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"There's none ever feared that the truth should be heard but they who the truth would indict."

~ Robert Burns, Poet 1759-1796

Office of Family Ministry

Diocese of Rockville Centre



Respect Life Youth Gathering

Featuring the finalist of the Annual Respect Life Contests (Poem/Poster/Essay/Music and Oratorical Contests)

Presiding Bishop John C. Dunne, D.D. Friday, April 6, 2001
7:00 p.m.—9:00 p.m.

St. Matthew's Church 35 North Service Road, Dix Hills, N.Y.

The Office of Family Ministry wishes to welcome all those who would like to attend and recognize the contestants and all their hard work, please RSVP 516-678-5800 ext. 508

Pro-Vita Awards Day

Saturday, April 7, 2001 1:00 p.m. Celebration of the Eucharist Saint Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre

2:30 p.m. Refreshments

The Pro-Vita Awards are given to those members of the Diocese of Rockville Centre who have lead us in courage, leadership and witness for the sanctity of all human life.



YOU'RE INVITED!

The guest speaker for the April 23, 2001 general meeting of the LICL will be Hempstead Town Councilman Anthony Santino. His topic will be, "How pro-lifers can be more effective in the political process." The meeting will start at 7:45 p.m. at the Joseph Barry Council, Knights of Columbus in Hicksville. For directions to the meeting call 631-243-1435.

TEENS AT RISK

Recently, Planned Parenthood of Nassau County embarked on a campaign aimed at informing the public about its "services" (see Newsday, 01/11/01). This campaign coincides with Planned Parenthood's (P.P.) opening of their third "health center" in an attempt to reach more customers. A review of P.P.'s 1999 Annual Report, discussed further on Pages 11 and 12 of this LIFE NEWS, indicates that 37% of its customers are teens. Their "comprehensive sexuality" education workshops in 1999 reached 60% of all Nassau County school districts.

When are School Administrators going to wake up and realize that P.P.'s safer sex agenda has not reduced Sexually Transmitted Diseases (STD's) and that teen abortion rates are still too high?

Equally important, P.P. has opposed, in every state of the union, parental consent and notification laws. The latest victim of P.P.s opposition is the New Jersey law requiring parental notification for unmarried girls under 18 seeking an abortion. Jennifer Dalven-a lawyer for the ACLU- who argued "We're just delighted the the case for P.P. stated, New Jersey Supreme Court reaffirmed New Jersey's strong commitment to choice." Chief Justice Deborah Poritz reflected P.P.'s philosophy in her majority opinion when she stated, "A minor's right to control her reproductive decisions is among the most fundamental rights she possesses". P.P. has all but eliminated parental rights and our schools are aiding and abetting P.P.'s agenda and allowing teens to make life-altering decisions without parental input. In New York State, 10,573 abortions were performed on teens 17 or less and most of these abortions took place in P.P. abortion centers.

P.P. uses our tax dollars through State MEDICAID funding of elective abortions and

Government grants to further its agenda. You might choose to alert your civic leaders and pastors of P. P.'s plans to hand out fliers in your community centers and houses of worship. The lives of our teens are in the balance.

PARENTAL ALERT--BEWARE: PLANNED PARENTHOOD TEEN HEALTH CONFERENCE—

An update--see LIFE NEWS 3/01 for background information.

This year, 18 Suffolk County High Schools have allowed 81 teens to be trained by Planned Parenthood (P.P.) after school hours at their Smithtown Abortion Facility as an Advisory Board to recruit fellow students to attend P.P.'s Teen Health Conference on Friday, April 27, at the Wyndham Wind Watch.

Parents, and all concerned for public high school teens are again urged to write or call school board members, principals, superintendents, school nurses, guidance counselors and inquire if your school is participating and if so ask why they allow your teens to be exposed to an organization that encourages a "safer sex" contraceptive mentality. You man mention that condoms offer little or no protection against the Human Papilloma Virus, some strains of which lead to cervical cancer which kills approximately 4800 women a year or to Chlamydia, leading to infertility.

Despite P.P.'s claim of parental involvement, they have opposed parental notification/consent legislation.

We will have a prayerful presence at the Wyndham Wind Watch Hotel, Hauppauge, starting at 7AM as school buses begin arriving. Please join us any time between 7AM and 1PM when the buses leave. Call 631-243-1435 for directions or for further information on the above PP articles.

LEGISLATIVE WATCH





EMBRYO STEM CELL RESEARCH

Should the Federal government sponsor and fund the purposeful killing of live human embryos with your tax dollars? The answer ethically and morally is NO! In addition, President Bush has indicated that he opposes the destruction of embryos to obtain their stem cells.

Sad to report is the fact that in 1998, the National Institutes of Health (NIH) proposed funding research that uses stem cells from spare, live embryos from fertility clinics when the parents no longer want them. This should not be permitted.

Pro-life experts have argued that adult stem cells—found in nerve tissue, umbilical cord blood, bone marrow, etc.—provide a morally acceptable alternative that does not require doing harm to human beings.

