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"Whosoever destroys a soul, it is considered as if he destroyed an entire world. And whosoever that saves a life, it is considered as if he saved an entire world." Hillel the Elder

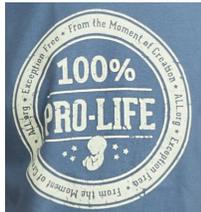


The Bridge to Life 26th Annual Dinner/Dance Sunday, April 15

Leonard's of Great Neck
555 Northern Blvd., Great Neck
Honoring SK Michael Hilley, PGK,
FDD & Olympica Council #394
Cocktail Hour 12:30-1:30 PM; Dinner 1:30-5:30 PM
\$95/pp. For more information call:
718-463-1810 admin@thebridgetolife.org

American Life League's National Pro-Life T-Shirt Day

Friday, April 20
Wear a pro-life T-Shirt to school and
share your photos on
Facebook, Instagram, etc.
For info visit
lifedefender.org/npltday



Pasta Dinner & Chinese Auction Sunday, April 29 1-5:00 PM



Our Lady of Grace Parish
Fr. Patrick Hall
666 Albin Ave., W. Babylon
\$15/pp includes dinner & beverages
For info 631-766-3388

To benefit the Life Center of LI
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WALK For Life

Saturday, May 5 - Wantagh Park
1 King Rd., Wantagh
Registration 8:30-9:30 AM
To register visit www.lifecenterli.org for more info
call Kathie 516-994-0999
Sponsored by Life Center of LI



40 Days for Life - Pro-bikers for Life sponsored the Spring 40 Days for Life campaign in Hempstead.

This year's March for Life Best Ever!

by Bob Slingso

This year's March for Life in Washington was probably the best one ever in the many years I've been participating! The day began at 4:30 AM with a special Mass at St. Anthony's in East Northport celebrated by our pastor, Msgr. Joe Mirro. After mass we boarded the bus and were on our way arriving in Washington at about 10:15 AM. Our first stop was Congressman Tom Suozzi's office where he cordially invited us into his office. He explained his position on abortion, which he is personally opposed, but said he will not oppose taxpayer funding of Planned Parenthood. After visiting with the Congressman, we proceeded to the mall where we listened to the speakers who would officially kick off the March for Life.



This year's speakers included Speaker Paul Ryan, Vice President Pence and President Trump, all who gave very inspirational talks focusing on this year's theme, "Love saves Lives!" A great day for life!

CHOOSE LIFE!

You're Invited! The Long Island Coalition for Life general meeting welcomes all interested in pro-life activity, education, legislation or volunteering. Meetings begin at **7:00 PM**. Our next meeting is April 23 at Joseph Barry K of C Hall, 45 Heitz Pl., Hicksville.

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

Lobby for Life Day

Wednesday, May 9 Albany, NY

Gather in the Well of the NYS Legislative Office Building.

9:00 AM - Refreshments & Fellowship

10:00 AM - listen to pro-life speakers, greet pro-life legislators, receive legislative and political updates and more.

No fee but register to get your packet.

admin@nysrighttolife.org; 518-434-1293

Letters to the Editors

Don't forget to write to your local newspapers about pro-life issues. If printed, please send us a copy so we can acknowledge you in *Life News*. If you see any other pro-life letters, please send them to us as well. Let your voice be heard!



Diocese of Rockville Centre Pro-Life Help:

- Project Rachel, the official out reach of the Catholic Church to those who suffer abortion loss is 888-456-HOPE (4673) or projectrachel@drvc.org
- Pregnancy resources, medical & other supportive care – Catholic Health Services and Catholic Charities Pregnancy Support 855-301-4CHS
- Gianna Center of Long Island, a natural, restorative, scientifically-based approach to managing women's health & fertility 631-376-3232
- Gabriel's Courage is a family-centered perinatal program, offering a multidisciplinary team approach and continuum of care for families who choose to continue a pregnancy after receiving a life-limiting prenatal diagnosis. 631-465-6300

For more information: drvc.org/respectlifeoffice

Work Hard

Vice-President Pence was the keynote speaker at a luncheon organized by Susan B. Anthony List and Life Issues Institute, which recently merged. He encouraged pro-life advocates. He said, "I truly do believe, if all of us do all that we can, that we will once again, in our time, restore the sanctity of life to the center of American law. But we have to do the work." He said the passion and love demonstrated by young pro-life advocates brings him hope for the future. See *Lifenews.com* for complete article.

DEADLINE NOTICE: May & early June events to be considered for publication in the May issue of *Life News* **MUST BE RECEIVED BY** April 5. Send to Life News, LICL, PO Box 223, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779 or email LICoalition4Life@outlook.com.

