

Meeting Date: 4th Thursday, June 22nd, 8:00 PM, Mercer Health Hospital Meeting Room, Coldwater.
Come – see What YOU can do to Help the Unborn cause.

With the new construction taking place at the Hospital, please use the **Out Patient Entrance** located on the East side of Hospital. Thanks! See you there!

In our May 2017 Newsletter, the article, “Couples turning extra IVF embryos into Jewellery” was meant to communicate the horrible, decadent nature of so-called “embryo jewelry.” We ask our members to accept our apology if the irony in this article did not come across clearly. Please know with certainty that Mercer County Right to Life OPPOSES using “extra” human baby embryos from in-vitro fertilization in this way. We find this practice of turning little humans into a commercial enterprise, absolutely appalling.

MOTHER'S DAY BABY BORN:

In the early morning of Mother's day, May 14th, Baby Girl Ryleigh was born to Josh & Kayleigh Gurganus at Mercer Health Hospital in Coldwater. Pictured: Mercer County RTL President Sarah Post, left, presents a stuff animal, a rattle, a pink Afghan and Booties to Ryleigh Gurganus. Ryleigh weighed 7 lbs., 12 oz. Pictured with Post and the Gurganus family is nurse Danielle Dues.



Happy Father's Day to ALL Dad's!!!! American culture has notoriously failed to honor the important and critical role of fathers. From Hollywood movies and sitcoms to everyday jokes, men are often depicted as clumsy, worthless buffoons who care only about beer and football.

New studies confirm what we already know: Fathers are central to healthy children, and a healthy society. So if we want to rebuild a Civilization of Love, we need to start cherishing the role of *real men*, and especially fathers.

With the growing attacks on marriage and family, the role of mothers and fathers must be affirmed more than ever. Dad matters. It is said that children see God through the eyes of their father – and that a father has a bigger impact on whether or not children continue to go to church as adults. That's why it is so important for our society to build up fathers, and to push back against all these stereotypes found in our culture today.

May we daily thank the loving men who have faithfully supported, protected, and built up our families.

NATIONAL PRO-LIFE TEE SHIRT DAY has come and gone – however, many people are still commenting on the shirts. Recently, former RTL President Judy Forsthoefer stated that the 15 member St. Sebastian CYO Youth group went to Kings Island. All of the kids wore their pro-life shirts. Naturally, as the group walked together they stood out in the crowd. So many people commented on how wonderful it was that the kids wore the pro-life shirts. YOU young people really do make a difference. Wear your Pro-Life shirts. You can be a “Walking Billboard.” Hope to see LOTS of you around this Summer!!

ATTENTION HIGH SCHOOL YOUTH: Mercer County Students for Life is going on its third year of raising education and awareness of the preborn and providing activism for the pro-life movement. We will be looking for persons to lead as strong examples of how to engage oneself in the pro-life movement for the 2017-2018 school year. If you would like to be an officer for Mercer County Students for Life, please e-mail a 200 – 400 word essay on why you want to be a representative for our county to mercercountystudentsforlife@outlook.com by July 31st.

Mercer Co. RTL had several visitors at our last meeting. Joan Alexander came to discuss **CuddleCots** and **Angel Baby Creations**.

A **CuddleCot** is a cooling system that is used to help slow down the mottling process after a baby has passed away. *Time* allows the family to form an important bond with their baby; whether dressing the baby, taking photographs or simply just staying close to their baby, **CuddleCot** unquestionably helps families in dealing with their loss. The problem is that in a warm room the baby's condition can deteriorate quickly, therefore cooling the baby is absolutely essential. The **CuddleCot** allows the family to spend precious moments with their baby. **CuddleCot** dramatically slows down the mottling process and even helps reverse

mottling. Joan and her group are working to raise funds to gift 5 local hospitals, including Mercer Health in Coldwater, with a **CuddleCot**. Equipment like this will enable a hospital to better service families at such a difficult time. The cost of the unit is approx. \$3,000.00. Mercer Co. RTL will be discussing this issue during our next meeting.

