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FOR A WHILE, THERE WAS JUST ONE

Until sometime last year, Pittsburgh had seven abortion mills. **That number did not include the infamous Magee-Womens Hospital.**

On December 22, 2011, Governor Tom Corbett signed into a law requiring free-standing abortion mills to adhere to the same safety and health standards as all other free-standing walk-in surgical centers. After more than a year, several mills around the commonwealth are still open despite failure to adhere to standards set by the PA Dept. of Health.

Until **Monday, March 4**, Allegheny Reproductive still killed babies on the second floor of a building with only one entrance. Outside, the ever-faithful students from Franciscan University, Judy & John Dick, Margie Baker, Kevin Cleary, George Murtha, Nathan Provan, two of our favorite priests and a gang from Indiana, PA, offered prayers and practical assistance to women seeking abortions. Rain or shine, summer or winter, their faithful vigil saved lives.

On Monday, March 4, the answering service offered no appointments. For three days our city and county had only one abortion mill, PP.

Sadly, on Thursday, March 7, AR was again taking appointments. On Friday we knew the place where they set up shop. The owner of this building is a real gambler. After AR moved into its former location, the first floor of the building was without a regular tenant for the duration of their tenancy.

GIANT RUMMAGE SALE

Sponsored by PCUC and directed by Kathleen Weaver, our annual sale will be held on Saturday, April 6, at the KofC Hall, 10 W. Crafton Avenue in Crafton. We will have a variety of many useable and wanted objects, even some lovely collectibles. Prices are kept low to sell.



Bring your donations to the hall on Thursday and Friday, April 4 & 5, between 10 am and 3 pm. Please—no books, records, tires or old TV sets. For information, call 412-531-9272.

Join us at 10:00 a.m. on Good Friday, March 29, when for the 40th year we will pray at the doors of Planned Parenthood-WHS. We pray the Stations of the Cross, the Rosary and the Divine Mercy prayers. Everyone is welcome.

COUNTY COUNCIL COMMENDS THOSE WHO MARCH FOR LIFE



Thanks to Allegheny County Council Member, Heather Heidelbaugh (r), the thousands of pro-life people from southwestern PA were acknowledged at the Council meeting on February 5. PCUC Director Helen Cindrich told the Council about the dedication and determination of those who went to Washington, DC, on the 40th Anniversary of Roe v Wade. She noted that the PA Health Department Regulations on operation and safety standards of free-standing ambulatory surgical centers were effective in reducing the number of abortion mills in Allegheny County from seven to two.

We are grateful to Mary Lou Gartner, who coordinated the buses, the Bus Captains whose extra efforts made it a smooth ride and every individual who marched.

GALLUP AFFIRMS HOW TIDE IS TURNING

According to a Gallup Poll, Americans 18-29 are trending toward a more pro-life set of beliefs. One odd poll result is a decrease in the number of seniors saying all abortions should be illegal. Compare this with a 9-point increase—from 14% to 23%—in support for the “illegal in all circumstances” position among 18-to-29-year-olds since early 1990s. The aggressively pro-abortion advocacy group NARAL decided to freshen its image. They have decided their leadership must have a younger image. We think the image of a preborn child is as young as it gets. Source: lastresistance.com.



MEMORIALS AND CELEBRATIONS

In honor of her Mom, Anna Mae Doyle, who is
89 years old, from Maureen Kurp

In honor of James Rectenwald on his 80th Birthday from
Shirley and Wallace Warner

In honor of Jen Marsalese from John and Irma Willforth

In honor of Eileen & Andrew Ragan
from Dennis & Vicki Ragan

In honor of Margaret Mary "Marge" Karafa at Christmas
from Mary Jane D'Andres

In honor of Pat & Sue Rocco & Children from
Joanne Bartos

In honor of PEACE from Patricia Letzelter

In honor of Kay Stump from John & Loretta Prizzi

In honor of Mary Catherine Scanlon from her
daughter & son-in-law, Helen & Jeff Remington
and the Remington Family

In honor of Fr. Chris Donley from Patricia & Tom Schauble

In honor of her Family from Carol Ann & John J. Watton

In honor of Kathleen Lynch Myron from
Kathleen M. & Walter B. Croke, Jr.

