



July 2026

Clark County Right to Life

from conception until natural death

CCRTL Board Meeting
July 14, Tues. 6:30-7:45 PM Wendy's 13723 Mill Plain Blvd. Newcomers welcome. 6pm social

CCRTL Fair exhibit orientation meeting.
July 20, Mon. 6:15-7:15 PM Cascade Park Library Community Rm. 600 NE 136th Avenue Newcomers welcome.

***ClarkCountyFair*, begins Fri Aug 7 ends Sun Aug 16 CCRTL #1121 Exhibition Bldg. Gerry Parmantier gerryjp1968@hotmail.com for info/volunteer.**

Annual Meeting CCRTL
Sept. 8 Tues 6:30-7:45 PM Nominate/elect Board/Officers. Wendy's 13723 E. Mill Plain Blvd Newcomers welcome.

***40 Days for Life* begins Sept. 23 & ends Nov. 1**

***Memorial for Victims of Abortion*, Nov. 13, Friday 1-2 PM Clark County Courthouse front steps. Family friendly event.**

The Beauty of Commonality

Last August, I volunteered for the Clark County Right to Life exhibit at the Clark County Fair. While restocking the precious pockets and baby feet pins, a woman approached and stepped up to the table. I was volunteering with another woman as there are always at least two volunteers tending to the display. The three of us proceeded to engage in a conversation.

I honestly cannot tell you the exact conversation, except it was focused on the joy of motherhood, the importance of protecting the unborn, and a hope to change the hearts of those who support abortion. It was a simple, pleasant, and sweet conversation for a common interest and concern. Three individuals on common ground. Beautiful. God bless visitors to our exhibit. – Laurie Samwel

In the words of Mother Teresa: *"That special power of loving that belongs to a woman is seen most clearly when she becomes a mother. Motherhood is the gift of God to women. How grateful we must be to God for this wonderful gift that brings such joy to the whole world, women and men alike!"*



CCRTL exhibit centerpiece: Human Life Before Birth video
from Endowment for Human Development www.ehd.org

https://clarkrtl.org/home.aspx *4life@clarkrtl.org*
CCRTL, PO Box 1652, Vancouver, WA 98668

As we celebrate America's 250th Birthday*…. a thoughtful message from CCRTL Vice President, Dorothy Gill*

I recently watched a legal comedy TV series from the early 2000's that, according to Wikipedia, drew the richest viewing audience on television at the time. The characters, although quirky, were very emotionally appealing. And at 30ish years post Roe v Wade, and about a decade after the first state legalized euthanasia, the anti-life doctrine was paraded through the seasons, shoving viewers through its necessary antecedent moral concessions, coated with compassion and sophistication and humor. The message was clear: all the cool kids agreed that killing was a necessary problem solver.

Interestingly, at the end of every episode, the spotlight focused on two male characters who were caricatures of a liberal and a conservative. Both emotionally wounded, sexually obsessed, and morally stunted, they nevertheless were firmly committed to the absolute loyalty of their friendship to each other. Their nightly heart-to-hearts philosophized about love, trust, success and ultimately, their legacies, seeking affirmation from each other that their lives had meaning beyond their careers.

What I found striking was the lengths the producers went through to acknowledge modern man's fundamental spiritual yearning, rather than ignoring it, but then to represent that satisfaction as obtainable through human initiative. I suspect that it was time for a super sugar coating of sophisticated wisdom as the antidote to "spiritual superstition" that was trying to reassert itself in modern consciousness as stomachs had begun to churn at what the new enlightenment had unleashed.

Now, twenty-some years later, on America's 250th birthday, the stomachs are reacting again to where the culture of death has led us. Still yearning for answers and not convinced that mankind is sufficient to provide them, America seems to be ready for a new heart-to-heart. May God bless this nation again with a renewed commitment to our unalienable rights, and submission to their author and originator. – Dorothy Gill

"We hold these truths to be self-evident, that all men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness. That to secure these rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the consent of the governed…" Congress on July 4, 1776
The Declaration of Independence



Lifesaving message returns

"Pregnant? You are not alone" billboards have returned thanks to our generous donors. June 15-July 12 on St. John's Rd near 68th St; and August 3-30 on St. John's Rd near Minnehaha Rd.

The message: *if you are pregnant, you are not alone: another heart is beating near your heart and there are many hearts in the local community ready, willing and able to help you and your baby before and after birth.*

8 weeks cost $2000. Let's pray minds are changed and hearts healed.

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