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OUTRAGE IN OHIO!



Early in April, Ohio Gov. Mike DeWine signed into law a bill that bans abortions as soon as the baby's heartbeat is detected, which can be as early as six weeks. BUT before it passed, a state rep tried to make sure African-American babies were excluded from the pro-life bill.

Rep. Janine Boyd proposed Amendment 0291 which would have provided an exception for black mothers to abort their babies for any reason up to 20 weeks. Boyd suggested protecting black children from abortion is akin to slavery.

"Black slaves were once treated like cattle and put out to stud in order to create generations of more slaves. Our country is not far enough beyond our history to legislate as if it is."

Ultimately, the amendment did not pass and virtually every baby with a beating heart in Ohio will be protected from abortion. The exception is in cases where the mother's life is threatened.

We know this law will be challenged by pro-abortion forces. Let us hope and pray that it reaches the U.S. Supreme Court and moves our country closer to the end of law under Roe v. Wade.

PRIMARY ELECTION DAY IS MAY 21



Our country's fathers and mothers fought and died for the right to vote. Let's make them proud by putting the best candidates into local and regional offices on Tuesday, May 21.

Your LIFEPAAC candidate list is on pages 3 & 4. Last date to register to vote was April 22. You can get an absentee ballot on line at www.votespa.com. Your absentee ballot must be submitted by seven days before May 21.

KRISTEN HAWKINS TO HEADLINE OUR 50TH ANNIVERSARY GALA

"I am the pro-life generation."



We see young men and women at the March for Life and at most pro-life gatherings carrying signs with this message. On October 20, we will welcome SFL President, Kristen Hawkins, to our 50th Anniversary Gala at

the Pittsburgh Plaza Hotel.

Students for Life is widely involved in the pro-life movement: Everything from stopping the dismemberment and selling of infant body parts to support of pro-life candidates; from their presence at rock concerts to lobbying in state capitols and in Washington, DC. They are the future of pro-life!

Students for Life of today will be the community leaders of tomorrow. In the next few months we'll tell you how you can help a local student to go to hear Kristen Hawkins. We *will* need your help!

NOW IS OUR SEASON TO PRAY AT MAGEE



Do you ever tell a person that you pray at UPMC Magee Womens Hospital and they look puzzled? They ask, "Why?" And when you tell them doctors at Magee perform abortions, they just can't believe it. Now is the time to call Meredith Parente and tell her you will spend one hour in prayer, asking God to help Magee to end its abortion business. You can go to the chapel at Magee or walk around the block that surrounds the hospital. For information and/or to sign up to pray at Magee, go to TheMageeProject@gmail.com. Now is our third year of prayer. We won't stop until no more babies are killed at Magee.

THANK YOU TO 40 DAYS FOR LIFE



Our Lenten season was enriched by time spent in prayer at the doors of Planned Parenthood. We **know** lives were saved. More than 80 churches participated. Go to the 40 Days for Life website to see photos and the wisdom of dedicated bloggers who kept us up to date. Thank you to all who made the sacrifices needed to keep the prayer vigil active for 12 hours each day. www.40daysforlifepgh.

JOE BUDDEN – HARDCORE RAPPER



Not what you want your children to hear. There is a post-card campaign aimed at Antonio “L.A.” Reid, Island Def Jam Records, 825 Eighth Ave., New York, NY 10019. The message tells Mr. Reid the lyrics of Budden’s song are despicable and asks him to “unplug” Budden. The words of his “rap:” “Pray that she abort that, If she’s talkin’ ‘bout keepin’ it. One hit to the stomach, She’s leakin’ it.”

FATHER SUES FOR ABORTED BABY



At last, a government entity in the U.S. has affirmed (even if inadvertently) a father’s right to intervene in the abortion of his child. Until now, when a man said he did not want his child aborted, we had to tell him he could do nothing to intervene. We even gave him the phone number of a pro-life attorney to be sure he understood the sad, bad news. However, if his child was born, he was responsible for his child’s welfare until age 18. On March 5, a probate judge in Madison Co., AL, formally recognized Ryan Mager’s child as a legal person, allowing (his) case against (an) abortion center...to proceed. Mr. Mager seeks damages for the 2017 abortion of his and his girlfriend’s child.

