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Long Island Coalition for Life Annual Oratory Contest

The Oratory Contest sponsored by the LICL Educational Trust was held at Kellenberg Memorial H.S. Participants included (l-r) Joseph Milio, St. Pius V School; Christine Bennett, home-schooled 1st Place Winner; Therese Russell, Floral Park Memorial H.S.; Katherine Parente, St. Pius V School; Syane Soriano, Kellenberg Memorial H.S. 2nd Place Winner; Kevin Kennedy, St. Pius V School, 3rd Place Winner. Participating students were required to research, write and present a 5-7 minute speech on a prolife issue. The 1st place winner will compete on the state level in Albany. Her



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written speech appears on p. 4 The speeches of the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners also appear on the Coalition website, prolifeli.org. (See Page 4 for speech).

Dear Fellow Defender of Life,

As you can readily see by the cover of this issue, we are making our annual appeal for your support of *Life News*. Many of you are long-time supporters and we appreciate your continuing support. Please keep it up. Some of you are readers we have recently added to our mailing list due to past or current involvement in prolife activities. We especially hope that those of you who have recently been added appreciate the wealth of pro-life information, especially that concerning activities here on Long Island, contained in *Life News*. Please give us a try for a year by subscribing so we can continue to keep you informed. Long Island Coalition for Life continues to be an all volunteer organization.

Life News is the most expensive continuing project of your Long Island Coalition for Life, bringing the prolife message to thousands of Long Islanders each month. It is our vehicle for informing not only active pro-lifers but also those who have influence in our society and can use that influence to promote protection for innocent human life. Media persons, educators, clergy of all denominations, legislators and political figures at all levels of government receive free copies of *Life News*. We also distribute over nine hundred copies of *Life News* each month, upon request, to numerous groups and churches.

Thanks to our loyal advertisers and subscribers, much of the cost of *Life News* is offset but the remainder must be made up out of general funds. Those same general funds are also needed to pay for our bus trips to Albany where we lobby for the pro-life cause.

We are dependent on you, our loyal readers and contributors, to keep up our life-affirming work, key to which is *Life News*. But far more importantly, the defenseless innocent preborn babies in the womb are dependent on you. The fight for the unborn is the greatest human rights struggle of our time.

In the New York State Legislature, we are presently fighting physician-assisted suicide bills, and of course, although we have stopped the abortion expansion bill in the past, anti-life forces have not given up. They are back with an abortion expansion bill again. NYS is already the abortion capital of the Nation. What a horrific distinction for our State. Our continuing opposition is crucial. If we are to stop such barbaric anti-life laws as well as support pro-life laws, we need your support.

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Thank you for your support of pro-life work on Long Island and for your prayers which are just as important.

For His innocents,

George E. Frost, Chairman

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Feb.13, 2016 - West Islip. Several pro-lifers braved the cold to participate in this annual event sponsored by the LI Coalition for Life.



Stand Up For Life Huntington 2015

Several hundred pro-lifers stood up for life along Rte.

110 in front of the Walt Whitman Mall. There was also a witness on Cty. Rd. 111 in Manorville simultaneously.



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FEDERAL LEGISLATION

The Conscience Protection Act of 2016 [HR.4828], is in sad need of cosponsors. It bans the Fed., State & Local governments that get federal money, from discriminating against, or punishing medical providers who don't

perform, offer coverage for, or pay for abortions.

The *Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act* (PRENDA) [S.48/ HR.4924] has been reintroduced. It sets criminal penalties for anyone who knowingly attempts or performs a sex-selection abortion. The Charlotte Lozier Inst., (April 14 House committee hearing), said evidence from census records indicate Asian-Pacific immigrants to the U.S. may be obtaining sex selection abortions; a known practice in China, India and Korea. There are also increasing male over female birth ratios in Europe.

The STOP Organ Trafficking Act [H.R.3694] would ban the forced removal of organs from living children, regardless of the child's level of brain activity.

