

Annual Garage Sale in March

GARAGE SALE DATES: Thursday-Saturday, March 14-16, at St. Remy Hall in Russia.

Hours: 9 AM - 7 pm on Thursday & Friday, and 9 am - 12 pm on Saturday.

TO DONATE: Drop items off at St. Remy Hall on Monday & Tuesday, March 11 & 12, from 9 am - 9 pm (Donations will not be accepted after Tuesday). For other drop-off arrangements, call the RTL office at 937-498-1812, **or** check with your church to see if they have a drop-off site. We ask that you continue to donate only clean and salable items (not torn or stained).

Pre-sorting of clothes by size is very helpful!

BAKE SALE in conjunction with the garage sale. Baked items may be brought to the garage sale on Wednesday, March 13, from 9am-7pm. Additional baked goods will be accepted throughout the sale.

VOLUNTEERS needed to work at the sale, Tuesday-Saturday. Questions: call Maria Hoehne at 937-638-3165. Your generosity each year is greatly appreciated!



Dates to Remember in 2024

- **March 14-16** (Thursday-Saturday) — **Garage Sale** at St. Remy Hall in Russia.
- **March 19** (Tuesday) — **Presidential Primary Election in Ohio** (polls open 6:30 am - 7:30 pm).
- **May 11** (Saturday) — **Golf Outing at Shelby Oaks Golf Course**. Shotgun start at 8:30 am.

13th Annual SCRAMBLE-4-LIFE

May 11, 2024

Shotgun Start: 8:30am

Sponsorship Deadline: April 17, 2024

To advertise your business by being a sponsor of the May 11 golf outing, email scramble4life@gmail.com. [Sponsorship information](#) and [player registration info](#) can be found on our webpage.

Prizes

First Place—\$400
Second Place—\$200
Third Place—\$100
Door Prizes
Closest to the Pin
Long Drive
Long Putt
50/50 Drawing
Skins
Betting Hole

Advertising/Sponsorship Opportunities include:

Eagle Sponsor:

\$500 donation

Birdie Sponsor:

\$250 donation

Par Sponsor:

\$150 donation

Hole Sponsor:

\$100 donation

Door Prize Sponsor

Membership fees and donations can be made online from our homepage.

Credit card companies deduct processing fees from amount donated, however.



Membership Renewal Reminder

Renewal letters were mailed in January, requesting membership fees by February 19. If not yet renewed, you may still submit forms, payments, or donations at any time.

Thank you for your support!

Bimonthly newsletters are produced by Right to Life of Shelby Co. Director Anne Schmiesing (director@shelbycountyrctl.org) and are available **with internet links** on our website: www.ShelbyCountyRTL.org. Look for this icon and click to view.



March-April Prayer Intentions

For true justice to be administered in the courts as common sense recourse is sought against Constitutional amendments that allow and promote abortion on demand.
For a fruitful 40 Days for Life campaign during this Lenten season.



Join the 2024 Spring 40 Days for Life Campaign in Dayton

If you're making a trip to Dayton anytime during March, consider fitting in a vigil of prayer at the abortion facility as part of your trip. The 40 Days for Life Campaign is a concerted **time of peaceful prayer and protest on the sidewalks of abortion facilities throughout the nation**. In Dayton, the spring 40 Days for Life vigil is **held daily, February 14 to March 24**, on the sidewalks in front of the Women's Med Center/Group at **1401 East Stroop Road in Kettering, Ohio**.

Please help us to respect the neighboring businesses by not parking in their parking lots unless you intend to do business with them. You may park on Vineyard or Wheatland Streets, or any other nearby streets. During business hours, please avoid parking at DiSalvo's Restaurant or Deli.

Contacts: Campaign leader: Holly Kistler (937-885-2952); Vigil Coordinator: Jenny Belokonny (937-380-2229). **Vigil hours: 7 am - 7 pm at the Women's Med Center** (1401 East Stroop Road in Kettering.)

