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## **Upcoming**

September 25- RLM State Conference October 5- Life Chain October 6- Focus on Life Dinner November 6- MI March for Life November 13- "A Better Way" Presentation

## Thank you!

To Grand Traverse Area Catholic Schools Families & Students for donating to our organization with their "2025 Jean Day" funds! Donations received were \$1,595.67! Volume: 37 Issue: 2



## right to life Summer Newsletter

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## **FOCUS ON LIFE DINNER**

Join us on Monday, October 6, 2025 at the GT Resort for our annual Benefit Dinner with Guest Speaker, Dr. Ben Carson! Dr. Carson is the chairman of the American Cornerstone Institute and most recently is serving on the White House Religious Liberty Commission. A neurosurgeon, Dr. Carson performed the first separation of craniopagus twins conjoined at the back of the head. He was also a 2016 Presidential Primary Candidate.

Social Hour begins at 5 pm with Dinner & Program starting at 6 pm Tickets: \$95 Adult; \$75 Student and \$950 for a Table of 10 Register soon! Tickets are selling fast!



Scan the code below to register! Or call 231-946-9469



# A BETTER WAY: COMPASSION WITHOUT KILLING THURSDAY, NOVEMBER 13



**Genevieve Marnon**, Public Affairs Associate for Right to Life of Michigan, is a passionate advocate for protecting vulnerable patients. Shaped by her own father's end-of-life experience, she speaks with powerful insight on secret DNR orders, patient autonomy, and the hidden dangers of assisted suicide. Genevieve will inspire and equip you—this is a speaker you won't want to miss!

**Join us at the Grand Traverse Event Center**, 738 S. Garfield Rd. on **November 13th** at **6:30 pm**. Upon arrival, enjoy light desserts, coffee, tea, and water as you mingle with friends and guests.

This timely and important topic is making headlines across the country—and Michigan could be next as more states move to pass Physician—Assisted Suicide laws, possibly as soon as the next mid-term election. Don't miss this chance to be informed and equipped. Bring your friends and family, especially those in the medical or political fields, for a meaningful evening you won't forget! All are welcome.

Event is **free but registrations are encouraged and helpful** (food/headcount). Please register by emailing <u>director@gtartl.com</u> or calling 231-946-9469.

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## LEGISLATIVE UPDATES

Michigan Updates: Prolife House Bills include Child Care Savings Program & Child Tax Credit (would create a state child tax credit, in addition to the federal child tax credit and allow for future parents to contribute to a child care savings account, tax deferred). A Tax Free Baby Items & Prenatal Tax Credit (would eliminate the sales tax charged on all baby items; allow a pregnant taxpayer to claim an additional deduction provided she has reached a specified gestational age & is under the care of a doctor). Safe Haven Baby Boxes (climate controlled, wall-mounted devices used for anonymous surrender of a newborn). Baby Olivia Law (would require Michigan's schools health education to include an overview of human biology related to pregnancy & an overview of fetal development similar to the Meet Baby Olivia videos produced by Live Action).

Rank Choice Voting: On June 27, the Board of Canvassers approved a petition to gather signatures to put the question of ranked choice voting on the 2026 ballot. Please DO NOT sign this petition as it would negatively impact the ability of the RLM PAC to influence elections with endorsed prolife candidates, especially with primary elections.



Michigan's 2nd March for Life will take place on Thursday, November 6th 2025! 10 am Pre-Rally Concert; 11 am Rally; 12 noon March for Life. Joining us will be special quest speaker, Mayra Rodriguez, former Planned Parenthood Clinic Manager; MC, Chuck Gaidica and more! March will take place at the State Capitol Building, 100 N. Capitol Ave., Lansing, MI 48933. Bring your whole family!

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## GRAND TRAVERSE AREA TEENS FOR LIFE

The Senior Essay Scholarship Award winner for this school year was Cathryn Mikowski from St. Mary's High School in Lake Leelanau! Cathryn was such a delight to have as the TFL President this past year and we know she will carry her prolife convictions on to college. The Right to Life of Michigan state office had their 2<sup>nd</sup> annual T-shirt Design Contest (for 18-25 yrs) and the winner for the WHOLE state was Kendra Couturier-St. Mary's TFL Alumni! This is the second year a young adult from our grea has won this award. Her design is featured below and can be found on rtl.org "Shop". The TC West High School prolife group spent six months this school year creating a paper link chain, where each of the links represented a life lost to abortion in one day by Planned Parenthood. They hung this paper chain on the school ceiling in May, and created a very meaningful Instagram reel. The chain was sadly was torn down by their peers. We are so proud of their dedication and for this great witness to their school. The Volunteers of Year Award 1st place winner for our area was Cecilia Balog with 2nd place going to Claire Couturier!





Each link represents an abortion committed by Planned Parenthood every day in the U.S, totaling 1,076.

These babies deserve life





Paper chain on the ceiling of TC West High School.

## **Baby Pantry Resources!**

New resources for mothers and fathers in need! We have created a list of a dozen baby pantries in Antrim, Benzie, Leelanau & Grand Traverse Counties, along with an interactive map that can be found on our website at gtartl.com/localbabypantries. If you would like some brochures to hand out at your church, business, school, etc. please contact our office!









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