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# WE NEED YOU

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*Thank you for your support!*

Dear Fellow Defender Of Life,

**“Surprise, Mom: I’m Against Abortion”** This was the headline on the front page of the SundayStyles section of the *New York Times* on March 30th. (Yes, that *New York Times*!) The lengthy article went on to talk about the distress of parents and teachers that so many high school students are adopting the pro-life position in their papers and speeches. It seems the kids, unlike the parents and teachers, recognize that a living baby is killed by each abortion and they’re more willing to make sacrifices to preserve that baby’s life than are their elders.



On April 29th, I was privileged to attend National Right to Life’s 10th Annual Proudly Pro-Life Awards Dinner at the Waldorf Astoria where Ben Stein was one of the three award recipients. In accepting his award he spoke about his long-standing belief in the humanity of the child in the womb, derived largely from his experiences as an adoptive parent. We know Ben best for his movie and TV roles but he is also a lawyer, author, and university professor who never fails to mention his pro-life convictions when he speaks to college-age audiences. For years he was booed by the college students for his pro-life comments, he now finds them greeted with **“thunderous applause.”**

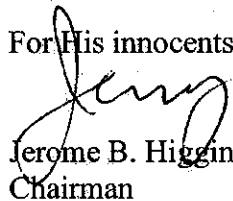
I think, as Ben does, that **“the tide is turning.”** More and more the indications are that the pro-abortionists are losing the battle—that the culture of life is overwhelming the culture of death. And the pro-abortionists know it. Sarah Weddington, the feminist lawyer who argued Roe vs. Wade before the U.S. Supreme Court spoke recently at Farmingdale University. She remains unrepentant about her role in the deaths of over 40 million pre-born babies but concedes that the right to “choice” established by that decision is **threatened more now than ever before.**

Cardinal O’Connor, speaking at an earlier Proudly Pro-Life Awards Dinner, said it was the “little people” who have kept the pro-life spark alive—the grass-roots moms and dads and kids who would not give up the quest to restore protection to babies in the womb (see related story on page 7). These people founded organizations like the Long Island Coalition for Life in the 1970’s and fought to keep the pro-life truth before the public when the establishment elite said the abortion issue was settled.

Now that the fruits of those efforts may finally start to be borne, your Long Island Coalition for Life continues to need the support of all of you who wouldn’t give up. Our focus has always been to educate the public and lawmakers, providing the truth about the humanity of the pre-born and the damaging effects of abortion to women, information that the pro-abortionists and complicit major media have been hiding. With your help we will continue to do that job here on Long Island and in Albany. Please renew your subscription to *Life News* and **please** send along an additional donation so we can assure that the pro-life tide ultimately washes the stain of abortion from our country.

Thank you for your support and prayers. God bless you for your steadfast commitment to ending threats to innocent human life at all stages.

For His innocents,



Jerome B. Higgins, D.V.M.  
Chairman

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## THE FACTS ON SO-CALLED "EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION"

As the number of surgical abortions declines in our state and nation there is an aggressive campaign to promote the use and increase the availability of "emergency contraception". The so-called "morning after pill" is not a single pill but multiple high-dose birth control pills designed to be taken within 72 hours after intercourse. Medical experts, including the Federal Food and Drug Administration (FDA), agree that emergency contraceptives (EC) can act in one of three possible ways:

- (a) Inhibit ovulation meaning the egg will not be released; or
- (b) Inhibit fertilization, meaning preventing the sperm from reaching the egg by thickening the cervical mucus; or
- (c) Alter the lining of the uterus so that the already fertilized egg will be unable to implant. In this case the new human embryo grows and develops over the next few days while traveling down the fallopian tube to the uterus to implant. The abnormally high level of synthetic progesterone present in the EC's, however, alters the uterine lining preventing implantation. The result is the death of the one-week-old baby because he/she cannot implant within the nutrient lining of the mother's womb.

If the pills work as in (a) or (b) they are acting in a truly contraceptive manner. However, if the pills act as outlined in (c), a chemical abortion occurs. (A study in March 2002 edition of *Annuals of Pharmacotherapy* found empirical evidence that the most common types of EC "rely on an after-fertilization effect, causing abortion of the newly formed embryonic life.") Proponents of EC claim a woman is not pregnant until an embryo has implanted in the uterus. However, medical dictionaries and embryology textbooks confirm that human life begins at the moment of conception. In cases when EC acts to prevent implantation of the embryo, it acts by destroying life at its earliest stages.

