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NO ACTION IN HARRISBURG



Our Pro-Life Coalition of PA has a 12 point agenda, but not much action to date. The Obamacare Opt Out Bill, SB 3, was approved by the Senate Banking and Insurance Committee in January, but more than two months later, is still in the Senate Appropriations Committee. We urge you to call the chairman, Senator Corman (717-787-1377).

The Ultrasound Bill has been prepared, but not introduced. HB 383 was introduced in March, providing Conscience Protection for health care workers. "Family Planning" remains in Gov. Corbett's budget. Call and write him. Our youth need our encouragement, not condoms and pills from Planned Parenthood. Gov. Tom Corbett, 225 Main Capitol, Harrisburg, PA 17120; 717-772-9048.

You can also make progress in Harrisburg by contacting your PA Representative and PA Senator. Ask for action on the pro-life/pro-family agenda. Pre-election surveys indicate a pro-life majority in the PA House and Senate. So, let's get busy! Every day we hear of results in other states; Montana, South Dakota, Idaho, Ohio, Texas, Virginia, Utah, etc. The Keystone State should live up to its name.

To check who is your Senator or Representative, visit www.legis.state.pa.us

Pro-Life Union NL, 3-11

PA ABORTIONS IN 2009



National analysts have focused on the use of abortion for "birth control." They illustrate that abortion caused many to become sexually promiscuous as they had abortion as a backup to their failed contraception.

Planned Parenthood reports that 54% of women seeking an abortion were using contraception in the month they became pregnant. An awful price is being paid for this promotion of promiscuity. More than 55 million American children have been killed, and their mothers are wounded.

During 2009, 54% who aborted did so for the first time, while 46% already had aborted. Of the 46%, 25% had one previous abortion, 19% already had two abortions before theirs in 2009, 8% had three, and 5% had four or more.

Source: Pro-Life Union NL, March 2011

PRIMARY ELECTION TUESDAY, MAY 17

See page 3 of this issue for the LIFEPAAC list of pro-life candidates for local and statewide office. If you have questions, call any of the numbers at the bottom of the page.

40 DAYS FOR LIFE – THANK YOU LIVES WERE SAVED – THE CITY SAW YOU



You couldn't label the groups who came to the vigil, and you could not identify them by denomination. Some prayed silently. At other times, they prayed from the sheets available from the shift leaders. Our signs were our statements, our witness and our I.D. Some days were



pleasant; other days were cold and rainy and windy. We talked about the weather, but nobody stayed at home because of it. The trees on Liberty Avenue went from bare, stark sentinels of winter to soft, green harbingers of spring. Words of encouragement from passers-by could light a dark afternoon. Epithets were endured in silence. Most difficult to bear was the seemed indifference of the downtown crowd. Surely they were touched, even if they passed by as though we were invisible.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT



In the book, **The Starfish and the Spider**, the authors, Brafman and Beckstrom, tell an interesting tale.

It seems that a spider is all head and little body. The head dies, the body dies. But a starfish has enough neurological activity and intelligence in each leg, so if there is an injury to one leg, the whole body just keeps going. And it grows a new leg if injured. Sometimes a leg that was separated from the body just grows another starfish. When all the legs agree, then it moves in the same direction and gets somewhere.

So pro-lifers resemble the starfish, all moving in the same direction to defend human life from conception to natural death. Based on the trust we have for each other, we simply keep moving. When faced with opposition in one area, we just grow stronger in another.

One often hears the complaint that pro-lifers should be more organized, more centrally located and headed by "someone in charge." Maybe. But we're all moving in the same direction. Groups wax strong and then are replaced by other groups as the need arises.

For instance, just as the pro-abortion people were celebrating the election of the most abortion-minded president in American history, Barack Obama, a new movement was gaining strength and purpose. Results were seen in about 247 cities and innumerable hearts. Realistically, the 40 Days for Life campaign should not have worked at all: no great centralized financing, no huge downtown office building, no organizational flow charts, and the members just...PRAYED! Begun by Shawn Carney and David Bereit, it grew from city to city. This Lent, it was terrific here in Pittsburgh.

Thanks so much to Nikki and Joe Bruni & Co., our city noticed people praying at Planned Parenthood and wonderful things happened. From Erie, Indiana, Ohio, West Virginia, Westmoreland, Butler, Fayette, you name the place, people sacrificed time and high gas prices to come, find a parking space, and pray at Planned Parenthood where more abortions take place than any other place in this area. And so many denominations were represented; it was truly an ecumenical activity. Pro-lifers met pro-lifers in prayer. Who would have guessed it! Prayer! Of all things!

