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"See that you do not despise one of these little ones; For I tell you, their angels in heaven always behold the face of my father in heaven."
~ Matthew 18:10

Knights of Columbus PRAYER RALLY 2003 For God-Country-Family



New York State Right To Life Committee, Inc. presents... LOBBY FOR LIFE DAY 2003

State Capital Albany
Tuesday March 25th
10AM to 1PM

Prayer, Petition & Presence
is needed to address: Life
Issues, Parochial School
Assistance & Catholic Health
Care. Attending: Clergy,
Supreme and State Officers,
K of C Members, Families and
Friends.

**PLAN NOW TO ATTEND
THIS IMPORTANT EVENT!**

CONTACTS & INFORMATION:

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◆ **Buses leaving
from many points,
contact your nearest
Knights of Columbus
Council.**

LEGISLATIVE DAY 2003 Tuesday, March 18th

Sponsored by *New Yorker's Family
Research Foundation, Inc.* & *New
Yorkers for Constitutional Freedoms*
**Convention Center, Empire State Plaza
(Under the Egg) Albany, New York**

Keynote Speaker:

Dr. Laura Schlessinger

REGISTER EARLY!

For Registration & Transportation
Information Call: Joe Kelly 631-368-5023 or
Rev. Duane Motley 585-225-2340 or visit
www.nyfrf.org for updates.

7 AM Registration / \$35 per person

8 AM Continental Breakfast

(Group & student rates are available)

Teen Track [grades 9-12] learning
experience for students & teachers!

All are welcome to attend!

**Talk with your Senator/Representative
about issues that concern you.**

- Tuesday March 25th
- 9AM to 3PM
- NYS Legislative Office
Building Hearing
Room 'B', Albany, NY
- Speakers to address:

*Fetal Pain, Partial
Birth Infanticide and
other Life Issues*

For Lobby Day Information

Contact:

**N.Y.S. Right to Life
Committee - Jason Kippen
518-434-1293**

**For transportation from
Nassau/Suffolk call Long
Island Coalition for Life
631-588-0168
or 631-243-1435**

➤ \$10 bus fee.
Call to reserve bus seats

MARK YOUR CALENDAR TODAY!

Bring a bus full of dedicated Pro-Life people
young & old to **LOBBY FOR LIFE!**

LONG ISLAND COALITION FOR LIFE GENERAL MEETING

**YOU'RE
INVITED!**

Andrew M. Smith, director of the Priests for Life Speakers Bureau, will be the guest speaker at the L.I.C.L. March general meeting. His topic will be the upcoming Face the Truth Tour (see also pages 8 and 10) and will include a short video. The meeting will be held on Monday, March 24, 2003 at 7:45 p.m., at the St. Regis Council, Knights of Columbus Hall (upstairs), located at Rosevale Avenue and Pond Road in Ronkonkoma (6 blocks North of the L.I.E.).

All are welcome to attend. For directions or information call 631-243-1435.

THE PLANNED PARENTHOOD ORGANIZATION IS THE NATION'S LEADING ABORTION PERFORMER AND PROMOTER.

Update: Planned Parenthood's Teen Health Conference:

Families with teens in Suffolk High Schools are reminded not to sign a "Field Trip" permission slip for the March 21st Teen Health Conference at the Wyndham.

All of the subjects covered at the Teen Health Conference (except access, use and distribution of contraceptives) are mandated by N.Y.S. Education Dept. Regulation 135.3 to be taught by school personnel in a school setting.

Planned Parenthood's prime objective is to attract teens to the "safer sex" mentality—meaning contraceptive use and the backup of abortion—all without parental consent or notification. Some choice!!

Resource information on the above is available from the Long Island Coalition For Life at 631-243-1435.

Note: Please ask to have this ¼ page printed in Church Bulletins, organizations newsletters, etc.

Did you know?

--Since 1977 Planned Parenthood has made \$815 million from abortion procedures.

--In 2000, Planned Parenthood accounted for approximately 15% of all U.S. abortions.

Source: Judie Brown Report, American Life League, May 2002.



