

# Life News

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"The care of human life and happiness and not their destruction is the first and only legitimate object of good government." Thomas Jefferson

**Stand Up For Life** on Sun., 10/4 was a success again thanks to all of you! The weather was beautiful! We had approximately 480 attendees in Huntington and 115 in Manorville. **Save the date - SUFL 2016 will be on Sun., 10/2/16!**



SUFL E., Manorville  
Photo courtesy of Maryanne Dumas

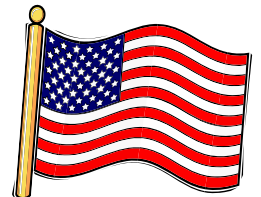


SUFL, Huntington  
Photo courtesy of Grace Collucci

## Election Day, Tuesday, November 3, 2015

Please remember to vote! This election is for local town boards, councils, supervisors, legislators and judges along with Nassau County District Attorney. Ask your candidates where they stand on the life issues:

- \*Protecting the unborn from fertilization to natural death
- \*Prohibiting the use of taxpayer funds for abortion
- \*Requiring parental consent for a minor seeking abortion
- \*Informed consent for a woman seeking an abortion
- \*Prohibiting the legalization of euthanasia and assisted suicide
- \*Banning human cloning and research that destroys human embryos for stem cells
- \*Prohibiting taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood



**Remember: What matters most in every election is voter turnout!**

**You're Invited!**

The Long Island Coalition for Life general meeting welcomes all interested in pro-life activity, education, legislation or volunteering. Our next monthly meeting will take place on **Mon., Nov. 23 at 7:45 PM** at the St. Regis K of C Hall, 2850 Pond Rd., Ronkonkoma 11779 (bldg. at light, 6 blocks N of intersection of Pond Rd. and LIE Service Rd. between x59 and x60, Ronkonkoma. **All pro-life organizations are invited to become a member group of LICL.** Member groups are encouraged to be represented at our LICL monthly meetings.

For information call 631-243-1435 between the hours of 9 AM and 7 PM.

A new report, **Profit. No Matter What.**, published by Alliance Defending Freedom (ADF) alleges that 45 public audits of Planned Parenthood (PP) affiliates, and 57 known audits of state family planning programs, found a "total of more than \$129.7 million in waste, abuse, and potential fraud in federal and state family planning funding programs, the lion's share of which goes to PP." Additionally, the report says that \$14.4 billion of PP's federal Medicaid expenditures were improper payments and the abortion company engaged in other billing violations, including "billing in excess of actual acquisition cost or other statutorily approved costs for contraceptives and Plan B products, inappropriately billing for services that were not medically necessary or not provided at all, and duplicate billing. ADF's research strongly suggests that PP and its affiliates are engaged in a pattern of practices designed to maximize their bottom-line revenues through billings to complex, well-funded federal and state programs that are understaffed and rely on the integrity of the provider for program compliance...7 of the federal HHS-OIG audits were of NYS and found federal overpayments in excess of \$32 million to the NYS Medicaid family planning program...7 NYS audits identified "especially PPs" as incorrectly claiming services as family planning." (Sarah Zagorski 9/24/15, [www.lifesitenews.com](http://www.lifesitenews.com)) The full ADF 2015 Congressional report is available at [www.adfmedia.org](http://www.adfmedia.org)

### **Fetal Research Audit**

On October 6, 2015, 35 Senators, led by Senator Rand Paul, sent a letter to the US Department of Health and Human Services (HHS) Inspector General Daniel R. Levinson calling for a full audit of all fetal research supported by HHS to determine whether there have been violations of the law and how the agency verifies compliance...the audit would specifically examine the Department's oversight of contractor and grantee compliance with laws governing fetal tissue research. (Steven Ertelt, [www.lifeneews.com](http://www.lifeneews.com), 10/8/15)

**ADVENT "ACT OF KINDNESS"** Gift/phone cards & monetary donations will be collected for mothers in local maternity homes. Please send before 12/25. For information, phone DRVC Respect Life Office 516-678-5800 x626 or 381; e-mail [dtellis@drvc.org](mailto:dtellis@drvc.org)

### **Street Fairs**



Photo courtesy of C. Broyles

LICL pro-life booth at street fairs and other events - 2015:

Centereach, Central Islip High School, Copiague, Farmingville, Freeport, Hicksville (2 different events), Islip, Kings Park, Lindenhurst, Levittown, Massapequa, Mineola, New Hyde Park, Riverhead, Seaford, and Pro-life Sunday at Church of the Intercessor, Malverne.

