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## 24<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CELEBRATION OF LIFE - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 28, 1997

Mark your calendar early to be with us for our 24<sup>th</sup> Annual Celebration of Life at the **London Hall, Drawbridge Motor Inn, I-75 at Buttermilk Pike in Kenton County, Ky. on Sunday, September 28, 1997**, to hear the next in our sequence of magnificent speakers. This year we will be treated to an excellent overview of the national picture by **Howard Phillips, Chairman of the Conservative Caucus, Inc.**, and standard bearer of the Pro-Life cause as candidate for the President of the United States in 1996 on the **U.S. Taxpayers' Party (USTP)**.

Mr. Phillips is an uncompromising, unapologetic 100% Pro-Lifer who has been a long-time, tireless and effective advocate in the cause of the defense of all innocent human life, and is a magnificent and spellbinding speaker whom you will not want to miss. Consider a sample of his unapologetic and refreshing candor, so distinct from that of many candidates of both major parties:

"Unlike the other political parties, we will not only denounce abortion as a moral evil, we will prohibit it. ...We don't think support for murder is something to be tolerated, let alone subsidized by the provision of tax dollars to that instrument of organized crime which some people call Planned Parenthood, Inc., but which I prefer to characterize as 'Murder, Incorporated'. ...We oppose any laws which condone or would legalize euthanasia, the so-called 'mercy killing' of the aged, the ailing, the infirm. ...God's creations come to us as boys and girls, not as exceptions. That's why we will defend the lives of all boys and girls, whatever their

parentage may be."

USTP made extraordinary progress, quadrupling the number of votes cast for its ticket over the previous election, and also strengthening Party organization. To those inclined to scoff, we must point out the teachings of history: In 1856, the dominant Whig Party refused to take a moral stance on the then divisive issue of slavery, causing many of its people to leave, and form a new party, which called itself "Republican". Their presidential candidate was roundly defeated that year. Four years later, the Party ran and elected Abraham Lincoln! The multiple parallels between slavery and abortion, and the winnowing-out of party allegiance are dramatic. There is occurring a realignment of political interests in this country into 2 simple camps - those that believe in the supremacy of man, and those that believe in the supremacy of God. Many are hopeful that the year 2000 will see the successful coalescing of these various elements in our society into a true majority party, one which supports a legal and political system such as was the foundation of this great Nation 200 years ago - the Ten Commandments.

**Tickets are now available, \$5.00 each.** Please call the office, **431-6380**, or send your check to **P.O. Box 1202, Covington, KY 41012**.

We are hopeful of donations of **Patrons, \$10.00 per name, to be listed in our program**, and more generous donations where possible, necessary to support our ongoing expenses.

We are about to go into another regular session of the Kentucky General Assembly in January of 1998, at which time there will be many important pieces of Pro-Life legislation, concerning which we are much more optimistic than in the past, considering the turn around of the Kentucky Senate with the dramatic Pro-Life election of **Sen. Jack Westwood** here in Kenton County last November. We need to have a large turnout at this annual event to continue and indeed increase the Pro-Life impetus. **Please purchase tickets for, and bring - your spouse, child, parent, pastor, friend, etc. Remember, we are not only about saving lives of babies, and mothers, but the souls of all, who are called**

individually to this obligation.

## MAJOR U.S. SENATE AND HOUSE OF REPRESENTATIVE ELECTIONS IN KENTUCKY

With the announced retirement of incumbent **U.S. Sen. Wendell Ford (D)** (who voted about 95% Pro-Life), incumbent **Cong. Jim Bunning (R)** from Northern Kentucky has announced his intention to run for the U.S. Senate. Bunning has a 100% Pro-Life voting record. His only announced opponent at this point is **U.S. Cong. Scotty Baesler (D)** from Lexington, KY, former mayor there, who has about a 98% pro-abortion voting record. His unannounced opponent of course remains the secular press, particularly **The Kentucky Post**.

With their usual hackneyed indictment of Bunning as “mean-spirited,” the *Post* has been very critical of his private rebuke of now former Univ. of Ky. basketball coach **Rick Pitino** who introduced Bill Clinton at a political rally at Lexington, KY, “during the waning hours of the 1996 presidential campaign” (the *Post*’s own words). Bunning wrote a private letter to Pitino, criticizing that action as lending support and “respectability” to a man who, in the opinion of Bunning (and many others) is not entitled to respectability.