All of the three bills featured above are in committee. Last month's Federal column reported the unusual SCOTUS request for more briefs, after hearing the *Zubik v Burwell* case (Little Sisters, Geneva Col., Priests for Life, etc). Filed in mid-April, the Administration brief, on page 14, admits there are ways to provide the government mandated abortifacient/sterilization/contraceptive coverage to the employees of religious based institutions, with <u>no</u> direct involvement of the employer. (Example: In Missouri, employers can get an insurance plan without objectionable coverages. The insurer must then notify those employees of their ability to request a separate policy, to cover those services.)

The <u>ACLU</u> sued <u>Trinity Health Corp</u> (86 hospitals), claiming harm from the hospital system's pro-life position because their doctors refused to perform abortions on five women who suffered preterm complications. In its dismissal order, the US District Court for the Eastern District of Michigan, Southern Division, called the ACLU's claims of harm 'dubious', explaining that they haven't satisfied the legal requirements to demonstrate such harm and therefore bring a lawsuit. The court additionally found that, for those reasons and others, the lawsuit is 'not ripe for review', meaning nothing has happened to warrant court action. (Lifenews.com 4/11/16)

On Apr 19, the Obama Administration sent letters to all 50 states, saying a state that ends Medicaid funding of Planned Parenthood is breaking federal law. (Medicaid requires states to match federal funds). States say they can control how their tax-money is spent. It is speculated the federal government may sue the ten states that have now defunded PP.

<u>98 House members</u> sent a letter to Speaker Paul Ryan, asking him to end the Select Investigative Panel's probe into covert video allegations that PP is selling "aborted baby parts." Cong. Israel, Meeks & Rice signed the letter.

NOTE: LICL objects to ObamaCare because parts in it include abortion coverage & abortifacient/sterilization / contraception coverage at taxpayer expense, and direct or

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implicit limiting of care to vulnerable populations such as sick newborns and terminally ill."

The <u>House Ways & Means Comm.</u> wants to know where HHS got \$1.3B for ObamaCare's 'Basic Health Program'. The Program can pay for abortions due to rape, incest or to save the mother's life. Insurers warn ObamaCare is "unsustainable," and the nation faces a shortage of one million doctors by 2025.

In 2014, the group *Freedom from Religion* sued the IRS, demanding it enforce the <u>Johnson Amendment</u> which bans tax-exempt orgns. from endorsing candidates for election. In response, the IRS wrote procedures for when it would initiate 'church investigations', but kept the document secret. Despite a FOIA request, and further legal action by Judicial Watch and Alliance Defending Freedom, the IRS has released only a fraction of the requested papers.

ACTION ITEM- Ask your House member, and our NY Senators, to cosponsor and vote YES on the *Prenatal Nondiscrimination Act* (PRENDA) [HR.4924/S.48]. Sexselection abortions are the true "War on Women".

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NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION

The NYS Legislature will be meeting in May & June. Please be aware that the

Bonacic and Savino bills (Physician-Assisted Suicide) are active. These 2 senators have submitted their bills to the Health Committee chaired by Sen. Kemp Hannon of Nassau County. The Stewart-Cousins bill (Women's Equality Agenda) has also been resubmitted. This abortion expansion bill would make abortion laws stronger than Roe v Wade in NYS. This bill will be sent to the Finance Comm.

The status of these bills can be checked on the NYS Catholic Conference website (www.nyscatholic.org). To express opposition to these bills, contact Sen. Hannon at 516-739-1700, Sen. Bonacic (Sullivan Co.) at 845-344-3311, Sen. Savino (Staten Island) at 718-727-9406, and Sen. Stewart-Cousins (Yonkers) at 914-423-4031.

It is imperative to promote the prolife position in the NYS Senate, since Kaminsky (pro-abortion) won the seat formerly held by Dean Skelos in Nassau Co. There is now a razor thin majority in the NYS Senate, as (pro-life) Sen. Felder (D-Brooklyn) caucuses with Republicans.

To discuss Federal Legislation, e-mail Charles Feldman at cdefeldman@optonline.net.

To discuss State Legislation, e-mail Jim Miller at jimmiller9@aol.com.