Rotary Member Advisory Alert

According to a 2/5/03 United Nations press release—“UNFPA, United Nations Population Fund, and Rotary International have renewed a Memorandum of Cooperation to work together on population and development issues around the world. UNFPA and Rotary will continue their joint efforts through an agreement formalized last year, to address development needs and confront challenges of global population growth.” *unfpa.org*

Although UNFPA 'confronts population growth' on all continents, the following describes their efforts in China: Since 1979 UNFPA has assisted a virulent program of the one-child-family program of forced abortion, sterilization, and infanticide population control in Mainland China. [The US Agency for International Development disclaimed *direct* involvement in the program, although it was a major contributor to the International Planned Parenthood Federation and UNFPA, both of which supplied funds to the Chinese program.] China was indeed a rich field for study...Christopher Wren reported in the *New York Times* that thousands of Chinese women were being “rounded up and forced to have abortions”. He described women “locked in detention cells or hauled before mass rallies and harangued into consenting to abortions”. He told of “vigilantes who abducted pregnant women on the streets and hauled them off, sometimes handcuffed or trussed, to abortion clinics”, and of “aborted babies which were crying when they were born”. *The War Against Population: The Economics and Ideology of Population Control; Jacqueline Kasun*

Please offer a strong PRO-LIFE RESPONSE to the Rotary-UNFPA Partnership at your next meeting.



FEDERAL LEGISLATION

MARCH FOR LIFE, WASH., D.C. 1/22/03.

God bless the over 100,000 pro-life marchers who braved the extreme temperature to take part in this year's (30th) March. We also commend those who for various reasons did not make the March but were there in spirit.

Long Island Marchers generally arise at 4:00 A.M. catch a Mass or Morning Service at Church then board their bus. It is a long day for us but it is a picnic compare to buses that come from distant places like St. Louis, Pittsburgh, Georgia, Ohio, etc. which have to leave the previous day to make the noon March. It is most gratifying to see banners displaying "Lutherans For Life", "Baptists For Life", "Diocese of Brooklyn", "Diocese of Rockville Centre", etc. Seeing all the "faces of pro-life"—of ministers, bishops, rabbis, priests, seminarians and nuns in the robes of their orders, the middle-aged, grandmas, grandpas, little ones in strollers, preteens, high-schoolers and collegians, it is truly a most rewarding and uplifting sight. You sense a great deal of good will come from it.

Our visit to 3rd Congressional District Representative Peter King's office was, as expected, a fruitful one. Congressman King represents the south side of L.I. from Baldwin to East Islip. He has always supported all pro-life legislation. In fact, Congressman King is co-sponsoring the Human Cloning Prohibition Act (H.R. 234) which is very similar to the U.S. Senate's Brownback-Weldon Human Cloning Ban.

THE HUMAN CLONING PROHIBITION ACT H. R. 234 AND THE BROWNBACK-WELDON HUMAN CLONING BAN.

ACTION—Sample Letter:

(Write to your Senator and to your House Member.)

Dear Senator /Congressman/Congresswoman:

We abhor the intended use of human embryos for experimentation which takes their lives. We urge you to support the Human Cloning Prohibition Act H.R. 234 and the Brownback-Weldon Human Cloning Ban. Please reply.

ACTION-Contact information:

	Local Phone #	D.C. Phone & Fax
Schumer	212-486-4430	202-224-6542/228-3027
Clinton	212-688-6262	202-224-4451/228-0282
U.S. Senate, Wash., D.C. 20510.		
Bishop	631-696-6500	202-225-3826/225-3143
Israel	631-665-7333	202-225-3335/225-4669
King	516-541-4225	202-225-7896/226-2279
McCarthy	516-489-7066	202-225-5516/225-5758
Ackerman	718-423-2154	202-225-2601/225-1589

U.S. House of Representatives, Wash., D.C. 20515

For information on Federal legislation call John Healy at 631-598-0430.

NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION



The Unborn Victims of Violence Act (S.403/A.653.)

There seem to be agreement that the pro-life bill which has the best chance of becoming law this session is the Unborn Victims of Violence Act. This bill passed our State Senate last year but since a new session started in January it had to be reintroduced this year. Current Nassau/Suffolk sponsors include Senators Trunzo and Johnson and Assembly Members Acampora, Alfano, Barra, Barraga, Ferrara, Labriola and Sweeney. If your legislator sponsored this bill please thank him/her. If not write or call to ask they sponsor and actively work for its passage.

ACTION---Sample Letter:

(Write to your Senator/Assembly Member.)