Angel Baby Creations makes special gowns, blankets, hats, booties and wraps for babies that have passed at gestation age. These items are made with LOVE in memory of babies gone too soon.

40 Days for Life campaign started in 2007. During that Campaign period, **13,305 babies** were saved from abortion ... **154 abortion workers** had conversions and left their jobs ... and **86 abortion centers** have closed their doors forever.

Today, you are asked to defend life in the place where it is most threatened. Somewhere within a 15 or 20 minute drive of your home, a young woman is hurt, confused, and thinking about an abortion. The life of the child and the life of the mother are both in danger. There is something you can do about it. All over the country, God-fearing men, women and children are standing up, joining the 40 Days for Life team, and in doing so are extending a helping, healing hand to those mothers who are on the verge of destroying God's greatest gift.

Our prayer warriors have stood vigil outside the places where life is most threatened and will continue to do so. Our next campaign is coming soon. Watch for the date

Tom Perez, Chairman of the Democrat National Committee stated "If you don't support abortion-on-demand, you can't join the club". According to Perez, his party MUST push for abortion-on-demand right up until the due date with no restrictions or protections whatsoever. He says it's "not negotiable!!!!"

The Mercer County Right to Life is proud to sponsor the nationally recognized & pro-life trainer Michael Spencer from Life Training Institute to come and speak at YOUR parish during the 2017-18 school year. This is at no cost to you, but a gift from Mercer Co. Right to Life. Michael travels around the country to train Christians and pro-life advocates to persuasively defend their views in the current marketplace of ideas by clearly presenting the pro-life position. Please contact Michael at mspencer515@yahoo.com to schedule a pro-life apologetic training engagement by December 31st 2017.

"Mike Spencer is a gifted and enthusiastic speaker with an intense love for the unborn and a compassionate heart for parents dealing with what many would describe as hopelessness and fear. Mike's presentation was informative and challenging to so many of us who could do more for the unborn. At the conclusion of his presentation our group asked many challenging questions and wanted to hear more about the issue." Tom Francis, Representative of Immaculate Conception, Celina.

Easter Seals Answers a Question Regarding their Involvement with Planned Parenthood. Easter Seals Does Not support or collaborate with Planned Parenthood in any way. CVS recently asked this question to Easter Seals when they approached them with their 'Walk With Me' event. We appreciate this INFO.

50 Ohio Heartbeat Co-Sponsors! That's more than half of the 99 member Ohio House, the votes needed to protect Ohio babies whose beating hearts can be heard. In addition to lining up co-sponsors for the Federal Heartbeat Bill, they are meeting with pro-life leaders and groups on the Hill. They had a chance to discuss H.R. 490, with White House Counselor Kellyanne Conway. She mentioned the Heartbeat Bill from the platform in a D.C. speech to hundreds of pro-family leaders. She stated that abortion was her "number one issue" and that she speaks to President Trump several times a day. She proclaimed that we must bring an end to "Heartbeat abortions!"

Legislation: The Pro-Life Movement is working to strip all federal dollars away from Planned Parenthood. It is our hope to pass legislation that shifts PP taxpayer funding to Community Health Centers.

Choosing Life Pregnancy Center, Mercer County's only Pregnancy Center, is available to all those that need help in any way. Their services are **FREE**. They offer **Pregnancy Tests with verification, Ultrasounds, Counseling, Adoption Planning and Parenting Classes**. Their Baby Boutique is open to the public Monday – Friday from 11-5. Proceeds go back into the Pregnancy Center. Stop by, check them out at 560 Touvelle St. in Celina. Or, give them a call 567-890-5433 or 419-733-4847.

Check us out on the WEB, <http://mercerlife.org/> & Facebook page. * If you wish to receive the Newsletter via e-mail instead of the regular mail service, please send an updated e-mail address to: mercercountylife@gmail.com. Those receiving the Newsletter by e-mail will also be notified if & when an urgent message is received that needs immediate attention.

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