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## Join Us on the March for Life!

Friday, January 24<sup>th</sup> is the date of the 47<sup>th</sup> annual March for Life. In this newsletter you will find a list of buses leaving from the Butler area for the March. Butler County has been sending marchers to the March for Life ever since the first March in January 1974 -- one year after the Supreme Court legalized abortion in the United States.

The theme of this year's March is: **Life Empowers: Pro-Life is Pro-Woman.** This coming year marks the 100<sup>th</sup> anniversary of women winning the right to vote in our country. Many people don't realize that those early suffragists were advocates, not only of women's rights, but also of the abolition of slavery and condemnation of abortion and infanticide. Pro-Lifers today peacefully advocate for equality of the unborn.

The March for Life is one of our most powerful tools in lobbying our legislators, and in educating our friends and family. Spending the day with 100,000-200,000 like-minded Pro-Lifers is an inspiring experience. In a local Respect Life class this Fall, a 7<sup>th</sup> grade student shared with the class that his friend had attended last year's March for Life. When asked what the friend had told him about the March, he replied: "It changed my life".

Attending the March for Life will change your life, too.

Will You Join us this year at the March for Life?

# **Have YOU Registered to Vote?**

2020 is a Presidential election year and you cannot vote Pro-Life if you cannot vote!

Anyone who recently moved or recently turned 18 must register to vote. You can register by:

- Calling the Butler County Bureau of Elections at 724-284-5308.
- Visiting the Butler County Bureau of Elections at the Courthouse.
- Visiting the PA online registration site: votesPA.com.

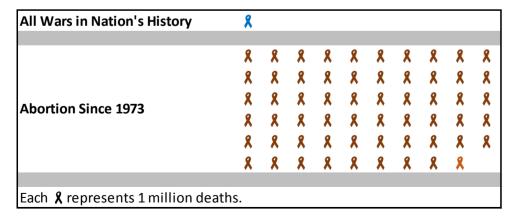
The Spring primary in Pennsylvania is April 28, 2020. The last day to register to vote in the Spring primary is 3/30/2020.







Another year and another ribbon to add to the graphic below highlighting the enormous loss of life in our nation due to abortion.



# **Donations**

## In Memory of:

Bud Wellman by Madeline Wellman Patricia Liberto by William Liberto

## **Praying for:**

Dear sister Carol Foster by Dianne Lasky Mom's and sister's health & wholeness by Dianne Lasky

#### Other:

- Daniel Jonczak
- Dean & Kathryn Helfer
- Dianne Lasky
- Anonymous at Farm Show
- Anonymous at Flea Mkt

Special thanks also to those of you who contribute but desire anonymity. We are grateful for your support!

# Your Generosity is Appreciated!

Pennsylvanians for Human Life is committed to promoting the dignity and value of human life in the region. We produce this newsletter, maintain a presence at the annual Butler Farm Show and help facilitate attendance at the yearly March for Life in Washington, DC, all of which entail a cost

With this newsletter you will find a fundraising envelope for Butler PHL. We ask that you consider contributing to the cause. If you would like to make a donation in memory of a deceased loved one or in honor of a living loved one, please include a note to that effect. We will endeavor to mention all donors and any honorees in the next newsletter (unless you indicate a wish for anonymity).

If donating, please note that our treasury function has been assumed by the Pittsburgh office. Please continue to send any donations to our Butler address (PHL - Butler Chapter, PO Box 93, Butler PA 16003-0093). We want to still be able to offer thanks and recognition to our donors. *However, if you are donating with a check, please make the check payable to PHL (without the Butler reference) or PHL Educational Trust Fund.* Donations made out to the educational fund are tax deductible. We in the Butler branch will be transporting these donations to the Pittsburgh office on a regular basis.

God Bless, and thanks very much for your generosity!

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# Winning (cont'd from page 4)

"We've heard the pained testimonies of post-abortive women haunted by regret, and we've heard the shaken voices of workers who've exposed the lies of the abortion industry after abandoning it."

"We now know that a majority of women feel coerced into aborting, countering the false-hood of empowerment, and we now know that pain-capable babies are killed in a way that preserves their organs for harvesting and sale, reducing them to a mere commodity."

Finnerty is right on the mark. Even while recognizing pro-life gains, the New York Times makes excuses that miss the main point. "That is the miscalculation not acknowledged in the article- that 47 years of legalized abortion has provided all the evidence needed to prove it is wrong. This evidence has formed a tenacious resolve in the heart of the pro-life movement, a resolve to never rest until the genocide of the pre-born is ended."

Sourced from PA Pro-Life Federation

# **Essay/Oratory Contests**

#### **Essay Contest**

- Open to PA students in grades 7-12.
- Write a pro-life essay about abortion, infanticide, euthanasia or stem cell research.
- Word limit: 500 for grades 7-9, 750 for grades 10-12.
- Essays must include a completed cover page from: www.paprolife.org/for-students.
- Winners will receive cash prizes!

