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THANK YOU LONG ISLAND PRO-LIFERS!

The LICL wants to thank all who are helping to make Long Island a Pro-life Island. Below we highlighted some of the many things the Long Island Coalition for Life & supporters have been busy with.



Face the Truth

Recognizing the importance of carrying the plight of preborn babies to the public square, about forty pro-lifers participated in the Freedom to be Born Face the Truth event on July 3rd. With rain jackets and umbrellas to ward off the constant rain, the pro-lifers stood along a stretch of Rte. 347 near Smith Haven Mall holding signs with various pro-life messages.

Thank you to those who braved the elements for this LICL-sponsored event.

VISIBILITY MATTERS!

The LICL Educational Trust

Following are some of the many projects the LICL ET has been busy doing:

- Resource list mailing
- Church Bulletin Ads
- WBLI Radio Ad campaign
- iHeart Radio Ads
- Mobile phone banner ads to the youth
- Oratory Contest
- High School Scholarship Award
- Aerial banner



We are always looking for new ideas and for people who would like to help with educational projects. We especially want projects geared toward engaging the youth. Please call Dan if interested at 631-575-1482.

Got pro life info ? - Check out ProlifeED.org



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DEADLINE NOTICE:

Oct. & early Nov. events to be considered for publication in the October 2021 issue of *Life News* **MUST BE RECEIVED BY Sept. 5** Send to: Life News, LICL, PO Box 223, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779 or email: LICoalition4Life@outlook.com.

**You're
Invited**

The Long Island Coalition for Life general meeting welcomes all interested in pro-life activity, education, legislation or volunteering. Our monthly meeting will take place on **Mon., Sept. 27 at 8:15 PM** at the St. Regis K of C Hall, 2850 Pond Rd., Ronkonkoma.

All are welcome - please join us!

For further info, call LICL at 631-243-1435.



New Pro-Life Flag

The Pro-Life Flag Project recently revealed the winning design for a pro-life flag. It contains a mother's hands circled around a baby's footprints with two stripes – pink and blue – over a white background. The project website states, "With two feet (child), two hands (mother), two stripes, and two main colors, it emphasizes the TWO lives present in a pregnancy and the love the pro-life movement shows to both." The flag was a project of a coalition of national, international, state and community pro-life organizations to create a universally recognized, unifying symbol for the pro-life movement. Nanda Gasperini, a

Brazilian graphic designer from Sao Paulo, created the winning flag. More than 1,000 designs were submitted. The project narrowed the field down to six and then allowed the public to vote on the final choice.

The organizers state the white background represents non-violence and the innocence of the unborn child. The baby's feet are based on the iconic Precious Feet pin, a symbol of the pro-life movement for years. The pink hands surrounding the feet represent the pregnant mother protecting her child. The heart between the baby's feet symbolizes the pro-life movement's love for both the mother and child. The stripes emphasize that two distinct human lives are present in a pregnancy. The stripes also form an equal sign, symbolizing human rights and equality for every human being.

Organizers stated, "People around the country and the world, regardless of their stance on abortion, will see the flag, know its meaning, and be compelled to think about the reality of abortion. Through positive symbolism with the design, the flag will also serve to positively brand the movement that has, in many mainstream currents, been so vilified and misrepresented. With the wide reach that pro-life organizations have, we can create an America so full of the pro-life flag that every day, millions of people will be reminded of the reality of abortion and of the determined pro-life movement that fights to abolish it."

Organizations involved in this effort included March for Life, Students for Life of America, Focus on the Family, Heritage House, Rehumanize International, Save the Storks and numerous other international, state, and local pro-life organizations. Flags and bumper stickers can be purchased at ProLifeFlag.com. In the future they hope to offer t-shirts, pins, hats, and other materials. (Source: Micaiah Bilger, LifeNews.com, 7/26/21)

Female Athletes and Abortion

Former Olympic track star Sanya Richards-Ross boarded a plane for the 2008 Olympics after having an abortion. She won a bronze medal, but now says "I made a decision that broke me." She also said that every female athlete that she knows has had an abortion. The US Women's Olympic Track & Field team replaced star runner Brianna McNeal earlier this year for failing to open her door to anti-doping officials last year after having an abortion. She said she was "traumatized, shaken, and disoriented after having an abortion." It left her "suffering from depression...I was not in a good mental headspace at all, like I was drowning inside." She now speaks out against the pressure female athletes face in choosing career over motherhood.

Allyson Felix became the most decorated track star in U.S. history at the recent Olympics in Tokyo. When she became pregnant in 2018, she already had six gold medals and three silver medals. She didn't tell others about her pregnancy and competed when she was 4 months pregnant. She developed high blood pressure, and her daughter's fetal heart rate was slow. Felix was diagnosed with severe preeclampsia and had an emergency C-section at 32 weeks. All through her pregnancy she faced intense pressure from her sponsor. After she chose to keep her baby, Nike – her corporate sponsor – pushed a new deal with a 70% pay cut – without maternity exceptions. Nike felt her performance would "falter" through pregnancy and motherhood. Felix fought back and challenged the double-standard in women's sports for mothers. As a result of her efforts, Nike has restructured how it works with mothers.