And PCUC will continue to promote the 40 Days for Life campaign when it begins again in September. Financial help comes from many sources. How about the rummage sale the last weekend in March! Wonderful donations from dedicated members, sorted, stored, displayed and sold, by a group of pro-lifers that just quietly have kept everything running smoothly for about the last 40 years of rummage sale history. And PCUC uses those proceeds to keep events coming, events that inspire, educate, and activate.

Another leg of the starfish: the Education Day. On April 9, we had four fabulous speakers, great food, and once again, a chance to meet other pro-lifers who energized those in attendance. We were in awe of the amount of information that came to us as we relaxed at the Oratory. If you missed it, make sure you watch for Education Day 2012.

So, if, you thought the March for Life ended pro-life activity for the year, think again. Keep your pro-life calendar handy and join the celebration, celebrating the fact that this "starfish" is still going. And we're all headed in the same direction...to life.

THANKS TO RUMMAGE SALE TEAM



In January, Kathleen Weaver starts to gather her crew, and she makes room in her garage and in our office storage room for anything that looks like it will sell.

For the past 40 years she faithfully has made this her spring project for PCUC. As one observer commented, "Kathleen's crew members just keep their eyes on the job at hand. They don't stop until the work is done."

This year that faithful crew made the Crafton K of C Hall shine with pottery, baskets, jewelry, toys, and enough Christmas decorations for several trees. These men and ladies go home tired but satisfied with a job well-done. PCUC is very grateful, so we want to say "THANK YOU" to:

Bernard Henn	Audrey Henn	Carol Henn
Janet Weber	Amanda Weber	Joe Weber
Sandy Santillo	Nick Santillo	Phyllis Finn
Kathleen Finn	Rosalie Grashe	Sandy Grimes
Sara Maruccio	Jason Maruccio	Teresa Gery
Elaine Chapman	Marge Reilly	Eileen Guay
Lorraine Hungerman	Fran Quaqua	Beth Svirbel
Tom Gillen	Bob Newman	Leo Ganther
Frank Cindrich	Roger Weaver	Mary Weaver

THANK YOU, MARY LOU



Thank you to Paula Smith for her outstanding tribute to Mary Lou Gartner (Dave, too) in the PITTSBURGH CATHOLIC. With no fanfare Mary Lou has put up to 6,000 people on buses to Washington, DC for the March for Life since

1974. As secretary of LIFE PAC, Mary Lou contacts all the candidates for local state and federal offices so that LIFE PAC's Board of Directors can evaluate and advertise the names of pro-life candidates for two elections every year. She does all this as a volunteer. She and Dave have traveled around the state and to places around the country with no thought of personal gain—only the pride and joy of knowing they are serving God and His most innocent children.

BILLBOARD CAMPAIGN FORGES AHEAD

This beautiful, blue-eyed lady looks to you from highways all over south-western PA. We have seen her on the PA Turnpike, in town and in the suburbs. Wherever you see her, you know that generous pro-life people donated the funds to advertise



the message. Any donor can claim credit, so if you want to say you helped, please send your donation to: PA

Foundation for Life, PO Box 12741, Pittsburgh, PA 15241.

Thank you to everyone who bought Dorothy's Candy for Easter. The money raised with this project helped with expenses for 40 Days for Life. You are an Easter blessing in many ways.

Vote Pro- Life

- Only pro-life candidates are listed.
- When there is no pro-life candidate, the office or district is not mentioned.



9 weeks



9 months

Primary Election – you can vote only for the candidates in the party you are registered

PENNSYLVANIA STATE SUPERIOR COURT

One candidate to be elected

Paula Patrick (R)

Vic Stabile (R)

PENNSYLVANIA STATE COMMONWEALTH COURT

One candidate to be elected

Anne Covey (R)

Paul Panepinto (R)

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT

Two candidates to be elected

Leah Williams Duncan (D)

Mike Marmo (D/R)

INDIANA CO. COMMON PLEAS COURT

One to be elected

Michael Clark (D/R)

MERCER CO. COMMON PLEAS COURT

One to be elected

Daniel Wallace (D/R)...Robert Yeatts (D/R)

WASHINGTON COUNTY COMMON PLEAS COURT

Two candidates to be elected

Gary Gilman (D/R)

Charles Kurowski (D/R)

Phil Melograne (D/R)

Lane Turturice (D/R)

ALLEGHENY COUNTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Mark Flaherty (D)

Chuck McCullough (R)

D. Raja (R)

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

District 2
Jan Rea (R)

District 5
Vince Gastgeb (R)

District 7
Michael Dell (R)

At Large
Heather Heidelbaugh (R)...Ed Kress (R)

PITTSBURGH CITY COUNCIL

District 1
Darlene Harris (D)...Vince Pallus (D)

District 5
Joshua Wander (R)

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Two candidates will be elected from each political party

ARMSTRONG CO.

