



# PRO LIFE UNION INC. UPDATE

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*Human life is sacred from its beginning to its natural end.*



A Nation  
in Distress

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## Old Glory in Distress

Yes, our beautiful flag is still shown in a distress position. While we face difficulty in Afghanistan, we have lost 55 million innocent American children through "legal" abortion, many more casualties than we have had in all of our wars. Every day, more and more precious American lives are lost. As we observe Independence Day, we recall the great proclamation, "...all men are created equal, endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty and the pursuit of Happiness." Our nation has rejected this truth that our Founding Fathers have put before us. Will each of us work to save our nation? No one can challenge the words of John Paul II: "A nation which kills its own children has no hope."

## A Note From Our President

### *Unintended Consequences*

Most of the time, when we hear of "unintended consequences," as a result of a planned event or even a law, the consequence is bad. People then say, "They should have thought about this." Our faith and trust in the Lord lead us to believe that if we recognize evil and resolve to do something, good will result.

Recently, outside of Planned Parenthood in West Chester on a "killing day," Patricia O'Brien approached a woman entering the center. Pat learned that this woman had come to PP with her daughter who was inside. After talking with Pat and being given a coupon for a free Ultrasound the woman decided to rescue her daughter from the abortion.

Pat then took them to Chester County Women's Services and, during the ultrasound, the expectant mother was overwhelmed to see her baby's heart beating. She is going to have the baby! The pro-life community rejoiced with Pat when she told us what happened and the story was shared in Harrisburg at a pro-life meeting. Expanding the use of the free ultrasound coupon was discussed.

Sidewalk counselors and others present at PP have a goal of saving lives. Sometimes our actions have consequences that accomplish this goal and go far beyond. Some of the consequences are eternal!

## November Election Focus

Many Americans faithfully pray for the reform of our nation. All should join in and become active as citizens as well. This November election is particularly critical. There is an opportunity to make a significant change in the direction of our nation. Success in November must begin with the work in summer and fall. Get involved in the statewide and U.S. Congress races now. If you are not yet involved, contact us now. Yes, now! If our elected officials do not believe in Life and Marriage, the U.S. is finished. Such a statement is not overdramatic, but reality.



## Higher Ground Comes to Philadelphia

Pictured are 11 members of the Higher Ground Church of Conshohocken. They came to the "Philadelphia Women's Services" abortion chamber, 8<sup>th</sup> & Cherry, on Saturday, June 19<sup>th</sup>. This was their second pilgrimage. Saturdays bring some 30 mothers to this abortion chamber. On the 19<sup>th</sup>, these good people blessed the City, as they counseled, prayed and sang for Life. They also serve as a stirring example of what one church can do. These hellish places should be enveloped with Christians. Higher Ground shows the way!

## Boy Scouts Win Court Case!

The Boy Scouts in Philadelphia will remain at their present headquarters at 22<sup>nd</sup> & Winter, a building that they built and paid for. Given their huge benefit to the City, they have paid no rent or taxes. But, because of their rejection of leaders who practice sodomy, the homosexual lobby found enough friends in City Council to call for their eviction because of "discrimination." The Boy Scouts said "no way" and hence, they went to court. Judge Ronald Buckwalter and the jury ruled in favor of the Scouts and sanity.

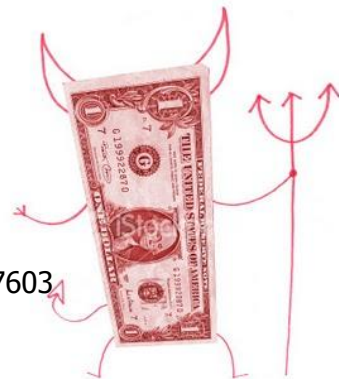
## Save the Date!

Get ready to be energized by our annual *Stand Up For Life Dinner* with our wonderful guest, Anne Mielnik, M.D. We had many requests to bring Dr. Mielnik to Philadelphia, as she is an articulate and inspiring speaker with an enormous commitment to the Culture of Life. So, mark Sunday, November 21<sup>st</sup> on your calendar. More information about the Dinner will follow.

## No Federal Funds for Planned Parenthood

This anti-American evil organization continues to receive huge amounts of our federal taxes. The Pence Amendment (H.B. 614) to the federal budget would stop Title X federal funding of PP. Call your U.S. Rep and state your support for the Pence Amendment. Make the moral argument against this outrageous use of your funds. Also, point out that we now have a \$13 trillion debt. Why do we go further into debt to fund PP? Readers represented by Brady, Fattah, Sestak and Murphy must really drive this message. Make calls now and follow it with a written or electronic message via [www.house.gov](http://www.house.gov). During the last seven years, PP of America has received \$657 million. The bill has 94 co-sponsors.