Felix is now focusing her efforts on "The Power of She Fund," an organization she founded to support mom athletes by providing childcare for high performing athletes and giving them the support and encouragement they need. Nine athletes in Tokyo participated in her program. Athleta and the Women's Sports Foundation are corporate sponsors for the fund. (John Stonestreet, LifeNews.com, 8/10/21)



FEDERAL LEGISLATION

During the House Appropriations Committee's 'markup' on 7/15, Democrats defeated attempts to add the Hyde and Weldon Amendments to **HR. 4502**, the Labor, HHS & Education bill. (Weldon covers conscience protection for medical providers.) The amendments lost 27-32.

Rep. Henry Cuellar (D) joined all GOP members in voting Aye. Rep. Cole [R-OK] failed to restore Hyde & Weldon when the House Rules Committee voted on HR. 4502 (7/26), despite backing from all 213 House GOP members. On 7/29, HR. 4502 passed 219-208. [Garbarino Zeldin – nay. Meeks, Rice, Suozzi – yea]

Also defeated was an amendment to keep DOJ's Bureau of Prisons from funding abortions as part of **HR.4505**, the Commerce, Justice and Science Approp. bill. HR.4505 was still on the House floor as of Aug. 14.

For more information on pro-life amendments see: <http://media.aclj.or/pdf/acljmemo-pro-liferiders021209.pdf>

House members have asked for a vote on **HR.18, the No Taxpayer Funding for Abortion bill** 55 times. They have been denied 55 times.

The Discharge Petition to force a vote on **HR.619, the Born Alive Act**, needs a few more signatures.

The House passed the **Equal Access to Contraceptives for Vets Act, HR.239**, in June. It also covers abortifacient ella & Plan B. [Reps. Meeks, Rice, Suozzi – yea. Reps. Garbarino, Zeldin – nay]. The Senate received the bill in July. There is no companion bill yet.

The companion bill to **HR.5, the Equality Act**, has been sitting in the Senate Judiciary Committee since February.

On July 28, the House passed **HR.4373**, the Department of State, Foreign Operations and Related Programs Appropriations Act, 217-212. It did not contain the Helms Amendment, which, since 1973 bans direct funding of foreign abortions. The bill's text explicitly bans the 'Mexico City Policy'.

One hundred and fifty GOP House members sent **HHS Secretary Becerra** a letter in early July asking if he will enforce the partial-birth abortion law. In May, Becerra told the House that 'partial-birth' wasn't a medical term, and he upholds Roe. As a Congressman, Becerra voted NO on the partial birth abortion ban.

The Biden Administration will now back the "Blueprint for Sexual and Reproductive Health, Rights, and Justice." The US will now pay to force legal abortion on foreign countries that don't want it and will also fund the United Nations Population Fund (UNFPA).

The **Supreme Court** ruled 6-3 that California

cannot make non-profits reveal names of major donors.

Current law in 21 states would protect the unborn from abortion if Roe is overturned.

News Notes:

A Charlotte Lozier Institute study of over 2 million Medicaid abortions found that 60% of poor women were pressured to abort, will not be 'helped', and will abort again within two years.

Stem Cell scientists (ISSCR) issued new guidelines for themselves ending the 14-day limit on human embryo growth for research. In addition to removing the 14-day limit, the new guidelines permit mixing human and animal genes, genetically altering human embryos, and creating lab-made human embryo "models".

World Health Organization (WHO) data shows that abortion is the top cause of death worldwide – 24.2 million in the first half of 2021.

Some experts who debated changes to the definition of 'brain death' warn that the proposed changes may lead to an increase in premature diagnosis of death.

Dr. Leana Wen, the former president of Planned Parenthood, recently published her memoir. She states that as president, she wanted to focus on PP's medical services, but was repeatedly told by PP executives to mention abortion in every interview.

The only adverse reaction that must be reported for the abortion pill is death.

The Susan B. Anthony List is promoting a two-million-dollar Humanity of the Unborn Ad campaign in relation to the Dobbs v Mississippi Supreme Court case. No TV station will run the ads.



NEW YORK STATE LEGISLATION

The NYS Legislature is out of session until January 2022. Bills that would harass Pregnancy Resource Centers, permit Doctor-Prescribed Suicide, expand DNRs, and allow human composting were stalled in committees and did not come up for a vote this year.