Dave Battaglia (R)
Jim Scahill (R)

BEAVER CO.

Craig Conforti (R)
Dennis Nichols (R)
Tony Amadio (D)
Joe Spanik (D)

BUTLER CO.

Bill DiCuccio (R)
William McCarrier (R)
Jeff Smith (R)

GREENE CO.

Archie Trader (R)
Richard Yeager (R)
Pam Snyder (D)
Mark Starostanko (D)

INDIANA CO.

David Frick (R)
Donald Palmer (R)
Patricia Evanko (D)

FAYETTE CO.

Dave Lohr (R)
Angela Zimmerlink (R)
Al Ambrosini (D)
Vincent Vicites (D)
Vincent Zapotosky (D)

LAWRENCE CO.

Shirley Sallmen (R)
William Schafer (R)
Daniel Vogler (R)
Steven Craig (D)
Richard DeBlasio (D)

WASHINGTON CO.

Diane Irely (R)
Bill Northrop (R)
Randy Barli (D)
Larry Maggi (D)
Greg Sulc (D)

WESTMORELAND CO.

Chuck Anderson (R)
Joe Bush (R)
Tyler Courtney (R)
Linda Iezzi (D)
Virginia Oplinger (D)
John Pallone (D)
Louis Sabers (D)

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CELEBRATIONS AND MEMORIALS

In honor of Tom & Dorothy Gillen on their 50th Wedding Anniversary from Marlene & Dave Wohleber
Happy Birthday to Phyllis Chick Tennant from Mary Lou & Dave
In honor of Marco A. Aguilar from Rosemarie Huwe
In honor of Our Lady of Guadalupe from Irmo Antonacci
In honor of my Children and Grandchildren from Robert Irr
In honor of her Mother from Mrs. Margaret Jacoby
In honor of David Freedy from his parents, Hank & Judy
In honor of Miriam White from Joan Scheuermann
In honor of my grandchildren: Kathryn, Rachel, Sarah, Anastasia, Katelyn, Zoe, E.J., Samuel, Owen, Lily and Maggie from Joan Scheuermann
In honor of their Granddaughters: Katrina, Larissa, Ava and Gabrielle from Frank & Betty Nemchick
In honor of Frank Wohar from Joseph Wohar
In honor of Marco Aquilar from Rosemarie Huwe
Celebration of the birth of Nolan, grandson of Bill & Maria Radvansky from Helen & Frank Cindrich
Memory of Jerry Fink from his wife, Judy
Memory of Rev. F. X. Hanley from Rosemary Biskup
Memory of Art Pisula from his wife, Ruth
Memory of Art Pisula from the Dave & Denysis Lister Family
Memory of Art Pisula from Fariss Family
Memory of Art Pisula from the Mankins Family
Memory of Raymond John Zedler from Mr. & Mrs. Dennis Starrett
Memory of Richard Sopher from Lynn & Jeff Miner
Memory of Dr. Robert Carroll from Dot & Harry Lydic
Memory of Dr. Robert Carroll from Mary Lou & Dave Gartner
Memory of Dr. Robert Carroll from Helen & Frank Cindrich
Memory of Dr. Robert Carroll from Jim & Linda Ludwig
Memory of Dr. Robert Carroll from the St. Sebastian Respect Life Committee
Memory of Kathy Colcombe from her husband, Albert
Memory of Mary Grace & Angelo Cicero from their daughter, Mary Ann Cicero
Memory of Anna Dici from Paul Dici
Memory of Helen Robbins, mother of ten children, from her daughter, Patricia Dittmer
Memory of Edward Lantz from Joan Lantz
Memory of Karen Rossetti from Conrad & Gerrie Rossetti
Memory of Mary Ann Yoest from the St. Sebastian Respect Life Committee
Memory of Marion Way from Mr. Thomas Way
Memory of Joseph & Martha Cirincione from Joseph & Susan Cirincione
Memory of Joseph L. Gigliotti from Mrs. Joseph L. Gigliotti
In memory of Harry from Elizabeth A. Joyce
Memory of John R. Laylock from Tom Laylock
Memory of Louis Nene from his wife, Louise
Memory of Lillian Wagner from Lenore & Ed Novak
Memory of Robert L. Tuttle from Michael & Deborah Sturm
Memory of Antonetta Verona from Felicia Verona
Memory of Tom Geisler from Gloria Geisler
Memory of Emma Jean Morin from friends at Lifeline of Southwest PA
Memory of Robert & Inez Martin from their daughter, Roberta Ravasio

