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

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UPDATE**



Abington Hospital Merger Cancelled



Readers have followed the controversy regarding the proposed merger of AMH & HR. It's been a difficult few weeks and those opposing life and the abortion industry have had their friends in the media do much of the work. Lies were believed and repeated, and facts were rarely checked. The pro-life voice was completely, intentionally hidden from the news. Local citizens have petitioned the Hospital for over 30 years to end their abortion policy. We collected and delivered names. Well attended vigils have been held every month. The annual open board meeting has been attended year after year with area residents expressing their great sadness with the abortion policy at AMH. Abington physicians, nurses and other

employees joined the cause. Those that oppose life use everything they have to keep evil going. They won't stop for a minute to consider what they are celebrating *the loss of life* -the loss of young boys and girls, perfectly made in God's image and likeness. The so called "defects" that are so offensive to the culture of death, are to us, perfections of humanity. And, for that we all must be profoundly grateful that God has called us to partake in building a culture of life. We can become weary and tired and think, "Why even try?" But, everything we do has infinite value. Every sacrifice we make, every time we joyfully stand for life, we remind our opponents on the other side that we will never tire of this work. **Join us August 5th from 2 to 3pm. Be a witness at Abington Hospital!**

Jewish Teaching

This quote from an article regarding the Abington merger was particularly offensive. *"Jewish tradition mandates an abortion in the event that carrying a fetus to term would endanger the life of the mother."* Does Jewish tradition or any other tradition mandate the direct and intentional killing of an unborn child? Instead, the truth is, *"Our halakhic law on abortion, the consensus of which allows for abortion only when the physical life of the mother is in imminent danger, is rarely operative today. Modern obstetrics and gynecological medicine have made this exception almost obsolete. Even when the mother is imminently threatened, the preferred course of action would be to save the mother, not by terminating the life within her, but by removing her living child and using life support to promote its viability."*

<http://jewishprolifefoundation.org>



Support Those Standing for Marriage and Family

* Dan Cathy, President of **Chick-fil-A**, was quoted last week. "We are very much supportive of the family - the biblical definition of the family unit. We are a family-owned business, a family-led business, and we are married to our first wives. We give God thanks for that." For this statement, homosexual activists and their media allies are disparaging Mr. Cathy and his company. We salute him for his courage in speaking the truth and celebrating the family. The family is the cornerstone of society and it needs our support.

* The **Boy Scouts of America** recently re-affirmed its support of the traditional family and against allowing active homosexuals from membership and leadership positions. Their chief executive, Bob Mazzuca, stated "The vast majority of the parents of youth we serve value their rights to address issues of same-sex orientation within their family, with spiritual advisers, and at the appropriate time and in the right setting."

Upcoming Event

The Kings Men 3rd Annual Golf Tournament: Monday August 27th at BCC. The day includes Mass, lunch, dinner, great prizes and giveaways, as well as a succulent pig roast dinner for spouses and children of golfers at no additional charge!! This year there will be a free golf clinic for all women golfers at 11:30 AM. Please visit www.thekingsmen.org/SpecialEvents. Any questions please contact mark@thekingsmen.org.

Be a Driving Force!

Wouldn't it be great to share the pro-life message everywhere you go? One of the great programs we have in our State is the availability of a Choose Life License plate. For a one-time cost of \$44, you can have one! The Commonwealth receives \$24 and \$20 goes directly to pregnancy homes and centers. This is an effective way to Stand for Life. Visit www.pachoose-life.org or call 215-885-2919.



Pro-Life Mass

Please join us on Saturday, September 15th in Center-City Philadelphia for an outdoor Mass at 12th & Locust Street, Phila. 19107 at 10 a.m. Fr. Christopher Walsh is the celebrant. After Mass, a gathering will occur at a Center-City location. The Pro-Life Union, Generation Life, The King's Men and Helpers of God's Precious Infants are sponsoring this Mass. For additional info, call 215-885-8150 or visit www.prolifeunion.org.



