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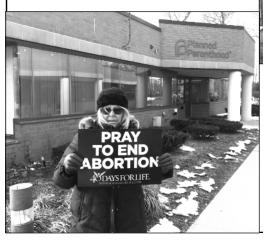
"It's cowardly for a politician to say they'll fight for the little guy but only if the little guy isn't an actual seven -pound baby who's fighting for life." Sen. Ben Sasse (R-NE)

Educational Trust

As you can see, the LICL Educational Trust has been very busy spreading the pro-life message, and is always looking for anyone who has any ideas for new projects, especially to engage the youth. If you would like to assist, please contact Dan at 631-575-1482. Also, visit us at ProlifeED.org.

- Mobile Billboard The LI Coalition for Life has a mobile billboard campaign in progress. During the months of April and May, the billboard will be out on the roads one day per week, alternating between Nassau and Suffolk counties.
- Radio Ads 30-second, pro-life messages have been playing on WBLI Radio for 7 weeks from March 18-May 5.
- Annual Oratory Contest was held on March 24 at Kellenberg Memorial High School. The top three winners receive a monetary gift. Our June issue of *Life News* will have the winners as well as the speech from our first place winner.
- The LICL Educational Trust sponsored a premiere of the movie, "Unplanned" on March 31. It was a sellout. It is a must-see movie. It is very well done and depicts in great detail how Abby Johnson, once the director of one of the largest Planned Parenthood abortion facilities in Texas, leaves the abortion industry. She turns to the 40 Days for Life team and becomes a pro-life activist. Thank you to all who attended and to the volunteers that made it happen.
- Aerial Banners will again be flying over beaches in both Nassau and Suffolk Counties during the summer months. Let us know if you see the pro-life message.

40 Days for Life On Long Island





As of this printing, the 40 Days for Life Campaign is still in full swing. We had three locations on Long Island this Spring: Riverhead, Smithtown & Hempstead. People of all denominations & non-denominations joined together to pray for an end to abortion and for a change of heart for the abortion workers.

Photos:

Top - Smithtown Left - Riverhead Right - Hempstead



The Long Island Coalition for Life general meeting welcomes all interested in pro-life activity, education, legislation or volunteering. Our next General Meeting is Mon., May 20, at 7:30 PM at the St. Regis K of C, Pond Rd. & Rosevale Ave., Ronkonkoma.

All are welcome - please join us! For further info, call LICL at 631-243-1435.

Pro-Life and Your Philanthropy Dollar

Some non-profits start out with the intention to support abortion, aka 'reproductive rights' and some have co-opted 'reproductive health' to include abortion and abortifacients. Other non-profits have, at their outset, no connection to the right-to-life issue. Yet over time, these 'good' organizations have subtly or aggressively picked up the banner of reproductive rights. How are your donations being used? Organization policies may change at any time. Sometimes it is difficult to uncover a non-profit's pro-abortion connections. You may consider contacting organizations you want to support. Other information may be found at: American Life League: https://all.org/charity-watchlist and Life Decisions International: www.fightpp.org. The information given below was collected as of 12/2018.

SIERRA CLUB www.sierraclub.org

It takes a number of clicks through pages of the Sierra Club's website to find its reproductive rights goal. Moving from "People & Justice" ("We're protecting more than trees.") to the section "And our future depends on gender equity" we find under "Gender, Equity, and Environment" a photo celebrating the "Women's March on Washington" (1/21/2016). Scrolling to the "Health" and "Sexual and reproductive health and rights" sections, Sierra Club's mission is:

"Reproductive health services are a vital way to help lessen the impact of climate disruption on those who are affected the most. Addressing the unmet need of the more than 225 million women who would like to plan and space their pregnancies, but don't have the knowledge, tools, or power to do so is key to helping individuals and communities thrive and is key to fostering healthy people and a healthy planet. With access to education, voluntary family planning, and clean energy, women and girls are better prepared to deal with the effects of climate disruption. They're better able to cope with extreme weather events, feed their families, and live the lives of their choosing."