Dear Senator/Assembly Member: We urge you to co-sponsor and actively support the "Unborn Victims of Violence Act" (S.403/A.693). This bill would make it a crime to injure or kill a preborn baby during the commission of a crime of violence. Twenty-six states have already enacted such laws and none have ever been successfully challenged in Court. Under current New York State Law, babies in their mothers' womb are not protected from acts of violence even if that violence is specifically intended to cause their deaths. Numerous cases of domestic violence are reported in the press each year wherein a very much "wanted" baby, often in seventh or eighth month of gestation, is intentional assaulted. Making such violent acts against pre-born babies a serious crime would serve as a deterrent to such brutality. Urge your leaders to pass the Unborn Victims of Violence Act so that women who CHOOSE LIFE will have greater protection for their unborn babies. Please reply.

ACTION-Contact information:

New York State Senate Albany, N.Y. 12247
 New York State Assembly Albany, N.Y. 12248
 Switchboard-518-455-2800 Switchboard-518-455-4100
 Ask the Switchboard to direct you to your representative.
The N.Y.S. Bill Status Hotline is 800-342-9860. You can also request copies of bills by calling the Hotline.
 For information on state legislation contact Mary Arden Smith 516-825-4852.

USE ANOTHER 37 CENTS —Write a "Letter to the Editor" in support of pro-life legislation nearing a vote.

HEALTH & SCIENCE REPORT



THE ABC CONNECTION, FACT OR FICTION?

A 2001 National Cancer Institute report states that the rate of breast cancer in the United States increased more than 40% between 1973 and 1998, while the rates for most other cancers declined. The current issue of *Obstetrical & Gynecological Survey* contains a report by Dr. John M. Thorpe, an epidemiologist at the University of North Carolina's School of Public Health. In the report, Dr. Thorpe and his colleagues ask physicians to inform women concerning the increased breast cancer risk in relation to induced abortion, and to alert women to the current research which studies abortion as an independent risk factor for breast cancer. The report states, "A young woman with an unintended pregnancy clearly sacrifices the protective effect of a term delivery should she decide to abort and delay childbearing. . . Thus, we conclude that informed consent before induced abortion should include information about the subsequent risk of preterm delivery and depression." The report is offered as a CME review—doctors can receive course credit for studying the paper.

The younger a woman is when she has her first child, the lower her risk is for developing breast cancer. This is the "protective effect" of full-term pregnancy. Breast cancer is linked to reproductive hormones, especially estrogen. Estrogen levels increase enormously at conception, and are 2,000% above normal by the end of the first trimester. This hormone "surge" triggers the growth of "undifferentiated" breast cells, the first step in preparing a woman's body to produce milk for the baby. Undifferentiated cells are extremely vulnerable to carcinogens, which can lead to tumors later in life. As the pregnancy reaches its final weeks, the cells are "terminally differentiated" and ready to produce milk. Differentiated cells are not as vulnerable to carcinogens. If a woman terminates her pregnancy before the breast cells differentiate, she will have an abnormally high amount of undifferentiated cells. This increases her risk of developing breast cancer. Spontaneous abortions or miscarriages are not usually associated with increased risk because they often occur because of an insufficient amount of estrogen.

This basic biology lesson makes sense, doesn't it? But pro-abortion organizations and even establishment cancer organizations deny or try to downplay this abortion/breast cancer link (ABC). Planned Parenthood states on its website, "Undaunted by the absence of compelling evidence associating induced abortion with a woman's risk of developing breast cancer, anti-choice extremists insist on making the connection anyway. Once more they are using misinformation as a weapon in their campaign against safe, legal abortion. In the guise of an ostensible concern for women's health, these ideologues point to inconclusive, and at times flawed, studies for alleged evidence of a pos-

sible association, while ignoring, or dismissing overwhelming evidence that induced abortion does not place women at greater risk of breast cancer. . . Neither the National Cancer Institute nor the American Cancer Society recognizes the reliability of such an association."

A positive association between abortion and breast cancer has been shown in 29 of 38 published studies since 1957. Seventeen of the 29 studies are statistically significant—meaning there's a 95% certainty that the association is not by chance. One of the most well known ABC link researchers is Dr. Joel Brind, professor of biology and endocrinology at Baruch College of the City University of New York. His 1996 review of the studies done in the previous decade found a 30% increased risk of breast cancer for women choosing abortion after a first full term pregnancy and a 50% risk increase for women choosing abortion before a first full term pregnancy. Pro-abortion organizations often cite a study by Danish epidemiologist Mads Melbye that found no overall effect of abortion on the risk of breast cancer. Brind is highly critical of this study, stating it contains "flagrant flaws that violate basic scientific laws. . . invalid methodology and misclassification of data." Melbye began logging breast cancers in 1968, but didn't log abortions until 1973, even though abortion was legalized in Denmark in 1939. This left more than 300 breast cancer cases that could not be matched with incidents of induced abortion.