The suit cites a recently ratified AL state constitutional amendment. Mager’s attorney calls it a victory. Abortion advocates reportedly expressed shock. This case will teach that *fathers do matter*.

Source: Life Advocacy 3-11-19

RESCHENTHALER QUESTIONS WOLF



It’s good to know that Cong. Guy Reschenthaler isn’t letting any grass grow under his feet while he’s in Washington, DC. On March 19 he sent a letter to PA Gov. Wolf, regarding PA’s high number of abortions eligible for federal funding.

Since federal funding for abortion is only available in cases of rape, incest and life endangerment of the mother, Reschenthaler says, “I am alarmed by the significant increase and overall numbers of Medicaid-funded abortions in PA compared to other states.

PA reported an average of 717 abortions funded by Medicaid between FY13 and FY17. Next highest was Nevada, reporting 319 per year during that timeline. Other states with large populations reported significantly lower averages (TX: 5.8, FL: 9.3, AZ:3.8) When excluding PA and NV, states reporting stats showed a decrease in number of abortions eligible for funding. When data from PA & NV were included, there was an increase, due to number of abortions covered by PA and NV.

Reschenthaler said federal and state entities have a shared responsibility to ensure that taxpayer funding is used appropriately. He asked several questions: (1) What are requirements in PA for Medicaid funding of abortion (2) What was the annual denial rate in PA for funding of claims from FY13 to FY17? (3) Does PA have protocols to prevent misuse of federal Medicaid spending for abortion? (4) What were the reported number of abortions eligible for federal funding covered in FY18 in PA?

Congressman Reschenthaler copied the letter to leaders in the PA House and Senate. We’ll be waiting with him for a timely response. NOW is the time to contact YOUR state senator and state representative and tell them YOU want to know why PA leads the nation in paying for abortions with YOUR tax money. Call PCUC if you’re not sure who represents you in Harrisburg.

IT’S NO REASON TO BRAG

How sad to hear women bragging that they were the forces that elected a pro-abortion candidate to the Senate seat in PA’s 37th District. Party leaders make it clear that they have no room for a pro-life candidate. When will they learn that they are destroying God’s most precious children? *Pgh. P-G*

Please take this sheet into the voting booth with you on May 21, 2019

Vote Pro-Life

- Only pro-life candidates are listed. When there is no pro-life candidate, the office or district is not mentioned.
- When splitting the pro-life vote could result in the election of a pro-abortion candidate, LIFEPAAC lists accordingly.
- This is a primary, you can vote only in the party you are registered.
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PENNSYLVANIA SUPERIOR COURT

Two candidates to be elected

Rebecca **Warren (R)** Christylee **Peck (R)** Megan **McCarthy-King (R)**

Beaver Co. Common Pleas Court

One candidate to be elected

Steven **Newcaster (D/R)**

Butler Co. Common Pleas Court

One Candidate to be elected

Nicole Lynn **Thurner (D/R)**

Mercer Co. Common Pleas Court

Two candidates to be elected

Michael **Joanow (D/R)** Tedd C. **Nesbit (D/R)**

Washington Co. Common Pleas

One Candidate to be elected

Traci **McDonald-Kemp (D/R)**

Joyce A. **Hatfield (D/R)**

Westmoreland Co. Common Pleas

Two candidates to be elected

Kyle Marie **Baxter (D/R)**

Justin **Walsh (D/R)**

Wayne **McGrew (D/R)**

ALLEGHENY COUNTY CHIEF EXECUTIVE

Matt Drozd(R)

ALLEGHENY COUNTY COUNCIL

District 2

Cindy **Kirk (R)**

District 6

Joseph P. **Rudolph (D)**

District 5

Sue **Means (R)**

At Large

Samuel **DeMarco III(R)**

PITTSBURGH CITY COUNCIL

District 1

Darlene **Harris (D)**

COUNTY COMMISSIONERS

Two candidates will be elected from each party in each county in Primary

ARMSTRONG CO.

Jorn E H Jensen(R)
Don Myers(R)
Jason Renshaw(R)
Anthony Shea(D)

BEAVER CO

Dennis Nichols(D)
Tony Amadio(D)

BUTLER CO

Leslie Osche (R)
Kimberly Geyer(R)

FAYETTE CO.