Alive, from New York!

Over the course of 12 weeks, Focus on the Family is running its "SEE LIFE CLEARLY" campaign, culminating in an event planned for Saturday, May 4 in NYC's Times Square featuring live music, compelling and inspirational speakers, and best of all a live 4-D ultrasound broadcast on a massive digital marquee in Times Square, powerfully showing the world a baby inside the womb is fully human and should be given the chance to be born. For more information focusonthefamily.com.

Suggested Respect Life Committee Project: ADOPT A COLLEGE COLLEGE MEDIA ADS

College age women typically comprise the highest percentage of women obtaining abortions in the U.S. It is important, therefore, to spread the pro-life message on college campuses and educate students as to where they can find life-affirming alternatives to abortion.

One way to do this is by placing ads in college newspapers. The Respect Life Committee of St. James Church (Setauket) has been placing a small ad (shown below) in the SUNY Stony Brook newspaper "The Statesman" for many years. St. Raymond's Human Life Committee (East Rockaway) has placed an ad in Nassau Community College's student newspaper for 10 years. Their ad describes the first 3 months of the developing baby and includes phone numbers of pro-life pregnancy help centers.

Would your respect life group 'adopt a college' near you and place an ad in the school's newspaper? This is a flexible project – the size and frequency of the ad can be set to meet your budget. Ads can usually be changed during the time of a multi-ad contract. The ad can be very simple, such as asking a question and including an appropriate weblink for further information e.g.; Do you know about the link between breast cancer and abortion; Does abortion hurt men?.

Some colleges have online news media that include ads. Another venue may be the college's calendar of their sports teams schedules.

If you would like ad suggestions or information on how to get started with college ads, please e-mail INFO@PROLIFELI.ORG. Bring the pro-life message to where it is needed most!



They will tell you it's just a blob of tissue

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Total U.S. abortions since 1973 (as of 3/10/19):

61,199,830 (Source: usabortionclock.org)

Federal Legislation continued......



FEDERAL LEGISLATION

HR.962/S.311 - As of April 9, there have been 30 failed requests for a House vote on the *Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act*. There have been two failed tries in the Senate. House GOP leaders have filed a 'discharge petition', to force the Democrat-run House to vote on the

bill. To succeed, every GOP House member, plus 21 Democrats, would have to sign on to the petition. No Senate Democrat running for President voted for **S.311**.

HR.616 - *Life at Conception Act* – in committee.

HR.956 - Save Our Children Act which bans dismemberment (D & E) abortion - in committee.

HR.1581- Requires 'reproductive rights' be listed in State Department's yearly overseas human rights report. (State Department says abortion is not a right.) In committee. HR.1692/S.758 EACH Woman Act - would end virtually all restrictions on federal, state, local governments and private insurance funding to pay for abortions. In committee. HR.1- the For the People Act, would put red tape, restrictions and donor reporting requirements on entities (including non-profits) that provide info on the actions of federal officeholders. Passed House: [Reps. Meeks, Rice, Suozzi- Y; Reps. King, Zeldin- N] Awaiting Senate action. HR.5 - the Equality Act, despite its name, would greatly diminish the conscience protections of parents, businesses, medical providers and faith-based entities. Reps. Meeks, Rice, Suozzi cosponsor. In committee.

Supreme Court

A 'Petition Pending', and a Docket Number, has been listed for *Box v. PP* for over 2 months. But *Rooks v Rooks* has neither. *Box* is not on the SCOTUS calendar for this session. (See LN, Apr 2019, p.3)

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In November, the 9th Circuit ruled that a California law, which protects citizen journalists from lawsuits, did not protect David Daleiden's videos. His lawyers appealed to SCOTUS. On April 1, the Supreme Court declined to hear the case. It's a win for PP, said some pundits, but David tweeted that PP will now go to trial 'with made-up claims and zero facts.'