Upon Cuomo's resignation, Lieutenant Governor Kathleen Hochul became New York State's first female governor. She is as radically pro-abortion as Cuomo. The former congresswoman had a 100% pro-abortion voting record and was endorsed by NARAL and EMILY's List.

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

RU-486 vs Emergency Contraception - the basics



RU-486 (mifepristone, brand name Mifeprex) is a drug that is FDA-approved for induced abortion. According to its prescribing label, “MIFEPREX is a progestin antagonist indicated, in a regimen with misoprostol, for the medical termination of intrauterine pregnancy through 70 days gestation.” RU-486 is often called the ‘abortion pill’ and the 2-drug regimen is referred to as ‘medical abortion’ or ‘chemical abortion.’

The Mayo clinic website describes medical abortion via oral mifepristone (Mifeprex) and oral misoprostol (Cytotec): Mifepristone “blocks the hormone progesterone, causing the lining of the uterus to thin and preventing the embryo from staying implanted and growing.” Misoprostol (2nd pill) “causes the uterus to contract and expel the embryo through the vagina.”

Emergency contraception (EC) refers to drugs (usually) that are approved to prevent pregnancy from occurring after ‘unprotected’ sex or if the birth control method failed (e.g. condom breaks). Emergency contraception is often called the morning after pill and common FDA-approved EC drugs are Plan B One Step[®] and Ella. These drugs are NOT approved by the FDA for induced abortion.

Do not confuse RU-486/chemical abortion and emergency contraception. Learn the difference so as to properly discuss abortion, contraceptives, and abortifacient contraceptives (contraceptives that may also cause an early abortion). We need to recognize if politicians, lawyers and Supreme Court decisions are accurate when they banter about terms like abortion pill, contraceptive and ending a pregnancy.

Emergency contraception as an Abortifacient - The discussion on the abortifacient effect of contraceptives in general and emergency contraception specifically can take up volumes and become very technical. This is a very concise overview of emergency contraceptives as abortifacients.

Science informs us that upon fertilization (conception) of a woman’s egg by the man’s sperm, a one-celled human being (zygote) is formed. A new life has begun. Cell division and growth continue as the embryo moves through the fallopian tube to the uterus (within about a week). The embryo implants him/herself into the

uterine lining to continue developing through birth. Unscientifically, in 1965, the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists told us that conception (and therefore pregnancy) actually begins when *implantation* of the embryo is *complete*. This redefinition of ‘conception’ conveniently allows manufacturers of certain birth control products to claim that the contraceptive does not cause an abortion.

Plan B One Step[®] (an example of EC) is to be used within 72 hours of unprotected sex or birth control failure. According to its label insert, Plan B One Step[®] works “mainly by stopping the release of an egg from the ovary. It is possible that Plan B One-Step[®] may also work by preventing fertilization of an egg (the uniting of sperm with the egg) or by preventing attachment (implantation) to the uterus (womb).” This third mechanism means that when the embryo reaches the now inhospitable uterus, s/he is unable to continue the life cycle and dies. That is, the drug is embryocidal; causing an early abortion.

The Plan B One-Step[®] label insert also says that the drug “will not work if you are already pregnant and will not affect an existing pregnancy.” The way this statement becomes true is by using the ACOG definition of conception. It’s not clear why a woman isn’t pregnant for the first week of her child’s life, but that doesn’t matter to those who manipulate language to suit their needs, scientific accuracy notwithstanding. This altered definition of ‘pregnancy’ begs the question, how can a woman have an ‘ectopic pregnancy’ if she isn’t yet pregnant?

Abortion statistics

As an approved abortion method in the U.S., medical abortions are included in the CDC’s report of induced abortions in the United States and in the NYS Department of Health’s annual reports on induced abortions. In 2018, of the 3,202 induced abortions on women from Nassau County, 1,079 were by medical abortion. For Suffolk, of the 3,505 induced abortions, 1,651 were medical abortions.

Pro-lifers should use caution about claiming vast numbers of abortions caused by EC or other abortifacient contraceptives. Hard data are lacking. Inhibiting implantation of the embryo is not the main action of EC and other abortifacient contraceptives. And not all contraceptives are abortifacient. Pro-lifers need to educate themselves on the differences. Hyperbole and inaccuracy aren’t useful and need to be avoided.

A docuseries on the chemical abortion industry is available at thisischemicalabortion.com/video-series. It covers chemical abortion risks, abortion pill reversal and efforts by the abortion industry to mainstream chemical abortion.

Submitted by Celeste Broyles

"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.