Fact Sheet from National Right to Life website: nrlc.org

History Repeats	<i>Dred Scott</i> (1857), 7-2 decision	<i>Roe v. Wade</i> (1973), 7-2 decision	History Repeats
	Denied citizenship to an entire class of people based on race.	Denied personhood to an entire class of people based on development.	
	Property rights of slaveholder trump the interests of the slave, who has no rights.	Privacy rights of mother trump the interests of the unborn child, who has no rights.	
	Sought to decide the slavery issue once and for all, but led to the Civil War.	Sought to decide the abortion issue once and for all, but over thirty years later the country is still divided.	
	Overtaken by Congress in the 13th, 14th, and 15 th Amendments.	Ironically, <i>Roe</i> relied on the 14th Amendment, which restored the human dignity that the Court had stripped from persons of African descent, to deny that dignity to the unborn over 100 years later.	



FEDERAL LEGISLATION

The Senate has yet to take action (as of March 4) on **S.220**, its version of the *Born-Alive Abortion Survivors Protection Act*, which the House has already passed.

HR.3354, a broad funding bill, is “likely” to get a vote this Spring. It bans both funds for elective abortions on ICE detainees, and funds for research on fetal tissue from abortions. It includes the *Conscience Protection Act*. It also nullifies the Wash., DC assisted suicide law, and a DC law (*RHND A*) that could force pro-life groups to accept a pro-abortion employee.

The 10th Circuit Court of Appeals rejected a Kansas law that kept Medicaid funds from going to Planned Parenthood. This is the fifth time a court has nixed this kind of law. Recall that on Jan. 19, HHS restored more flexibility to states, regarding Medicaid funds.

The new Chief of Staff for HHS’s Office of Civil Rights is March Bell. He formerly worked for the House Select Panel on Infant Lives, which is probing alleged trade in aborted baby parts. Pro-abort Democrats sent a letter to HHS Head Alex Azar, charging Bell colluded with David Daleiden, who made the undercover PP videos. Judge Orrick, who presides over two of the suits against Daleiden, may be forced to recuse himself because of the Judge’s long-term ties to a PP facility.

Encouraging words: Kristan Hawkins (Students for Life) stated, “You can’t walk five feet” in the Dept. of Health and Human Services “without running into a pro-lifer.”

Another case involving a pregnant, unaccompanied 14 year old, ‘Jane Doe’, is in the Courts. Her guardians, the US Office of Refugee Resettlement (ORR), asked that her lawyers’ bid for a ‘bypass’ of Texas’ parental consent law be removed to Federal District Court, since she no longer wants an abortion or her pro-abortion lawyers. The District Court said no; the case stays in State Court. ORR appealed to US 5th Circuit Court, which ordered Jane to come tell a Judge if she wants the abortion or not.

This sounds like a win, but the 5th Circuit also said, if Jane wants an abortion ORR must work with the chosen State guardians, meaning ORR is no longer her guardian. And the 5th Circuit said ORR is ignoring its federal duty by not taking Jane to the State Court ‘bypass’ hearing. A lone dissenting 5th Circuit Judge says the majority’s logic violates the US Constitution’s Supremacy Clause. Final Word: Courts will invert anything, to allow abortion.

After only 30 minutes, a Michigan jury found five “Red Rose Rescuers” guilty of trespass and obstruction. They were ordered to stay 150 yards from abortion facilities until sentencing March 14, and face a maximum \$500 fine, or 90 days in jail. Also, in DC Superior Court, Fr. Imbarrato, pleading not guilty, will have a hearing May 23, and face trial June 25, along with Julia Haag and Joan McKee. All Rescuers were released last Nov. [See LN, Nov ‘17, p3]

Federal Legislation continued in next column...

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Lila Rose tells everything you need to know about Planned Parenthood at... <https://youtu.be/J16uUy8H4mg>.

Cecile Richards, soon to depart PP, says Christian doctors should be forced to do abortions.

Pro-Lifers from several groups have asked to meet with FBI Director Wray regarding insulting texts between attorney Page & Agent Strzok of the FBI. The two expressed hate of pro-lifers, and a wish to cancel 2016's March for Life.

Many companies that are ‘virtue signaling’ by ending ties with a disfavored advocacy organization are still giving money to PP.

ACTION ITEM : Please urge your representatives to pass **HR.3354** Appropriation bill. This is the bill described in the first paragraph of this article.

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www.schumer.senate.gov

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NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION

Legislative action regarding Gov.