In honor of her new Grandson, Joel Evan Bowen, from
Marie Bowen, Presbyterians Pro-Life

Merry Christmas to Mary Lou and Dave Gartner from their
loving Grandson, Bernie O'Keefe and his wife, Katie

Memory of Regis C. Brennan, Jr.,
from his brother, Fr. John D. Brennan

Memory of Sylvia Krywicki from Robert & Jacqueline Buck

Memory of Clara Krywicki from Robert & Jacqueline Buck

Memory of Kathy Colcombe from Albert A. Colcombe

Memory of Lucille Scurci from her beloved husband, Frank

Memory of Annibel Keenan from John & Irma Willforth

Memory of Jackie Kerr from Evelyn & Bill Turocy

Memory of Louise Flanagan from her husband, Ed

Memory of Clay H. Dananay from Kathleen Jacobs. Clay
would have been 29 years old on January 28.

Memory of Emma J. Morin from her
Friends at LIFELINE of SW PA

Memory of Joseph Capo from his beloved wife, Antoinette

Memory of Jack Donohoe from his dear wife, Joan

Memory of Sarah A. Fromme from William J. Fromme

Memory of Elidio P. Levri from Mr. & Mrs. James Levri

Memory of Kathleen Lynch Myron
from Thomas L. & Linda M. Myron

Memory of the Unborn from Mr. & Mrs. Richard Pike

Memory of Joseph Kenny from Roger and Kathleen Weaver

Memory of Joseph Kenny from Helen & Frank Cindrich

Memory of Alberta Miller, mother of Carol Patterson, from
Mr. & Mrs. Joe Malingowski

Memory of Alberta Miller, mother of Carol Patterson, from
Mrs. Grace Gray

Memory of Alberta Miller, mother of Carol Patterson, from
Charlotte Conn and Peg Crossey

Memory of Alberta Miller, Mother of Carol Patterson, from
John & Carol's neighbors on Madden Drive

Memory of Alberta Miller from Mrs. Dolores Patterson

Memory of Robert A. Deasy from Phoebe Starr

Memory of Albert J. Colonna from
his beloved wife, Patricia

Memory of Anna Dici from Paul Dici

Memory of James Donovan from his Family

Memory of Mitchell Serena from
Ernesta & Richard McMillan

Memory of Edward Barry from Jerry & Peggy Wrabley

Memory of Dave Adams from Genny Adams

Memory of Virginia M. Geary from Mark F. Geary, Esq.

Memory of Betty Long from Bill & Diane Bloss

Memory of Rita Cunningham from Nelson & Susan Caro

Memory of Connie from James J. Dean

Memory of Connie Dillon from Joan F. Dlubak

Memory of Frank Donohue from his beloved wife, Kitty

Memory of Elizabeth and Ken Dunn
from Marianne Dunn Geier

Memory of Ben & Helen Rogola from Bill & Susan Knoll

Memory of Irene Donovan from James Kozlowski

Memory of Lewandowski Family
from Robert & Marie Mankos

Memory of Catherine Anschuetz from Madonna R. Roney

Memory of Saville Family from Althea J. Saville

Memory of Ann Risley from Richard & Ann Hickox

Memory of "Bertie" June Miller from Wilma S. McDaniel

Memory of Ron Firment from Dave & Mary Lou Gartner

Memory of Ron Firment from Frank & Helen Cindrich

Memory of Jesse Melvin Allen, our beloved treasure son
– Age 28, from Lynn & Melvin R. Allen