Memory of a "great lady," Margaret B. Kelly from Claire & Patrick King
Memory of Chet Claire, husband of Hilda Claire, from Claire & Patrick King
Memory of Brian McGuire from his sister, Joan O'Brien
Memory of deceased members of the Salvatore Leo Family from Sister Mary Salvatore Leo
Memory of Francis Gusty from his wife, Louise
Memory of Pat Gallagher from his wife, Lorraine
Memory of Michael Strathmann from Bill and Maureen Strathmann
Memory of Martin Chlystek from Mr. & Mrs. Richard Cortes
Memory of Jack Donahoe from his wife, Joan
Memory of Madeline Burrelli from Helen & Frank Cindrich & Family

HOPE FOR CANCER PATIENT

A four-year-old girl in Spain has been "cured" of brain cancer through the use of umbilical cord stem cells, as reported by Matthew Cullinan Hoffmann in *LifeSiteNews.com*.

Born healthy in 2007, she "began to suffer from a brain tumor" at the age of 22 months "and needed several intensive rounds of chemotherapy which destroyed her blood cells, requiring her to receive infusions of stem cells from her umbilical cord." The practice of storing umbilical cord stem cells at birth is rare in Spain, and the transplant of such cells was the first in Spanish history.

The report of success comes some "16 months after her stem cells restored her blood system, and she remains cancer free. Doctors will be able to certify her as 'cured' after [she has lived] a total of five years without a relapse."

In contrast with embryonic stem cell procedures, which destroy a human life in its earliest stages and which have never produced a single cure, adult or umbilical cord stem cell procedures are harmless to the donor and are proving to be a powerful weapon in the arsenal of modern medical treatments.

Source: Life Advocacy Briefing w/o 3-21-11

DO YOU KNOW...

- ☠ What company commits 25% of the abortions in the US?
- ☠ What entity has worked for many years to eliminate the Federal Abstinence Education Program but, failing to do so, applied for funding from the program it so despises?...
- ☠ What group has enthusiastically accepted donations made for the stated purpose of killing black preborn human beings?
- ☠ What "nonprofit" has nearly half a billion dollars in a savings account and gets some \$350 million from taxpayers every year, yet claims to need funding?

The answer to all: **Planned Parenthood.**

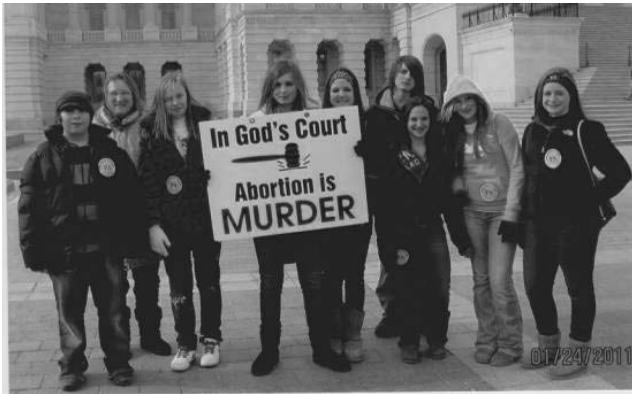
Source: Life Decisions International, 2010

NEW IN ADULT STEM CELL RESEARCH !!

Despite the clamoring for our tax money to continue killing human embryos for research and cloning, there has been no cure, no treatment, no results. On the other hand, the medical breakthroughs using adult stem cells are astounding.

Call the office for full articles on cancer, diabetes, eye/ear, heart and Parkinson's. Our own bodies are the source of great cures. We are in a whole new world of medicine. ☺

BRCS STUDENTS MARCH FOR LIFE



On Monday, January 24, our nation's capital teemed with young, enthusiastic, determined young men and women. The March for Life brought them there, and they will not rest until the crimes against humanity that took away their classmates, playmates and friends have been stopped.

Brookline Regional Catholic School sent these students who returned to tell the rest of the school about the March for Life: Brian Scipione, Mrs. Jesiorski (Thank you!), Samantha Hildebrand, Brenna Gallagher, Carly Malezi, Brian Walsh, Christina DeAngelis, Amanda Jeziorski, Cami Vrakel.

CALENDAR

Every Tue., Thur. & Sat. 8-11 am—Vigil at PP, Liberty Ave.