The LI Coalition for Life has fetal model sets that we will loan to pro-life groups to use at their events or presentations, e.g. ministry fairs, health fairs, street fairs, youth groups.

### **HELP STOP ASSISTED SUICIDE**

**A training conference**

**Sat., Nov. 7 10:30 AM-2:30 PM**

St. Pius X Church Parish Hall,

23 Crumitie Road, Loudonville, NY 12211

COST: \$10 per person covers materials and lunch

Learn the best medical, legal and ethical arguments against the legalization of physician-assisted suicide.

Be inspired by a young father battling cancer.

Be enlightened by those who care for the aged and infirm. Arm yourself with the facts about dangerous legislation.

For more information contact: Cindy Miller at 518-434-6195, or [cmiller@nyscatholic.org](mailto:cmiller@nyscatholic.org)



## FEDERAL LEGISLATION

There has been action on several fronts to end federal funding of Planned Parenthood. So far (as of 10/12/15) none has succeeded. There are two bills in Congress:

**HR.3134** - The *Defund Planned Parenthood Act of 2015*, passed the House on Sept. 18 by 241 to 187. {Yea: King, Zeldin Nay: Israel, Meeks, Rice}. It shifts money to non-aborting medical providers for one year. Its Senate companion, **S.1836**, awaits action.

**HR.3301/S.1881** - *To prohibit Federal funding of PP*, is similar to above, but no 'one year limit'. No action yet on **HR.3301**. Senate failed once on **S.1881**, but may re-vote. Defunding Planned Parenthood was also tried via the budgeting process. A "Continuing Resolution" is a bill that keeps government spending rolling apace, unless otherwise noted. An attempt to add a PP defund to the latest 'CR' failed, when it got only 52 Senate votes on Sept. 24.

The Senate then voted 78-20 on Sept. 30 to approve a new CR that authorizes federal funding (including PP) until Dec. 11. {Yea: Schumer & Gillibrand}. In the House, this CR passed 277 to 155, {Yea: King, Israel, Rice, Zeldin} Meeks was one of six not voting.

House GOP will also try a one year PP defund using the "fast-track reconciliation" process, which needs only 51 Senate votes to pass. The bill would also end the *Independent Payment Advisory Board*, and the HHS Mandate. A Presidential veto is promised. *The Hill* reports Republicans agreed to the fast-track budget procedure in exchange for YES votes on the CR that does *not* defund PP, (but the President will sign). Maj. Leader McConnell told TV Station WYMT, "That (defunding PP) is another issue that awaits a new president."

### Votes on other Pro-Life Bills:

**HR.36 / S.1553** - the *Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act*, to ban most abortions after 20 weeks, was defeated in Senate 54-42 on Sept. 22. {Nay Schumer & Gillibrand}

**HR. 3504/S1603** - the *Born Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act*, adds important enforcement provisions to *Born Alive Infant Protection Act* of 2002. PASSED House: 248 - 177 on Sep 18. {Yea: King, Zeldin }

**HR.3495** the *Women's Public Health and Safety Act* makes it easier for States to de-fund Planned Parenthood. PASSED House: 236 - 193 on Sept. 29 {Yea - King, Zeldin Nay - Israel, Meeks, Rice}

### More Pro-Life Bills introduced since last month:

**HR. 3515** *Dismemberment Abortion Ban Act* bans the "dilation and evacuation" or "dilation and extraction" (D&E) abortions. The method is commonly used starting at about 14 weeks, continuing into 3rd trimester.

**HR.3251** Amends the Social Security Act to exclude coverage of advance care planning services under Medicare. (Aka 'End of Life' counseling).

*Fed. Legislation cont'd in next column...*

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SCOTUS - Will hear *Center for Competitive Politics v. Harris*, a case on whether non-profit organizations must reveal their donors as a condition for engaging in free speech.