A startling breakthrough was announced in the Journal of Neuroscience Research, showing that stem cells from a patient's own bone marrow can be directed to provide an "abundant and accessible supply of nerve cells for transplant". This avoids the problem of destroying embryos as well as the medical problem of the body rejecting foreign tissue. Our bodies supply their own repair kits, so we can pursue cures without cannibalizing our young.

ACTION: Write (or Call)—Sample letter:

Dear Mr. President:

I urge you to stop the funding to the National Institutes of Health whenever such funding is to be used in the destruction of live embryos. To allow Embryo Stem Cell Research would desensitize society to the value of human life. Thank you.

Address: President George W. Bush The White House Washington, D.C. 20500 Phone 202-456-1414

For information on any Federal legislation call John Healy at 631-598-0430.

NEW YORK STATE



UNBORN VICTIMS OF VIOLENCE

If a pregnant woman in California is shot and wounded, and the child in the womb is killed, the criminal faces serious penalties for the destruction of that child. Not so in New York State, where one has to be born alive in order to be victim of assault or homicide.

Unborn Victims of Violence Act (S.57) sponsored by Senator Maltese and cosponsored by Senators Farley, Johnson, Marchi, Padavan and Trunzo has been introduced to criminalize acts of assault or homicide against a pre-born child. A companion bill is being introduced by Assembly Member Vitaliano.

ACTION: Letterwriting—Sample letter:

Dear Senator or Assembly Member:

I urge your support for the Unborn Victims of Violence Act (S. 57A) and its companion bill in the Assembly. Under present law in New York State babies in their mothers' wombs are not protected from acts of violence even if that violence is specifically intended to cause their death. Please support this legislation so that wanted and pre-born children will be protected from violent acts directed at them. Similar laws existence in the majority of states, and none have been struck down after judicial review. Thank you for your consideration. Please reply.

Write to your: NYS Senator

Legislative Office Bldg.

Albany, NY 12247

and to your: NYS Assembly Member

Legislative Office Bldg.

Albany, NY 12248

Note: to find the name of your Senator and Assembly Member call the Nassau Board of Elections at 516-571-2411 or Suffolk Board of Elections at 631-852-4500.

For information on any New York State legislation call Mary Arden Smith at 516-825-4852

HEALTH & SCIENCE REPORT



The Michael Fund, A Reflection of Life Principles

Most people, when they reflect on the contributions of the International Foundation For Genetic Research, popularly known as the Michael Fund, immediately think of their involvement in life-giving research, support systems, an out-patient clinic, adoption networking for babies born specially challenged, referral services, educational resources, direct contact with geneticists and genetic information. Few people realize that the Michael Fund filed a lawsuit in 1994 against the National Institutes of Health and its quasi-secret Human Embryo Panel in order to expose statutory violations of the Federal Advisory Committee Act, which requires balanced membership and prohibits inappropriate influence on all Federal Advisory Committees. This suit was to secure maximum legal protection for in-vitro human embryos against lethal experimentation funded by NIH and other Federal agencies. This two-year legal battle turned up many connections between the Human Embryo Panel and universitybased human reproduction research centers. Though the suit was "rejected for consideration by the Supreme Court," it did slow "down the inner working of the illicit NIH Human Embryo Panel long enough to permit Congress to enact a limited ban on federal funding of human embryo research." (You may request a most informative newsletter on this subject authored by Randy Engel, Executive Director of the Michael Fund.) Both Randy Engel and Dr. Jerome Lejeune, Med. Director (now-deceased) testified before Congress.

The Michael Fund is an excellent source for ethical responses to the many medical issues that we face—and that we must be advocates for—in respect for life.

In-vitro fertilization has become a big business! Cryo-preservation (freezing) of the embryos that are not used and "fetal reduction"—killing of the multiple-baby pregnancies that often result from IVF—are two of the technologies that have developed due to IVF. To salve society's conscience, the embryo must not be considered a human being at this time. This developing baby would be called "tissue having human potential." In 1989, Dr. Jerome Lejeune, first medical director of the Michael Fund, was invited to testify at a Tennessee trial conceming the ownership of seven cryogenically frozen human embryos. Which parent was entitled (after a divorce) to their custody, and were these embryos property or tiny human beings? At that time, as in our current culture, we faced unethical scientists and abortionists who decided the term "pre-embryo" could be used advantageously. They responded that these tiny embryos or pre-embryos are merely human tissue. Dr. Lejeune was asked whether the embryo has the same God-given rights as does an older being. He responded that at any age, both are mem-

bers of the human species, and this does not change "regardless of the amount of kilograms".

As to the frozen embryos in their "concentrationcan" being considered property, Dr. Lejeune stated, "early human beings inside this suspended time cannot be the property of anybody," as only the embryo itself "has the property of building himself... no scientist has ever offered the opinion that an embryo is property."