Every Tue., Thur. & most Sat. 8-11 am Pro-life presence @ Allegheny Reproductive, East Liberty – 412-731-3125

Every 2nd Sat. – 9-11 am – Prayer @ Youngstown Women's Center – 724-964-8293

2nd Sun. of Feb., Apr., June, August, Oct., & Dec. 1-3 pm – Picket Magee Hospital – Call Al @ 412-781-6836

1st & 3rd Wed. of every month—Distribute leaflets @ local high schools. Call Al @ 412-781-6836

Every 1st Mon. – Picket PP Bridgeville. Call 412-835-8127

Every 3rd Mon. – Picket PP Moon Twp. Call 412-262-2317

3rd Sat. Every Month – Project Multitude @ PP 7:00-11:00
Come for all or any part of the morning 724-274-4833

Sun., May 8 – Thanks Mom for Life!

Sat., May 14 – Walk for Life – P

Tues., May 17 – Primary Election – Vote Pro-Life!

Mon., May 30 – Memorial Day – Thank a soldier!

Sun., June 19 – Fathers' Day

ELLEN McCORMACK DIES AT 84



Ellen McCormack galvanized the pro-life movement by running for president in 1976 and 1980. Her presence in the first presidential election after Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court decision that established abortion as a “fundamental right” forced both major

political parties to address the abortion issue. She played a crucial role in the rise of the pro-life movement. Her leadership enabled the then-young pro-life movement to flex its muscles and demonstrate political courage. Ellen's daughter Kathy said, “Her beliefs, her fight for the unborn was truly her passion.”

Ellen was an inspiration to the Pittsburgh Pro-Life family. *May she rest in peace.*

WORKING ASSETS = \$\$\$\$ TO PP



Next time you think you can't live without your next dose of Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream, take another look. B&J's promotes your signup for a “Working Assets” Visa Signature Card. Then they plant a tree (a good thing); after that they send ten cents to “progressive” nonprofits. Then they send you coupons for six FREE pints of Ben & Jerry's Ice Cream after your qualifying transaction.

What's the catch? If you look at the list of agencies that your purchases support, you will see Planned Parenthood at the top. There are others, but B&J makes no apologies for their allegiance to the world's largest abortion provider.

Don't stop eating ice cream, but we suggest you look in the next freezer case for ice cream that doesn't carry such deadly baggage.

CARNEGIE CITIZEN OF THE YEAR

Congratulations to Marcella McGrogan, a pro-life stalwart whose life is a fine example of the tenacity, dedication and spirit of members of our pro-life family.

We salute Marcella for her inspiration and courage.

PP STATISTICS NEED A CLOSER LOOK



Planned Parenthood has told us that abortions make up just three percent of its services. Kristan Hawkins of Students for Life and Charmaine Yoest of Americans United for Life came up with very different numbers, and the SFL and AUL numbers agree.

Kristan (photo) and Charmaine used a 2010 PP fact sheet from the PP website. They provided 324,008 abortion services, 2,405 adoption referrals and 9,433 prenatal services in 2008. When calculated, abortion services accounted for 96% of the services provided to pregnant women. The math:

$$2,405 + 9,433 = 11,838 \text{ (non-abortion services to pregnant women)}$$

$$11,838 / 324,008 = .036 = 3.6\%$$

$$100\% - 3.6\% = 96.4\% \text{ (services to pregnant women – abortions)}$$

Abby Johnson, former PP director, recently commented on the way PP reports on its numbers to ensure that the public will not know the truth of their business: “...PP says abortions make up just 3% of its services, I found they used sleight of hand, unbundling family planning services so each patient shows anywhere from five to 20 ‘visits’ per appointment. It does the opposite for abortion visits, bundling them together so each appointment shows as one visit. You have an overwhelming number of ‘visits’ for family planning compared to abortion, even though you may have seen the same number of patients.

“The fact is, PP has been caught time and time again breaking federal and state laws by protecting racists, rapists and sex traffickers of minors. Why would we trust them with accurate numbers of the abortions they provide.

“From now on, I will call them Preventing Parenthood.”



According to an article at Fox News, the city of Philadelphia has begun a new campaign to engage children as young as 11 in the use of condoms.

A new website set up by the city's Health Department to promote the campaign offers, "If you live in Philadelphia and are between the ages of 11 and 19, you can now have condoms mailed directly to you for FREE. Maybe it's difficult for you to stop by one of our sites. Or maybe you're just shy or feeling weird about picking up condoms."

The free service does not require parental consent or even parental knowledge.

How is this legal? In a 1998 case regarding condom distribution in Philadelphia's schools, the U.S. Court of Appeals for the Third Circuit determined that if "the program lacks any degree of coercion or compulsion...neither an opt out provision nor parental notification is required by the Federal Constitution." *Parents United for Better Schools, Inc. v. School District of Philadelphia Board of Education*, 148 F.3d 260 (1998). Since children are not compelled to ask for free condoms, the offer by the city doesn't constitute a violation of the parental rights according to the courts.