Dave Lohr(R)
Jacob Ely(R)
Elise Glad(R)
Vincent A. Vicites(D)

GREENE CO.

Archie Trader(R)
Betsy Rohanna-McClure(R)

INDIANA CO.

Bob Colgan(R)
Robin Gorman(R)

LAWRENCE CO

Daniel Vogler(R)
Robert Del Signore(R)

MERCER COUNTY

Scott Boyd(R)
Marcus Kohan(R)

WASHINGTON CO.

Diana Irey Vaughan(R)
Jason White(R)
Nick Sherman(R)
Harlan Shoher(D)
Larry Maggi(D)

WESTMORELAND CO.

Sean Kertes(R) Paul Kosko(R)
Douglas Chew(R)

There are two SPECIAL ELECTIONS on May 21, 2019
(in a special election you can vote for the candidate regardless of party affiliation,
***including independent*)**

PA SENATE DISTRICT 41

(Armstrong, Indiana, parts of Butler and Westmoreland Counties)

Joe Pittman

PA STATE REPRESENTATIVE DISTRICT 11

(Part of Butler County)

Marci Mustello

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**DAY OF MOURNING:
FEBRUARY 23, 2019 IN ALTOONA, PA**

By Susan Deasy, New Castle PCUC

When the terrible New York abortion law was passed on January 22, 2019 (the anniversary of Roe v. Wade), we had just returned from the March for Life in Washington, DC. I found myself thinking it just could not be true. After researching it, the ugly reality began to sink in. When the initial shock and sadness wore off, I was even more determined to keep fighting the battle for life.

When I learned that pro-lifers in New York declared a national Day of Mourning, I wanted to be part of it. A young lady in Altoona, PA, felt God's calling just ten days before the event and planned an event at the Altoona Alliance Church. The plan was an hour of live music and prayer, followed by the livestream of the main service in Albany, NY. Five days before, I ran across the information for this event online, and my husband agreed to go with me since it's a three hour drive from our home.

We heard testimonies from local people first, including a Mom who chose life in a crisis pregnancy, and a pastor who directs a crisis pregnancy center. At 1 pm, the livestream of the Albany event began. Elizabeth Johnston, better known as the "activist mommy," was inspired to put the event together after the owner of a bookstore in New York closed his store for a day in protest of the expansion of abortion up until birth. Among the speakers were David J. Harris, the Benham brothers and Blythe Mullen. Blythe, who is 8 years old, appeared with her adoptive Mom, and she told us why she believes in adoption vs. abortion. The most moving part came when Blythe's adoptive Mom brought her biological Mom onstage to thank her for choosing life.

The atmosphere of sincere prayer and repentance for our country, along with the calling out of the Church for remaining silent on the murder of the unborn was what touched me the most. Many people were on their knees and/or in tears, asking God to have mercy on the U.S. for our apathy and fear of speaking the truth.

Now it is time for action; we must keep up the good fight every day, using every opportunity to speak the truth in love. If not now, when? If not us, who?

SUSAN B ANTHONY VISITS CONOR LAMB



Pro-life activists led by the Susan B. Anthony List held a press conference in front of Rep. Conor Lamb's south hills office on April 24 to ask him to support the Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act, legislation to protect babies born alive during failed abortions.

Jill Stanek, a former nurse who witnessed babies being born alive and left to die spoke alongside Jeremy Samek, Esq., (PA Family Council) and Selene Cerankosky, President, Students for Life of Robert Morris U. and Pittsburgh and PA Rally Captain, Students for Life of America.

**THE GREATEST PRETENDER
A TRUE STORY OF LOVE AND REDEMPTION**

By Mark Bradley Morrow



To the world he was a true Christian hero, a leader, teacher and celebrity. Inside, he was haunted by the loathsome sins he had committed. How could this stalwart man of God ever own up to the four abortions he allowed to happen?

Follow Mark as he finds true love in a wonderful woman and her precious child. Watch as he realizes he has cut himself off from the beauty and joy of a family. We know God never gives up on us, so stay with Mark as he tells the world of his sins and faces the pain that will enable him to grow in God's grace.