Administration

Secretary of State Pompeo has expanded the 'Mexico City' policy to bar foreign aid to groups that fund other groups that do abortions. A 1981 ban on US aid being used to lobby for or against abortion will be enforced, and the State Department pointed to flaws in a study* alleged to show that overseas abortions increased the last time the US enforced the Mexico City policy. *[ISBN: 9780190876128]

National

When Ryan Magers' girlfriend aborted (against his will) the child he fathered, he filed a petition against the Alabama abortion facility. In a US first, Probate Judge Frank Barger let the suit proceed, saying the 'aborted fetus' has legal rights, and "Baby Roe's" estate can be represented in Court by his father. Alabama Women's Center has filed a motion to dismiss. Alabama's Supreme Court ruled last October that an unborn baby is a person.

Federal Legislation continued in next column...

On March 12, the 6th Circuit Court upheld Ohio's Planned Parenthood defund law, saying PP does "not have a 14th Amendment right to perform abortions." The government does not have an "obligation to pay for a woman's abortion. Case after case establishes that a government may refuse to subsidize abortion services." They cited *PP v Casey* as support.

Georgia's governor will sign the Heartbeat Abortion bill banning abortion after a fetal heartbeat is detected. Celebrities are threatening a boycott of the state. G. G. Jones of Personhood Alliance urges rejection of the bill, citing exceptions. These exceptions include: rape and incest, medically futile pregnancy as judged by a physician, and/or a medical emergency which may result in serious harm or death to the mother. Personhood notes that too many physicians urge abortion in medically futile pregnancy cases. Personhood also recommends that the medical emergency exception be redefined as "medical treatment to save the life of the mother that may inadvertently cause the death of the unborn."



NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION

Comprehensive Contraception Coverage Act (S.659-A-Salazar/A.585-A-Cahill) -

Requires all group insurance policies after 1/1/2020 to cover abortion-causing drugs, sterilization procedures, and all FDA contraceptive devices without restrictions, copays, or cost sharing. Faith based charities could lose protections against participating in this evil. Passed 1/22/19.

Physician Assisted Suicide (S.3947/A.2694-Paulin - Allows physicians to prescribe lethal drugs to terminally ill adults who request them. This can lead to these patients being pressured by family members or the prospect of high costs to end their lives prematurely. In committee.

Making indigent funds available to Planned Parenthood (S.470/A.1080-Glick) - Makes PP eligible for bad debt and charity care funds. (As if PP doesn't already get enough public funding, our legislators in Albany want to give them more!) In committee.

Reproductive Health Act – Passed 1/22/19. A Marist poll showed that only 21% of New Yorkers support unrestricted abortion up to the day of birth.

Federal Legislation, e-mail cdefeldman@optonline.net. State Legislation, e-mail jimmiller9@aol.com.

School Board Elections:

Ask candidates their views on the life issues and on inviting Planned Parenthood organizations to your school.



HEALTH & SCIENCE



Assisted Suicide

Rita Marker, J.D., Executive Director of the Patient's Rights Council, noted in an addendum to the most recent Patients' Rights Council publication *Update* (2019, Vol. 33, No. 1), "Proponents of prescribed suicide are growing bolder in their attempts to broaden the reach of death on demand. For example, what they once called "safeguards," they are now calling "barriers". They are committed. They are dedicated. They are working tirelessly. We must be even more committed, dedicated and hardworking. That is the only way we can protect ourselves, our loved ones, and our country."

The most recent *Update* publication noted that Kim Callinan, CEO of the national assisted suicide advocacy group Compassion & Choices (C & C) stated, "If lawmakers want to improve medical aid in dying laws, then let's address the real problem: There are too many regulatory roadblocks already!... I am merely suggesting that we drop some of the regulations that put unnecessary roadblocks in place." (McKnight's Long Term Care News, 1/1/19)

The *Update* article explained that Callinan proposes that mandated waiting periods be eliminated. She said, "By the time a patient has navigated the entire process, they have waited plenty." She also supports elimination of the "overly cumbersome reporting" which is present in most laws so that states can regulate the process. Callinan feels that this "deters doctors from practicing [assisted suicide]." She also supports extending the ability to prescribe the lethal medications to nurse practitioners to make it more accessible to patients. The *Update* article concluded, "Apparently, C & C – who helped write most of the state assisted-suicide bills and laws – backed touted safeguards simply to get the public and legislators to legalize the practice. It was a successful con job in the six states and D.C. that bought into the deception."