On 1/8/03, the FDA announced new warnings for estrogen and estrogen-progestin products. Studies have found increased risks of heart disease and breast cancer from certain therapies containing these hormones, the same hormones in EC pills. More troubling is the long list of very serious contraindications and warnings given to doctors. (See "Prescribing Information" at [www.preven.com](http://www.preven.com).)

## NEW YORK LEGISLATION

The good news is the **Unborn Victims of Violence Act** (S.403/A.693) awaits a vote in the Senate. **Before writing call the Bill Status Hotline.** If still awaiting Senate vote please write to both Senate and Assembly. If passed the Senate contact the Assembly.

## ACTION—Sample Message:

Dear \_\_\_\_\_: Under present NYS law a baby in her mother's womb is not protected from acts of violence even if that violence is specifically intended to cause the baby's death. At times, in cases of domestic violence, a very much "wanted" child, often in the seventh or eighth month of gestation is intentionally assaulted. Serious penalties for assaults on pre-born children would serve as a deterrent to such brutality. The Laci Peterson case demonstrates that the American public strongly supports penalties for killing pre-born children. We urge you to use your position to promote passage of the Unborn Victims of Violence Act (S.403/A.693).

**CONTACT INFORMATION—Please see below.**

## EMERGENCY CONTRACEPTION BILLS

are being given top priority in the Assembly. Many who support emergency contraception (EC) do so because they are being told that these pills cannot cause abortion (FALSE); and, that they are safe (FALSE). Neither have they considered that easy access to EC might result in more sexual activity at a time when there are 30 sexually transmitted diseases—30% of these are incurable. (A woman is four times as likely to contract a sexually transmitted disease as she is to become pregnant.) Refer to column one: The Facts on So-Called "Emergency Contraception". You may want to add all or part of this article when contacting your legislators. Pro-Life legislators will likely be influenced by the explanations of how/why EC sometimes causes an abortion; others might be influenced by the health risks of EC including greater incidence of sexually transmitted disease.

## ACTION—Sample message.

Dear \_\_\_\_\_: Please vote against the following emergency contraception bills:

- S. 202/A.15 would require every hospital to provide emergency contraception to all sexually assaulted victims who request it. (A.15 passed the Assembly on 2/10/03)
- S.3339/A.888 would allow distribution of emergency contraceptive drugs without a prescription (even to a 12 or 13 year old without parental knowledge or consent)
- S.185/A.384 would mandate a campaign on all public colleges and universities promoting emergency contraceptives as "safe and effective" and require they be given to any student on request.

## ACTION—Contact your Assembly Member and Senator.

Unfortunately, there is a possibility the Assembly might have passed all these bills before you read this. **Phone the Bill Status Hotline.** If this is the case contact your Senator immediately.

## ACTION—Contact information:

New York State Senate	New York State Assembly
Albany, N.Y. 12247	Albany, N.Y. 12248
Switchboard 518-455-2800	Switchboard 518-455-4100
N.Y.S. Bill Status Hotline—800-342-9860	

For information on State legislation contact Mary Arden Smith 516-825-4852.

## HEALTH &amp; SCIENCE REPORT

## VACCINATIONS - THE MORAL DILEMMA



Most of us have had our children, grandchildren and even great-grandchildren vaccinated against many diseases. But how many of you know how those vaccinations were produced? Some Polio, Measles, Mumps, Rubella, Rabies, Hepatitis A/B, Chickenpox, Smallpox, Ebola, HIV, Sepsis and Flu vaccinations use fetal cell lines to create their product. American Life League asks, "Can a parent in good conscience have his child inoculated with a vaccine produced using the cells of preborn children killed by abortion?" In the case of rubella, the active rubella virus in the fetal cell line RA27/3 came from the 27<sup>th</sup> aborted fetus, third tissue culture explant during the 1964 rubella epidemic. Havrix, the Hepatitis A vaccine, uses a virus strain from lung cells taken from a 14-week aborted fetus. Varivax, the chickenpox vaccine, uses cell lines derived from a 3-month aborted fetus and a 14-week aborted fetus. Merck has announced the use of a new fetal cell line, PER C6, to be used to develop their HIV vaccine. PER C6 is derived from the retinal tissue of an 18-week gestation fetus. "Scientists now want to create their own embryonic stem cell colonies, and feed them using aborted fetal tissue as the cultivating cell substrate." (*Celebrate Life*, Nov/Dec 2002, Fine young cannibals: Babies eating babies)