Cuomo's abortion expansion efforts is currently being considered in Albany. There will be an LICL lobby trip on 3/14, and a Legislative Day trip by other pro-life groups on 3/20. Both dates occur after this writing, so results will become known in later columns. We continue to fight against physician assisted suicide in the New York State Legislature which is a lethal threat to the elderly and disabled.

In the meantime, NY's fiercely pro-abortion Attorney General Eric Schneiderman has been dealt a blow in his efforts to silence pro-life witness at abortion mills in a lawsuit filed against them. U.S. District Judge Carol Bagley Amon told participants that leafletting is a “form of really protected speech” and that sidewalks are recognized as the “quintessential public forum.” Schneiderman filed the lawsuit in June 2017 with the intent to shut down pro-life and Christian speech on public sidewalks outside an abortion facility in Jamaica, New York.

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

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

HEALTH & SCIENCE

Ethical Issues - In Vitro Fertilization



Ethicist Wesley J. Smith wrote at First Things (10/27/17): “Whenever I write about the underregulated multi-billion-dollar infertility industry, I receive anguished emails from women who can’t become pregnant, declaring that they “would do anything to have a baby.” I can certainly empathize with their sadness, but their willingness to do *anything* is a problem. This deep and very human yearning has led to the development of technologies that are moving us away from the unconditional acceptance of the children we receive toward a perceived right to not only have a baby, but to have “the baby we want.”

“When first invented, in vitro fertilization (IVF) was sold as a medical remedy to be limited to married couples who could not otherwise conceive. That moralistic restriction is long gone. Today, access to IVF has few limitations – and includes even women well beyond their natural childbearing years. Moreover, it is often combined with “preimplantation genetic diagnosis,” in which a cell is removed from IVF embryos and tested for medical or eugenic failings – as well as for the sex – so that only embryos with desired attributes will be implanted. If too many embryos implant, the next step may be “selective reduction,” the abortion of one or more gestating babies – or, as I once heard an industry rep put it, “turning triplets into twins.” And what of the embryos deemed not to be of the desired quality? They are consigned to the medical waste bag, or subjected to cryogenic freezing, or they become the objects of experimentation.

“Meanwhile, couples who want only a beautiful and brilliant child may use sperm provided by good-looking men with high IQs. Or they may pay tens of thousands of dollars to beautiful women attending the nation’s top universities to undergo an egg extraction procedure – which can lead to serious side effects, such as infection, infertility, increased risk of cancer, and, on occasion, even death.

“A couple may also pay a woman – known in the dehumanizing industry parlance as a “gestational carrier” – to carry their baby. In a few cases, surrogates have died bearing children for others. These women are commonly denied any right to participate in the life of the child they carried. Moreover, surrogacy contracts may require the surrogate mother to abort if the baby has a perceived defect or is otherwise no longer wanted, a requirement that has led to bitter litigation. Nor is there a requirement that the baby-buying parents actually accept their order. For example, a few years ago, an Australian couple paid a Thai woman to gestate two children but refused to take one home because he had Down syndrome. When it later came to light that the father was a convicted sex offender, the surrogate sued for custody of the boy’s sister but lost – even though the judge ordered the father to never be left alone with his daughter.”

Smith referred to a *Washington Post* story by Ariana Eunjung Cha (10/21/17) which noted that the “California IVF Fertility Center is pioneering what some refer to as the “Costco model” of baby-making, creating batches of embryos using donor eggs and sperm that can be shared among several different families.” Cha goes on to note that “intelligence drives the pricing: Many companies charge more for donors with a graduate degree. Talent sells too.”

Smith stated that these are “examples of “positive eugenics,” using techniques of selection to ensure that a baby has desirable characteristics,” as opposed to “negative eugenics”, which involved involuntary sterilization to prevent the undesirable from ‘breeding.’” He goes on to note that new technologies such as CRISPR “could make the manufacture of ‘superior’ babies more precise.” CRISPR research is being done using human embryos that were created specifically for the research. “The ostensible point of such experimentation is to prevent genetic disease. But many of these technologies could also be applied to make designer babies...”

Dr. David King, director of Human Genetics Alert, recently warned a Reuters reporter that CRISPR could “create this new form of consumer eugenics in which people choose the cosmetic characteristics and abilities for their children and enhance them to perform better than other people’s children.””