Memory of Theresa Haring from Sister Margaret Haring

Memory of Marinchek & Kybistek Families
from Regis A. Marinchek

Memory of Richard Herky Kendall from his Wife, Loretta

Memory of Dorothy Reed Gunther from her Sister, Loretta

Memory of Alfred A. Guadino from
Dolores and Mark Guadino

Memory of John R. Laylock from Thomas A. Laylock

Memory of Edward Spratt from Elizabeth Spratt

Memory of Elsie Brophy from Jacqueline Sanders

Memory of John & Michael Maimone from
James & Joan Ellen Maimone

Memory of Aquino Rossi from Ann Mazzocco

Memory of Harry Mazzocco, Sr., from Ann Mazzocco

Memory of Saville Family from Althea J. Saville

Memory of Jack Donahoe from His beloved wife, Joan

Memory of all the children and adults at Newtown, CT,
from Denise Quayle

Memory of all unborn children from Mr. & Mrs. Richard Pike

Memory of Diane M. Slagle from John P. Slagle

Memory of Kathleen Lynch Myron from
Thomas L. & Linda M. Myron

Memory of Margaret Cleary from her beloved husband, Bill

Memory of Al Rudolph from Joe & Margaret Hufnagel

Memory of Denise Bezila from Anna Bezila

Memory of Wes Earnest from his beloved wife, Jean

Memory of Francis Gusty from his beloved wife, Louise

Memory of Alfred Finn from Phyllis Finn

Memory of Kerry Ellen Kiser from Cheryl Kiser

Memory of Mary Ann Yoest from Sue McGrath

Memory of Frank Corsetti from Helen & Frank Cindrich

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
his beloved wife, Alma

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
his nephew, Joe Antonacci

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
John V. Graziano

MEMORIALS AND CELEBRATIONS (CONT'D)

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
Emma Y. DeVitis

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
Philip X. Masciantonio

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
Rev. Alfred Patterson, OSB

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
Helen & Frank Cindrich

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Rev. Alfred Patterson, OSB

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from Fran Bevan

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from Carol DaRold

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from Frank Scurci

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from Reno & Chris Vitale

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from Ron & Ruth Dornin

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
Bob & Mercedes Getto

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from
Carl & Kathy Amann

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from Jennifer Wilding
And your friends on the Fifth Floor

Memory of Irmo "Babe" Antonacci from his Niece
and Nephew, James & Patricia Kubicek

Memory of Agnes M. Colwell from John & Donna Rosser

Memory of Wes Earnest from his beloved wife, Jean

Memory of Marcina Scacchi Bruno from Friends at PCUC

Memory of her beloved husband, Edward,
from Dolores Ammon

Memory of Patrick Zuza from Mary Lou & Dave Gartner

Memory of Patrick Zuza from Helen & Frank Cindrich

UPDATE ON PRO-LIFE ISSUES



On Thursday, March 2, a group of pro-life leaders from several areas met to discuss issues that will affect the future of the people of PA. Several important bills have been stalled in the PA General Assembly since the first year of the current administration. Pro-lifers must make a concerted effort to capture the attention of elected officials. Our actions will determine the welfare of the preborn child and children in danger of assault by predators; health and safety standards inside abortion mills and whether Pennsylvanians will have to pay for unconstitutional ramifications of socialized medicine.

LETTER FROM THE PRESIDENT

Remember one of the early screeches from the NOW was: "I am Strong! I am Invincible! I am Woman! Oh please! It hurts my brain to think of it. Let's go with this instead: I am strong in Jesus! I am invincible in Jesus! I am a pro-lifer for Jesus! Would you agree with me that this rolls off the tongue with the sweet taste of truth to it?"

The abortionists will change their slogans and arguments in their fight to hang on to **Roe v Wade**, a decision based partially on science and technology that is 40 years old. Today, advancements made in these fields of study, notably the images of ultrasound, prove there is no doubt that the unborn child is a human person who has the legal right to be protected "from enemies foreign and domestic." These domestic frauds who call themselves activists, doctors or "caring politicians" kill American babies to further their own agenda, no matter what science tells them.

