

LifeLine

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A True "Life" Story

In March, Jared Leto won the Oscar award for Best Supporting Actor in "Dallas Buyers Club."

Leto first thanked his mother:

"In 1971, Bossier City, Louisiana, there was a teenage girl who was pregnant with her second child. She was a high school dropout and a single mom, but somehow she managed to make a better life for herself and her children.

"She encouraged her kids to be creative, to work hard and do something special. That girl is my mother and she's here tonight. And I just want to say 'I love you, Mom. Thank you for teaching me to dream.'"

Excerpts: Yoder, Katie;
"He Could Have Been Aborted..." LifeNews; 3 Mar 2014

Miss Pennsylvania's Story

Talented and beautiful with a strong faith in God, Valerie Gatto recently was crowned Miss Pennsylvania 2014.

Her mother was raped at knife-point and managed to escape her attacker, but soon realized she was pregnant with the rapist's child. Planning to give her baby up for adoption, unyielding support from family members changed her mind.

The rapist was going to murder her mother, but a bright flash of light caused him to pause, not wanting onlookers to see her and what he was doing to her.

Hard work, sacrifice and a positive attitude enabled Valerie to graduate magna cum laude from the University of Pittsburgh and pursue acting opportunities.

Excerpts: Ertelt, Steve;
"Miss Pennsylvania..." LifeNews, 3 Mar 2014

[In general, our nation supports abortion for all victims of rape – as though the baby is not a baby. What a shame! Ed]

PP Lies About NuvaRing

NuvaRing is a hormonal birth control device. Planned Parenthood says NuvaRing is awesome. Vanity Fair disagreed and exposed its ugliness.

In its January, 2014 issue, Vanity Fair tells of two college students who went to clinics in New York, inquiring about their use of NuvaRing.

Visiting a Brooklyn Planned Parenthood clinic, the students told of their families' histories of heart issues and diabetes and asked about using NuvaRing. The clinic's nurse practitioner was still willing to give them NuvaRing.

Erika Langhart, 24, died on Thanksgiving Day 2011 of a massive pulmonary embolism caused by her use of NuvaRing. Her parents filed a lawsuit against Merck and the McKesson Corporation, the largest distributor of prescription drugs in North America.

The leading attorney for the plaintiffs, Hunter Shkoinik, upon hearing a deposition by the original maker of NuvaRing, said:

"I called my daughters and said, '**Do not ever use any third- or fourth-generation birth control. It could kill you.**'"

Excerpts: Stanek, Jill; "Vanity Fair Busts PP..." LifeNews; 3 March 14

Faith Challenge

When measured in terms of murderous violence, the abortion culture of the last 41 years surpasses all other forms of inhumanity in all of history.

In the midst of this barbarism rings God's command: "...nor shall you stand idly by when your neighbor's life is at stake." Lv 19:16b. Our unborn neighbor's life is at stake, and with fear and trembling we should ask ourselves,

"Am I part of the solution to this inhumanity?" Because if we are not part of the solution, we are part of the problem.

LIFE Runners board member, Rob Rysavy; 10 Mar 14

The President's Corner

What happens when abortion supporters attempt to justify the killing of babies?

When asked when she thinks life starts, Cecile Richards, President of Planned Parenthood, says, "I don't know that it's really relevant to the conversation" concerning abortion.¹

"You cannot make progress on gender equality or broader human development without safeguarding women's reproductive health and rights," declares Hillary Clinton. "That is a bedrock truth."² [Really?!]

Antonia Senior, a columnist for the Times of London, insists women "must be prepared to kill" unborn children in order to protect their autonomy.³

In other words, these abortion supporters dehumanize part of the human family, just like slaveholders dehumanized those with a dark skin color and Nazis dehumanized those of Jewish descent.

Worse, though, is **that these people are dehumanizing their own children!** So, in trying to make a case for "women's rights" and "autonomy," these people are willing to destroy their own families, thereby demonstrating the *real* inhumanity in the matter.

¹Susan Berry, "Planned Parenthood's Cecile Richards: 'I Don't Know That It's Really Relevant' When Life Begins," Breitbart.com, 2 March 2014

²Dan Merica, "Clinton ties 'broader human development' with women's reproductive rights," CNN.com, 7 March 2014

³Kathleen Gilbert, "Women 'Must Be Prepared to Kill' Unborn Children to Protect Autonomy: Times Writer," LifeSiteNews.com, 6 July 2010

Matt

"Where Will You Go?" - # 2

This is part 2 of the Letter to the Editor from Maria Sachs about living in Germany with the Nazis during the 2nd world war.

After the Second World War was over, we were "liberated" by the Communists. They liberated us from our property (if there was any left), our morals, our rights and freedoms, and of our very souls.

They taught us a new philosophy which dehumanized the person and saw his value only as it related to the State. I witnessed again how the devaluation of human life broadened to include the "elimination" of the unborn, the mentally or physically retarded, the burdensome elderly, the sick and crippled, and finally, those who had to be eliminated because of their religious or political beliefs.

They offered youth permissive sex and abortion: our women became "liberated" and, in exchange, we murdered our next generation, our elders and loved ones. We turned against God and His Commandments, we gave up our freedom as individuals, mostly we gave up our self-respect.

To be continued in the May newsletter

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Our Ongoing Proposition...