Alex Carrel, a cell biologist and Nobel Laureate, cultivated cells from chicken heart tissue that lived 34 years, much longer than the oldest age recorded for a chicken (12 years). "Scientists theorized that if they could achieve immortality at the cell level, they might be able to defeat the aging process altogether. The research quickly migrated to human subjects and at first, like Carrel's experiments, some, but not all cell cultures seemed to replicate indefinitely." However, in the 1960's, scientists Hayflick and Moorhead demonstrated that "all normal cell strains—animal or human—have a finite lifespan... directly proportionate to the age of the cell donor... all normal cells go through an aging process called senescence... in the years that followed Carrel's work, every experiment conducted worldwide, failed to produce the same results—except... when the cells were cancerous... Two theories emerged from this: that Carrel's chick cells were either cancerous or the cells had been fed or "seeded" with fresh chick embryo extract daily." ([www.cogforlife.org/ethicsforsale.htm](http://www.cogforlife.org/ethicsforsale.htm)) Hayflick and Moorhead experimented on 19 different aborted fetuses, extracting cells from their lungs, skin, hearts, kidneys, livers and thyroids. In every experiment, "regardless of the environment in which the cells were cultivated, all demonstrated a certain and finite lifespan, except when carcinogenic cell lines were introduced. Hayflick cites the danger of using such cells in vaccine production since it could transfer cancerous agents to the human subjects

receiving the vaccines... in 1965 Hayflick proved the undisputed fact that the very same aborted fetal cell line used in production of many of today's vaccines, WI-38, and touted as being immortal, in fact has a limited capacity to replicate, and will eventually die."

When these cell lines reach full senescence and die off completely, either new aborted fetal tissue will be needed as a culture medium or a different method of production must be used. A key argument used by ethicists to defend vaccine production is that no further fetal tissue is needed, since existing fetal cell lines are immortal. "Some have even said that if there was need for additional fetal tissue, it would be morally wrong to use them since we would be creating a market for abortion. In reality, that is exactly what has happened." How could the ethicists have missed the conclusions of Hayflick and Moorhead, when their work is cited as a reference in the ethicists' writings?

Others argue that the abortions were not done with the intention of creating a vaccine. Not true—in 1964, doctors advised pregnant women who contracted rubella during their first trimester to abort their child. The Wistar Institute, in collaboration with the abortionists, collected the fetuses and eventually isolated the live virus. Another argument is that aborted fetal tissue offers the least contaminated method of cultivating vaccines. Also not true—some measles, mumps, polio, rabies and smallpox vaccines are cultivated on animal cell lines or chick embryo. The Japanese swabbed the throat of an infected child to obtain the virus and then grew it on rabbit cell lines. Also consider the fact that the abortion must be pre-arranged in order to preserve the tissue. Dr. C. Ward Kischer, a leading authority on human embryology states, "In order to sustain 95% of the cells, the live tissue would need to be preserved within 5 minutes of the abortion. Within an hour the cells would continue to deteriorate, rendering the specimens useless."

Steven Kellmeyer, a moral theology expert states: "Public use of the vaccines will not cause Merck and Co. or the abortionists to change their behavior. In fact, derived profits encourages their continued fetal tissue efforts in other avenues of research. They experience no downside. Is not this very fact scandalous? The arguments supporting the morality of these vaccines do not stand up to scrutiny. Refusing to use these vaccines involves physical risk for ourselves, for our children, and for society. But their use poses an even greater risk to a just society. The widespread use of contraception has led inexorably to abortion, euthanasia and infanticide. Where might the widespread use of tissue taken from surgically aborted children lead us? Do we really want to find out?"

