

# LIFELINES



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July 2007

## Summer Volunteer Opportunities

The month of June has flown by and we are now looking ahead at our summer events. As always, we can't be successful without your help.

**Adopt-A-Highway:** Clean-up is scheduled along M-20 for **9AM on Thursday, July 19**. Children 12 years and older can come with you to help. We have bags, vests and some gloves. Bring your own gloves if you have any. Meet in the parking lot of the gas station at the corner of M-20 & Meridian Road between 8:45 & 9:00 so we can get started right at 9:00. If you have any questions or want to let us know you can help, call Julia at **835-7691**.

**Midland County Fair:** As always we will be having a booth at the Midland County Fair. Our booth is located in Merchant Building 25 in the back, left corner. **We need approximately 60 volunteers** to make sure there is someone in the booth the whole time the building is open during fair week. This year the fair is being held **Sunday, August 12 – Saturday August 18**. If you will be around and willing to work a 3 hour shift any of those days, please call Joanne at **839-1017**. Thanks to the Knights of Columbus, St. Agnes Council and the Knights of Columbus, Father DuRussell Council for committing to covering the booth on Tuesday, August 14 and Thursday, August 16. If your church or organization would like to take on a whole day, please call and let us know which day. **THANK YOU!!!!**

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poverty to decide that  
a child must die that  
you might live as  
you wish."**

**Mother Teresa of Calcutta**



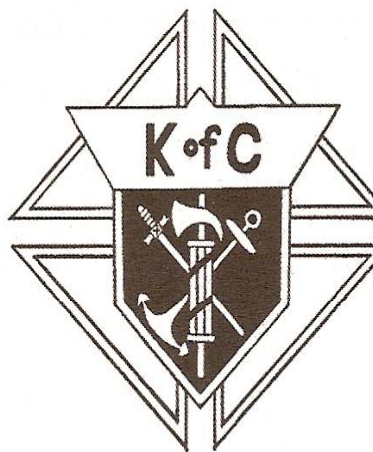
# Knights of Columbus

## GRAND KNIGHTS

**Dennis Taylor**  
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## FINANCIAL SECRETARIES

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St. Agnes Council No. 8043 of Sanford  
Father Henry P. DuRussel Council No. 2141 of Midland &  
Cardinal Hickey Council No. 14056 of Midland  
*Support the work of Right to Life of Michigan!*



## Focus on Education...

### Did Planned Parenthood protect another rapist?

Newspapers reported [on June 6](#) that 15-year-old Danielle Cramer, who had been missing for nearly a year, was found hidden underneath a stairwell in the West Hartford, Connecticut home of 41-year-old man. Shortly after she was found, it was disclosed in a court document that "she recently had an abortion at Planned Parenthood in West Hartford," but would not disclose the father's identity. However, she did also note to detectives that homeowner's longtime girlfriend "would be really mad if she found out."

While no formal charges of sexual assault have been filed, these comments seem to imply the possibility that the 15-year-old runaway was the victim of statutory rape – or worse. "Abortion paperwork" was listed among the property seized in the investigation of this case.

# 2007 Precious Baby Contest



Right to Life of Midland County wants to showcase all those precious babies! Do you have a little one **newborn-2 years old**? Now is the time to send their picture to the Midland County Fair Booth Precious Baby Contest, to be held August 12<sup>th</sup>-18<sup>th</sup>! There is no entry fee, and the winners are chosen by the people who visit our booth. Savings bonds will be awarded to 1st, 2nd and 3rd places. Help make our booth the best decorated by sending in those baby pictures today!

## Rules

- The baby must be 0-2 years old as of August 18<sup>th</sup>, 2007, and entry should be a current photo.
- The photo must be at least 3"x5" but no larger than 5"x7" in size.
- Your photo submission form with your signature authorizes RTL of Midland County to use the photo for promotion of this contest. If you want it returned, please put a return address sticker on back of your photo.
- **The deadline for entries to be received is August 9, 2007**
- Call Julia Hoving at (989) 835-7691 for further information

## ENTRY FORM

Baby's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Baby's Gender: M      F      Date of Birth: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s): \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

City/State/Zip Code: \_\_\_\_\_

Parent(s) Area Code & Telephone number: \_\_\_\_\_

Email address (if you'd like notice of future contests) \_\_\_\_\_



## RELEASE FORM

Upon signing this release form, I give Midland County RTL permission to use the enclosed photo for promotional purposes. I also grant permission to Midland County Right to Life to use this photo and my child's name in any publication they deem appropriate.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Parent(s) Signature

**ALL ENTRIES MUST BE SUBMITTED TO:**  
**Right to Life of Midland County**  
**PO Box 463**  
**Midland, MI 48640**



Planned Parenthood... Continued from Page 2

Sadly, this case, in which Planned Parenthood appears to have neglected its legal obligation to report suspected rape, is nothing new for Planned Parenthood of Connecticut. In fact, this is the second incident in the short span of two months. A Planned Parenthood [clinic in Norwich](#) also apparently neglected to report the suspected rape of a 14-year-old girl who was impregnated three times by a 22-year-old man over the course of six months.

Planned Parenthood is an organization that continues to promote abortion at all costs, even when it permits sexual predators to get away with rape. Last year Planned Parenthood reported receiving over \$305 million in taxpayer funding nationwide, \$4.5 million of that was given to PP in Connecticut alone.

We must expose Planned Parenthood for the evil that it does. To find out more about how Planned Parenthood continues to protect rapists and child molesters, visit [www.childpredators.com](http://www.childpredators.com). It is also time to tell our government officials in no uncertain terms that Planned Parenthood is not an organization that deserves a single penny of our money. Please visit [www.stopplannedparenthoodtaxfunding.com](http://www.stopplannedparenthoodtaxfunding.com) and add your name to the petition.