Dr. Lejeune, in his testimony, explained that British doctors invented the term "pre-embryo" in 1987. The term, he stated, "... does not exist, it has never existed." Lejeune then gives the definition that has existed for 50 years: "embryo... The youngest form of a being... It starts as one fertilized cell, and when the zygote splits in two cells, it is called a two-cell embryo. When it splits in four it is called a four-cell embryo." This term he explains was accepted the world over by specialists—"we had no need at all of a sub-class which would be called a pre-embryo, because there is nothing before the embryo. Before an embryo there is a sperm and an egg, and that is it." He speaks of the semantics: "I think it's important because people would believe that a pre-embryo does not have the same significance that an embryo [does]..." The Court, after much searching, said that nowhere could they find the word pre-embryo defined nor could they find even reference to that term. The Court concluded that the use of the term in the context of the case created a false distinction and one that did not exist. "The Court finds and concludes the seven cryopreserved entities are human embryos." (The entire testimony of this trial on Seven Human Embryos is available from the Center for Law and Religious Freedom, Virginia (703)-642-1070).

Semantics have played a very big role in deceiving our society to accept many new avenues for abortion. Abortifacients are described as contraceptives. Conception (fertilization) is ignored, and pregnancy is only recognized as beginning at implantation. Brian Clowes, PhD, writes in The Facts of Life, "The new definitions will become more and more important, especially if the public and pro-life activists accept them without dispute... few people will object to in-vitro fertilization, through which fertilization takes place in a laboratory dish. The least perfect blastocysts are simply discarded. If these are mere 'pre-embryos' who will care? What's more, nobody will care if 'pre-embryos' are experimented on... It is necessary to first dehumanize a class of human beings before you can exploit or kill them." Reflect back upon the use of the term "property" in reference to slavery!

Hopefully this gives you a little more insight into the depth of the involvement of The Michael Fund in the cause of respect for life. Your support is most necessary for us to continue our work.

> Dolores Andreski 516-781-5274 Regina Carbonaro 516-795-7568

Birthright Inc. of Nassau & Suffolk 16th Annual John Connell Memorial Dinner Dance Friday, April 27th 7:30PM

The Galaxie

1184 Route 109, Lindenhurst, NY

The evening's festivities will include a delicious dinner & liquid refreshments & live music.

Tickets are \$40 per person.

Journal Advertising Ad Deadline is 3/30/01

Call: 516-795-9007 for rates



For Reservations & Information Call Dick Campbell 516-781-2608.

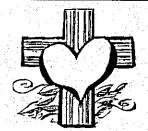
LOBBY FOR LIFE DAY! Tuesday, April 24th Everyone is invited to this free event!

Legislative Office Building (State Street), Albany, New York

Featuring New York's Pro-Life Coalition:

◆NYS Catholic Conference ◆NYS Christian Coalition ◆New Yorker's for Constitutional Freedoms ◆The Conservative Party of New York ◆New York State Right to Life Committee & many more influential pro-life organizations.

Registration at 9:30AM; Speakers from 10-11:30AM. Meet your Legislators 11:30AM. Call the NYS Right to Life Committee, Inc. at 518-434-1293. Bus transportation to this event is free & will be provided by the Long Island Coalition for Life. Bus departs Nassau & Suffolk locations, and returns to Long Island by 7PM. Call 631-588-0168.



The Rachel Ministry

Office of Family Ministry Diocese of Rockville Centre

The Rachel Ministry welcomes all parents who have been unable to bring their children to birth. (Miscarriage, Still born or Abortion)

Hope and Healing Service

Wednesday, May 16, 2001 at 7:30 p.m.—9:00 p.m. Parish of the Holy Cross Church 95 Old Nichols Rd. Nesconset, NY 11767

Directions from West: LIE east to exit 58 (Old Nichols Rd.) Turn left (north) onto Old Nichols Rd. Go 2 miles to Smithtown Blvd. Traffic light. Continue north another half mile to Church entrance on your right. Northern State Pkwy: NSP east to the end where it merges into Rte. 454/347. Continue for 2.5 miles & take left fork onto Rte.347. After 3.8 miles turn right at traffic light onto Gibbs Pond Rd. Continue south past 2 stop signs. At traffic light makes right onto Old Nichols Rd. Church entrance is .3 miles on your left. Directions from East: LIE west to exit 58 (Old Nichols Rd.) Turn right (north) onto Old Nichols Rd. Go 2 miles to Smithtown Blvd. Traffic light. Continue north another half mile to church entrance on your right. Route 347: Head west past Smithhaven Mall, & past Rte. 25 intersection. After Brown's Rd., Gibb's Pond is the next light. Turn left onto Gibb's Pond Rd. Continue south past 2 stop sign. At traffic light make a right onto Old Nichols Rd. Church entrance is .3 miles on your left.



Catholic League

For Religious and Civil Rights
1011 First Avenue N.Y. 10022
(212)371-3191 Fax:(212)371-3394
http://www.catholicleague.org

ANNUAL COMMUNION BREAKFAST

Sunday May 6, 2001 9:30 a.m. Kellenberg H.S. Uniondale, New York

Tickets \$15

Guest Speaker

Mother Agnes Mary Donovan, S.V.