Steven Ertelt reported at LifeNews.com that New Jersey became the seventh state to legalize assisted suicide on March 25th. Patients' Rights Action Fund Executive Director Matt Valliere responded, "In other states where assisted suicide is legal, it has proven impossible to regulate and leaves the door wide open for abuse and coercion. The vulnerable in society: the poor, terminally ill, and people with disabilities, will be the

most negatively affected by assisted suicide. New Jersey ought to be investing in better care and support at the end of life, not enshrining this dangerous public policy into law. We call on Governor Phil Murphy to veto this bill." New Jersey Right to Life responded to the passage of this bill stating, "Senate President Sweeney replaced two members of the Committee who previously voted No on the bill with himself and Senator Scutari who is a sponsor of the bill to ensure there would be enough Yes votes for the bill to pass out of Committee. Testimony on the bill was limited to only one hour with each witness provided only two minutes to make their case. Many physicians, disability advocates and key people who signed up to give testimony did not get a chance to do so...Proponents claim that this is an issue of personal choice and that those who object to assisted suicide don't have to utilize it, but taxpayers will be forced to pay for it through New Jersey's Medicaid program which is a state taxpayer funded program. This means that all taxpayers will be complicit in funding state-sanctioned physician assisted suicide if this becomes law. Laws should not be passed for the few who want them, but consideration should be given to how it will affect the greater population, especially individuals who are most vulnerable to abuse of such a law.

"This legislation is bad public policy for New Jersey." It threatens the doctor-patient relationship because it will turn physicians who are meant to be healers into agents of death, who will act directly to cause the death of a patient. As we have seen in other states where assisted suicide is legal, health insurance companies (including Medicaid providers) who are always looking to cut costs will deny patients treatments to save and sustain their lives, but instead offer assisted suicide drugs because it is cheaper to do so. The 'so-called' safeguards in the bill are hollow and do not protect the patient. In addition, the bill grants complete immunity to everyone but the patient. It also provides third parties in the decision-making process (including those who are not 'capable' of personally communicating their wishes) and is a recipe for abuse, especially for the elderly and disabled populations."

Ertelt noted, "Compassion & Choices launched a \$1 million sustained digital video ad campaign featuring terminally ill advocates and their loved ones urging New Jersey lawmakers to pass the bill." (Steven Ertelt, Life-News.com, 3/25/19)

We must ask, "Is New York next on Compassion & Choices list?"

Submitted by Regina Carbonaro 631-243-1435

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.

Note: Vigils & Witnesses are **NOT** sponsored by the LICL and are provided for informational purposes.

Nassau County - Location	Day <u>/Time</u>	Contact Phone
540 Fulton Ave (Rt 24), Hempstead	(W) Sa 8 AM-Noon	917-544-0121
" "	(M) 1st. Sa 10 AM Liturgy/Clergy	917-544-0121
" "	(W) Th 10:30-Noon	516-270-3845
35 Carmans Rd., Massapequa	(W) Sa 10:30-Noon	516-541-8056
Suffolk County - Location	<u>Day/Time</u>	Contact Phone (631)
70 Maple Ave, Smithtown	(W) We & Sa 7:30-10:30AM	979-8541
42 First Ave, Brentwood	(W) We 10-10:30 AM	667-2532
" "	(W) Sa 9:40-10:15 AM	665-3630
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	472-4314
595 Hampton Rd. S. Hampton OB/GYN	(W) Fr 11:30 AM – 12:30 PM	807-6001

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 Mo 10 AM-8 PM, Tu-Fr 10 AM-4 PM. (Closed Sa); Riverhead 631-591-9017, 524 E. Main St., Ste. 200, open Mo-Fr 10 AM-4 PM