As frequently occurs, the majority of *Kentucky Post* readers did not agree with its spin on the situation, and responded with letters making several logically inescapable points: (1) Why did Pitino choose to go public with a personal communication to him from Bunning, and why did he wait from last November until this Spring, when Bunning had just announced for the U.S. Senate, and Pitino’s Congressman, Scotty Baesler, is his opponent? (2) If Pitino were coach for the University of Berlin in 1940, would he have introduced at a rally Adolph Hitler, the duly elected chief executive officer of that nation (whose Holocaust accounted for less than 1/3 of the body count of the present day American Holocaust so vigorously advanced by Mr. Clinton)? (3) What will Kentuckians think now of Mr. Pitino who broke his contract with the Univ. of Ky. (and his commitments to his players) because he will earn now about \$20 million instead of only about \$7 million had he stayed at Ky. (4) When will the media (and long-time Democrat activist mayor Jerry Abramsom of Louisville) take Pitino to task for the tacky remarks he made publicly at a Mercer University sponsored dinner in Boston, less than a month after he had left Ky. to take the job of coaching the Boston Celtics. Pitino remarked that this little book he was going to recommend to his team could be read in “10 to 12 minutes if you’re a Mercer grad - if you’re a Louisville grad, 20 to 22 minutes”?

The silence of hypocrisy is deafening, but also instructive!

### ***Northern Kentucky Seat in U.S. House of Representatives***

Northern Kentuckians are extremely fortunate to have a person of the caliber and committed Pro-Life leadership as **State Sen. Gex Williams (R)** to announce his candidacy to fill the soon to be vacated No. Ky. Congressional seat of Jim Bunning (R), who is running for the U.S. Senate.

Williams has been an outspoken and uncompromising advocate of the unborn in his several terms in the Ky. Senate and the Ky. House of Representatives, and was a major factor in the recent upset in the Ky. Senate by a Democrat-Republican coalition, of the long-time pro-abort leadership in the Senate.

Thus far, Williams has 2 announced opponents in the Republican Primary for that Congressional seat - **Rick Robinson**, an attorney with a Cincinnati, OH, firm, and **Jim Kidney**, an attorney in Newport, KY. Neither one is a member of Northern Kentucky Right to Life or has ever been active in the Movement, although both state that they are Pro-Life.

While we would hope that they would be men of their word, if elected, and vote for Pro-Life legislation, it is obvious from their past records of non-involvement, that the matter has not been a priority issue to them, and that they would be more vulnerable to the “pressures of Party” than Sen. Williams, who has demonstrated his unswerving and active commitment to the issue.

Perhaps the most eloquent distinction between the candidates is shown in their statements of announcement. It was Williams alone who, after describing the importance of other political issues involving quality education, lower taxes, reduced crime and greater economic development, emphasized: “But there is no more important issue than protecting the lives of unborn children.”

## THE CONTINUED DECLINE OF RELIGIOUS INSTITUTIONS

To the embarrassment of many of its alumnae and supporters, **Notre Dame Academy** operated by the **Sisters of Notre Dame**, invited the **pro-abortion Mayor of Cincinnati, Roxanne Qualls**, to give the Commencement address to its senior class on 6/2/97. Unfortunately, Notre Dame follows a growing trend of religious institutions which have betrayed their founders and founding principles by inviting on campus and honoring people who oppose the most basic and fundamental principles upon which these institutions were founded, just as was done by **Xavier University** last year when it honored on campus the pro-abortion President, Bill Clinton.

NKRTL joined many other shocked protestors in writing to **NDA Principal Sr. Mary Rita Geoppinger** and **Covington Bishop Robert W. Muench**, transmitting Qualls’ pro-abortion record. We included Cincinnati Right to Life Newsletter wherein she, in conjunction with other pro-abort candidates, had refused to answer their Pro-Life questionnaire, and also her recorded vote against a resolution by Pro-Life **Councilman Charles Winburn** wherein he was proposing to put City Council on record as supporting the partial birth abortion ban in Congress. There was also sent to Sr. Rita and Bishop Muench the 1993 endorsement of Mayor Qualls by the **stridently homosexual activist organization Stonewall Cincinnati**, in which it pointed out that she had been interviewed, and as a condition of its endorsement, expressed her support for “...a woman’s right to have an abortion free of government interference and will oppose all efforts to interfere with that right.”

### ***The Authentic Catholic Response to Such Pro-Abortion Supporters***

**Bishop James Timlin of Scranton, PA:** “I will not lend my presence to any occasion which might in any way seem to support a public figure whose views are pro-abortion, pro-choice or in any way ambiguous in this most crucial issue.” Bishop Timlin declined a 1985 invitation to attend the University of Scranton Commencement ceremony, at which “Catholic” pro-abortion Speaker of the U.S. House of Representatives

Thomas P. "Tip" O'Neil was scheduled to speak and receive an honorary degree. Earlier, Bishop Timlin had declined to attend a Friendly Sons of St. Patrick dinner because House Judiciary Chairman Peter Rodino, also a "Catholic" with a pro-abortion voting record in the Congress, was scheduled to be principal speaker.

This official policy, of refusing to admit pro-abortionists onto Catholic facilities as speakers or honored guests, has been adopted by **Cardinal Archbishop John O'Connor** of New York, **Bishop Daly** of Brooklyn and other Dioceses, as well as by the **Knights of Columbus**, nationally.