### ACTION ITEMS

⇒ Urge your Representatives to co-sponsor, & vote for **HR.3251**, to exclude Medicare coverage of advance care planning services.

⇒ Urge our Senators to pass **HR.3495** the *Women's Public Health and Safety Act*, to make it easier for states to de-fund Planned Parenthood.

### U.S. House of Representatives, Wash, D.C.2015

1st CD Lee Zeldin (202)-225-3826 <http://zeldin.house.gov>  
 2nd CD Peter King (202)-225-7896 <http://peteking.house.gov>  
 3rd CD Steve Israel (202)-225-3335 <http://israel.house.gov>  
 4th CD Kathleen Rice (202)-225-5516  
<http://kathleenrice.house.gov>  
 5th CD Gregory Meeks (202)-225-3461  
<http://meeks.house.gov>

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 Fax: (202) 228-3027 <http://www.schumer.senate.gov/>  
 Sen. Gillibrand, Russell Office Bldg. 478 (202)-224-4451  
 Fax: (202) 228-0282 <http://www.gillibrand.senate.gov>

To discuss Federal Legislation, e-mail Charles Feldman at [cdefeldman@optonline.net](mailto:cdefeldman@optonline.net)



## NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION

The NYS Legislature is in recess until the new session begins in January 2016. Keep posted regarding the possibility of proposed legislation to legalize assisted suicide.

To discuss State Legislation, e-mail Jim Miller at [jimmiller9@aol.com](mailto:jimmiller9@aol.com).

### Election Day Tuesday, November 3, 2015

Although this may be an 'off year' election, it still counts! Some of our best, and worst politicians started in these local offices. Exercise due diligence. If you have questions regarding voting status or poll location, please contact:

Nassau Board of Elections 516-571-2411  
 Suffolk Board of Elections 631-852-4500

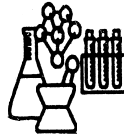
### MARK YOUR 2016 CALENDAR:

Friday, January 22, 2016  
**MARCH FOR LIFE**, Washington D.C.,  
[www.marchforlife.org](http://www.marchforlife.org), leave comments on the "Marching On" blog.



## HEALTH & SCIENCE

### Assisted Suicide



On September 11, 2015, the California legislature passed ABX2-15, the “End of Life Option Act,” which legalizes physician-assisted suicide. On October 5, 2015, California Governor Jerry Brown signed the bill saying he wouldn’t want to be in pain in his final days. Carol Tobias of National Right to Life said the law “shows a blatant disregard for the lives of California’s medically vulnerable citizens and sends a message to these citizens that their lives are less worthy to be lived. The so-called ‘right to die’ movement promotes these laws as simply ‘another medical option at the end of life,’ but their real goal is euthanasia on demand for any reason. There are no real safeguards... It is a well-established fact that nearly every terminally ill patient who desires death is suffering from treatable depression... Rather than treat clinically depressed patients... the system that would be established by the California bill... indicates that you instead help the patients kill themselves.” An article about the bill’s passage written by Ian Lovett in the New York Times referred to an observation by Dr. Aaron Kheriaty, director of the medical ethics program at the University of California, Irvine, School of Medicine, “...[Kheriaty] said that low-income and underinsured patients would inevitably feel pressure to end their own lives in some cases, when the cost of continued treatment would be astronomical compared with the cost of a few lethal pills.” ([www.lifenews.com](http://www.lifenews.com), 10/5/15)

Jacqueline Harvey, Ph.D., and bioethicist with the Charlotte Lozier Institute, wrote an open letter to Governor Brown regarding this bill. Her letter noted that “grossly inappropriate tactics [were] employed to pass this hasty legislation without the vetting that killed virtually identical legislation just months ago... The evidence on the dangers of assisted suicide has killed over 175 bills in 35 states since the early ‘90’s. Assisted suicide bills fail 99.95% of the time when treated like every other piece of legislation and subjected to expert testimony, debate and possible amendment... When legislators hear about the dangers of assisted suicide in hearings, they reject it virtually every time... This is what you will ensure for California, not merely the death and destruction that legal assisted suicide will wreak, but a bogged-down Assembly condemned to deal with the issue for years to come.” Harvey continued, “Consider that ABX2-15 was only passed by hijacking sessions you convened to focus on finding budgetary solutions in health care and transportation ... the healthcare finance topic in particular places you in a position of suggesting suicide is a cost-containment measure in healthcare, like in Oregon where requests for real treatment will not be paid for, but suicide is completely covered. To affirm this behavior by signing this bill would foremost result in bad policy... As we end suicide prevention week, let your legacy be talking the suicidal down from the ledge – not giving them a push.” ([www.lifenews.com](http://www.lifenews.com) 9/16/15)