Sisters of Life
For Tickets Call

Frank Schroeder 516-678-3218

THE RESPECT LIFE COMMITTEE OF OUR LADY OF PEACE CHURCH

Merrick Rd.& Fowler Ave., Lynbrook, NY cordially invites you to their church on

SAT. APRIL 7, 2001--7:30 P.M.-9 P.M.

for an evening of prayer, reflection and song focusing on:

"WHAT IT MEANS
TO BE A CATHOLICFROM A PRO-LIFE PERSPECTIVE"

Presented by **AL BARBARINO**, singer and Lay Franciscan associated with Fr. Benedict Groeschel and Parde Pio Shelter. Admission is free. All welcome. For further information call: Fran Fierro 516-599-1407.

MOMMAS HOUSE

LUNCHEON & FASHION SHOW Dana Buchman Clothing Designer

Americana Shopping Center Northern Blvd. Manhasset, NY 11:30AM to 2:30PM Wednesday, May 9th



FOR TICKETS & INFORMATION
please call MOMMA'S Inc.
3402 Park Ave.
Wantagh, NY 11793
AT 516-781-8637

A REMINDER:

Our deceased Pro-Lifers are remembered each year at the John L. Short Memorial Mass. This year's Mass will be held on Sunday, May 20 at 2:30 PM at Our Lady of Lourdes R.C. Church in Massapequa Park and is sponsored by the Life Center of L.I. All are invited to attend.

It is important that you call Irene Cassillo 516-541-8056 or Jack Eschmann 516-781-8699 before May 15 if you wish to ADD a name to the listing of deceased pro-life persons remembered at the Mass.

STATEMENT BY PRESIDENT GEORGE W. BUSH

read from the podium at the 1/22/01 March For Life by Congressman Chris Smith of New Jersey

Good afternoon, friends and fellow citizens. Two days ago, Americans gathered on the Washington Mall to celebrate our Nation's ideals. Today, you are gathered to remind our country that one of those ideals is the infinite value of every life.

I deeply appreciate your message and your work. You see the weak and defenseless, and you try to help them. You see the hardship of many young mothers and their unborn children, and you care for them both. In so many ways, you make our society more compassionate and welcoming.

We share a great goal: to work toward a day when every child is welcomed in life and protected in law. We know this will not come easily, or all at once. But the goal leads us onward: to build a culture of life, affirming that every person, at every stage and season of life, is created equal in God's image.

The promises of our Declaration of Independence are not just for the strong, the independent or the healthy. They are for everyone-including unborn children. We are a society with enough compassion and wealth and love to care for both mothers and their children, to seek the promise and potential in every human life.

I believe that we are making progress toward that goal. I trust in the good hearts of Americans. I trust in the unfolding promise of our country-an expanding circle of inclusion and protection. And I trust in the civility and good sense of our citizens-a willingness to engage our differences in a spirit of

tolerance and good will.

All of you marching today have never tired in a good cause. Thank you for your conviction, your idealism, and your courage.

May God bless you all.



Baby Items

THANKS TO BUS CAPTAINS

Nearly forty bus-loads of Long Island pro-lifers, including many young people, again made the trip to this year's March for Life. The Long Island Coalition for Life thanks all who participated and extends a special 'thank you' to the bus captains who put it all together. We are also grateful to those bus captains who submitted their bus lists so that nearly 200 first-timers could be added to the Life News mailing list. For those bus captains who have not sent in their bus lists, it's not too late to do so now.

PRO-LIFE HONOR ROLL

We again invite our readers to submit the names of clergy and religious who they believe should be given recognition for their outstanding work in defense of Life. We wish to honor those who have taken an extra step to defend life such as bearing witness at abortion mills, giving pro-life sermons, organizing pro-life events, attending the March for Life, etc. Please send your choices to L.I.C.L., PO Box 223, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779. Give us the full names of those you are nominating as well as their church or other affiliation and the reason for the nomination. After the Honor Roll was published last year we received notes from people regarding names they hadn't bothered to submit to us but which they thought should have been included. A name will appear on the Honor Roll only if someone submits it. The deadline for submissions is June 1st.

URGENT NEED FOR MOMMAS HOUSE

Mommas House has been informed that they must vacate the home they are occupying in Brookville by Mother's Day. Currently four young women and their babies are living there and will have no place to go unless another house is found. The need is for a five bedroom house, with at least two bathrooms, in Nassau County or western Suffolk. Please call Pat Shea as soon as possible at 516-781-8637 if you can help.

AWARD FOR PRO-LIFE WORK IN PUBLIC HIGH SCHOOL

Congratulations to Malverne resident Maryjane McQuade who is being honored by the Catholic Teachers Association of the Diocese of Brooklyn for her efforts in founding and running a very effective Pro-Life Club at John Adams High School in Ozone Park, Queens

TELEMARKETING ALERT

After years of frustration and many fruitless attempts to find public sites for pro-life advertising the Long Island Coalition for Life has finally contracted to have pro-life signs displayed in prominent locations in Nassau County. This project is planned to run for six months and should be seen by tens of thousands of people. We know telemarketing can be intrusive but we have found that it is the best way to raise money quickly for special projects like this. Calling will begin soon. Please be patient if you are called (we will not call those who have asked not to be called) and give generously so we can rapidly raise the \$10,000 to \$12,000 we need to get this project going.