**Bishop Richard H. Ackerman of Covington:** "No Catholic, with good conscience, may vote for any man or woman, who is in accord with, who supports, or who is willing to compromise issues which are contrary to the moral laws contained in the Ten Commandments of God. Before you cast this vote, consider well the position of each candidate on the moral issues of our day. For example, examine well his or her stand regarding abortion and/or the right to life. Is it fuzzy or compromising? Is it weakened by words that tend to gain confidence but are without conviction? If so, we may not support it with our vote."

**Cardinal Archbishop Humberto Medeiros of Boston:** "Those who make abortion possible by law — such as legislators and those who promote, defend and elect these same lawmakers — cannot separate themselves totally from that guilt which accompanies this horrendous crime and deadly sin."

**Fr. John Powell, S.J.** is worthy of reflection, regarding "...the inevitable questions: Did you know? Did you speak up for life? Or did you turn your head, pretending to be an innocent bystander? And those of us who believe in a Day of Divine Judgment know that these questions will be asked also by the Lord of Life who takes as done to himself whatever we do for the least of his children."

Moreover, such conduct violates the policy of the **Knights of Columbus** published in the Feb. 1995 Newsletter of the Covington Diocesan Pro-Life Commission: "**FURTHER RESOLVED, that we again affirm our policy of not inviting to any Knights of Columbus event persons, especially public official or candidates for office, who do not support the legal protection of unborn children against abortion or who advocate the legislation of euthanasia or assisted suicide ...**"

### ***Pro-Lifers Picket Qualls' Appearance***

More than fifty peacefully praying Pro-Lifers picketed Qualls appearance at the NDA Commencement Service at **St. Agnes Church in Ft. Wright, Ky.**, on June 2, 1997, at 6:00 p.m., standing along the public sidewalk in front of the Church. Our reception was mixed. It was a sad experience to be picketing a Catholic Church and seeing Priests and Nuns and neighbors and friends going in to honor someone who is actively supporting the evil which the Holy Father himself has described as "the ultimate issue". Many of the pickets had been raised and married in the Church of St. Agnes, and others were parents of Notre Dame graduates. In fact, there were some recent young Notre Dame graduates on the sidewalk with us. Another lady who was visiting from her home in Pittsburgh where she now lives, described that she had been married 41 years ago in this very church, and how sad it was for her to realize that her grade school classmate, Fr. Hellmann, was the Pastor presiding over this sad debacle (about which she intended to speak to him in no uncertain terms the next day).

Many were hostile as they obviously knew of the pro-abortion posture of their guest speaker. Others, including parents, were grateful for our presence there, and some executed a walkout from the Church when the pro-abortionist spoke. Some of the people received our handout disclosing the reason for our presence here, and the contradiction by the Diocese of the policy of many other dioceses, including the Knights of Columbus' Policy published by the Diocese of Covington, precluding the appearance of such pro-abortion speakers as Qualls on Catholic facilities. One parent took a number of them and distributed them to other parents.

Some parents and relatives approached our picket line to inquire of our reason, and their responses to our explanation were varied. Some indicated that they did not know Qualls position (which demonstrated considerable disinterest on their part, considering the prevalence of the issue and her posture, in the public press). Others rationalized that there were more important issues at stake, specifically the graduation of their daughters. Others thanked us for us being there, and indeed were part of the letter writing process trying to persuade Sr. Rita and Bishop Muench to disavow this pro-abortionist.

The confusion of the graduating class was understandable, and sad. One girl challenged our picket line with the accusation that we were "extremely rude" to intrude on her graduation, and when we pointed out that it was very sad that the Church was approving the address by a person who is in favor of killing unborn babies, she responded that "we know that ... but that it just one aspect of or her personality." Another student pointed out to us that many of the students had complained of the selection of the speaker to the principal, Sr. Rita, but were overruled. It is indeed hard to hold accountable these 18 year old young ladies, who have obviously not been the fed the truth in their "Catholic" education.

### ***Clergy and Religious Reaction***

The Sisters of Notre Dame totally avoided our picket line. Very few Priests were in attendance, contrary to the normally high number of Catholic priests who have attended the Notre Dame graduation ceremonies at St. Agnes in all of the past years. Two priests who crossed our prayer picket were **Fr. Allen Meier, Chaplin of Sisters of Notre Dame**, and **Fr. Eugene Wolfzorn, Pastor of St. Stephen Church in Newport**, who embarrassedly rejected a tender from NKRTL **Vice President Fred Summe** of our handout described above.

These 2 Priests stood alone under the arbor between the Church and the Rectory, and later, as the procession entered into the Church, had to process close to the Pro-Life prayer pickets, at which point Fr. Wolfzorn turned and shouted to us "I used to think that I was anti-abortion, but now I think that I am pro-abortion."

The only other Catholic clergy noted to be present besides the **Pastor Donald Hellmann and Fr. Mark Witte** was the **Bishop's Secretary, Fr. Tom Sacksteder**, and of course Bishop Robert Muench whom we were advised would be on the altar during the graduation, although he was not seen outside of the Church. It was indeed rewarding to see that most of the Catholic Priests "voted with their feet", and didn't attend this abomination.