If you have e-mail, would you like to receive your newsletter by that mode?

If so, e-mail your name and address (for positive identification) to "join the crowd!" contact@ppcitizensforlife.org

If you have strong feelings toward promoting and defending Life, come be a vibrant, new voice for the voiceless. Join PPCFL.

Please consider becoming a part of our Board and meeting with us the 2nd Monday of each month. Please call us at 630-1999.

On the sidewalk beside Planned Parenthood

Pray for great brooms to sweep clean the sidewalks of dark spirits, and for God's presence to bathe that place in His light and love.

Especially pray for the women, men and babies going in to have their lives changed forever

Thanks to Kathy Welch

RU 486 is NOT Safe!

A common “chemical” abortion being taken by women is RU 486 (Mifeprex). The notorious chemical abortion is actually a two-drug combination.

First, **mifepristone is taken to block the hormone** that creates and sustains the safe, nurturing environment in the womb where the baby is growing.

Misoprostol, taken a day or so later, causes powerful uterine contractions to dislodge the now starved baby.

Abby Johnson took the RU 486 regimen while still working for Planned Parenthood.

She was in **severe pain, vomiting and profuse bleeding for 12 hours**. She continued to lose large amounts of blood for eight weeks.

When she called PP to explain her side effects, she was told those effects were “normal.”

No type of abortion should ever be considered “safe!” Never for the baby; never for the mother!

Excerpts: LifeSiteNews, 22 Nov 13; World, 5 Oct 12

Decline of Surgical Abortions **Increase of Chemical Ones**

According to the Guttmacher Institute’s latest abortion report (2011), the number of surgical abortions has declined.

However, chemical abortions have increased about 20% since 2008. Actually, the misoprostol [see RU 486 above] is a common anti-ulcer drug, which does the major dirty work in the chemical abortion field.

Women can access that drug without going to an abortuary. It is sold on the black market or at flea markets or the like.

Hence, the total number of abortions may well **have risen** between 2008 and 2011.

Guttmacher admits to being unable to count these “do-it-yourself” abortions. However, more and more of these women may show up at our local emergency rooms.

Excerpts: (Director of education for National Right to Life) O’Bannon, Randy, Ph.D; “While Abortions decline...” LifeNews; 12 Feb 2014

The American College of **Pediatricians Responds to** **Belgium and the Netherlands**

It is the role of every medical professional to deliver care to ailing patients with compassion, always striving to preserve the patient’s life and dignity.

The American College of Pediatricians is appalled by Netherlands’ recent legalization of Neonatal Euthanasia and Belgium’s legalization of euthanasia for terminally ill children of any age, and alerts healthcare professionals to the possibility of similar legislation in the United States.

The concept of euthanasia is based on a utilitarian worldview defining the value of the individual in terms of the individual’s contribution to society. This ideology relegates neonates, especially those infants with congenital defects, to an expendable status. Dr. Den Trumbull states:

“This belief system underlies many of the current proposals for the allocation of healthcare resources in America. Even the Affordable Care Act (ACA) prescribes that scarce resources be focused on adolescents and adults under 50.

“The youngest who have not yet contributed to society and the oldest that have already ‘lived long enough’ are to receive only [minor, if any] interventions. Under this system, certain newborn infants would be considered the least worthy to be recipient of available medical resources.”

Physicians are healers not killers. An individual’s future quality of life cannot be predicted by care-givers. The role of the physician is to promote health, cure when possible, and relieve pain and suffering as part of the care they provide.

The intentional neglect for, or taking of, a human life is never acceptable, regardless of health system mandates.

The killing of infants and children can never be endorsed by the American College of Pediatricians and should never be endorsed by any other ethical medical or social entity.

20 Feb 2014

Reported by Dave Andrusko; LifeNews; 2/20/14

[How good that an American physicians group took a stand against euthanizing children! ed.]

"Brain Dead" Teenager Awakens

A student at BYU, Lexi Hansen, 18, was riding her longboard while crossing the street in a crosswalk. She was hit by a car and suffered critical head injuries.

She was in a coma and tests indicated that she was brain-dead when she was brought to Utah Valley Regional Medical Center in Provo.

The following Sunday, she opened her eyes and kept them open for nearly an hour as her family sang hymns. While they sang, she hand signed, "I love you."

Lexi's mother, Marcia Hansen, said: "Every single day is a miracle. It was zero percent when she was found. But almost everything [now] is positive."

On Monday, Lexi, a student at BYU, had her breathing tube removed and started breathing on her own. She then began speech and physical therapy.

Excerpts: Ertelt, S; "'Brain Dead' Teenager..."
LifeNews, 10 March 14

The Colorado "Milestone"

On April 25, 1967, Governor John Love (R) signed into law the **first legalization of abortion in the United States.** Richard Lamm carried the bill.

The State of Colorado no longer reports the number of deaths caused by abortion in our state.

The public continues to need education about the reality and value of all human life from fertilization until natural death.

The generations since 1967 have heard the subtle whisper that life is not precious; particularly the lives of the preborn.

We cannot – **must not!** – stop working to inform all who will listen, about the true humanity of the unborn babies from the very beginning of their lives.

Let us all observe Friday, the 25th with some time in prayer in our homes, in our churches, and beside Planned Parenthood, with other concerned Christians.

May God "hear from heaven" and **heal our land!**