SANCTITY OF LIFE MINISTRIES

Doreen Gelesko, who's ad is seen on page 14, writes: "Having been a volunteer for several years in a crisis pregnancy center, it is my desire to reproduce and multiply this ministry, but offer broader services and a more long-term commitment to clients, enabling them to not only choose life for their unborn, but continue to live productive and meaningful lives. I believe there still is a great need for more centers to be established and would like to believe that all who are truly in support of the Sanctity of Life would be encouraged by this effort and support the ongoing building of God's work here on Long Island and beyond."

Doreen will give up to 50% of the profit generated by her advertised services to help fund this ministry.

MEDICAID PETITIONS

Thanks to all who have mailed in their petitions against Medicaid funding of abortion. We have received nearly 3000 signatures so far. Please continue to collect signatures and mail back to us as soon as possible.

APRIL 2001 PRO-LIFE CALENDAR OF EVENTS

"Whenever Two or More Are Gathered in My Name..."

PRAYER VIGIL AT ABORTION PROVIDER/REFERRAL SITES

516-678-5800 ext 509.

IMPORTANT: Call your local contact person before going to site. Come ONLY at "DATES & TIMES" Prescribed By Your Contact Person and NEVER REMAIN AT SITE ALONE. PLEASE JOIN US! PRAYER & WITNESS ARE IMPORTANT! (M) - This event held monthly. (W) - This event held weekly on dates noted.

| NASSAU TOWN_ | CONTACT | <u>LOCATION</u> | <u>DAY/TIME</u> | | | | | | |
|--|--|---|--|--|--|--|--|--|--|
| (W) MINEOLA | 516-354-6749 | 156 Mineola Blvd. | Tu F 3-4PM | | | | | | |
| (W) GARDEN CITY | The state of the s | 1103 Stewart Ave. | Tu W, F 9-10:30AM, Sat 7-10:00AM | | | | | | |
| (W) HEMPSTEAD | 516-867-3409 | 540 Hemp-Fulton Ave. | Sat 7:30AM - 1PM | | | | | | |
| (W) MASSAPEQUA | the state of the s | 35 Carman's Rd. | Sat 10:30AM-NOON | | | | | | |
| (W) MASSAPEQUA | | 930 Broadway | Sat 9:30AM-NOON | | | | | | |
| (W) SYOSSET | 516-334-2569 | 175 Jericho Tpke. | Sat. 8-10AM | | | | | | |
| (W) EA. ROCKAWA | | 123 Grant Ave. | *Time subject to change, please call ahead. | | | | | | |
| (W) JERICHO | 516-867-3409 | THE PARTY OF PARTY OF PARTY OF PARTY OF PARTY OF PARTY OF PARTY. | | | | | | | |
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| SUFFOLK | CONTRACT | LOCATION | DAY/TIME | | | | | | |
| TOWN | CONTACT | 70 Maple Ave. | Fri NOON - 2PM, Sat 7AM - NOON | | | | | | |
| (W) SMITHTOWN | | 2500 Nesconset Hwy. | 1st & 3rd Sat, 8-10AM | | | | | | |
| (M) STONY BROO | | 595 Hampton Rd. | 11;30AM every Friday | | | | | | |
| (W) SOUTHAMPTO | | 42 First Ave. | 8AM-10:00AM every Saturday | | | | | | |
| (W) BRENTWOOD | 631-234-0933 | HZ I IIST AVO. | | | | | | | |
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| Fr 4/6 5/4 (N | 1) 9:30PM-8AM PRO- LIF | E VIGIL FOR LIFE AND PEAC | CE St. Matthew RCC, Dix Hills 631-499-8520. | | | | | | |
| Fr 4/6 5/4 (N | 1) 9PM-5AM ALL NIGHT | LIFE VIGIL St. Frances de Char | ntal, Wantagh. | | | | | | |
| Fr 4/6 5/4 (N | 1/6 5/4 (M) 8PM-9PM PRAYER HOUR FOR LIFE Our Lady of Lourdes, Malverne. | | | | | | | | |
| Fr 4/6 5/4 (N | (M) 8PM PRO LIFE HOLY HOUR St. Paul the Apostle RCC, Route 107, Brookville, NY. | | | | | | | | |
| Fr 4/6 5/4 (V | (W) 1:00PM ROSARY FOR LIFE St. John Nepomucene Church, Bohemia, 631-589-0540. | | | | | | | | |
| Fr 4/6 5/4 (N | M) 8-12PM ADORATION FOR LIFE St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn, NY. | | | | | | | | |
| Fr 4/6 5/4 (N | (M) 7-8 PM PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR Our Lady of Victory RCC, Floral Park. | | | | | | | | |
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| U | nborn, Call: 516-482-2770 | | | | | | | | |
| Fr 4/6 ♥ | 7PM KNIGHTS OF COI | UMBUS CHARITY BALL Hunt | tington Town House. \$45 per person. | | | | | | |
| A | LAN KEYES - GUEST S | PEAKER. (see back cover) | | | | | | | |
| Fr 4/6 ▼ | 7:00PM DIOCESAN YO | UTH PRO-LIFE EVENING St. N | Matthew's RCC, Dix Hills, NY. (see front cover) | | | | | | |
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DEADLINE: ALL CAMERA READY ITEMS for LIFE NEWS must be in by the 5th day of the month preceding publication date. Mail to Life News, PO Box 223, Ronkonkoma, NY 11779. REPRINT PERMISION: We encourage the reproduction & distribution of all contents of LIFE NEWS. Credit must be given to LIFE NEWS and to other sources when noted. Please send us your comments.