*Dolores Andreski, Regina Carbonaro 516-795-7568*

Sources: [www.all.org](http://www.all.org), [www.cogforlife.org](http://www.cogforlife.org)

# SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS & MARY PRO-LIFE MASS



**SATURDAY, JUNE 28<sup>TH</sup>  
8:30 AM**

*Followed by Adoration, Benediction  
and Rosary*

*To be held at*

**St. Louis de Montfort RCC  
75 New York Avenue, Sound Beach, NY**

*Sponsored by: St. Louis de Montfort Parish  
Respect Life Committee*

**631-744-9515 / 631-744-9525**

**ALL WELCOME  
BRING FLOWERS**

## Don't miss the deadline of August 10.

Since many organizations do not hold summer meetings the Knights of Columbus, Hibernians, Parish Respect Life Committees, etc. were recently mailed STAND UP FOR LIFE 2003 information.

Please act at your June meetings to have your group's name added as a supporter on the STAND UP FOR LIFE 2003 poster.

Help to "fill in the gaps". Last year, of the 1.3 miles covered on Rte. 110, we found several empty spaces in our line. At the same time the north and south ends were crowded. Please consider calling Ken Reilly at 516-367-3724 to discuss having your group assigned a specific location to stand at:

**STAND UP FOR LIFE  
Sunday, Oct. 5th - 2:00-3:30 pm  
Huntington, New York**



**MOMMAS  
HOUSE  
FATHERS' DAY  
DINNER**

*Honoring*

**Rev. Richard M. Figliozzi &  
Henry "Hank" Holzwarth**

**When:** Thurs., June 19, 2003 at 6:30 p.m.

**Where:** The Coral House, Baldwin NY

**Donation:** \$60 per person, includes dinner served with wine

**Reservation:** Make checks payable to:  
**MOMMAS, Inc.**  
3402 Park Ave., Wantagh, NY 11793  
(516) 781-8637

**You May Join us by:**

- Purchasing tickets to this event
- A Journal Ad- call for more information
- A Mother-Child Sponsorship- \$500 for 3 months

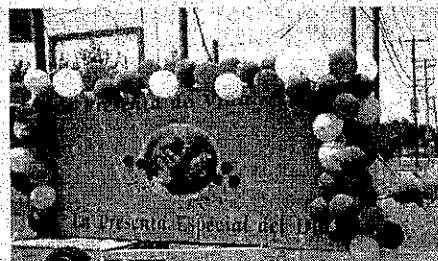
MOMMAS House offers hope to young women, pregnant or parenting, providing a supportive home for them and their babies.

## 37<sup>th</sup> ANNUAL HISPANIC DAY PARADE

**Sunday, June 1 - 12 Noon**

**5th Ave. & Entermann's Way, Brentwood, NY**

Pro-Life groups, families & individuals are invited to join with St. Anne's Respect Life Committee & march in the Hispanic Day Parade! Please meet us by our float before noon at the south end of Fifth Avenue at the corner of Drayton Street. (approx. 1/4 mi. north of Spur Drive N.)



**For more parade  
information  
contact  
Steve Yellico  
at  
631-951-2310**

Our Gift of Life float as it appeared in the parade of June, 2002 showing the face of a smiling baby.

# JUNE 2003 PRO-LIFE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

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
244A Old Country Rd., Hicksville	Wed & Sa 7:30-9AM	741-3405
444 Community Dr., Manhasset	Sat 8:30-9:30AM	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 7-11AM	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!**

June: ♥ **American Family Association** cable TV programming schedule: [All Programs are on channel 20] ● Nassau/W. Suffolk: Tu 6/3 & Th 6/5 8:30 AM - *What Pro-Choicers Fear about the Abortion Issue*. ● East Suffolk (RVHD): M 6/2 & Tu 6/3 10PM - *Liberal vs Conservative: 2 Views*. M 6/23 10PM - *What Next for Pro-Life Voters*. For more info. call Frank Russo 516-944-3544. Website: [www.afany.org](http://www.afany.org) **ALSO:** ♥ Mark Crutcher's **LIFE DYNAMICS-'Life Talk'** tapes are shown as follows: **Brooklyn Ch35 & Queens Ch67** Mondays 10AM & 6PM and **Woodbury Ch20** at 12:30 PM. [www.lifedynamics.org](http://www.lifedynamics.org) **ALSO** "Defending Life" with Fr. Frank Pavone on EWTN: Tu 5:30PM, W 5AM, Fr 10PM See: [www.priestsforlife.org](http://www.priestsforlife.org)