Today Mark takes his story to churches, banquets, Christian groups, television and radio. As a professional counselor, he sees through the pain and loneliness of men and women bound in sin.

On May 1, Mark came to Cornerstone TV, our local Christian station. Now that he knows the way to southwestern PA, **you** can invite him to come and talk to your church, youth group or men's/women's fellowship. Call 814-528-1592 or go on line to Mark Bradley Morrow.

HONORS AND MEMORIALS

Prayers, please for Bill Coyle, Cancer victim, son of
William and Kathleen Coyle
In honor of our beloved Aunt Aggie on her
85th Birthday from Bill & Kathy Kness
In honor of Mary Lou Mahon
from Pat & Bernie Gallagher
In honor of Mary Lou Gartner
from Chris and Jim Caprio
In honor of Mary Lou & Dave Gartner
from Fr. Alfred Patterson, OSB
In honor of Mary Lou & Dave Gartner for their
40 years of faithful service to the unborn
from Joe & Corrine Balena
In honor and "Thank you" to Mary Lou Gartner
from Kathy Huth
In honor of all the works of Mary Lou & Dave
Gartner, in thanksgiving
from Nancy & Jim Amarose
In honor of Mary Lou Gartner
from Susan & Nelson Caro
In honor of the PCUC Staff
from Joe & Sheila Krill
In honor of the Martinez Family
from Mariei Mankos
In honor of the St. Vincent College Respect Life
Club from Fr. Alfred Patterson, OSB
In honor of PCUC from Thomas R. Schuerger
Memory of Emeric James Gruber
from Thomas E. & Mildred K. Gruber
Memory of Valerie Bechtell from Maria Morgan
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Judy Elias & Michele Elias
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Dave & Raissa Federline
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Bill & Kathy Kness
Memory of Valerie Bechtell from Bibiana Peduzzi
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Oral & Maxillofacial Surgery., Ltd.
Dr. Robert Quealle
Dr. Michael Buckley
Dr. Erie Strayer
and Staff
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Ralph & Diane Berg
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Dale & Paula Walker
Memory of Valerie Bechtell from the Penn-Trafford
Education Association, Level Green
Elementary School

Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Mr. & Mrs. Rodney Gisi
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Ms Rebecca Fatalasky
Memory of Valerie Bechtell from Anton Plantz
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Shirley R. & Kevin M. Wong
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Susan & Robert Csukas
Memory of Valerie Bechtell from
The Doctors of Pittsburgh Oral Surgery
Martin E. Eichner, DDS
Eric R. Smiga, DMD
Sarah D. Davies, DMD, MD
Neil A. Robertson, DMD
Memory of Valerie Bechtell from Walt, Robert &
Lisa at Interhome Technologies, Inc.
Memory of Valerie Bechtell from Deborah J. Zidek
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Al & Marsha LaCamera
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Frank & Bonnie Babik
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from the Staff at Harrison Park
Elementary School in Jeannette
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Mrs. Marilyn Fawcett
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Christopher & Theresa Dixon
Memory of Valerie Bechtell
from Helen & Frank Cindrich
Memory of Christopher Strathmann
from Bill & Maureen Strathmann
Memory of John & Marie Kriley
from Mary & Victor Carbin
Memory of Margaret Soboslay from John Soboslay
Memory of Rose Marie Ulrich from Franette Walsh
Memory of his mother, Anna Dici, from Paul Dici
Memory of Dr. Kenneth L Garver
from his beloved wife, Betty Lee
Memory of Charlie Hogan
from Donald C. Hogan, D.M.D.
Loving memory of Phyllis Chick Tennant
from Sandra Schaile
Memory of Phyllis Chick
from Kathy Hoener
Memory & honor of Phyllis Chick
from John & Dee Scott
Memory of Phyllis Chick Tennant
from Tina M. Chick
Memory of Betty Hendrickson, a very involved Pro-
Life Lady from her daughter, Laura McCoy