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| Sa 4/7.5/5 | (M) 6PM RIGHT TO LIFE ROSARY St. Margaret of Scotland RCC, 81 College Rd., Selden, NY. An outdoor Rosary at the statue of Our Lady. Call Tom Bosco 631-732-2224. |
| Sa 4/7 | ◆ 1PM MASS & PRO-VITA AWARDS DAY St. Agnes Cathedral, Rockville Centre, NY. Call 516-678-5800 x221. (See front cover) |
| Sa 4/7 | ▼ 7:30-9:00PM EVENING OF PRAYER FOR LIFE Our Lady of Peace RCC, Lynbrook, NY. Prayer, reflection |
| | and song. Featuring Al Barbarino. • No Charge. Please call Fran Fierro 516-599-1407. (see page 6) |
| Su 4/7 | (M) 2PM DEANERY 6 PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR St. Anthony's, 110 Anchor Ave., Oceanside, NY. Call Mary Caffrey 516-887-2458. |
| Su 4/8 5/6 | (M) 1-4PM SINGLE MOTHER'S SUPPORT GROUP at "Bridge to Life" 41-23 Bell Blvd., 2nd Flr, Bayside, |
| | 718-225-2211. Queens pro-lifers may obtain the "Bridge to Life" newsletter- Call 718-225-2211. |
| Su 4/8 5/13 | (M) 1PM PROJECT MERCY ROSARY TO END ABORTION St. Francis of Assisi, Greenlawn. |
| M 4/9 5/14 | (M) 7:30PM EASTERN LONG ISLAND CATHOLICS FOR LIFE MEETING |
| | St. Rosalie K of C Council, Hampton Bays, NY. Call 1-800-253-5218 or 631-728-2311. |
| Tu 4/10 5/8 | (M) 9AM MASS AND ADORATION FOR LIFE NOON - Rosary; Vigil concludes with BENEDICTION |
| | FOR LIFE at 4PM. Sacred Heart Parish, Cutchogue. |
| Fr 4/13 5/11 | ▼ NEW (M) 9AM ROSARY FOR MOTHERS & THE UNBORN Sts. Peter & Paul RCC, Manorville, NY. |
| | Call Ruth 631-369-7142. |
| Tu 4/17 5/15 | (M) 7:30-8:30PM ADORATION, ROSARY, PRO-LIFE PRAYER - St. Patrick's Church, Smithtown. |
| Tu 4/17 | ▼LIFE CENTER COUNSELOR TRAINING SESSIONS call the Life Center 631-243-2373 |
| Th 4/19 5/17 | (M) 7:30-8:30PM ADORATION AND PRAYER FOR LIFE St. James Chapel, Seaford, NY, 516-694-2938 |
| Fr 4/20 5/18 | (M) 9PM-6AM ALL NIGHT LIFE VIGIL Our Lady of Lourdes RCC -Chapel Massapegua Park |
| | For details please call Anne Murphy: 631-234-6921. |
| Mn 4/23 | (M) 7:45PM - L.I.C.L. GENERAL MEETING at Joseph Barry Coucil K of C, Hicksville, NY. (page 2) |
| m 4/0.4 | Call: 631-243-1435. ALL WELCOME! Speaker: Anthony Santino - Hempstead Town Councilman. |
| Tu 4/24 | ▼LOBBY FOR LIFE DAY Albany, NY. Call 631-588-0168. (See page 5) |
| Fr 4/27 5/25 | (M) 8-9PM PRO-LIFE HOLY HOUR & DEVOTION TO OUR LADY Our Lady of Lourdes RCC, |
| D= 4/07 | Massapequa Park, NY. For directions & information call 516-541-3270. |
| Fr 4/27 | ◆ANNUAL DINNER DANCE to benefit Birthright Inc. of Nassau & Suffolk. The Galaxie, Lindenhurst, NY. |
| Sa 4/28 | \$40 per person. Call Dick Campbell 516-781-2608. (see page 5) |
| Sa 4/26 | 9AM-Noon - Donate an hour or two & help prepare the May LIFE NEWS for mailing, St. Joseph's |
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| Saturdays | • 10:30PM "DEFEND LIFE" television series on Channels 25 & 64 from Priests for Life - Fr. Frank Pavone. |
| | Priests For Life Website: www.priestsforlife.com - AN EXCELLENT PRO-LIFE RESOURCE! |
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| Su 5/6 | ST CHRISTOPHER'S PRO-LIFE COMMUNION BREAKFAST 9:30AM; Baldwin, NY. |
| C | Contact Louise Polizzi 516-379-1526. Speaker: Rick Hinshaw. (see page 10) |
| Su 5/6 | CATHOLIC LEAGUE BREAKFAST Kellenberg H.S. Speaker: Mother Agnes Mary-Sisters of Life. |
| W 5/9 | Uniondale, NY. \$15 per person, Call 516-678-3218. (see page 5). |
| W 5/9 | MOMMAS HOUSE LUNCHEON/FASHION SHOW at Dana Buchman's, Manhasset, NY. (see page 6) |
| | MIDMORNING PRAYER SERVICE at the gravesite of Margaret Sanger, outside Poughkeepsie, NY. Praying for her soul & those of her followers. For more information on praying in Poughkeepsie or any |
| | Planned Parenthood site on that day, please call Chris Bell 201-795-0637. |
| Sa 5/12 | MOTHER'S DAY LIFE CELEBRATION St. Boniface RCC, Elmont, NY. 9AM Mass. |
| | Sponsored by the Brooklyn & Rockville Centre DiocesesCall 516-678-5800 x221. |
| W 5/16 | ▼ 7:30-9PM NIGHT OF HOPE & HEALING Holy Cross Church, Nesconset, NY. (See page 5) |
| Sa 5/19 | MICHAEL FUND WALK FOR LIFE Wantagh, NY. Call Dolores Andreski 516-781-5274. (see page 4) |
| Sa 5/19 | MASS, PROCESSION & WITNESS FOR LIFE 8:30AM Mass at the Assumption of the Blessed Virgin |
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| Sa 5/19 | WALK FOR LIFE 9AM, Flushing Meadows Corona Park; to benefit the Bridge To Life, Life Center of LI |
| | and Good Counsel Homes. Participants choose the recipient. Call 718-225-2211. |
| Sa 5/19 | RIGHT TO LIFE DANCE 8PM, Hibernian Div. 8, Selden, NY. Speaker: Rev. William Shean. Music by the |
| C 5/20 | "Moonshiners", \$10 per person. Call John McGowan 631-331-2111. |
| Su 5/20 | MASS FOR DECEASED PRO-LIFERS Contact Jack Eschmann at 516-781-8699 (see page 6) |
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Julia Choynowski & Margaret McGowan & Patricia Schmitt beloved Wives, Mothers & dedicated defenders of LIFE.