This Election Needs You!



The re-election of President Obama means that many additional deadly harms will occur. These harms include the implementation of the extensively anti-life Obamacare, additional pro-abortion U.S. Supreme Court Justices and further attacks on religious liberty. **Thus, pro-life citizens have an obligation to do our best to defeat Barack Obama and other pro-abortion candidates in this election.**

Our organization and the Pro-Life PAC of S.E. Pa. offer you effective opportunities to fulfill that obligation. We seek volunteers to engage in extensive literature distributions and phone calling campaigns. The phone calls occur at Victory Centers in each of our area's five counties. You can obtain additional information about these activities and centers by visiting our website or by calling 215-885-4237.

We need pro-life citizens involved in this election more than ever! Please apply the recent message from Philadelphia Archbishop Charles Chaput. *"We need to 'speak out,' not only for religious liberty and the ideals of the nation we love, but for the sacredness of life and the dignity of the human person – in other words, for the truth of what it means to be made in the image and likeness of God."*

Gender Based Abortion

In late May, the U.S. House voted on H.R. 3541, which would have prohibited abortions based on the babies' gender. In many countries, including the U.S., many abortions are committed to prevent the birth of female children. A two-thirds majority was necessary for passage. It failed with a 246-168 vote. Those who support abortion do so with a satanic dedication. Voting against life – **Brady, Fattah & Schwartz**.

Supporting Obamacare

On July 11th, the House voted on H.R. 6079 which would have repealed the "Affordable Health Care Act," aka Obamacare. Voting for Obamacare from our area were **Brady, Fattah, Schwartz** and **Holden**. The U.S. Senate will not consider this repeal.

From Harrisburg

As previously noted, the performance of our "pro-life" Administration and Legislature has been quite disappointing. Only the Facility Bill has become law. That new law became effective on 6-19-12 and it has already resulted in the closure of eight abortion chambers. The Legislature will meet again for ten legislative days in September and October 2012. We hope that at least Obamacare abortion opt-out will go to the Governor. If the House would pass S.B. 3 or the Senate would pass H.B. 1977, the Governor will sign.

State Budget

The new 2013 Budget contains \$8.3 million for "family planning." Thus, our state funds will further stoke the sexual plague of teen fornication. In our area, the Family Planning Council of S.E. Pa. handles most of these funds from Harrisburg and D.C. In the year ending 6-30-11, they received some \$18 million of public funds. About \$6 million (yes, one-third!) went to employees. The balance of \$12 million went to PP and other entities for contraception, et al.

Philly Sinks Lower

Rather than use its power to encourage young people on self respect, marriage and family, City government continues to deluge them with condoms. The Philadelphia Dept. of Public Health (Commissioner Donald Schwarz) has now launched "She Takes Control." Yes, apparently every girl should pack condoms. Michael Yudell thinks it's a great idea. Drexel Univ. School of Public Health employs him as a teacher.

Briefs

- ✓ The Regnerus Study from the Univ. of Texas has reported in the June issue of *Social Study Research* what we all know, but is denied by our culture. Children brought up in a same gender "family" fare poorly in life-success, i.e., education, relationships, etc., scoring lower in 25 of 40 categories.
- ✓ The current U.S. debt is rising \$3.02 billion per day and is attracting increased attention in the moral community. It goes beyond economy. At this time, each new American owes \$50,745.
- ✓ In California, the State Senate is considering the licensing of nurses to commit abortions (S.B. 1338). It provides that 2-5 days training would permit an R.N. to abort. This is of vital interest to Planned Parenthood.
- ✓ Pres. Obama has added another Planned Parenthood (PP) exec to his team. Tait Sye, former PP media director, is now Secretary for Public Affairs at H.H.S. Sye is already selling the Obama healthcare mandate, which would force hospitals to furnish abortifacients, contraception and sterilization.