\* This article was taken from the Wednesday STOPP report, July 4, 2007. ([www.all.org/stopp](http://www.all.org/stopp)) Used with permission.

## Midland Area Catholic Churches



### *Assumption BVM Parish*

3516 Monroe Road  
Midland MI 48642  
989 631-4447

### *Saint Brigid Parish*

207 Ashman Street  
Midland MI 48642  
989 835-7121

### *Blessed Sacrament Parish*

3109 Swede Avenue  
Midland MI 48642  
989 835-6777

*Respecting Life from Womb to Tomb*

Yes! I want to be a member of Right to Life of Midland County, Inc.

Enclosed is payment for: \_\_\_\_\_ New membership or: \_\_\_\_\_ Renewal ( ) \$5.00 Student ( ) \$8.00  
Senior ( ) \$12.00 Single ( ) \$18.00 Family  
( ) \$25.00 Silver ( ) \$50.00 Gold ( ) \$75.00 Platinum ( ) \$\_\_\_\_\_ Extra Donation

**\*\* \_\_\_\_\_ Yes, I Would Also Like To Volunteer My Time\*\***

Send me information on:

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Attending monthly meetings                     | <input type="checkbox"/> Roe v Wade Vigil (January 22)               |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Being a public spokesperson for RTL            | <input type="checkbox"/> High school oratorical contest (Spring)     |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Making phone calls for membership drives       | <input type="checkbox"/> Adopt-a-highway cleanup (April & September) |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Making phone calls to lobby politicians        | <input type="checkbox"/> Midland County Fair booth (August)          |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Coordinating community events                  | <input type="checkbox"/> Life Chain (October)                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Fundraising                                    | <input type="checkbox"/> Rummage sale                                |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Working on newsletter                          | <input type="checkbox"/> Focus on Life dinner                        |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Being a church representative for _____ Church |  |

YES, make our Right to Life funds do more! Send my newsletter by e-mail to my address below

Name \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Email \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_ Phone \_\_\_\_\_

**Gifts and membership to Right to Life of Midland are non-tax deductible for income tax purposes.**

## Update on Happenings and Wishes...

- **Baby Bottle Fund-raiser:** We are looking for churches that would be willing to participate in a fundraiser for our affiliate. This is how it works: On Mother's Day, representatives from your church would hand out baby bottles (supplied by us) to members of your congregation. The parishioners would then take them home and fill them with loose change. On Father's Day, the full baby bottles would be collected at your church. A RTL representative would then come and pick up the full baby bottles. Proceeds would go toward local events and needs (see below) and a donation would be made to a pregnancy support agency. Thank you to Community of Christ Church in Sanford and St. Timothy Lutheran Church in Midland for participating in this year's baby bottle fundraiser.
- **Baby Bottle Fund-raiser Again:** If the Mother's Day through Father's Day time slot didn't work out, we are also planning on handing out baby bottles that can be returned directly to us at our Midland County Fair booth in August. We still have plenty of bottles to hand out! If you or your church would like some, please call 835-2222.
- **Web-site:** Thank you to Jim Meir for taking the initial steps to set up our web-site. The ball is now in our court and we are slowly moving toward our goal. Look for our website to be up and running later this summer.
- **Storage Unit:** Another need our affiliate has is for storage of our growing materials. Right now all of our books, display cases, inventory, brochures, videos and trailer are scattered throughout a number of different houses. A few years back we rented office space but it was expensive and we couldn't come up with enough volunteers to staff it. We would like to rent a storage unit to set up as a mock office. It would be a place that all of our officers and board members could access and people could come to browse our literature. We are hoping with successful baby bottle fundraisers, we can afford the web-site, storage units or both! If you know of any pro-life storage unit owners, let us know!
- **Spiritual Adoption:** Prayer warriors are wanted for our upcoming spiritual adoption campaign to start in August. Pray for a baby in danger of abortion for 9 months and in May we'll have a baby shower. For prayer cards or details, contact Julia, 835-7691 or Joanne, 839-1017. Prayer cards will also be available at our fair booth.

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## Calendar of Events

**Thursday, July 12, *Monthly Meeting***, 7:00p.m.,  
Library Conference Room B. Join us!

**Thursday, July 19, *Adopt-A-Highway***, 9:00a.m.  
Join us in highway clean-up along M-20 between  
Meridian and 8 Mile.

**Friday and Saturday, July 20 & 21, 9AM – 1PM,**  
*Rummage Sale*, 2807 St. Mary's Drive. Come for  
great bargains while supporting our pro-life work.  
Call 636-7372 about dropping off items

**Thursday, August 9, *Monthly Meeting***, 7:00p.m.,  
Library Conference Room B. Everyone welcome!

**Sunday August 12 – Saturday August 18, *Midland  
County Fair***. Stop by our booth in Merchant  
Building 25. Call 835-2222 to volunteer for a shift.

**Thursday, September 13, *Monthly Meeting***,  
7:00p.m., Library Conference Room B. Hope to see  
you there!

Mark your  
Calendar! →

Guest speaker:

**Sgt. John Wayne  
Cockfield**

Since 1996, Wayne Cockfield has been working to promote public awareness of the present and growing threat of euthanasia in our country. In 1997, he helped to successfully lobby the United States Congress for passage of the Assisted Suicide Funding Restriction Act of 1997, which prevents federal tax dollars from being used to expand the killing of American citizens.

Right to Life of Midland County  
***Focus on Life Dinner***

**TUESDAY  
OCTOBER 16, 2007**

Valley Plaza Resort  
Great Hall  
5221 Bay City Rd, Midland

**6:00 p.m.**

**For more information contact  
Julia Hoving (989) 835-7691**