So your child can't take an aspirin at school without a parent's letter and the consent of the school nurse, but.....

News from Parentalrights.org

FATHER HAS NO REGRETS FOR KILLING



Robert Latimer was convicted of second-degree murder for killing his disabled daughter, Tracy. He says he has no regrets and in retrospect he would do it again. In an interview with Radio-Canada, Latimer said, "I know I was right."

He was granted full parole on December 8, 2010. He told CBC's interviewer that the decision to kill her was hard, "but it was not sad."

When Tracy's death was discovered, Latimer at first lied to police, saying that she had died in her sleep. He later confessed to police, who had done an autopsy, that he had killed his daughter by placing her in the cab of his truck and connecting a hose from the cab to the truck's exhaust pipe. Later he placed her in her bed, giving the impression to your wife and others that she had died in her sleep.

Latimer disparaged the Canadian justice system and advocacy groups for the disabled. "They're just a bunch of arrogant, self-righteous, religious-backed people. They don't care about Tracy. They're just a bunch of sadistic butchers, really. They have to come clean on that. What is the legal alternative that we were supposed to take by law?"

Alex Schadenberg of the Euthanasia Prevention Coalition commented that Latimer's remarks demonstrate, "exactly why we need laws that protect people with disabilities...precisely because some people like Robert Latimer view killing a person with a disability a merciful act."

Latimer said, "People think it's a hard question, but it's not." *Thaddeus Balinski wrote the original article 2-17-2011*

FORMER PP DIRECTOR SPEAKS

On Monday, April 18, a large crowd of students gathered on Franciscan University of Steubenville's campus to hear Abby Johnson. Abby was the director of a Planned Parenthood clinic in Texas for eight years before finally having a true conversion of heart. Her moving story is told in her best-selling book, **unPlanned**, co-published by Ignatius Press and endorsed by Fr. Frank Pavone of Priests for Life.

Abby was thrilled to be there, and the students warmly greeted Abby with a standing ovation even before she began. She shared her excitement about coming into the Catholic Church this Easter. She jokingly said that it seems to be a natural progression. "You become pro-life, and then you become Catholic." Abby began her talk with encouragement. "I believe that abortion is going to end in this country because of you, sitting right here, in this room."

One of the blessings in Abby's life was the prayer campaign known as 40 Days for life, now worldwide, but at the time, brand new. Those who prayed outside of the clinic offered their help and their prayers to Abby for years. When at last Abby made the decision to leave her position at PP, she hoped that she would find assistance from those who had offered it to her for so long. She did, and it changed her life.

After having left her job, she was praying and sidewalk counseling outside of the very facility where she had worked as director. It was awkward and difficult for her, of course, but she emphasized, "The most important thing you will ever do in the pro-life movement is to go and pray and be a witness outside of an abortion clinic. It's scary, but you do it anyway." As her talk went on, she continued to call the students to do more. At one point, she warned, "If we are not actively working to end abortion, we are complicit in it."

It was on September 26, 2009 that Abby witnessed and participated in an ultrasound-guided abortion at her clinic for the first time, after eight years of working there. It was this horrifying experience that began her conversion. Interestingly, Abby shared that Planned Parenthood does not, as a general rule, do ultrasound-guided abortions. What she participated in was a rare occurrence because, as she put it, it is "too risky. It allows people to see the truth. It exposes the abortion industry's lie."

Abby explained that no one really says that they hope to work in the abortion industry for their occupation. "But," she admitted, "as we get older and become more secular, we justify our sin." However, Abby knows that her former way of life has been forgiven. She went from being named PP Employee of the Year to "National Pro-Life Advocate" within one year's time. She has even chosen St. Mary Magdalene (traditionally connected with great sin and great repentance) as her confirmation saint, and shared that "If God can forgive a big sinner like me, He can forgive anybody."

To conclude, Abby gave one last word of encouragement to the aspiring young student body, telling them that we should be expecting people who work in the abortion industry to convert. "You never know when someone will come out running into your arms. But they can't run into your arms if you're not there."

unPlanned is available wherever books are sold, and Abby can be reached personally at www.facebook.com.

Thank you, Lisa Koslosky

HAVE YOU SEEN THIS MAN?



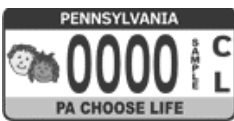
You might have seen him in downtown Pittsburgh, maybe around Gateway Center. He looks like a young, strong, successful business man. He is all those things, but his business is abortion. His name is Stephen Chase Brigham. In our January-February Issue we reported that Brigham had lost his medical license in NJ (and four other states).