<u>Local Pro-Life Viewing – All programs weekly on Altice (formally CableV) Ch 20 (except where noted):</u>

Life Issues – hosted by LICL - Thurs.., 5 PM

Life Talk - Mark Crutcher's Life Dynamics – Mon. 8 PM, Ch. 20; youtube.com/channel/UCX13pg11nqITyzlVGjJzAdQ. EWTN CableV Ch 135, Verizon Ch 285: Defending Life hosted by Priests for Life: Sun. 11 PM; Pro-Life Weekly: Thurs. 10 PM Long Island Teen Freedom "Sexual Risk Avoidance Education" - Life Center of L.I. - Mon., 3:30 PM AFA of NY: Mo 8 PM Ver. Ch. 40 & Sa 11 PM, Ver. Ch. 37; YouTube Channel: AFA NEW YORK Contemporary Social Issues: Mo 9 PM Ver. Ch 40

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Walk 4 Life

Saturday, May 18 Soundview Pregnancy Services

Blydenburgh Park, Veterans Memorial Highway, Smithtown

Registration: 9:00 AM; Walk 9:30 - 11 AM Register at www.soundviewpregnancyservices.org; 631-676-7990; email julie@soundviewpregnancy.com

March for Life NY

Mon., June 3- Albany, NY

11:00 AM - Opening Prayer at Children's Memorial Empire State Plaza 11:30 AM - March to the State Capitol Bldg.

12:30 PM - Rally NY S Capitol Bldg. For more info contact Pastor Joni March4lifeny@gmail.com; 631-681-7275

March for Life NY Bus

Mon., June 3

The LICL will sponsor a bus to Albany. Pick up as follows:

4:45 AM - St. Joseph's in Ronkonkoma

5:30 AM - LIE Exit 49 Park & Ride

6:00 AM - New Hyde Park (Notre Dame Church)

6:15 AM - Union Tpke. & 216th St. Bayside

(American Martyrs)

The bus will leave Albany at 2:00 PM with arrival home expected between 5-6:00 PM. A free-will donation will be accepted to help defray the cost. To reserve a seat call 631-243-1435.

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Wantagh516-785-4070

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Unmask Planned Parenthood Pro-Life Events

Fri., May 3 - 6:30-8:00 PM Nassau County PP's "Unstoppable Together Gala" at Heritage Club at Bethpage, Bethpage State Park.

Sat., May 11-6:30-8:30 PM PP Hudson Peconic's "Cabaret Night" fundraiser at Congressional Church of Huntington, 30 Washington Dr., Centerport; off Rte. 25A/Main St. (Please do not bring young children; no curbs along narrow roadway).

Pro-lifers will gather outside of the events to be a public reminder of the preborn lives snuffed out through the help of the abortion-promoting gala attendees and to make a statement that abortion is nothing to celebrate.

Rain or shine. Signs provided or bring your own. Sponsored by LI Coalition for Life. For more info: info@prolifeli.org or 631-243-1435

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The LI Coalition for Life Lobby Trip

Tues., May 7 We take our message directly to Our Legislators! Join us to lobby our representatives. Our focus will be on Assisted Suicide. Transportation is available. For more information call 516 -220-6001.

Life Center of LI

Annual Pasta Dinner and Silent Auction Sun., June 2 - Our Lady of Grace Church Hall, 666 Albin Ave., W. Babylon. To donate new items and for more info call: 516-798-9100

SAVE THE DATE! Annual Dinner Dance Fri., September 27, Muttontown Club, East Norwich

March for Life NY: (More info see page 5) Sun., May 5 6:00 PM - Concert with Gracious Vine Band; Samantha's Li'l Bit of Heaven, 287 Larkfield Rd., E. Northport. Info & Res: 631-262-1212

Sat., May 18 - 5:00 PM - Dinner/Concert, Love & Mercy Fellowship, 1420 Union Blvd., Bay Shore., featuring Glorification Singers & Frank Rendo For info: Marchforlifeny.org