HONORS AND MEMORIALS

Memory of Batty Hendrickson
from David E. Morida & Dolores E. Bishop

Memory of Betty Hendrickson
from Jean Macaluso

Memory of Betty Hendrickson
From Suzanne Pavkovic

Memory of Betty Hendrickson
from Paul & Judy Smedley

Memory of Betty Hendrickson
From her Friend from Burgettstown

Memory of my beloved husband,
Ed Huth, from Cathy Huth

Memory of my beloved sister, Margie Tracy,
from Cathy Huth

Memory of our dear friend, Sr. Rosemary Laboon,
from Thomas and Suzanne Wehrli

Memory of Infant Brian Alexander Wehrli
from Brian & Suzzane Wehrli

Memory of Patrick Guadino from Dolores Guadino

Memory of Petchar & Bohren Fanilies
from Mitzie Petchar

Memory of Mia & John Scott
from Kathleen & Richard Drury, Jr.

Memory of our beloved son, Donald Krieger
from John & Mary Krieger

Memory of Joe Hughes (2018)
from Madeline Hughes

Memory of Dorothy Stash Scholze
from Stephen J. Scholze

Memory of Dr. Robert Gannon
from Jerry & Peggy Wrabley

Memory of William Grab
from Jerry & Peggy Wrabley

Memory of William L. Kubic from Roberta Kubic

Memory of Marion Way from Thomas Way

Memory of Mary Jane Greffenstette
from Carl Greffenstette

Memory of our grandson, Christiano Theoharris
Werries from Mr. & Mrs. Gerard E. Werries

Memory of Thomas Ross
from Bill & Kathy Kness

Memory of Mom & Dad
from Stephen Pietracntello, Jr.

Memory of Ken from Lois H. Roos

Memory of Darlene Simcik
from Bill & Pat Bennett

Memory of Julius, Jan David, Mary Lou &
Willie from Frank & Roberta Kenski

Memory of Sam & Dorothy Zampan, Alan
Henderson & David Beppler from Michael Zampan

In gratitude to Janet Womer from Angela Koch

RACHEL'S VINEYARD RETREAT



If you've had an abortion, and you are still not settled in your heart and mind, perhaps a weekend away from your normal routine would help. The Rachel's Vineyard Retreat is a chance to look at the painful past through a supportive and nurturing process. You can think and pray about all the ways abortion has affected your life.

The next Retreat is May 17-19. If that date is not convenient, you can call Toni Jester, retreat facilitator at 412-352-5348 for more information.

STATES MOVE TO LIMIT ABORTION

We know **OHIO** Gov. Mike DeWine signed a heartbeat bill (see p. 1). Soon **ARKANSAS** Gov. Asa Hutchinson will have on his desk a bill to ban abortion after an unborn child has gestated 18 weeks. Current law in Arkansas bans abortion after 20 weeks. **MISSISSIPPI** lawmakers will send a 'Heartbeat' bill to Gov. Phil Bryand, who urged the legislature to "Get this bill to my desk so I can sign it." State Sen. Angela Hill, a leading sponsor, said, "I remember how thrilled I was to first hear the heartbeats of my own children. I knew they were unique individuals growing inside my body. I was just shelter and food for nine months."

GEORGIA's proposed "HEARTBEAT" Bill has passed the state house 93-73. The bill allows for abortions in cases of rape and incest, but only if the woman files a police report. The *Atlanta Journal-Constitution* reported that half a dozen women walked out of the chamber in protest of the vote. *Source: Life Advocacy 3-11-19*

D.A. ZAPPALA WILL PROTECT ABORTION



Should *Roe v. Wade* be overturned, Allegheny County's District Attorney says he will not prosecute any women or medical professionals for seeking or performing safe abortion services. He does not say WHO would be "safe" during that abortion. Perhaps in the future he will tell us how he feels about the safety of the baby involved.

Current legal opinion is that when the 1973 high court decision is overturned, the matter will revert to the states. Current Gov. Tom Wolf says he would veto new laws. That might be true if he is still Governor. There's a lot of speculation here.

SAVE THE DATE

You're cordially invited to a celebration of life

***People Concerned for the Unborn Child
50th anniversary***

Sunday, October 20, 2019

***At the
Pittsburgh Plaza Hotel, Green Tree***



***Come and meet
Kristen Hawkins, president
Students for Life***

***Doors open at noon
Dinner at 1:00 pm
Tickets \$35.00/person***

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