**If someone favored the legalization of child abuse, would they be acceptable as a speaker to graduating students in a Catholic Church? Abortion is the ultimate child abuse!**

**Episodes such as this one are more dramatic and depressing than even the connivances of our abortion Pres. Bill Clinton. They indicate in unmistakable terms the depth to which our religious institutions have fallen.**

### ***"Out of the Mouths of Babes ..."***

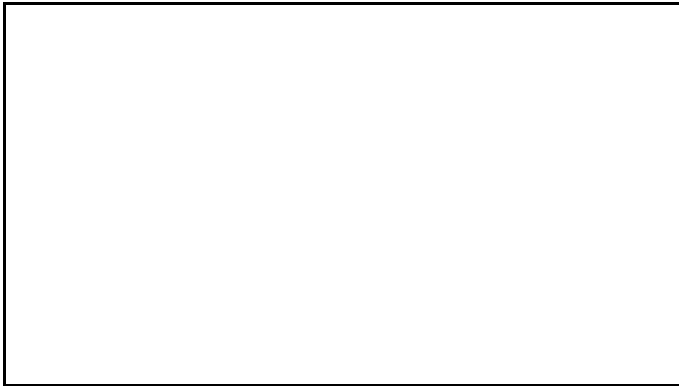
Hope is provided in the episode earlier this year in England where Emilia Klepacka, a 14 year old student at John Henry Newman Roman Catholic School, boycotted a school ceremony where she was to receive an award for achievement in foreign languages, because the school had

decided to invite to present the award a prominent pro-abortion member of the English Parliament: "My conscience would not allow me to accept the prize from someone who is anti-life in the things she has done and proposes to do."

Sort of reminiscent of the instructive fable of "The Emperor's Clothes," wherein the arrogant and delusionary emperor marches around naked, insisting that he is showing off his elegant new suit, having been deluded himself by his tailor. His "politically correct" adult subjects subserviently prostituted principle by pretending to admire the non-existent suit, until a giggling youngster blurts out the truth: "The emperor is naked."

## CONFRONTATION BETWEEN GOOD AND EVIL INTENSIFIED AT HLI CONFERENCE

**NKRTL Pres. Robert C. Cetrulo** has just reported on his experiences at the April 1997 **Human Life International Conference** at Minneapolis, MN, at which conference he served on the faculty, making a presentation on the subject of euthanasia with **Notre Dame Law Professor and author Charles Rice**.



Cetrulo described the marvelous programs presented with participation by such outstanding Pro-Life individuals and organizations such as **Professor Rice, Most Rev. Fabian W. Bruskewitz of Lincoln, NE, Dr. Bernard Nathanson, Msgr. Phillip Reilly (founder of Helpers of God's Precious Infants), Joe Schiedler (Pro-Life Action League), attorney Patrick Trueman of the American Family Association, Alice vonHildebrand, international moral theologian Fr. Anthony Zimmerman, American Life League, Couple to Couple League, Priests for Life, etc.**

The opening event of the Conference was a Mass on the first evening at the magnificent St. Paul Cathedral in St. Paul, MN, attended by a standing-room only crowd of 3000 people, with the Mass celebrated by **Bishop Matthias Ssekamaanya of PUGAKI, UGANDA**. The closing Mass 3 days later was celebrated by Bishop Bruskewitz.

The beauty of the Conference was marred by 2 very disconcerting negative occurrences - 1 expected, and 1 unexpected.

Following the 2 hour opening Liturgy at the beautiful Cathedral, as the Pro-Lifers gathered in the vestibule of the church for the candlelight Rosary procession a mile away to the capital, they could hear the shrill screamings of the pro-abortion, homosexual/lesbian crowd gathered just outside the closed doors on the Cathedral steps. When the doors opened, it was truly a frightening situation - not so much by reason of eminent physical danger, since the Pro-Lifers were adequately protected by the efficient St. Paul Police Dept., (which did a better job than their Canadian counterparts at Montreal the year before where the homosexual demonstrators actually destroyed police cars among other things), but rather by the realization that you were actually in the presence of evil power.

The grotesquely painted faces and the horribly tortured screams of the protestors could only be described as demonic. As the police were parting the crowd to permit access to the Pro-Life processors down the steps of the Cathedral, a few of the several hundred protestors menaced too closely and were arrested promptly. The police then literally had to drive their police cars and their horses on each side of the mile long procession continually intruding themselves between the peaceful praying Pro-Life marchers and the obscenity-shouting pressing protestors. Both the youth and virulence of the protestors were indeed dismaying.