Under pressure from Congress for making statements on its website denying the existence of evidence of an ABC link, the National Cancer Institute revised its website in November. NCI states: "The possible relationship between abortion and breast cancer has been examined in over 30 published studies since 1957. Some studies have reported statistically significant evidence of an increased risk of breast cancer in women who have had abortions, while others have merely suggested an increased risk. Other studies have found no increase in risk among women who had an interrupted pregnancy. NCI is currently supporting mechanistic and population studies to gain a better understanding of the hormonal changes that occur during pregnancy and interrupted pregnancies and how they relate to breast cancer risk."

Planned Parenthood and other pro-abortion organizations must pull their heads out of the sand. In their efforts to promote the "right" to abortion, they are refusing to acknowledge that women are suffering, as well as the unborn child, and are refusing to provide women with the information they need in order to make a truly informed decision. How many women will suffer before informed consent and right-to-know laws are passed, so that women can truly understand all the risks involved in abortion?

Reference: www.worldnetdaily.com, January 23, 2003, "Matters of Life and Death, Study: Tell women about abortion-breast cancer link" by Diana Lynne

Dolores Andreski 516-781-5274
Regina Carbonaro 516-795-7568

PROCESSION FOR LIFE

**Saturday,
March 8, 2003**

Mass: 9:00 a.m.

**St. Patrick Roman Catholic
Church**

280 East Main Street, Smithtown

*Sponsored by:
Respect Life Office
Diocese of Rockville Centre
(516) 379-8292 224/225*



Rosary Procession:

Planned Parenthood
Maple Avenue, Smithtown
*(Bus available to and from site for those unable
to process or please remain in Church to pray
during procession.)*

Benediction:

Following Rosary Procession at the Church
~ Refreshments ~

President:

Rev. Msgr. Robert J. Brennan
Vicar General for the Diocese of Rockville Centre

Special Invitation To Young Adults and Teens To Join Us!

Direction: From the West Via LIE: LIE to Exit 56 (Rte. 111) North. Exit at 111 and make a left at first light. Follow Rte. 111 North to E. Main St. (Rte. 25) make a right on E. Main St. Church on right side approx 1/2 mile.
From the West Via Southern State Pkwy: Southern Pkwy. East to Sagtikos Pkwy. North to LIE East, follow above.
From the West Via Northern State Pkwy: Northern Pkwy. East to the end. Follow Rte. 347-454 at split stay to the left. Follow Rte. 347 East towards Port Jefferson. Take Rte. 347 to Terry Rd. (Rte. 16) Watermill Inn on right side. Make a left on Terry Rd. Take Terry Rd. to the end and make a left on E. Main St. (Rte 25) Church on left side.
From the East Via LIE: LIE West to Exit 59 Ocean Ave. Take Ocean Ave. North to fork. Take left fork onto Rosevale Ave. Continue on Rosevale to fourth traffic light. (Corner of Rosevale & Smithtown Blvd.) Make left onto Smithtown Blvd. (becomes Terry Rd.) Follow Terry Rd. to the end and make a left on E. Main St. (Rte. 25) Church on left side.

Volunteer Training

At

The Care Center



Join us for a day of worship and fellowship as we learn how to help women and girls in need.

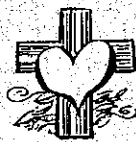
Date: Saturday, March 8th, 2003
Time: 9:00 AM to 2:00 PM
Location: 91 Maple Avenue, Smithtown
Cost: \$15 per person

This cost includes the training manual, "Planting the Seed: The Love Approach".

Bring a bag lunch!
Coffee & dessert provided

**Call 631-265-3675
to register!**

The Care Center is a life-affirming pregnancy help center.



COMMUNION BREAKFAST

9 AM

Saturday, March 22, 2003

Celebrant:

Rev. Conrad Osterhout, CFR

St. Casimir's

239 Nepperhan Ave., Yonkers, NY
*(Breakfast Immediately following across
the street at Polish Center, Yonkers, NY)*

Speaker:

David Reardon, Ph.D.

