anything we can do to help!

Usually we save room in the newsletter for a client testimonial but allow me to take up some space with my story...

My name is Kelly and I have come to the AAPRC as the new newsletter coordinator/editor and I'll be helping with a few other marketing projects in the new year. I've spent the last 30 years as a full time portrait photographer and graphic designer. I owned my own studio in downtown Plymouth for many years but downsized at the birth of my first grandchild. His arrival was the blessed excuse I needed to reduce my work load and change paths. I loved what I was doing but things needed to change as my grandson was an unplanned arrival...

Funny how patterns of behavior can repeat despite our best intentions.

I was 19 years old when I had to face my own unplanned pregnancy. I was in college and on my way to a career in photojournalism. I'll never forget my first assignment for United Press International, I was photographing the Detroit Grand Prix and I couldn't be more thrilled. A few days later it all came crashing down, I felt like one of those race car drivers who lost control and hit a wall at 200 miles an hour.

The overwhelming feelings I had were fear and disappointment, I didn't know how I was going to face my parents and I needed to figure it out fast. I had morning sickness that was so bad that my mother was planning to take me to the doctor for stomach flu, this situation was so out of left-field that my parents never even considered a pregnancy. How was I going to break the news and disappoint them so deeply? All I could think about was how to be rid of the problem, so I started researching and found a place that offered abortion counseling.

The counselor that met with me had a lot of information, she described a lot of horrible things that would have to happen and much of it was a gruesome blur, I was overwhelmed, I was lost, and fear was driving. On my way out, the counselor asked me what I was going to do and through my tears I told her simply, "I just cannot have this baby." She took me by the hands and asked, "Can I just pray for you?" I wanted to ask her why she would bother, why would God even listen at this point, but I just nodded yes. After she prayed, she looked at me very compassionately and said "Kelly, your baby wants to live." I got up and left...and cried.

But then, God showed up.

I really don't know why God chose this moment to intervene but I am grateful that He saved me from making a "choice" that would have haunted me for the rest of my life. At that time I did not know where the courage and the fortitude came from, but by the time I got home I changed my mind. My baby wanted to live, those words so very powerful and no doubt inspired by the Holy Spirit, kept playing over and over in my head. Life is so full of possibilities and death is so final, this was not a thought that originated in my 19 year old brain, but the thought of it somehow gave me "guts" to go home and tell my parents. Looking back I see the hand of God and the gift of truth and understanding at the precise moment, I can take no credit.

There is still so much more to this story and perhaps I will have opportunity to share more but let me jump to the end because it is a happy one. My baby girl is now 33 years old, she grew up watching crime tv, Law and Order and CSI, she has become a forensic chemist and works in law enforcement. She's married to a wonderful man and together they have three fur babies...I am still praying for a few non-canine grandchildren, I'll keep you posted, LOL! I can't imagine my life without ALL my children, all three have enriched my life beyond measure.

I will end with this, my unplanned pregnancy did not end my life, it did not end my dreams either as the world would tell you. It could be said that my dreams were temporarily put on hold and that's fair, the road less traveled is unpredictable and can be a bumpy ride, but OH what a joyful ride it's been!

I look forward to being a part of this important ministry and sharing the gifts God has placed in me...A ministry like AAPRC was the hands and feet of Jesus when I needed it most, I can't think of a better way to say thank you than by just being here.



Lifeline Newsletter

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*Wishing You and Yours a
Very Merry Christmas
and God's Blessings in the
New Year!*