The even more disturbing and shocking event was the announced boycott, two weeks before the Conference, by Minneapolis **Archbishop Harry Flynn** who had promised to celebrate the Conference opening Mass there at his Cathedral in St. Paul. Bishop Flynn's released statement said that he was "Particularly troubled by some statements made by HLI founder **Fr. Paul Marx** and some HLI literature which is divisive and harmful to our Jewish brothers and sisters." When this announcement was made public, several people on behalf of HLI sought an interview with Bishop Flynn about this matter - including HLI President Fr. Paul Marx, internationally-known theologian **Fr. John Hardon, S.J.**, national columnist and respected Catholic teacher, **Fr. Richard John Neuhaus** and orthodox Jewish **Rabbi Yehuda Levin**, but the Bishop declined to see any of them. He had accepted his information from **Steven Derfeler**, Director of the Minnesota Office of the American Jewish Congress, which has a pro-abortion stance and a **Sr. Marge Boyle**, who serves on the Jewish/Christian Relations Committee of the Minnesota Council of Churches, which also of course is pro-abortion. Repeated requests for interviews with the Bishop on behalf of Pro-Lifers were declined.

Rabbi Levin deplored the fact that Fr. Marx was "falsely charged with being anti-Semitic by many who seem more intent on accepting the abortion of Jewish babies than helping them and their mothers". He wrote that some of Fr. Marx's most prominent supporters are Jewish, such as **Dr. Norman Kurland, Midge Decter, Dr. Judith Reisman, Dr. Bernard Nathanson, Rabbi Daniel Lapin** and the former **Chief Rabbi of Britain, Lord Emanuel Jacobowitz.**, Seattle attorney **James Bendell**, a convert from Judaism and a long-time HLI supporter, also faxed a letter to Flynn assuring him "I would not support any organization that was anti-Semitic".

At issue was a chapter in Fr. Marx's 1987 book "*Confessions of a Pro-Life Missionary*". In a chapter "Pro-abortion Jews and the Holocaust", Fr. Marx praised several prominent Jewish Pro-Lifers for their valued efforts in opposing abortion, but also named prominent Jewish abortion advocates, such as facility owner **Lawrence Lader**, journalist **Ellen Goodman**, Cong. **Henry Waxman**, and others. Marx called upon "pro-abortion Jews to face up to their role in the greatest holocaust in all history, the abortion holocaust."

### *This Division is Real and Deep - In the Catholic Church As Well As In Every Other Religious Community*

The propagation of these slanderous lies did not deter the active participation at the Conference by Bishops Ssekamaanya and Bruskewitz, and dozens of other Catholic priests, and many Jewish Rabbis and Protestant ministers. Are they now anti-Semitic?

At the concluding banquet of the Conference, at which the major address was given by Bishop Bruskewitz, there was a special slide presentation by Fr. Richard Welch, honoring the 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of the ordination of Fr. Paul Marx. The crowning jewel was the reading by Fr. Welch of a letter that he had just received commending Fr. Marx's contribution of 50 years in the priesthood, more than the last half of which have been devoted to the defense of innocent human life. This letter was from "Your Fellow Priest, John Paul, II".

### **Another anti-Semite?**

And what about the recent declaration by the 600 member Union of Orthodox Rabbis of U.S. and Canada, just reported in March of this year, that the 2 largest branches of Judaism in the U.S. - Reform and Conservative - are not Jewish: "...despite their brazen usurpation of the title 'Judaism', 'Jewish heritage', 'Jewish tradition', and 'Jewish continuity', Reform and Conservative are not Judaism at all. ...There are hundreds of thousands of Jews in America who are in Conservative or Reform movements. They are innocent. They are being misled. They are being told that they are being taught Judaism. ...They are outside of Torah (Jewish law) and outside Judaism." Will now these Jews be told they are "anti-Semitic"?

**Cetrulo noted that this is just the most recent in a long series of calumnious character assassinations used by the pro-abortion activists, and their public relations minions in the public media, to undermine the Pro-Life message which they cannot meet on its merits. He said he was reminded of a very telling observation in this respect made many years ago (long before the present anti-Semitic charge against HLI) by HLI Pres. Fr. Paul Marx: "Many others throughout the world who fight abortion, who seriously oppose the anti-life juggernaut, tell me the same. They suffer, all are persecuted in their own way, all are considered fanatics and alarmists, and all are called a thousand names that cowards invent to hide their apathy."**

## **BRAIN SUCTION ABORTION PROHIBITION AGAIN SENT TO PRES. CLINTON**

Both houses of Congress have again overwhelmingly approved a bill prohibiting the stabbing in the skull of an unborn baby, 4/5 delivered, and the suctioning out of his brains, and sent the Bill to our pro-abortion President, who vetoed it once before.

### ***The Killing "Procedure"***

The procedure was first described in a 1992 paper delivered by abortionist **Martin Haskell of Cincinnati, OH**, to a National Abortionists Conference, describing the use of a 7" surgical scissors (called Metzenbaum scissors). The scissors are plunged into the base of the skull, after the baby has been 3/4 delivered from the uterus into the vagina, with the head alone retained inside the cervix and a tube is then inserted into the hole and the brains suctioned out.