**Topic: Breaking Down the
Walls Which Prevent Post
Abortion Healing**

Cost \$30 per person

*Sponsored by ROC
(Reclaiming Our Children), The Hudson
Valley Coalition for Life, and Lumina
(Post Abortion Referral)*

Local Contact:

Lorraine at 631-243-2373

The Annunciation:

A Feast of Life

Join Priests for Life and Human Life International in Washington, DC for a day of prayer and celebration for the unborn child in response to the convictions that the Feast Day on which Jesus became an unborn child should be marked by special pro-life activity.

March 25th, 2003

**at the Basilica Shrine of the
Immaculate Conception**

Details:

- Noon Mass (Upper Church) - Fr. Tom Euteneuer
- Afternoon talks in Crypt Church by Fr. Tom and by Fr. Frank Pavone
- Mass at 7:30pm (Crypt Church) - Fr. Frank Pavone

For more information, please call 888-PFL-3448 or email: mail@priestsforlife.org or visit www.priestsforlife.org/annunciation.htm

MARCH 2003 PRO-LIFE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

♥ **A FEW GOOD WORDS...** Please send the LICL *your* story, in 100 words or less, telling our readers how standing vigil for the unborn at an abortion site brought about a *change of heart for LIFE*. Send your written experience to Long Island Coalition for Life, PO Box 223, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779-0223.

Prayer vigil schedules at Long Island abortion provider/referral sites are listed below. Please offer your presence and your prayers at one of the listed sites as often as possible. Please call the prayer vigil contact person at the phone numbers listed below before going to a site near you, and never remain at a site alone. **PLEASE JOIN US & BE A VOICE FOR THE UNBORN!**

NASSAU COUNTY

Locations	Day/Time of Prayer Vigil	Contact Phone Number (516)
156 Mineola Blvd., Mineola	Tu, Fr 10:30-11:30AM	354-6749
540 Hempstead-Fulton Ave., Hempstead	Sa 7:30AM-1PM	741-3405
35 Carmans Rd., Massapequa	Sa 10:30AM-Noon	798-2151
930 Broadway, Massapequa	Sa 9:30AM-Noon	781-5274
175 Jericho Tpke., Syosset	Sa, Mn, Tu, Th 8-11AM; Fr 3:30-7PM	334-2569
123 Grant Ave., Ea. Rockaway	Time subject to change	887-2458
250 Old Country Rd., Hicksville	Time subject to change	741-3405
444 Community Dr., Manhasset	Time subject to change	741-3405

IMPORTANT:
Peaceful assembly on
public property near
abortion site is a lawful
First Amendment
privilege.

SUFFOLK COUNTY

Locations	Day/Time of Prayer Vigil	Contact Phone Numbers (631)
70 Maple Ave., Smithtown	Wed & Sa 7AM-Noon	979-7017
2500 Nesconset Hwy., Stony Brook	Sa 8-10AM	751-8217
595 Hampton Rd., Southampton	Fr 11:30AM	283-6829
42 First Ave., Brentwood	Sa 8-10AM	234-0933

**PRAYER & WITNESS
SAVES LIVES!**

March: ♥ **American Family Association** cable TV programming schedule: *[All listings are on channel 20]* Website: www.afany.org.
M 3/3 10PM RVHD: Ultrasound a Window to the Womb. **Tu 3/11 9PM HAUP, W 3/12 9PM BKHVN, and Th 3/13 8PM NAS/W.SUF: What Pro-Choicers Fear About the Abortion Issue.** **M 3/24 10PM RVHD: Crisis Pregnancy Centers Under Investigation.** **Tu 3/25 9PM HAUP, W 3/26 9PM BKHVN and Th 3/27 8PM NAS/W.SUF: What Next For Pro-Life Voters in NY.** **M 3/31 10PM RVHD: Facing Lions.** **ALSO:** ♥ Mark Crutcher's **LIFE DYNAMICS-'Life Talk'** tapes are shown as follows: **Brooklyn Ch20 & Queens Ch20** Mondays 10AM & 6PM. **Woodbury Ch20** W 3PM. **Hauppauge Ch 20 & BRKHVN Ch 20** Thursdays 5PM. **Riverhead Ch20** Fridays 1:30PM. www.lifedynamics.org ♥ **FRIDAYS** at 10 PM - **DEFEND LIFE** on Channel 31, featuring Fr. Pavone, Priests for Life.

