

Life Lines

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*"For I know the plans I have for you,
plans to prosper you and not to harm
you, plans to give you hope and a
future."*

Jeremiah 29:11

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2012

Celebrate Life

With Featured Speaker,
Comedian

Gordon Douglas
Thursday,
March 22, 2012

Ashland University
J.C. Myers Convocation Center
Doors open at 6:00 pm ~ Dinner
& Program 6:30 pm

Reservations are required.
RSVP before March 12, 2012 by
calling 419-281-1111

*An opportunity to make a financial gift
will be extended.*

*Dinner is complimentary.
Adults only please as seating is limited.*



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DIRECTOR'S MESSAGE

The giant “non-profit” Planned Parenthood tells us that its mission involves promoting “choice” for everyone and “every child a wanted child”. Sounds noble, doesn’t it?

But what is the truth? According to Planned Parenthood’s own 2010 report (it’s most recent) the truth is - in 2010, America’s leading abortion provider gave us 329,445 abortions and more than 1.4 million doses of “emergency contraception.” “Emergency contraception,” of course, is an attempt to induce an abortion in case fertilization has taken place.

And yet, Planned Parenthood tells us they are focused on providing so many other pregnancy-related services. Really? Their own numbers tell us that in only 31,058 instances did they provide *any* prenatal care. Adoption referrals? A whopping 841 nationwide.

So, out of 1,823,070 pregnancy-related appointments at Planned Parenthood, **98.2%** of their services were either abortions or abortion attempts. The more difficult truth perhaps, is that our tax dollars fund Planned Parenthood. Nearly half of Planned Parenthoods \$1 billion (yes that’s billion with a ‘b’) comes from us – the American tax-payers, in the form of grants and reimbursements. That works out to \$1.47 from each man, woman and child in the United States.

What can we do? Here’s one suggestion: Your gift to Ashland Care Center for \$14.70 would be **10 times** the amount Planned Parenthood receives from you each year. Perhaps you want to make a gift of that size for each family member. We promise you that **100%** of your gift will go toward pregnancy-related services that promote, lift up and honor God’s gift of *life*.

We invite you to visit our website (www.AshlandCareCenter.org) to find out about the services we offer to our community or come to visit us at 119 Sloan Ave, Ashland, for a personal tour of our facility. An even better idea - make a reservation to attend our annual banquet where you can meet our wonderful supporters and find out first-hand how we use the treasure you entrust to us.

PS: Please be in prayer for ACC Office Manager, Karen Gerwig – she is in the midst of a battle with cancer. If you would – send her a card to the Center – we will make sure she gets it! THANK YOU!!

Ducia Hamm, Executive Director



ASHLAND CARE CENTER'S VISION

Ashland Care Center is a Christ-centered ministry seeking to create a network of resources and education that affirms the Bible and the sanctity of human life.

SPOTLIGHT ON CLIENT SERVICES - “MOMS TO MOMS” REACHES OUT WITH MEALS

Hi, my name is **Mary Dolce**, Coordinator of the Moms to Moms (M&M) program at Ashland Care Center (ACC), and I’m looking for a few good cooks.



Do you enjoy cooking? If you do, the M&M program provides an opportunity to put your strength to work. This client service offers three evening meals to ACC clients who have just come home from the hospital with their newborns. We strive to help the mom as she adjusts to all the changes that a newborn can bring and provide her with nutritious meals to help her gain strength after the birth of the baby. This also gives ACC volunteers the opportunity to meet our clients informally while showing them how we can be the hands and feet of Jesus.

Would you be willing to prepare and deliver a meal to an ACC client? We’d love to have you become an ACC volunteer through this simple caring task.

For more information or to become one of our M&M moms call Mary Dolce @ 419-566-1285 or Dana @ 419-281-1111.





SANCTITY OF HUMAN LIFE SUNDAY

Janet Folger Porter (left) was the featured speaker for the 2012 Sanctity of Human Life Sunday service held on January 29th at Trinity Lutheran Church, Ashland. Her talk entitled "Two Inches From the Finish Line" outlined the history of the Heartbeat Bill (SB 125) and the long anticipated conclusion of the drive to pass this bill which would outlaw abortion after a baby's heartbeat is detected. She challenged those present at the service to call their legislators daily to urge the passage of this bill.

Sanctity of Human Life Sunday also included the presentation of a check to the Care Center for \$2,500 from the Monsanto Fund. The Care Center was nominated for the award by area farmers Jim & Charlotte McNaul. Right: Director Ducia Hamm is pictured with Mrs. McNaul.



Three members of the Care Center Board of Directors were honored for their dedicated service. Gini Brownson (pictured at left) was honored for over thirteen years of service, Mike Hlavaty (also pictured) was honored for nine years and Ann Mohr (absent from the photo) was recognized as the Center's retiring treasurer and for three years of service. Each member received a framed certificate in appreciation for the generous donation of their time.

MISSION STATEMENT

Ashland Care Center is a Christian ministry equipping people to make healthy choices consistent with God's gift of life. Through outreach, education and support to women and men in unplanned pregnancies and to the community, we promote choosing life, sexual integrity and healing with God.

VALENTINE'S DAY ROSE DELIVERY MAKES A SPLASH IN COLUMBUS *

It was an impressive display of over 2200 beautiful red roses which were delivered to 33 Ohio Senators on Valentine's Day to remind them to pass Ohio's Heartbeat Bill (SB125).

All senators received from three to twelve dozen roses. Senator Shannon Jones was the top rose recipient, receiving twenty dozen blooms. Jones serves in House leadership and also is on the Health Committee where the Heartbeat Bill is waiting for a vote.

Thanks to all those who contributed toward the rose delivery, to those who helped, and to those who prayed.

Please continue to pray for the passage of Ohio's Heartbeat Bill and for groups in a dozen other states where similar pro-life legislation or referendums are being considered.

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