The abortionist must take care that he does not dilate the cervix a little too much; otherwise, the head would slip across the Supreme Court's constitutional "line of personhood", which must not be permitted until after the surgical scissors and suction machine have done their deadly work.

**Everyone needs to read the testimony of the Registered Nurse, Brenda Pratt Shafer, given before the U.S. Congress, describing how the abortionist withdrew the baby's body feet first from the uterus, leaving only the head in, "as the baby's little fingers were clasping and unclasping and his feet were kicking. Then the doctor stuck the scissors through the back of his head, and the baby's arms jerked out in a flinch, a startled reaction, like a baby does when he thinks that he might fall. The doctor opened up the scissors, stuck a high-powered suction tube into the opening and sucked the baby's brains out. Now the baby was completely limp. I was really completely unprepared for what I was seeing. I almost threw up as I watched the doctor do these things."**

### ***Congressional Action***

The U.S. House of Representatives passage of the ban of this brutal procedure was even greater than 2 years ago, 295 to 136.

In the Senate, **Sen. Tom Daschle (D)** carried the water for the deceptive Clinton position, introducing an alternate Bill which was a patent sham. It would have afforded no protection to babies in the 5<sup>th</sup> and 6<sup>th</sup> month of life, where 90% of this barbaric procedures are performed. Even in the final 3 months of pregnancy the Clinton-Daschle proposal would allow partial birth abortions to continue whenever an abortionist unilaterally asserts that this would enhance the mother's chance of future childbearing, or whenever the abortionist himself asserts that the baby does not meet his own definition of "viability". (As one Pro-Life speaker noted, this would be analogous to Congress' passing a Bill prohibiting the sale of assault weapons, and then permitting the gun dealer to apply his own definition of what constitutes an assault weapon!) This Bill was a purely political contrivance, having one purpose only - to provide political cover for lawmakers who want to appear to their constituents to have voted to restrict partial birth abortions.

The Daschle deception was defeated in the Senate, which then voted to pass the brain suction prohibition Bill by a margin of 64 to 36, which is 3 short of the two-thirds necessary to override President Clinton's expected veto, but there will no doubt be another vote on it at which time the members will have to stand again and be counted in defense of this barbaric practice. The only Senator in the Tri-State area casting a killing vote was **John Glenn (D)** of Ohio.

### **Pro-abortion Lies**

One of the first “party lines” of the pro-aborts and their mouthpieces in the Congress and the White House was that it really only involved a couple of hundred such procedures annually. To the contrary, as was pointed out in the column of nationally-known columnist **Mike Royko, Dr. Pamela Smith**, former Director of Medical Education in Obstetrics and Gynecology at Mt. Sinai Hospital of Chicago pointed out: “There is a clinic in New Jersey that said of the 3000 abortions it did last year, 1500 were late term. So we went from being told that only 200 a year were being done in the entire country to one clinic saying it does 1500 a year. Obviously, the actual number is in the thousands.”

And we have the confession of another active abortionist, **Ron Fitzsimmons**, Executive Director of National Coalition of Abortion Providers, who just recently contradicted his earlier statements in 1995 on **ABC’s Nightline**, and admitted that there are up to 5000 brain suction abortions per year. Fitzsimmons admitted that he became “physically ill” after lying to an interviewer on that show that evening and felt that he now had to tell the truth.

The next lie is that they are “medically necessary”, “to prevent the mother’s body from being ripped up”, according to that eminent medical expert, **Bill Clinton**. This ridiculous assertion has been refuted by former Surgeon General **C. Everett Koop**: “**A partial birth abortion is never medically necessary to protect a mother’s health or her future fertility.**” Even the pro-abortion **American Medical Association** agreed, and officially went on record in favor of the partial birth abortion ban because such a medical procedure: “Is not medically indicated”.

**Dr. Curtis Cook**, a Board-certified specialist in OB-GYN, and subspecialist in maternal-fetal medicine (also known as perinatology or high risk obstetrics) testified before the Congress that there is no medical indications for such procedure at all, in terms of the woman’s health, in any kind of situation whatsoever, and that the only “advantage” of partial birth abortion is that it guarantees a dead baby at the time of delivery.

### **State Legislation**

Legislation criminalizing this barbaric infanticide has already passed in 11 states including Ohio, Michigan, Utah, Alaska, Arizona, Arkansas, Georgia, Mississippi, Montana, South Carolina and South Dakota, and is pending in at least 19 additional states. Such a Bill was bottled up in Committee by the pro-abort Democratic leadership in the Kentucky State Senate last year, and will be re-introduced in the 1998 Session.

As would be reasonably expected (and contrary to the incredibly stupid argument made by a local clergyman in his effort to defend his pro-abortion state senator friend, by arguing that there is nothing effective that state legislatures can do), these Pro-Life Bills have resulted in a dramatic reduction in the number of abortions. For example, in Mississippi, a cluster of recently passed statutes requiring any doctor performing 100 or more abortions per year must have his facility licensed as an abortion clinic and must employ an RN, and that the doctor must personally confer with the woman prior to the mandatory 24 hour waiting period and must provide her with literature about abortion, the development of the unborn child, and the possibility of an increased risk of breast cancer, and a parental notification law, abortions in Mississippi were reduced by more than 1/3.