Pro-life Americans are undaunted in our resolve to win this fight. Let's look at what is going on across our nation:

According to *AmericansUnited for Life*, PA is in the top ten of the best states protecting the unborn.

Our **40 Days for Life** campaign reports **6,717** babies saved from abortion. **Seventy-five** abortion workers have been converted to the pro-life side and **25** abortion facilities closed.

North Dakota may become the first state in the union that protects human beings from the moment of conception after ND Senate passed the state's personhood amendment, SCR23030. Spokesperson Jennifer Mason of *Personhood USA* said, "We just need the ND House of Representative to stay strong and vote as they did before, and we'll see this pass for the first time in the United States." If this amendment is signed into law, other states will take ND's lead and thousands of lives will be saved.

Governor Jan Brewer of **Arizona** signed HB2800 into law last May that defunded Planned Parenthood who immediately filed a lawsuit and the Obama Department of Justice issued a preliminary injunction blocking the law. Attorneys with **Alliance Defending Freedom** are helping AZ Solicitor General David Cole to defend the law, and they are appealing. Support behind this legislation is massive, and AZ citizens have high hopes of a victory. Please pray for them.

In January Planned Parenthood of Illinois threw a gala fundraiser at **Carnivale Restaurant** in Chicago to celebrate the 40th anniversary of Roe v Wade with the keynote speaker -- hold your nose -- David Axelrod. But wait! It gets better! Pro-life activists from Eric Scheidler's group, **Pro-Life Action League**, held signs showing in full large color showing the victims of first and second-trimester abortions with signs reading "**Planned Parenthood Lies to You**" and "**Abortion is Nothing to Celebrate.**" All the attendees at the "celebration" had to pass through these demonstrators and the police allowed them to stay.

The crowd of at least a half million people at the March for Life shows us we are not alone. Let us pray for God's guidance and work every day to end abortion.

With you for Life,

Claudia Berthold, President

PASTOR KIRKLAND LIT A FIRE



If anyone came to the PCUC/PA Foundation for Life Prayer Breakfast in January with a “ho-hum” attitude about the sanctity of innocent human life, their attitude did a quick turn-about as they listened to the impassioned sermon by Pastor Sean Kirkland.

The dining room at the Comfort Inn was “lit up” by his from-the-heart personal stories and his straight talk from Holy Scripture. We were blessed, not only by this eloquent speaker but by his lovely wife, Brenda, and their children, as well as members of his congregation at Living Word Church in Penn Hills.

Pastor Sean is also on our Pastoral Outreach Committee, and we truly benefit from his wisdom.



RAVENS' BIRK IS STRONG PRO-LIFER

At least one Baltimore Ravens player knows there is more to play for in life than just a football. Veteran center Matt Birk is a longtime pro-life advocate who has a thoughtful position against abortion and a family story to share.



Birk grew up in St. Paul, MN, where Planned Parenthood did abortions for decades. When the godfather of one of Birk's five children opened a pregnancy center across the street from the abortion facility, Adrianna, Birk's wife,

volunteered at the center. Eventually the PP abortion clinic closed.

Birk said his Catholic faith and being a father are the big reasons he is pro-life. He shared how he was overwhelmed to hold his first child. “It was unbelievable the love that I felt for her, and any parent knows exactly what I'm talking about. Life is a gift that's given to us. We are supposed to accept it. It's not our choice whether we decide a baby lives or not.

ANGELS' PLACE HAS DAYCARE & MORE

Angels' Place has events in April, May and June, so it will be easy to choose one that suits you. **April 28.** Treasures, Tulips and Tea at the Edgewood CC is a fine time to shop and enjoy treats and desserts. Call Diane at 412-531-6667.