As a member of the Pro-Life Coalition of PA, we are asking many questions that so far have not been answered satisfactorily by the PA Department of Health.

We wonder if his transfer of ownership of his PA abortion facilities to "Rose Health Services," whose owner is Brigham's 70 year-old aunt who lives in Toledo, OH, constitutes sufficient reason for the DOH to de-license the abortion facilities run by "Rose Health Services?" Is there a problem with his committing approximately 50 abortions in MD without a medical license in MD? Is he breaking any law when he begins abortions in NJ by insertion of laminaria and then "finishing" the abortion with hired abortionists in MD? Did anyone complain when in August 2010, one of his hired abortionists gravely injured one of these "transfers," and rather than directing her to immediate attention at a hospital emergency room, he directed that she be kept at his MD abortion chamber until he drove from Voorhees, NJ to Elkton, MD, to evaluate her?

Of course we don't know everything. We do know that women can be injured and damaged for life by Brigham's hired henchmen (and women?). We can only encourage our lawmakers to stop him. But we can pray for Stephen, and we know that in the end, prayer is the ultimate solution to most of the world's problems. *Oremus...*

IS IT POSSIBLE?



Can a pro-lifer own a car without a pro-life license plate? Our state is blessed to have them available. In other states, pro-lifers have tried, but without success. We

can carry the pro-life message with us on every street, highway and turnpike—wherever we go. It's an investment that can save lives, and the proceeds go to **local** pregnancy support centers. Visit www.pachoose-life.org or call 215-885-2919. You can also call the PCUC office, and we will send you the application forms ASAP.

PP TEAMS UP WITH SPRINT



The nation's largest abortion business has started a new wireless communications system partnering with a long-time pro-abortion long-distance carrier. PP's new cell phone service will allow pro-abortion activists to not only make calls but get action alerts from the organization. PP Wireless is a new affinity program that allows its supporters to sign up for a mobile phone service and see 10% of their monthly bill go back to the abortion business via Sprint.

KEY TO CANCER CURE? LOOK!

By Wesley J. Smith



Well this is ironic: People with Down syndrome—against whom a concerted pogrom is being waged to wipe off the face of the earth via genetic testing and eugenic abortion or infanticide—may hold the key to an effective treatment for cancer.

Scientists may have solved the mystery of why people with Down syndrome seem to have a lower risk of some cancers.

The extra copy of chromosome 21 which causes Down's appears to contain a gene that protects from solid cancerous tumors, tests on mice suggest. The gene seems to interfere with signals a tumor relies on to grow. The finding raises hope of new ways to prevent and treat cancer.

At least some catch an important ancillary point to this story:

Writing in the journal, the researchers, led by Dr. Sandra Ryeom, said: "It is, perhaps, inspiring that the Down's (sic) syndrome population provides us with new insight into mechanisms that regulate cancer growth and, by doing so, identifies potential targets for tumor prevention and therapy."

Will that slow down our drive to identify and destroy these precious human beings before they can be born? Not a chance. We talk a good game of "diversity," but we don't really mean it.

BUS DRIVER FIRED FOR "NO" TO PP TRIP

A Texas bus driver who was fired for refusing to drive a woman to a Planned Parenthood abortion facility has been awarded a \$21,000 settlement, although he has been barred from seeking employment at his former position.



Kyle resident, Ed Graning, 63, filed a federal suit against the Capital Area Rural Transportation System (CARTS) after his former employer terminated him for refusing to drive a woman to a local Planned Parenthood that he discovered performed abortions. The woman quickly received a ride from another bus.

Graning, a former pastor and grandfather of three, said that he felt acquiescing to the woman's request was irreconcilable with his Christian faith. He said, "I love the Lord, and I'm not going to be a part of something like this."

ROLE OF JUDGES IN ABORTION APPEALS

The PA Supreme Court will consider the role judges play in deciding when a minor can have an abortion. The case, *in re Jane Doe*, a minor girl asked an Allegheny County judge for permission to have an abortion after she was unable to obtain consent from one of her parents, as required by the PA Abortion Control Act. The judge denied the request and the girl appealed, but she lost again.

"Now the girl's lawyers have asked the state Supreme Court if a lower court should have done more." [Source for this statement is the Morning Call, 2-2-11]

According to Denis Brenin, Esq., quoted in the article, "giving the judges latitude to weigh facts and assess a minor's maturity is the only way the Legislature's interest in passing the Abortion Control Act can be fulfilled.