**In the meantime, those who call themselves Pro-Life, and supported Bill Clinton, will see, again, repeated demonstration of their mutual hypocrisy.**

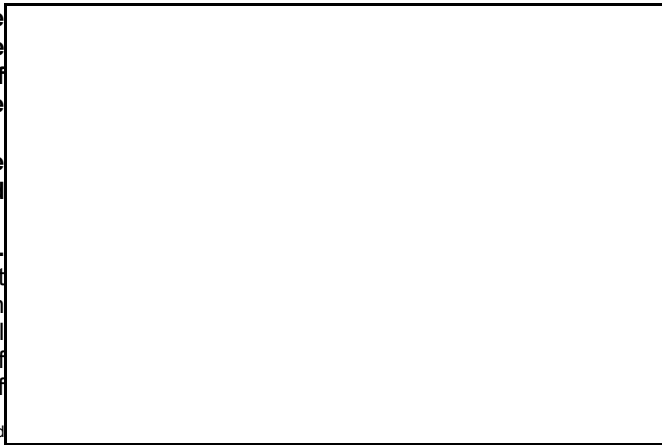
## **4400 CROSSES: WHAT DO THEY MEAN**

The most recent area to be educated to the physical reality of the sheer number of abortion is in Boone County and Independence, KY. First, the Turfway area, with the installation there on the property of Christ’s Chapel of 4400 white crosses. The marquee of the church’s sign carried the message “Everyday in this Nation over 4400 babies die from abortion”.

The crosses were then packed up and transported to Immaculate Heart of Mary Church on U.S. 18, Burlington, KY, where they were reinstalled for further public education.

Next in the in increased interest in this effective public witness was **St. Cecilia Church, on Rte. 17 in Independence**. One person once commented that “one death is a tragedy, while thousands area a statistic”. The mind rebels from comprehending the magnitude of this horror. This technique is a very well thought-out method for reminding our fellow citizens of the reality and the breadth of this horror so lightly referred to in our society — and of the individual obligation of each of us to do something about it!

Congratulations to Christ’s Chapel, and Immaculate Heart of Mary as the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> religious locations which have welcomed the installation of this graphic demonstration on their property. If your church is interested, please contact **Mr. and Mrs. Richard A. VonHandorf, 1711 Ft. Henry Drive, Ft. Wright, Ky. 41011, 331-2378**, the family who pioneered and executed this massive construction project of building and painting these crosses, and storing and delivering them.



## THE MANY FACES OF NKRTL

*(This continuing series of articles introduces the many people who make NKRTL such a vibrant organization.)*

One of Michelangelo's most magnificent works of art is the marble sculpture of Mary holding the body of Jesus after He was taken down from the cross. The sculptor gave his work the title, "Pieta," which in Italian means "faithfulness." It was Mary's "yes" to God's Will that was the crowning glory of her life, even at the times when she did not understand. How often we have heard Mother Teresa tell us that the Lord never spoke of success, but only of faithfulness ... of Pieta!

Fred Summe can be seen as a man whose life is a response of Pieta. He sees success as being faithful to God, his Church, and his family. Through the example of parents who stressed dedication to God, Church, and family, Fred learned a work ethic that sees him active in the lives of many people.

As Vice President of NKRTL, Fred works behind the scenes of many projects. It is under the supervision and coordination of Fred that many of NKRTL's endeavors come together, such as the annual newspaper ad, the Celebration for Life, and the Mothers' Day rose sale. He tirelessly offers his legal expertise in the Pro-Life arena, serving on the Board of Directors for Madonna House and Lawyers for Life. Campaigning for Pro-Life candidates and working for Pro-Life legislation, are ways Fred uses his talents.

A familiar face at Pro-Life events, Fred regularly attends and supports the efforts of those who picket the abortion clinics and those who pray together for the lives of the countless children who have died and gone before us, all in the name of "choice." He gives his time to speak on the topic at local parishes and at various workshops.

As a practicing attorney in Campbell County, Fred's work takes him to county courthouses throughout Northern Kentucky. The women who work there can tell you that his favorite topic of conversation is retelling the heartwarming antics of his six children, who range in age from six to sixteen. They've all heard the story of six-year-old Mark, who commented after being accused of cheating while playing a new game with his brother, "I just keep forgetting not to cheat!"

Married for twenty-one years, Fred and his wife Pam have known the disappointments involved while experiencing years of infertility testing and the losses through numerous miscarriages. But the joys of the adoptions of their four daughters and then the births of their two sons have enriched their lives. Through mutual support and understanding, years of waiting proved to be years of Pieta.