May 18. Highmark Walk for a Healthy Community is a 5K (or One Mile Fun Walk) or you can support a walker. Go to www.highmarkwalkforahealthycommunity.com. **June 18.** Dinner at Mad Mex in Robinson. Make it a family affair. Call Diane 412-531-6667.



GREAT LOSS TO PRO-LIFE FAMILY



He was a man whom many described as “the best pro-life political strategist they had ever met. Mike Schwartz died on Sunday, February 3, after a battle with Lou Gerhig's disease. He was 63.

Mike worked in many areas of the pro-life movement, from pre-Roe v. Wade when he led the rosary at abortion mills

with a group called Sons of Thunder, to his career as longtime chief of staff to OK Senator Tom Coburn.

Mike was a founder of the March for Life. He labored at the Catholic League before Bill Donahue brought it to national prominence. Judie Brown and American Life League knew his expertise. We know he was effective in his labors for life because even when he was no longer able to perform his duties for Sen. Coburn, his political foes were labeling him with unkind, untrue and ridiculous charges.

We are grateful to God for the time, gifts and successes that Mike achieved in his time on earth.

NEW CASTLE SPAGHETTI DINNER



SAVE THE DATE: Sunday, April 21. Our New Castle Chapter is famous for this annual fundraiser. This year it will be held at Mary, Mother of Hope Church, just the place to bring your family, friends, your pastor—anyone who enjoys food, good company and a chance to help PCUC in New Castle to with their pro-life programs. Call 724-658-8662 for details.

CONGRATULATIONS TO PRC



On March 10, after months of renovation by faithful volunteers, the Pregnancy Resource Center opened their office in Homestead.

Go to for news about programs or to make an appointment. Kennywood is the site for their Walk for Life on May 18. PRC has openings for male presenters for their programs for teens.

CALENDAR

- Every Tue., Wed., Thur., Sat. 8-11 am – Vigil at PP, Liberty Ave. ++These are days when PP schedules abortions.
- Every 2nd Sat. – 9-11 am – Prayer at 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 Thur. – Picket PP Bridgeville – Bob 412-835-8127
- Mon., Mar. 11. PRC in Homestead open. 412-464-1606
- Sun., Mar. 24 – Closing of 40 Days for Life
- Tues., May 21 – Primary Election Day
- Sat., Apr. 6 – PCUC Rummage Sale – 412-531-927

EVEN PRO-ABORTION ISN'T ENOUGH



Representative Marcie Kaptur of Ohio has cast some pro-life votes, but she takes a pro-abortion position. She is the senior Democrat on the Appropriations Committee and would normally be in line to take over as the ranking Democrat of the panel. However, House Democrats passed her over and put a more-strongly pro-abortion member in the spot. For Marcie, her few pro-life votes lost her the higher position. She is also a consistent opponent of expanding abortion rights, and in the past, she has had a rocky relationship with Nancy Pelosi. [What else is there to say? Ed.]

I WAS IN PRISON AND YOU VISITED ME

When Jane Orié was a PA State Senator, she was a strong, willing, determined advocate for the unborn. She found time to listen, to lead and to stand strong. Today, even while she is incarcerated, she helps women in prison prepare for their GEDs.

Being away from home and family is difficult. Let's encourage our family and friends to send Jane a note or card, just to keep in touch and that we are praying for her.

JANE ORIE OS9360

SCI CAMBRIDGE

451 FULLERTON ROAD

CAMBRIDGE SPRINGS, PA 16403-1238. Thank you.

THE 'NO-NO' BOYCOTT LIST



If we really want our refusal to use the products and services of companies that send money to Planned Parenthood, we have to tell them. Call PCUC and we can give you the addresses of restaurants, banks, hotels, publishers, fashion designers and computer companies that fund PP.

MARGE RIPEPI RETIRES



After 25 years as director, counselor, trainer and board president, Marge Ripepi will leave her leadership position at Alternatives Yes in Connellsville. As Marge thanks God for his direction, we thank **her** for her service.