Our vigil focus is **prayer**. Sidewalk counselors are present for the duration of the business day and communicate with those entering and leaving the facility. Your presence on the sidewalk is a visible reminder of the seriousness of abortion. You are encouraged to pray by yourself or with others. You may choose to hold signs so that the public understands what is taking place there.

We are required to remain on the sidewalks and are not permitted to cross over into the parking lot of the Women's Med Center. We are also obligated to avoid blocking the entrance and exit driveways on Vineyard Street.

Other protocol for the vigil can be found at <https://www.40daysforlife.com/en/local-campaigns/dayton>. It is not necessary to sign up in order to participate, but you may use the [website to sign up](#) ahead of time to help organizers fill time slots.

Closing Rally: *Sunday, March 24 at 2 pm. Speaker: Meg Perez, Silent No More.* Rallies take place in the parking lot across from the abortion facility.

By God's grace, 40 Days for Life Campaigns around the world have been instrumental in over 200,000 babies saved, over 200 abortion workers converted, and over 100 abortion centers closed.



In preparation for the Ohio Primary Elections on Tuesday, March 19

Find your sample ballot at the [Shelby County Ohio board of elections voter lookup page](#), enter your name, and look for this button to the right:

Ohio Right to Life and iVoterGuide have issued endorsements.

Sample Ballots

IN MEMORIAM

Right to Life continues its work for the protection of all human life, in honor of those who have offered time, prayer and other resources to this cause during their lifetimes.

In memory of: +Ralph Eilerman

In whose name memorial donations were made in February.

May he rest in eternal peace.

Supreme Court Will Decide Abortion Pill Case That Could Protect Women, Save 140,000 Babies From Abortions

As reported by LifeNews, Steven Ertelt (Oct. 5, 2023):

A federal appeals court gave pro-life Americans good news [in fall of 2023] when it issued a ruling putting safety regulations back on the dangerous abortion pill to help protect the life and health of women. Although the 5th Circuit Court of Appeals did not take the dangerous abortion pill off the market, one aspect of its decision could result in saving the lives of hundreds of thousands of babies.

The 5th Circuit Court of Appeals issued a [decision](#) in Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine v. U.S. Food and Drug Administration that found the FDA must restore critical safeguards for chemical abortion drugs. The appeals court condemned the improper FDA approval process for the drug and restored strict limits on the drug meant to protect women's health that the Biden administration removed.

The appeals court ruling prohibits abortion businesses from sending chemical abortion drugs through the mail, which the FDA had been allowing since 2021 in direct violation of longstanding federal law. If upheld by the Supreme Court, the ruling will put a massive dent in the mail-order abortion business.

Now the case heads to the Supreme Court.

If the ruling is upheld at the Supreme Court, some pro-life advocates estimate that it could stop perhaps 15% of all abortions nationwide, protecting countless unborn children.



Catholic Vote reported that:

The [US] Supreme Court has set March 26 as the date it will hear oral arguments in [this] highly anticipated case.

"The FDA's own label for these drugs says that roughly one in 25 women who take them will end up in the emergency room," said Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) Senior Counsel Erin Hawley, who represents the Alliance for Hippocratic Medicine. "The agency's removal of in-person doctor visits and consistent, ongoing care has subjected more women to suffering severe, even life-threatening, medical conditions."

POLITICO [reported](#) that the case "is to be the Supreme Court's first significant return to the abortion issue since" they decided *Dobbs v. Jackson* on June 24, 2022.

For a more detailed explanation of "The Controversial Approval of the Abortion Pill and Upcoming Supreme Court Challenge," read [the article by that title in Our Sunday Visitor](#) (by Mary Hallan FioRito, Jan. 12, 2024). The autobiography of celebrity Britney Spears is quoted regarding her coerced chemical abortion: "To this day, it's one of the most agonizing things I have ever experienced in my life."