Women, Don't Believe the Lie by Christine Bennett

(2016 First Place LI Coalition for Life Oratory Contest Winner)



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Thank you for giving me this opportunity to share my heart. Being a huge supporter of women's rights myself, I noticed the activism for abortion to be heavily laden with some obvious flaws. Before I get into them, I want to touch on what our identity as women means. Men are completely equal to us, but only one of us owns the God given "superpower" to bring life onto this earth. But, where are all my women hiding in this crucial time of American history? Where, sadly, twenty-one percent of all pregnancies end in abortion. The louder that we scream "my body my rights!" the further it drowns out the baby's inaudible voice that says, "my life my rights."

But this should not be. As ladies, we need to step up and make a name for ourselves by becoming the forerunners that we all are. Forerunners, what women have always been from the foundations of the earth; the founders, originators, overseers, and mothers. I mean, did we not carry the founding fathers in our wombs for 9 months? We need to recognize the power of motherhood, but also use that same power

to humble ourselves and realize that if we are the ones that make huge remarkable things happen, we have the power to make some remarkably huge

disasters, if the wrong decisions are made. Hence, the ever popular decision to murder our young. Exodus 20:13 clearly says, "Thou shall not murder."

Oh, but maybe I'm over estimating the fetus. The nurses at Planned Parenthood will tell you that the precious life of your child is just a grouping of cells. They won't answer you when you ask why when a plane crashes, these "cells" carried by pregnant women are counted on the death toll. Or why post-abortion guilt gets so bad some have to seek professional help just to get over the guilt of aborting "blobs of tissue." Ask another nurse from the cold and steely organization why they want to keep this tissue intact for reselling, not to mention secretly keeping them alive behind their parents' backs to preserve their brain and heart. In a video, Holly O'Donnell tells a story in which her Planned Parenthood supervisor calls her over to see something cool, then proceeds by tapping on the fetus's heart and in response, it starts beating. Another pleasure they love to experience is their outrageous profits. This is where every single one of us, aware or unaware, gives to Planned Parenthood by forking over \$450 million dollars per year straight from our pockets by taxes. In another undercover video, a Dr. from Planned Parenthood expresses her disrespect for humans by her need for baby parts to be fully intact, to fulfill her wishes of a Lamborghini. Are blobs things that we describe as needing to be intact?

Since conception, these so called blobs already have all 46 chromosomes from their parents, with not just both skin and eye color determined, but hair type, shoe size, and personality all pre-destined. Only using the mother for nourishment, the fetus has its own DNA, blood type, and blood supply. These facts make even the earliest abortion methods out there wrong.

Soon enough, we'll have mothers asking what moral wrong there is with them plunging a knife into their newborn. Maybe it's not the gender they wanted or maybe mommy just wants to pursue her own goals. When the baby does finally make its mere 5 inch journey down the birth canal for its murder to become immoral, does its structure change or become more or less human? No, the baby just becomes more self-dependent, but that doesn't make it more human and definitely not more alive. If the aging process of a human makes an immoral action moral, we would all have to increase in human value every year on our birthdays.

But get this. The most outlandish and ugliest part of this fight is that the arrogant pro-choicers think we are women haters, when it's actually the opposite. The irony is that pro-lifers care about women more than anything. They'll be the first to warn you that aborting your baby will mess up and play around with your hormones and mental health forever. In proving my point, post abortion complications include: infection, hemorrhage, embolism, ripping of the uterus, cervical injury, endo-toxic shock, vomiting, chronic abdominal pains, and more. Cervical damage is one of the leading causes of life-long complications following an abortion. This damage done to the cervix increases the future risks of miscarriage, premature birth, and labor complications by 300-500 percent. A researcher also found that 66% of the teenagers who aborted their first pregnancy experienced miscarriages of their second "wanted" pregnancies. When rounded up, 100,000 babies are lost due to the complications previous abortions have caused. Finally, women who have had abortions face a 58 percent greater risk of dying during a later pregnancy, and chances of tubal pregnancies are increased by 160%. The procedure of abortion itself also will interrupt natural changes in the breast, leaving millions of cells at high risk for breast cancer.