"And I just happen to believe that simple morality dictates that unless and until someone can prove the unborn human is not alive, we must give it the benefit of the doubt and assume it is alive.

And thus, it should be entitled to life, liberty and the pursuit of happiness."

Pres. Ronald Reagan remarks at the Alfred M. Landon Lecture Series on Public Issues, Manhattan, KS 9-9-82

WHAT IS TERMINAL SEDATION



Palliative sedation is the use of pain relieving drugs to provide comfort care with a serious illness or disease. This type of care is normally provided during the last stages of a terminal disease. It focuses on relieving symptoms such as pain, anxiety, nausea and difficulty breathing by putting the patient into a semi-conscious or unconscious state.

"Terminal" sedation and "palliative" sedation are often used to describe the same process. Unfortunately, in some facilities this treatment is used to mask the pain of death by starvation or hydration.

Dr. Rex Greene, a CA oncologist, believes in some cases, doctors are just trying to hide their true intentions:

"The insistence that hydration be removed is not valid. It is very rare that its provision is burdensome. In fact, I have routinely found that adequate hydration is necessary to alleviate terminal delirium. Insisting that hydration be withdrawn as a form of treatment belies their real intention, which is to kill."

Source: "Terminal (Palliative) Sedation: What you NEED to know," Heritage House Item No. 9366PT

PRO-LIFE HERO GOES HOME



Irmo "Babe" Antonacci (4-1-28 to 2-16-13) loved life and lived for His Lord. He was part of a team of pro-lifers in Westmoreland County who brought the pro-life message through their pro-life activities and by their lives of service to the cause of LIFE.

The busy team brought the finest speakers to their annual Prayer

Break-fast. Irmo was especially proud of being the guy who brought Nellie Gray to Greensburg. The hotel dining room was packed that day, and Irmo presented Nellie with a special tribute from PCUC Westmoreland.

ARKANSAS LEADS THE WAY

On March 10, the state legislature in Arkansas overrode a veto by Gov. Mike Beebeto to enact the nation's most protective law for preborn babies. Under the new law, SB134, abortions will be banned when women have been pregnant for 12 weeks and an abdominal ultrasound shows that the fetus has a heartbeat.

Anti-abortion activists have praised the law. As expected, pro-abortion groups quickly denounced the new law as an assault on reproductive rights.

MAY THEY REST IN PEACE



We were saddened to hear of the deaths of several members of the PCUC Family: Marcina (Marcie) Bruno was a Board Member and strong activist. John Seiger was a quiet, loyal gentleman with a great love for God's children. Irmo "Babe" Antonacci who lived by the Gospel. He never missed the March for Life. We send prayers and love to the Zuza family on the passing of their son and brother, Patrick.

LOOK FOR FACE THE TRUTH IN JUNE



In June our semi-annual Face the Truth Tour will take to the local roads, campuses and places where there is lots of stop-and-go traffic. Look for the full schedule

and find a way to spend a week, a day or just a few hours showing the general public what abortion does to a baby.

TRUTH IS STRANGER THAN FICTION



On the left is a single-cell, smaller than the point of a pin, yet in our culture, if it were found by a roaming, unmanned, inter-planetary voyager, it would be the biggest news since the discovery of the "New World." The image on the right is a million times larger. You can see how much he/she looks like one of us with all of our physical, mental capabilities and potentials. Yet the highest court in the most advanced country in the world hasn't figured that out.

How do you think the citizens of the next millennium will view the intelligence of the current generation?

MAN WAKES FROM COMA JUST IN TIME

A 21-year-old man has awakened from a coma just hours before doctors were ready to shut off life support and take his organs for donation purposes.

Sam Schmid, an Arizona college student who was thought to be brain dead, recovered from injuries sustained in an automobile accident in October just hours before he was slated to be killed and his organs given to other patients.