For a Christian to follow the Gospel, there needs to be a search for the truth. To be faithful, a Christian must be faith-filled. Fred looks at his passion for the unborn and sees that it is the strength of his faith that enables him to search for truth and contribute to the ultimate cause ... the Right To Life. It is not as important what we offer through our contribution, but in our faithfulness as we give our "yes" to God's Will.

Those who are fortunate to know Fred as a friend - and they are indeed numerous - are extremely fortunate. The clarity of his ethical analysis and moral discernment are matched by his patient compassion and absolute steadfastness of support, regardless of the personal consequences to himself.

It is with gratitude that we look upon those contributions of Fred Summe as a magnificent work of art ... truly a Pieta!

## RIGHT TO LIFE ACT OF 1997

In the opinion of many Pro-Lifers, the most important piece of legislation of all has been introduced into the U.S. House of Representatives by **Rep. Duncan Hunter (R)**, the **Right to Life Act of 1997 (HR 641)**. This Bill was originally devised years ago by **Sen. Jesse Helms**, and simply says that the Congress has conducted hearings and has determined that a human being exists from the instant of conception and is entitled to the constitutional protection of the right to life. Of course the pro-abortionists will argue that such a Bill would be in direct confrontation with the Supreme Court decision in ***Roe v. Wade***, and the Congress does not have authority to overrule a constitutional decision of the Supreme Court. But the abortionists are overlooking several significant legal propositions:

(1) The Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution which mandates that "no state shall deprive any person of life, liberty or property without due process of law", contains a second section which gives to the Congress the authority to implement that constitutional mandate.

(2) Since the Court has stated in ***Roe v. Wade*** that it would not determine (25 years ago) when human life begins, what is to prohibit the Congress from holding hearings, and making the obvious finding - scientifically incontestable - that an individual human life begins at the instant of fertilization - and then exercising its constitutional authority pursuant to the Fourteenth Amendment of the U.S. Constitution, to protect that life, pursuant to the constitutional mandate.

Such a procedure may well create a constitutional confrontation between the Congress and the out-of-control Supreme Court - which many Americans believe is not only overdue, but indeed essential to any reasonable prospect of the successful continuation of this Nation.

The Right to Life Act has been referred to House Subcommittee on the Constitution, chaired by **Rep. Charles T. Canady (R)**, who is Pro-Life.

Write you congressman and ask them to become a co-sponsor and to Rep. Canady and ask him to hold hearings promptly on HR641 so that an unamended Bill an move through committee and onto the House Floor for passage.

Please write simultaneously to Sen. Wendell Ford (D) and Mitch McConnell (R) and ask them to co-sponsor and introduce an identical Bill to Cong. Hunter's HR 641 Right to Life Act of 1997 in the Senate and begin its work through committee, and solicit co-sponsors and actively advocate its processing through committee to a Floor vote.

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## PRAY FOR LIFE

**June 14<sup>th</sup>** will mark the 9<sup>th</sup> monthly **Helpers of God's Precious Infants Prayer Vigil for Life** wherein we celebrate Mass and process in silent Rosary to **Planned Parenthood's** killing chambers on Auburn Avenue in Cincinnati, OH. Each month, the Mass is concelebrated by the 2 inaugurators of the program locally, **Fr. Paul Berschied** of Independence, KY and **Fr. Greg Konerman** of Cincinnati, as well as occasionally other priests.

This month, the principal celebrant will be Cincinnati **Auxiliary Bishop Carl Modell**, and the Mass will be held at the **St. Peter in Chains Cathedral**, 8<sup>th</sup> and Plum Streets, Cincinnati, OH, at **8:00 a.m.** Immediately following the Mass, there will be public buses to carry the first 300 participants (followed by others in private vehicles), to the abortion clinic on Auburn Avenue, where the Rosary will be said.

Please mark your calendar for this Saturday, and indeed for the **second Saturday of each month** the remainder of the year, and come and join your prayer with the hundreds who are there. **"Can you not watch one hour with us ...?"**

## LIFELINE - THE PRO-LIFE LONG DISTANCE TELEPHONE CARRIER

Many of you have subscribed to Lifeline, since we first ran the story almost 2 years ago, pointing out that we need to stop supporting AT&T, MCI and Sprint, whose active donations actively support the prop-abortion/Planned Parenthood/active homosexual lifestyle community, TV sex sitcoms and network in the United States. In fact, Lifeline not only gives cheaper rates, but permits you to designate the charity of your choice (NKRTL, hopefully!) And a portion of your monthly long distance services charges are then remitted monthly to that charity.

One postscript that we would add is to please be specific in your designation of Northern Kentucky Right to Life, as we have found network, in good faith, mistakenly diverting some of our donations to Kentucky Right to Life.

For further information, call 1-800-800-7550, Amerivision Communications, Inc., or write to them at P.O. Box 7753, Moore, OK 73160 and obtain an application form.

**This is something everyone can do, directly benefitting themselves, and the Pro-Life Movement, and directly hitting abortionists in the pocketbook!!!**