- Su 6/1 ♥ **HISPANIC DAY PARADE** 12 Noon, with St. Anne's Respect Life Committee Brentwood Call 631-951-2310
- Su 6/1 7/6 (M) 11:15AM **ROSARY FOR LIFE** Chapel of Our Lady of the Snows Church; 258th & 80th Ave., North Floral Park 718-347-6070
- Su 6/1 7/6 (W) 8-9PM **HOUR OF REPARATION TO STOP ABORTION** Our Lady of Perpetual Help, Lindenhurst, NY
- Su 6/1 (M) 2PM **DEANERY SIX PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR** Sacred Heart RCC, 282 Long Beach Rd., Island Park, NY Call Mary Caffrey 516-887-2458
- Mn 6/2 7/7 (M) 10AM-4PM **ADORATION AND BENEDICTION** at St. Rose of Lima, Massapequa, (Fr. Graham Chapel)
- Mn 6/2 7/7 (W) 7PM **ROSARY FOR LIFE AND NOVENA MASS** St. Catherine's, Franklin Square
- Mn 6/2 7/7 (M) 8PM **MASS FOR LIFE** St. Joseph's-Rectory Chapel, Garden City, NY. All Welcome
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) 9:00AM **MASS, ROSARY & VIGIL FOR LIFE & PEACE** 4PM Benediction, St. Marks RCC, Shoreham, NY
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) Noon-3PM & 6-9PM **EUCCHARISTIC ADORATION FOR LIFE** St. Andrews RCC, Sag Harbor. 631-725-5915
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) 7:30 PM **BENEDICTION FOR LIFE** St. Boniface RCC, Elmont
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) 8-12PM **ADORATION FOR LIFE** St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn, NY
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) 7-8 PM **PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR** Our Lady of Victory RCC, Floral Park
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) 3-7AM **PRO-LIFE VIGIL** at St. Aloysius RCC, Great Neck; W 6/12-7PM Way of the Cross for the Unborn. Call: 516-482-2770
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) 8:30-10:00PM **PRO-LIFE VIGIL FOR LIFE AND PEACE** St. Matthew RCC, Dix Hills 631-499-8520
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) 9PM-5AM **ALL NIGHT LIFE VIGIL** St. Frances de Chantal, Wantagh
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (M) 8PM-9PM **PRAYER HOUR FOR LIFE** Our Lady of Lourdes, Malverne
- Fr 6/6 7/4 (W) 1:00PM **ROSARY FOR LIFE** St. John Nepomucene Church, Bohemia, 631-589-0540
- Fr 6/6 7/4 **New** (M) 7:30-8:30PM **HOLY HOUR FOR LIFE** The Resurrection RCC, 50 Granny Rd., Farmingville, NY
- Sa 6/7 7/5 (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 6/8 7/13 (M) 1-4PM **SINGLE MOTHER'S SUPPORT GROUP** at "Bridge to Life" 41-23 Bell Blvd., 2nd Flr, Bayside, 718-225-2211. Queens pro-lifers may obtain the "Bridge to Life" newsletter - Call 718-225-2211
- Su 6/8 7/13 (M) 1PM **PROJECT MERCY ROSARY TO END ABORTION** St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn

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- Tu 6/10 7/8 (M) 9AM MASS AND ADORATION FOR LIFE Noon-Rosary, Vigil concludes with **BENEDICTION FOR LIFE** at 4PM. Sacred Heart Parish, Cutchogue
- Th 6/12 7/10 7-8PM **ROSARY FOR LIFE** Our Lady of Mt. Carmel RCC, Patchogue (9AM-Midnight-Adoration)
- Th 6/12 7/10 (W) After 7PM Mass **ROSARY & NOVENA FOR LIFE** St. James Chapel, Seaford, NY 516-694-2938
- Fr 6/13 7/11 (M) 9AM **ROSARY FOR MOTHERS & THE UNBORN** Sts. Peter & Paul RCC, Manorville, NY  
Call Ruth 631-369-7142
- Mn 6/16 7/21 (M) 7:30PM **EASTERN LI CATHOLICS FOR LIFE** meeting in K of C Hall, Hampton Bays, NY 631-728-2311
- Tu 6/17 7/15 (M) 7:30-8:30PM **ADORATION, ROSARY, PRO-LIFE PRAYER** - St. Patrick's Church, Smithtown
- W 6/18 7/16 (M) 7:30PM **STATIONS OF THE CROSS FOR LIFE** Maria Regina RCC, Chapel Pastoral Center, Seaford, NY. Call 516-799-0190
- Th 6/19 6:30PM **MOMMA'S HOUSE FATHER'S DAY DANCE** Coral House, Baldwin, NY. \$60 per person, includes dinner/wine. Honoring Rev. Richard M. Figliozzi & Henry "Hank" Holzwarth. Call 516-781-8637 (see page 5)
- Fr 6/20 7/18 (M) 9PM-6AM **ALL NIGHT LIFE VIGIL** Our Lady of Lourdes RCC-Chapel Massapequa Park  
Call Anne Murphy: 631-234-6921. (March 21<sup>st</sup> marked the 21<sup>st</sup> Anniversary of the All Night Vigil)
- Mn 6/23 (M) 7:45PM - **L.I.C.L. GENERAL MEETING** at Joseph Barry Council K of C Hicksville. Guest Speakers: Mary Bossart and Madelaine Willi. All welcome. Call 631-243-1435. See page 8
- Tu 6/24 7/22 (M) 8-9:30 PM **ADORATION, ROSARY FOR LIFE** Sacred Heart RCC, Island Park, NY. Call 516-889-5318
- Fr 6/27 7/25 (M) 8-9PM **PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR** Our Lady of Lourdes RCC, Massapequa Park, NY 516-541-3270
- Sat 6/28 8:30 AM **SACRED HEARTS OF JESUS & MARY PRO-LIFE MASS** will be held at St. Louis de Montfort RCC, 75 New York Ave., Sound Beach, N.Y. 631-744-9515 or 744-9525 - See page 5
- SA 6/28** 9AM-Noon - Donate an hour or two & help prepare the July **LIFE NEWS** for mailing, St. Joseph's Old School Gym! 25 Church St., Ronkonkoma. Call: 631-588-4437. **Students gain Confirmation service hours!**

**LOOKING AHEAD**

- Th-Sa 7/3-5 **NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE 31<sup>ST</sup> ANNUAL CONVENTION** Hyatt Regency, St. Louis, MO. Speakers, exhibits, latest information, Teens & College sessions & much more. Call 202-626-8828 or [www.nrlc.org](http://www.nrlc.org) & [www.missourilife.org](http://www.missourilife.org)
- Su 10/5 **STAND UP FOR LIFE** 2PM Route 110, Huntington, NY. Call 516-781-8699 or 631-588-0168. See page 5
- Sat 10/11 **ROSARY RALLY with Pro-Life Booth** on campus of St. John's University, Queens. Tickets \$10 Children under 10 years admitted free. For tickets or to volunteer call Pat Gavaghan 718-492-5293
- Su 10/12 **LIFE CENTER ANNUAL DINNER DANCE** 5PM at Huntington Town House. **Speaker not yet determined.** Please put the date on your calendar. Call the Life Center 631-243-2373

**Father's Day Greetings**

"And you, fathers, do not provoke your children to anger, but rear them in the discipline and admonition of the Lord."  
~ Ephesians 6:4

**FORMER LONG ISLANDER HONORED BY NRLC**



Baldwin native, actress Margaret Colin, who co-starred in the films "Independence Day" and "The Devil's Own" and who is currently appearing in the Broadway production of "A Day in the Death of Joe Egg", was one of three award recipients at the National Right to Life Proudly Pro-Life Awards Dinner on April 29th. Margaret attributes her fearless pro-life convictions to the influence of her mother Doris, a member of St. Christopher's Church and a pro-life activist for over 30 years, who involved her and her siblings in pro-life activities at an early age. Congratulations to Margaret and Doris and the whole Colin family for a lifetime commitment to the pro-life cause.

## LONG ISLAND COALITION FOR LIFE GENERAL MEETING Monday, June 23, 2003

**YOU'RE  
INVITED!**

Our guest speakers will be Mary Bossart and Madelaine Willi, co-directors of the Respect Life Office of the Diocese of Rockville Centre. Mary and Madeline will share with us the planned activities of the Respect Life Office and hope to hear constructive suggestions on ways the resources available to the diocese can be used to advance the pro-life cause. The meeting will start at 7:45 PM. at Joseph Barry Council located at 45 Heitz Place, Hicksville.