The accident took the life of his best friend and college roommate. Schmid's injuries were thought to be so grievous that a local hospital could not treat him. He was sent

to Barrow Neurological Institute at St. Joseph's Medical Center in Phoenix to receive surgery for a life-threatening aneurysm.

As hospital officials began palliative care and talked with his parents about organ donation, Schmid began to hold up two fingers on command and started walking with the aid of a walker. Now, his speech has improved and doctors say he will have a complete recovery.

"Nobody could ever give me a better Christmas present than this — ever, ever, ever," his mother, Susan Regan, told ABC News. "I tell everyone, if they want to call it a modern-day miracle, this is a miracle. I have friends who are atheists who have called me and said, 'I am going back to church.'"

Schmid told ABCNews.com, "I feel fine. I'm in a wheelchair, but I am getting lots of help.

HUMAN BEINGS PLAY SECOND FIDDLE TO APES

by Carlos Polo

It is now safer to be a monkey in Spain—at least if you're one of the larger species—than a man. Thanks to a new law passed by the Spanish parliament and signed into law by Prime Minister Mariano Rajoy, the Great Apes are protected from the moment of conception against abortion and fetal experimentation. Human embryos, on the other hand, remain unprotected and the subject of scientific research.

This is why a group of gorillas gathered around the headquarters of the ruling political party, the Partido Popular, last week. They were there to celebrate their historic legal and political victory, and to ask why human babies were still being denied the same protections.

One of the gorillas (who had apparently mastered human speech), decried the hypocrisy of granting them the right to life while denying the same protection to Homo Sapiens. "The government is deaf to the voice of millions of Spanish who already asked to repeal the abortion law," he proclaimed, thumping his chest. "But perhaps Rajoy is more responsive to the call of the wild."

While the assembly of gorillas cavorted about in ape-like fashion, screeching and scratching, the gorilla leader explained that they had come out to urge "Rajoy to fulfill his campaign's promise to protect human life from conception and to support motherhood and family." He concluded that "There is nothing more savage and inhuman than abortion."

Of course the demonstrators weren't really gorillas, but pro-life activists from Spain's Asociación Derecho a Vivir (in English, the Right to Life Association).

Ignacio Arsuaga, president of the Association, urged President Rajoy to fulfill his campaign promises and overturn the abortion law passed by his Socialist predecessor. Arsuaga noted that "It just doesn't make any sense that the law protects the lives of several animal species and yet does not apply to human beings."

Protecting human life from conception would have the support of the majority of Spain's population, Arsuaga went on, pointing out that over 400,000 Spaniards had already signed a petition demanding the repeal of the abortion law. "Because of this law 300 unborn babies die violent deaths every day in Spain—more than a hundred thousand a year—and that is something that a democratic society cannot afford," Arsuaga said.

GOOD NEWS TO TELL THE WORLD



Operation Rescue president Troy Newman, quoted in the pro-life *LifeSiteNews*,

“Today there are just 654 surgical abortion mills left in the US. That’s down from a high of 2,176 in 1991. When an abortion mill closes, lives are saved. As the older abortionists retire, fewer replacements want that dirty job.”

PRO-LIFE BILLBOARDS ON LOCAL ROADS



The beautiful blue-eyed lady with the pro-life message is now seen on billboards in ten locations around the greater Pittsburgh area. Watch for her. Her face and her message are saving lives. You can send a donation to the PA Foundation to keep her on our highways. If you would like to honor or memorialize a special person, send your gift to PA Foundation for Life, PO Box 12741, Pittsburgh, PA 15241, and we will acknowledge your gift in the PCUC Newsletter.

MARCH CROWD YOUNG, ENTHUSIASTIC



FIRST LOVE ACADEMY HIGH SCHOOL and young families gave spirit and joy to the crowd.

EVERY DAY AT 40 DAYS IS A BLESSING



They come to pray in the cold, rain and snow. They know that even when it seems futile, God is at work, and good things

will come because they prayed. Always smiling, never complaining, they are there for all of us. ☺