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INVITES YOU TO A

Communion Breakfast to be held at Monsignor Lawlor Hall St. Christopher Church, Baldwin, New York Sunday, May 6th, 2001 - following the 9:30 AM Mass

Rick Hinshaw

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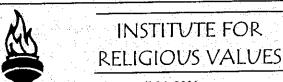
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DATE: Tuesday, April 24, 2001 PLACE: Fordham U., President's Lounge - 12th floor

Manhattan Campus, 113 West 60th St., NYC TIME: 9:00 AM to 5:00 PM

All are invited to participate in an historic dialogue between the Christian & Jewish communities regarding the sanctity of human life. This event will bring together leading Christian & Jewish scholars, clergy and religious as well as active laity in the metropolitan area. The conference proceedings will be published and widely distributed.

We encourage you to participate in this unprecedented dialogue between the Jewish & Christian commun ities. Only by discussing these issues in an atmosphere of openness and civility can we begin to bridge the divide that has sepa rated our two communities on sanctity of life issues.

Speakers include: Sandi Merle, Chris Gersten, Frs. Richard John Neuhaus & Frank Pavone, Rabbis Marc Gellman, Moses Birnbaum & David Feldman, Nat Hentoff, Maria McFadden, Jean Head, Matt Dill, & several others. If you wish to attend, clip this coupon & mail to Sandi Merle, 101 W 57th St., Suite 5C, New York, NY, 10019

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STAND UP FOR LIFE

Sunday, October 7, 2001 2:00 PM - 3:30 PM



Huntington, NY

This notice is to give Churches, organizations, past supporters and individuals sufficient time to arrange for

participation in this annual event.

By April 5th LICL member groups, all Churches, organizations and supporters will have received a mailing inviting you to have your name printed on the Stand Up For Life 2001 Poster. Deadline for posters is August 1st. We ask you to contact us ASAP.

If you have not received the mailing or for general information please call 631-243-1435.

