



RIGHT TO LIFE OF NORTH CENTRAL INDIANA

March
2019

You're Investment is Paying Dividends!

Your donations helped 23 students attend the National March for Life in Washington, D.C. on January 18th!



250 students and chaperones traveled to D.C. for the March.

chaperones traveled on 5 buses all night Wednesday evening. Everyone then had an opportunity to tour D.C. on Thursday, including a Capitol Building tour



The entire group on the steps of the Capitol Building preparing for our tour.

Wayne at 6:00 am Saturday morning to the start of a snow storm.

Thanks to all RTL of NCI donors who allowed us to discount the cost that each student had to pay and make the trip more affordable for both students and chaperones.

This year a record 23 students from north central Indiana (including 16 students from Lakeland Christian Academy) traveled to Washington, D.C. for the annual National March for Life. The group joined with several schools from the Allen County area and Allen County Right to Life for the trip. A total of 250 students and



23 students and 6 chaperones from North Central Indiana participated in the March.

thanks to Congressman Jim Banks and his staff.

Friday was the Rally and March. Speakers at the Rally included Ben Shapiro, numerous politicians and surprise speakers Vice President Mike Pence and his wife, Karen. President Trump spoke by video. We loaded up the buses after the March and drove all night, arriving back in Ft.



Pro-Life T-Shirt Day is April 12, 2019. RTL of NCI will be providing the opportunity to order the National Pro-Life T-Shirt Day shirts at a discounted price for students to wear on Pro-Life T-Shirt Day. Check in at www.nci4life.org to find out more details.

2019 Spring Banquets Schedule

Rochester - Thursday, April 11, 2019 * Jarrety's Place * 6:30 pm

Emcee: Ben Woodcox

Speaker: Monica Kelsey



Safe Haven Baby Box founder and director—Monica is not only the “Baby Box Lady” but she also has a personal story that you won’t want to miss. Monica was adopted at birth by a Christian family in Paulding, Ohio, but it wasn't until the age of 37 that Monica discovered the shocking circumstances of her conception and abandonment.

You won’t want to miss the opportunity to hear Monica’s story and how RTL of NCI is working with Safe Haven Baby Boxes to bring Baby Boxes to north central Indiana.

Columbia City - Monday, April 29, 2019 * Carver Center * 6:30 pm

Emcee: Pat Miller

Speaker: Heather Gemmen



When the man woke Heather and threatened her at knifepoint, her terror went beyond her own safety: Were the kids sleeping soundly in the next bedroom, or did their silence mean something else? Would her husband save her, or would he face the same knife she did? All of them survived the ordeal, but Heather was left terrified, disoriented—and pregnant. Heather’s story of rape to restoration offers undeniable proof that God can use the worst situations in our lives for good.

Save the date (Monday, April 29th) to hear Heather’s story and find out more about how you are making a difference through RTL of NCI.

Tickets for both banquets are \$25.00 (or \$200 for a table of 8). Tickets can be ordered by sending a check to RTL of NCI, PO Box 1162, Warsaw, IN or go on-line at www.prolife.com for more information and to order tickets by credit card or ACH transfer.

Thanks to our Platinum Banquet Sponsors:



Safe Haven Baby Box Project

RTL of NCI is working with multiple individuals, organizations (special thanks to Kristy Ormsby and Warsaw Ministerial Association) and cities to bring Safe Haven Baby Boxes to north



central Indiana. Because of your financial support, we are in the process of potentially being involved in placing three to five Boxes in north central Indiana over the next year. We're



also able to buy billboard space to promote the Safe Haven Hotline Number. The billboards have already had an impact with Kosciusko County having it's first ever baby surrender situation that started with a call to the Safe Haven hotline number.

New York/Late Term Abortions/Infanticide

By now, everyone has heard that New York has taken abortion to the next level (or has the slippery slope become a cliff). The legislature and the governor have shown their rabid support for abortion by making it legal to abort all the way up to birth and then celebrating that fact. What does abortion look like in the later stages of pregnancy?