- Sa 3/1 4/5 (M) 6PM **RIGHT TO LIFE ROSARY** St. Margaret of Scotland RCC, 81 College Rd., Selden, NY.
An outdoor Rosary at the statue of Our Lady. Call Dennis Borro 631-736-2380
- Su 3/2 4/6 (M) 11:15AM **ROSARY FOR LIFE** Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows Church; 258th & 80th Ave., North Floral Park 718-347-6070
- Su 3/2 4/6 (W) 8-9PM **HOUR OF REPARATION TO STOP ABORTION** Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst, NY
- Su 3/2 ♥3-6PM **BIRTHRIGHT COCKTAIL/DINNER PARTY** K of C, 1750 Jeffries Rd., Levittown, NY 516-735-7719
- Mn 3/3 4/7 (M) 10AM-4PM **ADORATION AND BENEDICTION** at St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa, (Fr. Graham Chapel)
- Mn 3/3 4/7 (W) 7PM **ROSARY FOR LIFE AND NOVENA MASS** St. Catherine's, Franklin Square
- Mn 3/3 4/7 (M) 8PM **MASS FOR LIFE** St. Joseph's-Rectory Chapel, Garden City, NY. All Welcome
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) 9:00AM **MASS, ROSARY & VIGIL FOR LIFE & PEACE** 4PM Benediction, St. Marks RCC, Shoreham, NY
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) Noon-3PM & 6-9PM **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR LIFE** St. Andrews RCC, Sag Harbor. 631-725-5915
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) 7:30 PM **BENEDICTION FOR LIFE** St. Boniface RCC, Elmont
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) 8-12PM **ADORATION FOR LIFE** St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn, NY
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) 7-8 PM **PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR** Our Lady of Victory RCC, Floral Park
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) 3-7AM **PRO-LIFE VIGIL** at St. Aloysius RCC, Great Neck; W 3/12-7PM Way of the Cross for the Unborn. Call: 516-482-2770
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) 9:30PM-8AM **PRO-LIFE VIGIL FOR LIFE AND PEACE** St. Matthew RCC, Dix Hills 631-499-8520
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) 9PM-5AM **ALL NIGHT LIFE VIGIL** St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (M) 8PM-9PM **PRAYER HOUR FOR LIFE** Our Lady of Lourdes, Malverne
- Fr 3/7 4/4 (W) 1:00PM **ROSARY FOR LIFE** St. John Nepomucene Church, Bohemia, 631-589-0540
- Fr 3/7 4/4 **New** (M) 7:30-8:30PM **HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE** The Resurrection RCC, 50 Granny Rd., Farmingville, NY
- Sa 3/8 ♥9:00AM **MASS & PROCESSION FOR LIFE MASS** St. Patrick RCC, Smithtown, NY. Call 516-379-8292 ext. 224/225. (See page 5)
- Sa 3/8 ♥9AM-2PM **THE CARE CENTER COUNSELOR TRAINING DAY** 91 Maple Ave., Smithtown. (see page 5) \$15 per person. Please call (631) 265-3675.
- Su 3/9 ♥1:30PM **ST. PATRICK'S DAY PARADE** Ronkonkoma, NY. Call 631-588-0168. (see page 10)
- Su 3/9 4/13 (M) 1-4PM **SINGLE MOTHER'S SUPPORT GROUP** at "Bridge to Life" 41-23 Bell Blvd., 2nd Flr, Bayside,



PRO LIFE RESOLUTION

The following Pro-Life resolution was presented by Edmund Farrell, Pro-Life chairman, to the membership at the regular meeting of the Msgr. Walsh-St. Raymond Council No. 7220 on January 7, 2003. After discussion and deliberation the resolution was voted on and adopted unanimously.

RESOLUTION

Whereas, The Knights of Columbus is and has always been firmly and consistently Pro-Life, and,

Whereas, our support for the Church's teaching on the sacredness and inviolability of human life has been reflected in all of our statements and actions, and,

Whereas, the last election demonstrated again that Catholics in most states, where our impact would be largest, are not voting in accord with our Church's values and teachings,

Therefore, Be It Resolved that the Knights of Columbus will adopt as policy at all levels of our Order—Council, District, Chapter, State, and National—a commitment to more widely, forcefully and effectively proclaim our Order's Pro-Life position;

Be It further Resolved that this policy will include but not be limited to:

1. providing every elected public official with a copy of our Order's pro-life resolution;
2. advising those elected public officials who oppose our Church's pro-life teachings, specifically by supporting legalized abortion and/or opposing legal protection for the unborn, that they are not welcome in our Order's facilities or functions;
3. publicizing our Pro-Life policy through ads in newspapers, magazines, radio and television;
4. using those ads to name those elected officials whose records on Life issues make them unwelcome at our facilities and functions;
5. timing such ads for maximum impact, in terms of educating the public and influencing the actions of elected officials;
6. taking action to ensure that our Order's Pro-Life policy is uniformly followed by all Knights of

Columbus groups;

7. doing all we can to persuade fellow Catholic organizations to follow our example; and,


Be it Further Resolved, that the New York State Council allocates the appropriate means to implement this policy. The State Deputy will see to it that every elected official in the State Legislature and Congress receives a copy of our Pro-Life Resolution and that those with anti-life voting records are directly informed that they are not welcome in our Councils. The State Deputy will also strive to make known to all of our members and the general public that those designated public officials are not welcome in our councils.

As Pro-Life Chairman of our Council I request my brother Knights to ASAP have your New York State Councils pass resolutions supporting our resolution and forward copies of your supporting resolution to the:

Knights of Columbus
Resolutions Committee
C/o State Headquarters
40-27 Douglaston Parkway
Douglaston, NY 11363

For additional information contact Edmund Farrell (516) 593-7805.

P.S. All Councils in New York State are urged to pass and submit similar resolutions.



Monday, March 10, 2003 at 8PM
Johanna Cervellino,
Co-Chair, Long Island Coalition for Life
Education Committee will speak on
**The Dangers of
Planned Parenthood**
and alert parents to
Planned Parenthood's Teen Conference
to be held on Long Island this spring.
St. John Nepomucene, Church Basement
1150 Locust Avenue, Bohemia, N.Y.
Sponsored by St. John's Respect Life Committee
Call 631-243-1435 or 631-589-1575
Refreshments Served / All Welcome

Speakers Available
The Education Committee of LICL is available to speak on
"The Dangers of Planned Parenthood", "Keeping Planned
Parenthood Out of Your School" and other pro-life areas
of concern. Call 631-243-1435.

The adjacent article appeared in the January 20, 2003, issue of the *Statesman*, the newspaper of the State University at Stony Brook. Certainly it's appearance just prior to the 30th anniversary of the U.S. Supreme Court's *Roe vs. Wade* decision was no accident.

We reprint this article in full because it exemplifies, better than a mere summary could, how the proponents of abortion continue to dehumanize the babies destroyed by abortion while falsely claiming that abortion is beneficial—even life-saving—for women. This in spite of widespread familiarity with ultrasound images of babies in the womb and in spite of numerous studies showing the abundant physical and psychological damage suffered by women who have had abortions.

It is deliberate, widespread disinformation such as this that impels us at the Long Island Coalition for Life to continue to attempt to get truthful information into college newspapers about the effects of abortion (see cover page of the February 2003 *Life News*).

It is also the reason we will continue to support efforts to force, using graphic pictures, the general public to confront the individuality and humanity of babies being destroyed by abortion. Last year we brought Gregg Cunningham's Reproductive Choice Campaign to Long Island and Manhattan and this year we encourage participation in Joe Scheidler's Face the Truth Tour which will be in New York City's five boroughs from April 1-10.

Abortion Rights Are Pro-Life

By LEONARD PEIKOFF
Courtesy of the Ayn Rand Institute

Thirty years after *Roe v. Wade*, no one defends the right to abortion in fundamental, moral terms, which is why the pro-abortion rights forces are on the defensive.

Abortion-rights advocates should not cede the terms "pro-life" and "right to life" to the anti-abortionists. It is a woman's right to her life that gives her the right to terminate her pregnancy.

We must not confuse potentiality with actuality. An embryo is a potential human being. It can, granted the woman's choice, develop into an infant. But what it actually is during the first trimester is a mass of relatively undifferentiated cells that exist as a part of a woman's body. If we consider what it is rather than what it might become, we must acknowledge that the embryo under three months is something far more primitive than a frog or a fish. To compare it to an infant is ludicrous.

That tiny growth, that mass of protoplasm, exists as a part of a woman's body. It is not an independently existing, biologically formed organism, let alone a person. That which lives within the body of another can claim no right against its host. Rights belong only to individuals, not to collectives or to parts of an individual.

It is only on this base that we can support the woman's political right to do what she chooses in this issue. No other

person—not even her husband—has the right to dictate what she may do with her own body.