Nassau County - Location

540 Fulton Ave (Rt 24), Hempstead

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Suffolk County - Location

70 Maple Ave, Smithtown

42 First Ave, Brentwood

540 E. Main St, Riverhead

450 Waverly Ave, Patchogue

Day/Time

(W) Sa 8 AM-Noon

(W) Th 10:30-Noon

(W) Sa 10AM-Noon

(W) Fr 11 AM - Noon

Day/Time

(W) We & Sa 7:30-10:30 AM

(W) Sa 9:40-10:15 AM

(W) We 2-4 PM

(M) 2nd Sa 10:30-11:30 AM

Contact Phone

917-544-0121

516-270-3845

516-270-3845

516-359-1298

Contact Phone (631)

979-8541

665-3630

323-8001

472-4314

IMPORTANT:

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



Pro-Life Counseling Centers nearest to abortion sites:

Women First Pregnancy Options: (Three 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)

Local Pro-Life Viewing/Listening:

EWTN Opt. 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. - Fri. 1 AM, Opt. Ch. 20 AFA of NY Programs on [YouTube.com](https://www.youtube.com); then in Search bar: [AFA New York](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8); then click on [AFA NY](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8); then select [VIDEOS](https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCv8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8v8)

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ELECTION DAY IS TUE., NOV. 2, 2021

If you have moved or need an absentee ballot, see the Board of Election website. There are also early voting dates and locations. Nassau County: 516-571-8683 <https://www.nassaucountyny.gov/566/Board-of-Elections> Suffolk County: 631-852-4500 <https://www.suffolkcountyny.gov/Departments/BOE>

March for Life NY

- Fri., Sept. 10, 7 PM - "Have a Heart for Babies" Comedy Night at Grace & Truth Church, 4474 Middle Country Rd., Calverton - Adm. \$10/pp
- Sat., Oct. 9, 12 noon - "Rally for Life, Liberty and the Pursuit of Justice" H. Lee Dennison Bldg., 100 Veterans Highway, Hauppauge

For more information, call Pastor Joni Lupis at 631-681-7275

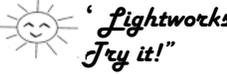
Planned Parenthood is attempting to build a new abortion clinic in Monroe County, New York (Rochester area) and many locals are fighting against it. Numerous Brighton residents voiced their opposition at the Town's Planning Board meeting on Wednesday, July 21st. Despite many concerns, the board unanimously voted to approve the request.

According to the most recently available statistics from the Guttmacher Institute, in 2017 there were 103,060 abortions performed in the state of New York. Feminists Choosing Life of New York (FCLNY) is hoping to curtail the rise of fetal fatalities by running a petition drive to prevent Planned Parenthood's Brighton location. In the petition, FCLNY lists various ethical concerns. In addition to committing the most abortions in the country, Planned Parenthood is currently under federal investigation for the procurement and research involving fetal body parts from late-term abortions.

Aside from these ethical concerns, the petition also notes various business concerns. These include: congestion of daily protestors, excessive traffic concerns, noise pollution, and increased costs for security and policing on the town. (Submitted by Sarah Scuderi)

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Annual Day of Remembrance of Aborted Children Sat., Sept. 18

In the 51 years of legalized killing of unborn babies in New York, resulting in more than 8 million abortions in this state, there have only been 13 of these babies laid to rest in hallowed ground here on Long Island. In 1992, they were named and honored with Christian burials at **Holy Rood Cemetery** in Westbury and **Queen of All Saints Cemetery** in Central Islip.

The burial of these children was the ONLY act of love shown them in their brief time with us. These are OUR children – and as with all our loved ones gone on to eternal life – we honor them by visiting their gravesites on special days. There will be prayer services at both gravesites at 11:00 AM.

There will also be services at **Holy Sepulchre Cemetery**, 10 AM Rte. 112 & Granny Rd., Medford. Enter via Rte. 112 entrance, keep right to Unborn Memorial. Info: Pete 631-289-2095

Stand Up For Life - Sun., Oct. 3, 2021

2-3:30 PM (rain or shine) This is a nation-wide event. There is strength in unity. Please join us at one of our locations: Manorville, LIE, Exit 70S along Cty. Rd. 111, (contact Peter at 631-289-2095) or in Huntington at Rtes. 110 & 25, (contact Jack at 516-724-6821).



40 Days for Life Fall Campaign **Wed., Sept. 22 - Sun., Oct. 31**

- Public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 540 Fulton Ave., Hempstead
HempsteadPP40days@aol.com
- Public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 70 Maple Ave., Smithtown
40dflsmithtown@gmail.com
- Public right-of-way outside abortion facility, 180 Sunrise Hwy, W. Islip
paul.arena29@yahoo.com
- Public right-of-way outside Planned Parenthood, 877 E. Main St., Riverhead
- Kick-off Mass Sat., Sept. 18, 8 AM, Our Lady of Mount Carmel Chapel, N. Ocean Ave., Patchogue, 9 AM gather at Home Depot Parking Lot, Gateway Shopping Ctr. Process to PP on Waverly Ave. Campaign begins Sept. 22 at 450 Waverly Ave., Patchogue Contact Bob Williams, rpr425@gmail.com

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