

Yuba-Sutter Right to Life Committee

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Vote for Life

If ever an election emphasized the importance of every vote, it was the 2000 presidential race. Prior to that election, the National Pro-Life Religious Council issued a statement that in part included the following, which remains pertinent:

Christians, when they enter the voting booths, do not cease to be members of the Church... We are called to live the Gospel vigorously and publicly, and to choose leaders who promote justice and morality. Given the fact that no threat to human life in our society claims more victims than abortion, and given the fact that no other rights can be enjoyed unless one is born, we urge voters to give priority consideration to the fundamental right to life as the keystone for all the other good they hope to bring about as a result of their vote.

As well as a privilege, voting is a duty. As long as those committed to abortion on demand hold sway in the halls of power, babies will continue to be sacrificed.

Yuba-Sutter Fair

The annual fair is our prime opportunity each year for personal interaction and discussion with local residents. This year 2,662 people (1,790 adults and 892 children) made contact with our booth workers, and we distributed hundreds of pieces of literature. Two hundred sixty-six people signed our petition to our United States Senators and Representatives asking them to support a "Life at Conception Act."

The effort we expend to educate our community each year would be impossible without our dedicated volunteers:

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UNICEF

The United Nations Children's Fund (UNICEF) has a long and abhorrent history of promoting abortion in third world countries. *The Washington Times* reported on May 10 that a UNICEF-funded book passed out at the United Nations Child Summit "encourages children to engage in sexual activities with other minors and with homosexuals and animals." Each year hundreds of schools, and even some churches, encourage children to "Trick or Treat for UNICEF". Please be aware of where this money ends up!

Stop Planned Parenthood

Most of you know (and those of you who do not, need to know) that **Planned Parenthood** not only performs more abortions than any other organization in the United States, but also aggressively promotes its pro-abortion, pro-free sex message to millions of our school children.

Father Frank Pavone, of Priests for Life, in a July 15, 2002 article stated, "It is widely known that many American Schools allow Planned Parenthood and similar organizations on campus to discuss abortion, birth control, pregnancy, sexually transmitted diseases and other issues related to the sexual activity of the students." Because it gets into the schools, Planned Parenthood receives huge sums of money from the Federal Government through the Title X program. So, the more they get into the schools, the more money they get, so they can get into more schools.

Father Pavone has an approach to stop this atrocity. Most abortion clinics regularly break the law by failing to report Statutory Rape. Planned Parenthood's abortion clinics have a duty to report any suspected sexual abuse of minors. When a minor comes to them for an abortion, birth control, or pregnancy testing, this is more than enough justification for Planned Parenthood to report. In fact, they do not report.

Litigation is now being brought nationwide against Planned Parenthood and other abortion clinics. This is where the schools come in. If a school district refers students to Planned Parenthood and PP is sued or prosecuted for failure to report, the school is exposed for what is known as "negligent referral." We hope to use this to dissuade schools from making referrals to PP, or even allowing them onto campus.

Every school district in America has received a letter alerting them to this situation. Priests for Life is coordinating an effort to have one or more resident from each school district approach each school board and follow up on the letter that has already been sent. It is hoped that this will cause thousands of school districts to close their doors to Planned Parenthood. YSRTL is ready to proceed in support of this effort, but needs help from you. There are 13 school districts in Sutter County alone, and six in Yuba County. To be placed on the agenda for a school board meeting, one must be a resident of that district. We must meet the aggressiveness of Planned Parenthood with similar aggressiveness to keep them out of our schools. If you are willing to help, contact Maureen Guth at 673-1437 or Miriam Page at 671-5347. We have the information needed to proceed and will have a meeting in October.

If you are interested in attending a local, pro-life tribute to Ronald Reagan sponsored by CA Pro-Life Council on Oct. 5, contact Maureen at 673-1437.

Life Chain

October is Respect Life Month. The annual Life Chain on Sunday, October 6, presents a great opportunity to literally stand for life. This ecumenical movement was started right here in Yuba City in 1986. Watch for details in your church bulletin, or contact Royce Dunn, Please Let Me Live, at 671-5500.

AWF Banquet

Award winning syndicated talk show hostess and author Janet Parshall will be the featured speaker at the Fall Fund-raising Banquet for A Woman's Friend Pregnancy Resource Center and Medical Clinic. The event will be held Saturday, November 16 from 6:30 to 9:30 p.m. at the Main Exhibit Building at the Yuba Sutter Fairgrounds. Tickets are \$20 each. Contact the center at 741-9136 for more information.

Thank you, Mr. President

President Bush recently signed a pro-life bill that provides legal protection to babies born alive following an unsuccessful abortion attempt. The Born Alive Infants Protection Act

guarantees that such children have full legal rights, regardless of their stage of development, and must receive appropriate medical care. The legislation came as a response to reports that babies who survived botched late-term abortions were denied medical attention and left to die.

From California Pro-Life News

FACTS OF LIFE—September 6, 2002: Governor Gray Davis is undoubtedly the most pro-abortion governor California has ever had. At a bill signing "celebration" in San Francisco on Thursday, September 5, arranged by California Abortion Rights Action League, Governor Davis signed SB 1301 **which allows nurse-midwives and others to do drug induced abortions, AB 2194, which attempts to force medical school programs to require abortion training,** and AB 797, which affords confidentiality of addresses of abortion clinic providers, volunteers and patients in voter registration and other public records. Read more about these new laws at <http://www.californiaprolife.org/legislation/legislation.html>.

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