I invite you to have a conversation with virtually any woman who has undergone an abortion. You may find such a woman alone, pouring another drink, trapped in silence and shame. When these ladies aborted, they were probably influenced by that "inspiring" mantra that says, "Nobody can dictate what I do with my body." They are now searching for hope in all the wrong places to forget the guilt of knowing that there should be one more person in their life.

Let us not forget that the unborn are not alone in the history of the deemed unvalued. Remember, the blacks can relate to them well as they were once deemed by the Supreme Court as non-human with no rights. The only difference is they got to keep their lives. The Fascists, Nazis, and Communists also thought murder was okay.

As always, Scripture seals the deal. God said through the prophet Jeremiah, "Before I formed you in your mother's womb I knew you." Even so, you don't need religion to be against abortion, just a healthy conscience and some kindness. Because, I'm sure one of the 58 million babies that have been aborted since Roe vs. Wade would have loved to show you some kindness right back, or maybe even be the child to grow up and save your life.

Key: (M) = MONTHLY(W) = WEEKLY

PRO-LIFE PRAYERFUL PRESENCE. Scheduled times at local abortion provider/referral sites are listed below. To volunteer, speak with the contact person before going to a site. Never witness alone. Your presence, if even for 30 min. a month, is important. **Signs provided.** Note: Vigils & Witnesses are **NOT** sponsored by the LICL and are provided for informational purposes.

Nassau County - Location	Day/ <u>Time</u>	Contact Phone (516)	IMPOD#
540 Fulton Ave (Rt 24), Hempstead	(W) Sa 8 AM-Noon	741-3405	IMPORT
" "	(M) 3rd. Sa 10 AM Liturgy/Clergy	741-3405	Peaceful a
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Suffolk County - Location	Day/Time_	Contact Phone (631)	abortion s
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Life Issues – hosted by LICL – Nas/W Suf Tu 9 PM, CSuf Tu 9 PM & Rvhd We 9 PM

Life Talk - Mark Crutcher's Life Dynamics - Nas/W Suf Sa 6:30 PM Rvhd We 9 PM

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EVENTS NOT LISTED ELSEWHERE IN LIFE NEWS

Th 7/7-Sa 7/9 - NATIONAL RTL CONVENTION, Herndon, VA; for details http://nrlconvention.com Fr 9/30 - SAVE THE DATE! Life Center of LI Dinner Dance; honoree Msgr. James Lisante, guest speaker Rick Hinshaw

Knights for Life Meeting Schedule

6/28, 7/26, 8/23, 9/27, 10/25, 11/22, 12/27 at 7:30 PM Delaney K of C, Farmingdale. All are welcome! Note: Sept & Oct meetings at Our Lady of the Island K of C, Mass. Pk.; Dec. meeting Memorial Mass for Christmas celebrated by Fr Driscoll.

For more info call Keith Wilson 516-633-1435

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Hold the Date..... Friday, July 1 2:30-4:00 PM **Pre-Independence** LIE x 70S & Cty. Rd.

Day Face the Truth 111, Manorville 11949.



Witness on west side only. Signs provided 1st block south of LIE and 1/2 mile south at light. Rain or Shine. Co-sponsored by: LICL 631-243-1435 & Peconic Respect Life Assoc. 631-288-3263.

VISIBILITY MATTERS!

STAND UP FOR LIFE Sun., Oct. 2, 2016

Reminder: Organizations not meeting during summer may submit now to have name listed as a supporter on the SUFL poster/flier. Deadline is Aug. 5! If you did not receive a sponsorship form, you can obtain one from ProLifeLI.org/Events/SUFL.



Unmasking Planned Parenthood 5/6/2016



PP Gala, Carlyle on the Green, Bethpage State Park.

The 1st Annual March for Life NY really did

start off with a dollar and a dream! Thank vou Pastors Joni & Jim from Grace & Truth Church, Coram. The day was beautiful and there were more than 250 participants.



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Father's Day Blessings!