The article also outlines alarming evidence that the extraordinarily accelerated approval process, by the FDA during the Clinton era, for the abortion drug RU-486 (now labeled Mifeprex), circumvented safety protocol. This enabled a secretive pharmaceutical company, which deals *only* in medical abortions, to capitalize on vulnerable women and children to the detriment of women's health and physical safety. In 2016, under the Obama administration, the FDA eliminated even the few safety regulations that had been in place since the already-suspect approval in 2000.

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Not only are there serious dangers and frequent injuries to women from the abortion drugs themselves, but the trafficking of abortion drugs by mail poses other risks of abuse, coercion, or even abortion drugs criminally slipped into a drink without the pregnant mother knowing. The case of Haley Ann Raborn last June illustrates the increased risk of criminal activity. [Law and Crime reported](#) that 21-year old Raborn was “arrested for allegedly planning to kill the unborn child of her romantic rival by getting someone to surreptitiously slip her an abortion pill and paying that person with a pair of Apple AirPods.”

Fortunately, the plan was thwarted when the man whom Raborn “hired” to commit the crime informed the intended victim (the pregnant mother) of the plan and turned the abortion pill over to detectives along with the incriminating Snapchat messages between himself and Raborn. Although the intended forced abortion in the Raborn case was not accomplished, numerous reports indicate that **mail order chemical abortion pills are used routinely by sex traffickers and other sexual offenders to keep their victims from being identified and rescued.**



As Erin Hawley (Alliance Defending Freedom Senior Counsel and wife of Sen. Josh Hawley, R-MO) stated, “Regardless of Americans’ beliefs about abortion, no one should be okay with the FDA leaving girls to take these high-risk drugs all alone.” It could be added that no one should be okay with the FDA creating an ethical vacuum, which enables crimes like the one Raborn admitted she attempted to orchestrate.



Please pray that the US Supreme Court ruling will protect women, and their pre-born children, from the substantial dangers of the abortion pill; please pray especially during the days leading up to, and on, the scheduled oral hearing date (**Tuesday, March 26**) and as they write their decision later this spring.

The Truth Prevails about Transgenderism

In January, Ohio’s Senate voted 24-8 to override Governor Mike DeWine’s December 29th veto of HB68. This House Bill includes the SAFE (Saving Adolescents From Experimentation) Act and the Save Women’s Sports Act. The SAFE Act will prohibit physicians from performing experimental gender-reassignment surgery on minors and from prescribing cross-sex hormones or drugs to block puberty for the purpose of gender transition. The Save Women’s Sports Act will protect girls from being forced to share locker rooms with and compete against boys in school athletics. HB68 will take effect in 90 days. Over twenty states have passed laws protecting people from the damaging hormones and ideology that has rapidly surged in our culture.

Before 2007, there was no extant scientific literature of teenage girls having gender dysphoria in the U.S., said science writer Abigail Shrier, JD. Today, teenage girls are the leading demographic of persons treated for what is alleged to be gender dysphoria, she said.

Shrier, author of “Irreversible Damage: the Transgender Craze Seducing Our Daughters,” gave a powerful 30-minute presentation on “gender-affirming care” titled: “Science, the Transgender Phenomenon and the Young.” [The video available in early February appears to have been removed.]

In the presentation, Shrier answered the question as to why there is this movement to immerse kids in gender ideology. Shrier said, “The point of gender ideology is to stop the formation of stable families — the building block of American life. Let me say this again. This is not the goal of all transgender adults, but it is the goal of transgender ideology and the transgender movement — namely the creation of a new victim class eager to join the revolution.”

From The Heritage Foundation: “The rise in abortion and the collapse of marriage are intrinsically linked; 85 percent of abortions occur among non-married women. Some 35 percent of pregnancies among non-married women are ended by abortion. Among married women, the figure is 3 percent.”

Abortion and transgenderism are directly connected by way of both being attacks on the human person and attacks on marriage and the family.

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