The American College of Physicians (ACP) sent a letter to Governor Brown on 9/16/15 urging him to veto this legislation. The letter stated, “This is a physician-assisted

suicide (PAS) bill. ACP does not support PAS as an appropriate action... Terms such as ‘end of life option’ and ‘aid-in-dying’ used in the bill are confusing and obscure what is at stake when physicians are asked to facilitate suicide. We are deeply sympathetic to the concerns and fears patients and their families have at the end of life. However, PAS is not the answer and in fact, ACP sees it as abandonment of the dying patient. It is not the role of the physician to give individuals control over the cause and timing of death—the medicalization of suicide. The physician must always act in the best interests of the patient as healer, comforter and trusted advisor. PAS undermines trust in patient-physician relationships and trust in the profession of medicine. Proponents of PAS claim it is an act of compassion in keeping with the physician’s role as comforter. However, this argument incorrectly assumes that physicians can only provide comfort for certain patients through facilitating suicide. In fact, physicians can and do provide comfort to dying patients. It is a lack of awareness of these services and a perceived concern that patients will not have access to this care that helps drive interest in PAS as an option. We need to ensure that all patients have access to palliative care and hospice services at the end of life rather than promote suicide. Surveys show that many individuals do not know what palliative care is but when told its definition, they overwhelmingly respond that they would want it for themselves or their family members if they were severely ill... The highest priorities for care of dying patients should be excellent palliative care, including alleviation of pain and other symptoms.”

The ACP letter concluded, “Patients often fear pain at the end of life, but physicians have an ethical obligation to treat pain with competence and compassion. Aggressive management of pain at the end of life is ethically acceptable, even when the risk of hastening death is foreseeable, if the intent is to relieve pain... Procedurally, we were also very troubled by the last-minute inclusion of the PAS bill in the special legislative session on health care financing, bypassing usual procedures. We also note the paradox of access to PAS where there is no general right to health care. In Oregon, the irony of difficulties getting coverage for palliative services and pain drugs under the state’s Medicaid program-but no problem receiving PAS paid for as a covered service-has been noted... PAS is especially troubling in an environment of cost control in health care and continuing disparities in care. We hope you will join ACP in advocating that society should encourage those who seek suicide with a physician’s help to instead be provided with full access to the care and compassion that can alleviate their suffering. No Californian, or any American, should have to fear an undignified or pain-filled life or death. Providing greater access to palliative and hospice care needs our full attention. In this way, physicians can fulfill their mission and give dying patients and their families the care, compassion, and comfort they need and deserve.” ([www.lifenews.com](http://www.lifenews.com) 9/17/15)

Submitted by Regina Carbonaro 631-243-1435

**Keep posted regarding the possibility of similar legislation in the upcoming session in NYS.**

“Whenever Two or More are Gathered in My Name”

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.