Robert Brady – 215-389-4627; 1907 S. Broad St., Phila., PA 19148  
Charles Dent – 610-861-9734; 701 W. Broad St., Bethlehem, PA 18018  
Chaka Fattah – 215-387-6404; 4104 Walnut St., Phila., PA 19104  
James Gerlach – 610-594-1415; 111 E. Uwchlan Ave., Exton, PA 19341  
Tim Holden – 717-234-5904; 1721 N. Front St., Harrisburg, PA 17102  
Patrick Murphy – 215-826-1963; 414 Mill St., Bristol, PA 19007  
Joseph Pitts (co-sponsor) – 717-393-0667; 150 N. Queen St., Lancaster, PA 17603  
Allyson Schwartz – 215-335-3355; 7219 Frankford Ave., Phila., PA 19135  
Joseph Sestak – 610-892-8623; 600 N. Jackson St., Media, PA 19063



## Main Line Health

This firm includes Paoli, Bryn Mawr and Lankenau Hospitals. During the five years, 2005-2009, abortionists at these hospitals killed 166 innocent children and left their mothers to mourn. On May 27<sup>th</sup>, pro-life citizens attended their annual Open Board Meeting. To date, no announcement has been made. Call Jack Lynch at 484-476-2000 and ask for a "No More Abortions" policy.

## Abington Hospital

This hospital had been killing pre-born children before *Roe v. Wade*. In February 2010, area pro-life people met with the Board and asked for a pro-life policy. Pro-life petitions signed by 3,688 residents were given to the Board. We believe that the Board has yet to review their policy. CEO Laurence Merlis has refused to advise the public. Call him at 215-481-2000 and ask that the Board review now. They are abusing mothers, children and the community.

### Lord, Help Our Nation

**Protestants** – 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday, Planned Parenthood, 12<sup>th</sup> & Locust – 8:30 to 10:30 a.m.

**Catholics** – (The Rosary will be prayed after each of these Masses. **Location in parentheses.**)

2<sup>nd</sup> Friday – 9 am Mass – St. John Chrysostom, 615 S. Providence Rd. Wallingford (RHCC)

3<sup>rd</sup> Friday – 8 am Mass – Nativity Of Our Lord, 625 W. Street Rd. (PP Warminster)

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday – 7 am Mass – Christ The King, Morell & Chesterfield (PP Comly & Blvd.)

1<sup>st</sup> Saturday – 8 am Mass – St. Agnes, West Chester (PP West Chester)

2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday – 9 am Mass – Newman Chapel, U of P, 38<sup>th</sup> & Chest (Wom Med Ctr. 38<sup>th</sup> & Lanc.)

3<sup>rd</sup> Saturday – 7 am Mass – St. John, 13<sup>th</sup> & Market (PP 12<sup>th</sup> & Locust)

4<sup>th</sup> Saturday – 6:30-8:45 am – Phila. Women's Ctr., 8<sup>th</sup> & Cherry followed by 9 am. Mass, Holy Redeemer, 915 Vine

## Kagan Cannot Sit

Confirmation hearings have begun on Elena Kagan's nomination to the U.S. Supreme Court. She is a full promoter of the Culture of Death – abortion, assisted suicide, "same sex marriage," etc. We must encourage Senators Casey and Specter to vote no. Please contact them and insist that Kagan is too radical to sit on the Supreme Court for the next 30+ years. Sen. Casey-202-224-6324; Sen. Specter-202-224-4254.

## Signs of Hope From Our Youth

No thinker can deny that the Culture of Death began with sexual promiscuity, boosted by "the Pill." Those who sold this prescription for our current disaster – PP, Siecus, Playboy, etc. – remain largely unconvicted by public opinion, but messengers of hope are present also. Generation Life has celebrated their 10<sup>th</sup> birthday. The Pa. Senate just saluted them by naming June as *Chastity Awareness Month* and citing their work in reaching over 30,000 young people each year. On June 28<sup>th</sup>, the *Inquirer* chose page B-9 to recognize a group of young African American women known as Teen Shop, who have taken a "vow of celibacy" until marriage. Founded in 1985, some 3,000 girls have gone through the program. Learn more about Generation Life at [www.generationlife.org](http://www.generationlife.org).

## Abortion Culture Growth

Vicki Evans received her Licentiate in Bioethics from Regina Apostolorum Pontifical Univ. Her degree thesis was *Commercial Markets Created by Abortion*. She documented the financial growth of the abortion industry from \$810 million in 2003 to over **\$1 billion in 2008**. She disclosed the many clinical trials that PP takes for the pharmaceutical industry. Evans pointed out the growth of the market of fetal parts, fetal tissue and cells. She emphasizes that society must address the problem of the commercialization of abortion. The constant participation in immoral acts inevitably leads to the rationalization of what it means to be human.