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## 2004 Prolife Events

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### Spring Catholic Bioethics Conference

Sponsored by the Catholic Medical Association -  
Detroit Guild

**Location:** St. Joseph Mercy Hospital - Oakland  
44405 Woodward Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan

**Cost:** \$15.00 per session

**Make check payable to:** DGCMA

**Mail to:** Dr. Kathryn Kristoff  
15239 Maxwell  
Plymouth, MI 48170

#### Schedule:

**SATURDAY, March 13 / 9:00 am to 11:30 am**

"When Medical Therapy Can Be Refused"  
Presenter: Dr. Janet Smith

**SATURDAY, APRIL 17 / 9:00 am to 11:30 am**

"Homosexuality: Causes and Cures"  
Presenter: Dr. Mark Latkovic

**SATURDAY, May 15 / 9:00 am to 11:30 am**

"The Moral Obligation for the Provision of  
Nutrition and Hydration"  
Presenter: Dr. Janet Smith

**SATURDAY, APRIL 3 / 8:00 am - 12:30 pm**

**Michigan Nurses For Life Spring Conference**

**Location:** St. Joseph Mercy Hospital - Oakland  
Franco Communications Center, Pontiac, MI

**Topic:** "The Abortion/Breast Cancer Link"

**Speaker:** Dr. Angela Lanfranchi, MD, FACS

**Topic:** "The Morning After Pill"

**Speaker:** Dr. Lorna Cvetkovich, MD, FACOG

**For more information, call (248) 816-8489**



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**TUESDAY, MAY 4 / 5:45 pm**

**RTL-Lifespan's Annual Mother's Day Dinner**

San Marino Club, 1685 E. Big Beaver Rd., Troy, MI  
Social/Silent Auction begins at 5:45 pm  
Dinner at 7:15 pm

**Keynote Speaker:** Jennifer O'Neill, actress, author  
and spokesperson for the National Silent No More  
Awareness Campaign. This organization provides a  
safe place for women who have had an abortion to  
express the grief and distress that their decision  
caused in their lives.

**Call (248) 816-1546 for more information  
or to register for the dinner**

# CDC Report Says... Abstinence the Best Way to Prevent HPV Disease

By Steven Ertelt

LifeNews. Com Editor - February 5, 2004  
Washington, DC (LifeNews.com)

—The Centers for Disease Control has issued a new report saying that abstinence is the best way to prevent the transmission of the sexually transmitted disease human papillomavirus (HPV). Approximately 20 million people are currently infected with HPV, and roughly 5.5 million Americans get a new genital HPV infection each year. The agency also said the use of condoms is not as effective as abstinence.

"The surest way to avoid transmission of sexually transmitted diseases, including HPV, is to refrain from genital contact. The use of condoms should not be a substitute for routine screening with Pap tests to detect and prevent cervical cancer," the Georgia-based federal agency said.

"While a few studies on genital HPV and condom use showed a protective effect, most studies... did not show a protective effect," the report says. "The available scientific evidence is not sufficient to recommend condoms as a primary prevention strategy for HPV."

President Bush has strongly supported abstinence education and his efforts to increase funding for it have drawn praise from pro-life advocates.

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## 2004 Spring Conference

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### Location:

Franco Communications Center  
St. Joseph Mercy Hospital  
44405 Woodward Avenue, Pontiac, Michigan

**Cost:** MNFL Members - \$35.00

MNFL Non-members - \$40.00

General Public - \$20.00

Student Nurses - \$10.00

**Nurses: 4.0 Contact Hours pending through MNA**

### Includes:

Informational Packet & Continental Breakfast

**Please register no later than March 26, 2004**

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## Lifestories

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It has been said that a picture is worth a thousand words. But what if that picture is painted with words? That is exactly what happens when LIFESTORIES is presented. Written by Birmingham, Mi. resident, Patty Ward, this Reader's Theatre production of the history of the pro-life movement is not to be missed. Ms. Ward, and others, present the highlights of the pro-life movement by representing those who were the primary characters in that effort in word and song. LIFESTORIES has been presented in several area churches and schools as well as Right to Life - Lifespan's Legislative Breakfast. It has always been met with great approval. It is a truly unique way of presenting this important part of our history. If you haven't seen it yet, this may be one of your last opportunities. Don't be left out.

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## Pro-Life Legislative Update

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Never the most exciting aspect of any program, a rundown of current legislation, both federal and state, is none the less critical to a fuller understanding of where the Pro-life movement is headed and what must still be done to assure respect and dignity for all human life. For example, during the discussion on an attempt to make informed consent and the understanding of the consequences of abortion a legal requirement, Arizona State University researcher recently told a science reporter from the Toledo Blade, "As far as I am concerned, whether or not an abortion creates psychological difficulties is *not relevant* (emphasis added). It means you give proper informed consent and move on." And yet, many states do not require as much informed consent for an abortion as they do for an ear piercing. It is only through the legal system that we will achieve any level of protection for human life.