In 1980, columnist Ellen Goodman wrote an article supporting IVF, stating that embryos would never be treated as discardable, “as if they were no more meaningful than a dish of caviar.” She later wrote an article in favor of embryonic stem cell research. Wesley Smith emailed her “pointing out that she was supporting a policy that treats embryos as if they were no more meaningful than a dish of caviar.” She responded, “My lines have changed.” Smith reflected, “And thus the blithe assurances that we will know where and when to stop are just platitudes.” (Wesley J. Smith, LifeNews.com, 8/2/13)

Smith noted that it is ironic that as this technology expands to create and design children, many children “yearn in vain to be adopted – even as the adoption process has become increasingly difficult.”

In addition, there are currently **700,000 to 1 million human embryos currently stored in the US**. These embryos can be stored (costs can range from about \$350 to \$1000 per year), thawed and allowed to die, donated to research (where they will be destroyed/discarded), or they can be donated to a couple to be adopted. Adopting these children and allowing them to survive is an act of love and saves his/her life. (For more information see www.embryooption.org)

Dr. Jessica Farnsworth, MD, stated, “The overall problem with IVF is that it destroys life as it creates life...for the one surviving child, many other children have been given life...with the knowledge that most of them won’t make it.” (www.epm.org, 12/7/10)

All pro-lifers sympathize with couples yearning for a child. However, IVF has led to procedures and technologies that violate the sanctity and dignity of life at its very beginning.

"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.**

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) 1st. Sa 10 AM Liturgy/Clergy	741-3405
" " "	(W) Th 10:30-Noon	516-270-3845
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	979-8541
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

Local Pro-Life Viewing – All programs weekly on Altice (formally CableV) Ch 20 (except where noted) through March 31, 2018:

Life Issues – hosted by LICL - Thurs., 1:30 PM Life Talk - Mark Crutcher's Life Dynamics – Wed., 10:30 PM
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Upcoming Events:

Sa 4/21 **Day of Prayer and Healing for Women** (Manhattan), Sisters of Life at 866.575.0075 or email: hopeandhealing@sistersoflife.org

In Memoriam

Andrew Carlin, a very prominent founding member of the Long Island Coalition for Life, passed away this past December. Andy suggested the name "Long Island Coalition for Life," and a unanimous decision was made to adopt his idea. He was an excellent debater, especially against abortion activist Bill Baird. Andy was a major asset in our activities and now will receive his well-earned reward for all his efforts. Rest in Peace, Andy.

Have you heard of **"Team Hoyt"**? Team Hoyt began in 1977. Rick, a 15-yr old boy, who was paralyzed at birth due to oxygen deprivation, wanted to participate in a 5-mile run. He wanted to do so to benefit a lacrosse player who had been paralyzed. Rick's dad, Dick decided they could do it as a team. Together they completed thousands of marathons & triathlons, including 6 ironman competitions (a 2.4 mile swim, a 112-mile bike ride, followed by the 26.2-mile marathon. To view this video go to: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=MWtmcBpai9k> (Source: *Lifesitenews.com*, 3/8/18)



Adoption not Abortion

I Lived on Parker Avenue movie is about David Scotton, his life and his journey to meet his birth mother for the first time.. This documentary will reinforce your appreciation and enthusiasm of the beauty of adoption and the fact that every human life has value. You can view this 30 minute pro-adoption, pro-life film at www.ILivedOnParkerAve.com

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March for Life NY

Monday, June 4, 2018 - Albany, NY
10:30 AM at Children's Memorial Empire State Plaza then march to the State Capital steps for a pro-life rally and listen to many national & local pro-life speakers. For more info go to Marchforlifeny.org and listen to: blogtalkradio.com/march4lifeny-radio

Day of the Unborn

Saturday, April 7 12:00 noon
S/K Edward McKee Memorial Mass
Holy Family RC Church
17 Fordham Ave., Hicksville.
Refreshments following Mass.
All are welcome! For more info Keith 516-633-1435.



Educational Trust

The LICL Educational Trust is looking for anyone who would like to help with educational projects. Also, anyone who has any ideas for new projects, especially to engage the youth, please contact Dan at 631-575-1482.

Unmasking Planned Parenthood

A pro-life vigil will be held outside of Nassau County Planned Parenthood's Annual Gala - "Pink Out Power Up" - fundraiser being held on **Friday, May 4, 2018**, at the Cottage at Milleridge Inn. With signs showing the truth about the abortion business, pro-lifers will silently greet the donors coming to celebrate abortion. We will stand on the public sidewalk along Jericho Tpke. (not on the Milleridge Inn property). Location: 585 N Broadway (Rts. 106/107), Jericho; just north of Northern St. Pkwy. and the LIE). The pro-life vigil will be 7:00PM-8:15PM. Signs provided. Sponsored by LI Coalition for Life: 631-243-1435; info@prolifeli.org.



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