[This description comes from an article by LifeNews.com - "You Can't Give a Lethal Injection to Murderers..."] "Just to drive home the point, here is how a late-term abortion — the kind of abortion just legalized in New York — is carried out: as it has been explained by Dr. Anthony Levatino [former abortionist and RTL of NCI's 2019 fall banquet speaker] the baby is injected with a poison directly into his skull or torso. He then suffers a hideously painful death, which he will certainly feel because of his developed nervous system. The mother carries the corpse around in her womb for a day. The next day, there is an ultrasound to check if the baby is dead. If he isn't — if he has been writhing and suffering in agony for the past 24 hours, clinging onto life — then he will be injected again. The following day, the mother delivers her dead child. Sometimes she delivers him at the clinic, but if she can't make it on time, the clinic is perfectly happy to recommend that she give birth into her toilet.

The crucial fact is that a delivery must happen either way. If a mother in the third trimester decides she doesn't want or can't have her baby inside her, she is going to have to deliver him one way or another. The only question is whether she will deliver a dead child or a living one. Giving a lethal injection to the child may be the more convenient route, but it is certainly not the safer or healthier or more necessary one."

While people are shocked at the idea of a state pushing to make abortion legal until birth, we have states moving into supporting infanticide. This from the Governor of Virginia:

"So, in this particular example, if a mother is in labor, I can tell you exactly what would happen, the infant would be delivered. The infant would be kept comfortable. The infant would be resuscitated if that's what the mother and the family desired, and then a discussion would ensue between the physicians and the mother."

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*US Senator Ben Sasse of Nebraska responded to Governor Northam's comments. "This is morally repugnant. In just a few years pro-abortion zealots went from 'safe, legal, and rare' to 'keep the newborns comfortable while the doctor debates infanticide.' I don't care what party you're from — if you can't say that it's wrong to leave babies to die after birth, get the h*** out of public office."*

Pregnancy Center Update

Heartline Pregnancy Center

Heartline has two events coming this spring.

Good Friday Service

Heartline and the Greater Warsaw Ministerial Association are hosting an evening with the Belfast Community Gospel Choir on Good Friday, April 19th.

7 pm * Lakeview Middle School Auditorium, Warsaw, IN * Free & Open to the Public

Heartline Banquet

Thursday, April 25, 2019

Speaker: Melissa Coles (birth mom in *I Lived on Parker Avenue*)

Go to www.heartlinepregnancycenter.org for more information on both the banquet and Good Friday Service.

THOUGHTS FROM THE DIRECTOR



New York and other states are showing their rabid support for abortion. They're more concerned about supporting Planned Parenthood and other pro-abortion organizations than the health of mothers and their babies. As you can see in the article on page 3, while we know that abortion is killing a child, the recent passing of legislation in New York and the bills that are being considered in other states, is making what abortion really is much clearer to the general public.

There are many who feel that abortion in America has reached this point because in many cases the church has been silent. Often times the silence is because pastors are afraid they will offend or come across as not being compassionate to those who have had an abortion. Mike Spencer with Life Training Institute says it well, "*When a pastor goes silent on abortion he communicates to those in his flock who've had abortions one of two messages, both regrettable; either abortion is not so bad, or the Gospel is not so good.*" RTL of NCI wants to do a better job of encouraging pastors to speak out on the issue of abortion. We want to thank those pastors who ARE speaking out (if your pastor is one of these, please be sure to thank them). We want to be an encouragement to those who are struggling with how to speak on this topic. It is possible to cover this topic in a way that encourages women and men to reconsider having an abortion while showing compassion to those who have already experienced abortion.

We have created a page on our website (www.nci4life.org) with links and information for pastors looking for ideas and encouragement as they consider how to address this topic. Whether your pastor already speaks about abortion or not, please be praying for them and be sure they know about the information on our website.

With your investment of prayers, time and finances, RTL of NCI will continue to do what it has done for the past 46 years...be a voice for the voiceless and find ways to support moms and dads experiencing unexpected pregnancies. Thanks for all you do for LIFE in north central Indiana!

For Life,

Dave Koontz

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