We pray for an equitable decision. *Pro-Life Berks*

BABY SAVED USING BULLHORN

“We can help you!”

On March 11, 2011, at Hillcrest abortion mill in Harrisburg, Sue Doller was standing on the sidewalk in front of the building with a bullhorn. Due to the level of noise from the traffic on Front Street, Sue needed some way to get her message to women seeking abortions inside the facility.

The sound of the bullhorn penetrated the walls of the mill, and one couple, that we know of, came out of Hillcrest, hugged Sue and chose life for their baby. They thanked Sue and said they heard the bullhorn inside the mill and changed their minds. Of course, Hillcrest called the police, and they cited Sue for “disorderly conduct and unreasonable noise.”

On March 30 Sue was found guilty of “disturbing the peace” in spite of the excellent testimony she presented. The judge would not allow the video of the incident to be shown in court. Sue’s friend Chris Stoner is asking anyone who can help with Sue’s expenses to donate to the cause. She will have to pay a court recorder \$250 plus charges for each page of the court transcript and court costs of at least \$388.50. If you can help with any amount, make checks payable to Sue and send them to Christina Stoner, 26 South Seasons Drive, Dillsburg, PA 17019. [Note: We have known Chris Stoner since Mary Mullen was our pro-life leader in Harrisburg. Editor]

[PCUC Board members met Sue when we were in Harrisburg for a PA Senate hearing. Sue is a strong, bright, sensible and dedicated pro-lifer. We commend her innovative method of reaching mothers and helping save lives.]

MARTIN SHEEN AIRS PRO-LIFE VIEWS



Martin Sheen is better known for espousing liberal causes, but his pro-life views are strong. He earned the praise of pro-life advocates in April 2004 when he backed out of being listed as an endorser for the pro-abortion march sponsored by leading abortion advocacy groups. In 2001, Sheen was listed by Feminists for Life as a “Remarkable Pro-Life Man,” along with actor Ben Stein, Congressman Chris Smith and columnist George Will.

In a conversation with Gay Byrne, released April 3 on RTE, the website of Ireland’s National Public Service Broadcaster, Sheen related, “Well, we had pregnancies with our grandsons, three specifically. And we welcomed these children and encouraged the mothers to have the children and gave them support. The lads (his sons) were not happy at the time, but they came to love these children. We have three grown grandchildren, two of them are married. They’re some of the greatest source of joy in our lives.”

ABORTION RECOVERY INTERNATIONAL

Pro-lifers in the southwestern PA area are familiar with **Silent No More** and **Mary’s Moms**, both strong support systems for women who have had abortions. Now we learn of another group, Abortion Recovery International. ARI was created in 2003 to assist in the field of abortion recovery, to aid those hurting and to bring to society an awareness of the devastation that abortion has on families on an international basis. Email ARI to get more information and resources for your own education and for assistance to women in need.

VANDALS DESECRATE PRO-LIFE DISPLAY



On Wednesday, April 20, in the midst of Holy Week, Clarion University Students for Life’s Cemetery of the Innocents Display was vandalized and desecrated by individuals identifying themselves in red paint as “pro-choice.”

In a breathtaking public display of anti-Christian and anti-Life motivations, 350 crosses were pulled up and re-inserted in inverted fashion. Additionally, red paint was splattered on crosses and signs. Even eerier were the mock bloody footprints of an infant painted in front of the display.

Source: Students for Life of America 4-27-11

BABY JOSEPH GOES HOME TO CANADA



Ali Maraachli, 6, cuddles up with his little brother Joseph in his Windsor residence on 4-24-2011

Baby Joseph napping at home in his crib on Easter morning is all the proof his father needs that the London (Ontario) doctors were wrong. Only months ago, doctors at London Health Sciences Centre sought to take him off life support as the infant battled a progressive neurological disorder.

But on Sunday the round cheeked baby was home, resting in a cradle packed with plush toys in his parents’ home. Now and then he opened his eyes or wriggled a little, or moved his arms beneath father Moe Maraachli’s occasional touches and kisses. When dad held out a finger, Joseph’s own stubby fingers curled around it.

He’s breathing without a ventilator after surgery in St. Louis to perform the airway-opening tracheotomy his family sought but couldn’t get in Canada as they battled to bring Joseph home to die.

No one is sure how long Joseph will live.

“That’s by God and him. I never think about that,” said Maraachli. “I have good faith in my heart, and my wife is the same like me, so our faith is very strong.”

He is not angry at the hospital itself, but he feels he’s owed an explanation for the decision to refuse Joseph the tracheotomy.

Source: The Windsor Star 4-27-2011