### MNFL Mailing List

Michigan Nurses For Life is updating their mailing list. If you would like to add or delete a name from our mailing list, please call the office at (248) 816-8489.



**Check it out!**  
MNFL Web Site  
[www.mnfl.org](http://www.mnfl.org)

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## Michigan Nurses



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### Our Purpose:

...To raise the consciousness of the nursing profession to protect all human life from conception until natural death

...To form an educated core of nurses who can speak for their profession by acting as a community resource for life issues

...To promote public education and awareness about life issues on both ends of the spectrum, from abortion to euthanasia

...To uphold and defend human life in all stages and conditions of development

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### Michigan Nurses For Life

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10 am - 3 pm

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Susan Beardsley

## President's Perspective

Dear Colleague,

It is hard to believe that the Seminar is so close at hand. I have heard both Drs. Angela and Lorna speak on their respective topics and they are both great! I sure hope that as many of you as possible will be able to attend. We need you there!

Over the summer months, we will be planning for next year's meetings. If you have any ideas on speakers for these quarterly meetings, please drop us a line or give us a call. The board of MNFL tries really hard to find a variety of speakers and topics for these meetings, but if we are not addressing your needs, we need to do better. If there is a particular issue that you think needs explanation or investigation, we will try to find an authority on it and bring him/her to a meeting.

We are so grateful to all of you who joined or renewed your membership for 2004. The only funding MNFL receives is through its membership. Without you, there will be no professional pro-life nursing organization in the state of Michigan. If any of you have any ideas about how we can raise more funds, **RUN** to your telephones or computers and LET US KNOW! We know that this organization should have several thousand members but we haven't reached them yet. It takes a lot of volunteer hours and a lot of volunteer cash to do that. Please let us know if you can help in either area!

Don't miss out on Right to Life - Lifespan's Mother's Day Dinner. The speaker, actress Jennifer O'Neill, speaks from her own experience on how abortion hurts women. Representing the organization, "Silent No More", she explains the healing that takes place when women are able to express the pain caused by an abortion decision.

We nurses are the first person a patient sees, the one who he/she sees most often, the one who takes the time to listen, the one who can make a difference, the one who can save a life. What an awesome responsibility....and privilege.

Diane Trombley

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## Petition Drive Update

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The drive to collect signatures for the petition to define legal birth and end partial-birth abortions is still ongoing. If you have not yet signed a petition or need petitions to circulate, please call the office, 248-816-8489 and we will send one (or more) to you. The governor's veto of this important legislation must not be permitted to stand and **YOU CAN MAKE THE DIFFERENCE!**

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*"An educational group for pro-life nurses."*

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## Michigan Nurses For Life 2004 Spring Conference

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### What every woman has the right to know! "The Abortion/Breast Cancer Link" and "The Morning After Pill"

**Saturday, April 3 from 8:00 am – 12:30 pm**

#### "The Abortion/Breast Cancer Link"

National and International lecturer, Dr. Angela Lanfranchi, MD, FACS, is a private practice surgeon devoted to the treatment of breast cancer and benign breast disease.



Co-author, with Dr. Joel Brind, PhD., of "Breast Cancer, Risks and Prevention", she is collaborating with breast cancer researchers at Fox Chase Cancer Center on work to discover the genomic basis for breast cancer as it relates to reproductive history.

#### "The Morning After Pill"

Dr. Lorna Cvetkovich, MD, FACOG practices at the Caritas Center for Women's Health in Ann Arbor, specializing in obstetrics, gynecology, and the treatment of infertility. She is a frequent speaker on natural family planning, artificial reproductive technologies, high risk pregnancy and the medical indications for oral contraceptives.

**Please join us!**

*Invite your friends and co-workers  
to attend this educational opportunity!*

*Details on page 3.....*

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#### 2004 Meetings

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**Michigan Nurses for Life** meets bimonthly at Cross of Christ Lutheran Church, Bloomfield Hills, on the northwest corner of Lone Pine and Telegraph.

**March 9 at 7:15 pm - Details on page 3**

##### LIFESTORIES

Dramatic reading and song portraying well-known personalities involved in the Roe v. Wade decision and its aftermath. Music by Patty Ward

##### PRO-LIFE LEGISLATIVE UPDATE

Diane Trombley, RN, BSN, President of MNFL

**2.0 CEUs are offered at each meeting attended.**

**Fees:** MNFL member \$5; MNFL non-member \$10; general public admission free.

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