There are many legitimate reasons why a rational woman might have an abortion—accidental pregnancy, rape, birth defects, danger to her health. The issue here is the proper role for government. If a pregnant woman acts wantonly or capriciously, then she should be condemned morally—but not treated as a murderer.

Abortions are private affairs and often involve painfully difficult decisions with life-long consequences. But, tragically, the lives of the parents are completely ignored by the anti-abortionists. Yet that is the essential issue. In any conflict it's the actual, living persons who count, not the mere potential of the embryo.

Being a parent is a profound responsibility—financial, psychological, moral—across decades. Raising a child demands time, effort, thought and money. It's a full-time job for the first three years, consuming thousands of hours after that—as caretaker, supervisor, educator and mentor. To a woman who does not want it, this is a death sentence.

The anti-abortionists' attitude, however, is: "The actual life of the parents be damned! Give up your life, liberty, property and the pursuit of your own happiness."

Anti-abortionists are not lovers of life—lovers of tissue, maybe. But their stand marks them as haters of real human beings.

Priests for Life are sponsoring the Face the Truth Tour in N.Y.C and will be sending a representative to the Long Island Coalition for Life's March general meeting to speak about the Tour and to seek volunteer help (see page 2). More information about the Tour can also be found in the announcement on page 10 of this issue or can be obtained from the Priests for Life website: www.priestsforlife.org/facethetruth.

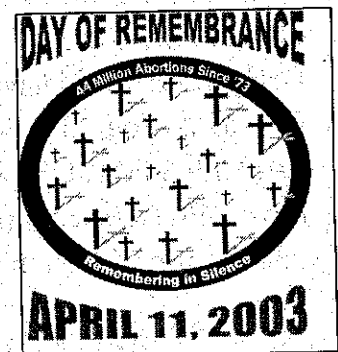
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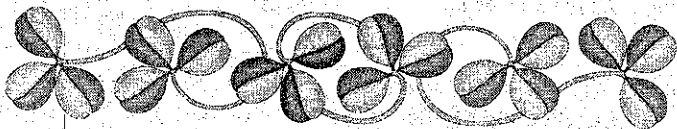
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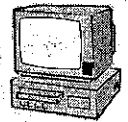
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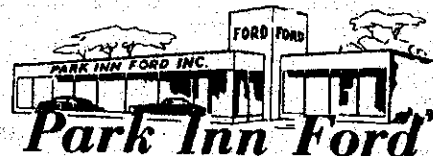
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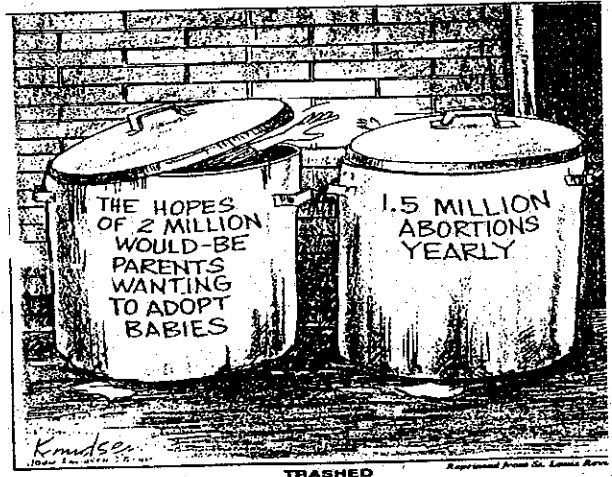
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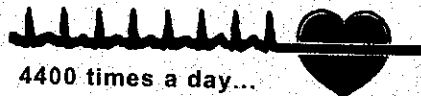
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On Wed. January 22, 2003, Dr. Jerome Higgins, LICL Chairman and George Frost, LICL Education Committee Co-Chairman, with the aid of pro-lifers from Stony Brook and Setauket, delivered petitions urging passage of legislation to ban the Partial-Birth Abortion procedure. A total of over 28,000 signatures were presented in the Washington office of new Senate Majority Leader R...

ARGUMENT & REBUTTAL

Argument: A woman may need an abortion because of personal circumstances that make it impossible for her to care for a young child.

Rebuttal: A woman has many choices for life. If she wishes to raise her child, there are countless programs across the country that can provide her with counseling, housing, medical care, job training, food, clothing, and other needed services to help her make a good life for herself and her child. If a woman feels that she cannot provide for her baby, adoption can be a good choice for both mother and child. Children's lives should not be sacrificed as a means of solving the problems of others.

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