<u>Nassau County - Location</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Contact Phone (516)</u>
540 Fulton Ave (Rt 24), Hempstead	(W) Sa 8 AM-Noon	741-3405
" " "	(M) 3rd. Sa 10 AM Liturgy/Clergy	741-3405
35 Carmans Rd., Massapequa	(W) Sa 10:30-Noon	541-8056
<u>Suffolk County - Location</u>	<u>Day/Time</u>	<u>Contact Phone (631)</u>
70 Maple Ave, Smithtown	(W) We & Sa 7:30-10:30AM	979-7017
" " "	(M) 1st Sa 9:30 AM Prayer/Clergy	979-7017
42 First Ave, Brentwood	(W) We 10-10:30 AM	667-2532
" " "	(W) Sa 9:40-10:15 AM	665-3630
200 Motor Parkway, Hauppauge	(W) Sa 9:45-11:45 AM	265-2736
540 E. Main St, Riverhead	(W) We 2-4 PM	722-3111
498 Rt. 111, Smithtown	(W) Sa 7-9 AM	751-7894
450 Waverly Ave, Patchogue	(M) 2nd Sa 10:30-11:30 AM	472-0033
" " "	(M) 2nd Fr Noon-1 PM	790-6629
595 Hampton Rd. S. Hampton OB/GYN	(W) Fr 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	807-6001
180 Sunrise Highway, W. Islip	(W) Sa 9-11 AM	957-9161

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



**Pro-Life Counseling Centers nearest to abortion sites:**

**Life Center of L.I. (FOUR locations):** Massapequa 516-798-9100, 35 East Willow St, at E end of Sunrise Mall behind White Castle, (bilingual) open Mo-Fr, 10 AM-4 PM, Sa 9 AM-Noon (by appt. only); **Hempstead** 516-408-6300, 474 Fulton Av (Rt 24) (bilingual) open Mo-Fr 10 AM-4:30 PM & Sa 9AM-1PM; **Deer Park** 631-243-0066, 1767 Deer Park Ave, (bilingual) open Mo10 AM-8 PM, Tu-Fr 10 AM-3 PM. (Closed Sa); **Riverhead** 631-591-9017, 6 E. Main St., Ste. 2, open Mo, We, Fr 10 AM-4 PM

**Local Pro-Life Viewing – All programs weekly on CableV Ch 20 (except where noted) through Sept. 30, 2016:**

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  
 Defending Life - hosted by Priests for Life on EWTN CableV Ch 135, Verizon Ch 285 We 2:30 AM & Th 11 PM  
 Long Island Teen Freedom Sexual Integrity and Risk Avoidance-a product of Life Center of L.I. Nas/W Suf Tu 3 PM, CSuf Mo 4:30 PM, Rvhd We 3 PM

**EVENTS NOT LISTED ELSEWHERE IN LIFE NEWS**

Sa 11/7 **ENTERING CANAAN** Day of Prayer & Healing for Women, 866-575-0075; hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org  
 Sa 11/14 **HELPERS OF GOD’S PRECIOUS INFANTS** pray at abortion site following 7:30 a.m. Mass at Presentation of the Blessed Virgin Mary, 88-19 Parsons Blvd, Jamaica 11432, 718-739-0241, frhgpi@aol.com  
 Fr 1/22/16 **MARCH FOR LIFE**, Washington, DC; www.marchforlife.org., #WhyWeMarch



**If you plan to be away for a month or more,** please put a hold on *Life News* by calling LICL at 631-243-1435. Leave the name and address as printed on your label and indicate month(s) you will be away.

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**ANNUAL NATIONAL NIGHT OF PRAYER FOR LIFE:** Tues., 12/8, 9 PM to Wed., 12/9 1 AM  
 All churches are urged to participate. It is important that you call in your times/locations to 631-422-3055;  
 E-mail: evecampfield@hotmail.com;  
 Website: Nationalnightofprayerforlife.org.

LICL member groups may list a 12-month schedule of pro-life events open to the general public. Send to LICL, PO Box 223, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779 or LICoalition4Life@outlook.com with a contact number to be printed with your notice.

**Knights For Life – 2016 Calendar**


1/26; 2/23; 3/22; 4/26; 5/24; 6/28; 7/26;  
 8/23; 9/27; 10/25; 11/22; and 12/27 (Our Lady of Guadalupe Mass replaces regular meeting).  
 Meetings on Tues. at 7:30 PM at Msgr. Delaney K of C Council Hall, 110 Merritts Rd., Farmingdale  
 For more info call Keith Wilson 516-633-1435.

**All welcome.**

**Right to Life Rosary** every Thurs. at 7 PM  
 Our Lady of Mount Carmel Chapel (bldg. at rear of parking field); 495 N. Ocean Ave. Patchogue NY 11772  
 Call 631 475-4739 for information. All welcome.

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