All are welcome. Please make every effort to attend. For directions call 631-243-

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

### Planned Parenthood's Verbal Gymnastics

Recently, Planned Parenthood's President, Gloria Feldt, spoke of the fight for freedom in Iraq and, as usual, played verbal gymnastics with the English language. She commented that "...the most fundamental freedom is the freedom of 'reproductive self-determination'". In one fell swoop, Ms. Feldt hopes to relegate our inalienable right to life, the cornerstone of our Republic, to the dust bin of history.

It is interesting to note that in the Declaration of Independence, our founding fathers agreed that the right to life was a primary inalienable right, followed by liberty and the pursuit of happiness. Our Constitution further protects life in the 5th (Due Process) and 14th (States' Due Process) Amendments. The position taken by Ms. Feldt further reflects the willingness of Planned Parenthood to manipulate the fundamental tenets of our Republic and their moral underpinnings for her economic gain. While aborting hundreds of thousands of our unborn each year, Planned Parenthood continues to shamelessly capitalize on major tragedies and events to further their own agenda.

Perhaps Ms. Feldt should meet the families and relatives of the hundreds of thousands of Iraqi men, women, children and pregnant women who were tortured and murdered by the Saddam Hussein regime and ask them if the most fundamental right is the right

to "reproductive self-determination"!

Another example are the recent comments by some members of the National Organization of Women (NOW), in reference to the death of Laci Peterson and her unborn child. According to California State Law, two persons died in this tragedy, but NOW is desperately attempting to "Unperson" the eight month old child she was carrying at the time of her death. According to NOW the prime murder suspect is only presumed to be guilty of one murder, not two. The extreme efforts of NOW and Planned Parenthood to negate the right to life of the unborn, denying their humanity is indicative of the pro-abortion mindset which has lost all credibility and is increasingly desperate.

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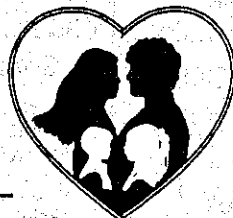
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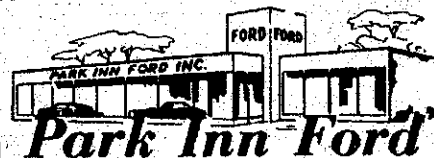
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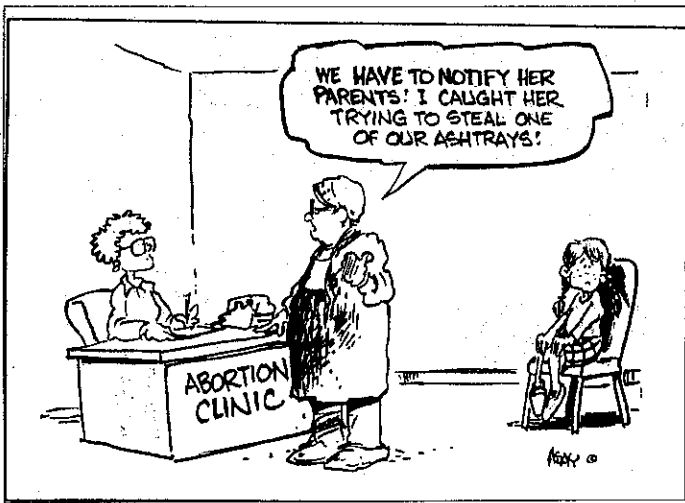
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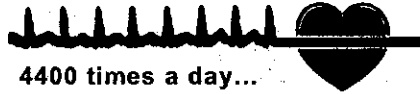
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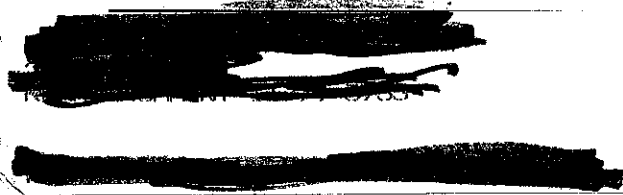


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**Rebuttal:** It should be remembered that a death occurs every time an abortion is performed—the death of an unborn child. It should also be remembered that abortion is a surgical procedure, and even though it is legal, it puts many women at serious mental and emotional risk. Additionally, many women suffer post-abortion complications, such as cervical muscle damage and damage to the uterine wall, which can lead to scarring, future miscarriages, or ectopic pregnancies. Since the Supreme Court's 1973 abortion decision, hundreds of women have died from what pro-life activists insist on calling "safe and legal" ab

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