What's Wrong with Planned Parenthood? (revealed by Planned Parenthood's own Annual Report)

The 1999 Annual Report of Planned Parenthood of Nassau County (PPNC) notes that, today, teens have the lowest birth rate in 40 years. What prolifers should note is that birth rate is not equivalent to pregnancy rate. The PPNC annual report describes 1999 as a "remarkable year for PPNC," in part because it "launched a targeted marketing campaign that resulted in a 200% increase in requests for emergency contraception (EC)." Emergency contraception, a misnomer, is generally indicated for use within 72 hours of unprotected sex. However, the woman may become pregnant. in which case, EC may cause an early abortion. If the EC fails, that pregnancy would continue. How many of PPNC's growing list of EC clients then terminate their pregnancy? This would lower the teen birth rate, but not the teen pregnancy rate, or the risk of teens contracting sexually transmitted infections (STIs).

PPNC applauds itself in increasing access to EC and other birth control options. Gyn/birth control patient visits ranked first in 1999 for PPNC services and procedures. This was followed by non-HIV STI screening/treatment. In 1999, 50% of PPNC's patients were within the ages of 18 to 24; 8% were aged 15-17. These clients are very likely to be having intercourse outside of marriage, having sex with multiple partners, using birth control improperly, and being at high risk for contracting STIs. Yet, Planned Parenthood's (PP's) theme for 1999 reiterated throughout the report was "Celebrating Responsible Choices."

In 1999, PPNC used various sexuality education programs to reach young adults. Its education program included approximately 11,000 high school and nearly 4,000 college participants. PPNC reported that, in 1999, it presented comprehensive sexuality education workshops in 60% of all Nassau County school districts. Among PP's education programs are the Teen Advocate Project (TAP) peer education program, a Teen Infoline, Plan-It newsletter, Students for Choice, and a promotional partnership with 92.7 WLIR radio (this station and an abortion "clinic" are tenants in the same building in Garden City). Prolifers should be alert to sexuality, peer counseling, and health programs in their children's schools that are either presented by PP or follow programs offered by PP!

PPNC reported total operating revenues of \$3,518,992 for the year ended December 31, 1999. Of this income, \$1,571,258 was from patient fees and Medicaid and \$1,336,706 was from government grants. It is difficult

to assess how much government monies PP receives via Medicaid. However, many of PP's clients are minors without health insurance. Although their parents might have insurance, these minors take advantage of PP's confidentiality policy so that the minors' parents do not know that their child is receiving birth control, health care, and/or surgical procedures (e.g. abortion) from PP. Thus, PP is often able to declare these minors Medicaid-eligible and taxpayers pay for PP's services.

PPNC attributes its 1999 accomplishments (such as they are) to "garnering more private foundation and corporate support." The "unwavering commitment" of its supporters "enabled PPNC to achieve a year of record-breaking private contributions in 1999." Thus, it is helpful for prolifers to know who supports PPNC so we do not indirectly support PP and can try to reduce other sources of PP contributions.

Who Supports Planned Parenthood?

The list which follows is a selection of financial supporters of PPNC according to the PPNC 1999 Annual Report available to the public. This listing of individuals, companies, foundations, churches, and other donors is provided for prolifers because many of us are deeply concerned that we do not support, do business with, or entrust our health care decisions to those who believe in killing preborn babies through abortion and abortifacient "contraceptives." In addition, many do not support PP's values-free sexuality programs and do not want their retail and health care dollars going to those who defend PP's harmful agenda.

Prolifers should understand that the public and supporters of PP generally view PP as a concerned, goodwill, non-profit health care agency offering important services to the community. Some of these people do not know that PP is the largest abortion provider in the U. S. nor are they aware of PP's insidious agenda and unhealthy programs, most of which are geared to vulnerable, impressionable teens and young adults. Prolifers need to educate PP supporters, as well as the general public, about the real Planned Parenthood. Contact the LICL at 631-243-1435 if you need brochures or other information on Planned Parenthood.

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USAID vs. PRIMARY HEALTH CARE SYSTEMS

3/8/01-ABC News reported the death toll of the AIDS epidemic in Africa has reached 25 million. Millions of children have been orphaned, yet our top foreign aid priority on that continent remains reducing the birth rate under the guise of family planning. The U.S. Agency for International Development (USAID) routinely spends more money to aggressively prevent children from being born, than to care for already born children who are orphaned through AIDS, homeless, sick or hungry. USAID figures for scheduled population control expenditures in 2001: Tanzania: \$5 million. Uganda: \$7 million. • Nigeria: \$11 million. Despite the billions of dollars in aid spent in Africa since USAID came into existence in 1961, little real development has occurred. The emphasis on population control has caused problems, by undermining the primary health care system. Dr. Kevin DeCock, Director of the Kenyan field office of the Centers for Disease Control, suggested at an international AIDS conference last month that, given the poor state of primary health care in Africa, a "reinvestment in Africa's public health system and basic infrastructure will be necessary before efforts to combat AIDS can make a substantial difference." (Money ill spent: 30 years & Billions of dollars later-USAID has developed little in support of human life!) Source: www.pri.org, 3/9/01

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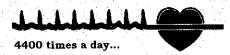
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