Please submit entries by March 2, 2020 to lifelines@paprolife.org or mail to:

PA Pro-Life Federation 4800 Jonestown Rd, Suite 102 Harrisburg, PA 17109-1741

#### **Video Oratory Contest**

- ♦ Senior contest open to Pennsylvania students in 11th and 12th grades.
- Novice contest open to students in 9th and 10th grades.
- ◆ Cash prizes awarded for first through third place winners. Senior contest grand prize is an all-expense paid trip to the 2020 National Right to Life Pro-Life Oratory Contest.

The deadline to enter is April 10, 2020. For contest guidelines and details, please visit paprolife.org/for-students.

# **Legislative Update**

The PA legislature has been busy with several Pro-Life bills:

- HB 321 Down Syndrome Protection Act. This bill would have banned abortions for the sole reason of a Down Syndrome diagnosis. This bill **passed** the PA House and Senate, but was **vetoed** by Gov. Wolfe.
- HB 1890 Fetal Remains Bill. This bill would require that all aborted or miscarried babies be respectfully buried or cremated. This bill **passed** the PA House and is pending in the PA Senate. **CONTACT YOUR PA SENATOR!**

We need to thank our PA Senators and Representatives who voted for these Pro-Life bills.

Other bills are still pending in the PA and US legislatures; we urge you to check out current legislative activity on the PHL website, phlbutler.org.

# **40 Days for Life**

This Fall saw another successful 40 Days for Life Vigil. Nationally, there were 738 babies' lives saved (that we know about) and 5 more abortion workers who quit their jobs!

The Spring Vigil will run from Feb. 26 –April 5, from 7am-7pm every day at the Planned Parenthood facility at 933 Liberty Ave., Pgh. For more information, or to schedule your time slot, contact Nikki Bruni at 412 926 9413.

The 40 Days for Life Campaign encompasses Prayer and Fasting, as well as standing Vigil at Planned Parenthood. We are trying to find individuals or groups to join us in prayer in their own homes or churches during this 40-day Vigil; we are especially interested in fostering prayer during the hours of 7pm -7am, when there is no one at the Vigil. We have had contact with Prison Ministries and Perpetual Adoration Chapels, to encourage prayer partners.

If you are part of a prayer group that would like to join us in prayer during the 40 Days for Life, please contact Gretchen Cararie at 724 898 2529. We can provide daily devotionals for your use.

# Trump's Pro-Life Progress in the Judiciary

As of November 2019, President Trump had appointed -- and gotten confirmed -- **158** lifetenured federal judges who will defend our Constitution, personal freedoms and the rule of law!

- President Trump's nominees alone fill one-quarter of the seats on our nation's Circuit Courts of Appeal.
- His nominees fill two of the nine powerful seats on America's Supreme Court.
- He has seen more Circuit Court judges confirmed by this point in his presidency than any past president in US history.

It does make a difference who our President is and what he believes!

#### THANK YOU, PRESIDENT TRUMP!

# Winning the War Against Abortion

No less than the unapologetically pro-abortion New York Times recently ran an article admitting that the pro-life position is winning. "How a Divided Left is Losing the Battle on Abortion" blames a number of factors for putting "abortion access at its most vulnerable point in decades," among them:

- Complacency that developed during Obama's presidency;
- Planned Parenthood's shift in focus from patients to politics;
- A lack of coordination between national abortion lobbies and smaller, local abortion centers, and:
- President Trump's unexpected election victory.

While interesting and surely lacking some truth, the New York Times fails to understand all that has changed since *Roe v. Wade*. Bonnie Finnerty, the Education Director at PA Pro-Life Federation, lists a number of things we have experienced that also account for the currently strong pro-life movement.

"We've seen the undeniable humanity of the pre-born baby through advanced ultrasound technology, a tool not available pre-Roe."

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# **Butler County Bus Captain List - 2019 March for Life**

Please call for departure dates and times.

#### **Butler County Coordinator**

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#### Reminder

The March for Life is scheduled a bit earlier, on *January 18th*, *a Friday*, this year. Please join us for this worthwhile effort in defense of life!

# Buses 1 & 2: Butler City Bus (St. Paul, St. Peter, St. Michael, St. Andrews, St. Fidelis)

Captain: Ed and Barbara Hoyt

Phone: 724-283-9070 Cell: 724-256-6801 bad57hoyt@gmail.com

Assistant Captain: Ray Ferguson

Phone: 724-282-4298 ray ferguson2@yahoo.com

# Bus 3: Glade Mills (Holy Sepulcher and St. Kilian)

Captain: Scott & Allison Kliber Stickney

Phone: 724-481-1334 klibstick@gmail.com

# Bus 4: Cranberry Township (St. Ferdinand, St. Gregory, Holy Redeemer)

Captain: Bill Slusser Phone: 724-772-7962 Slusser4@consolidated.net

### Bus 5: Herman (St. Mary)

Captain: John Hinterlang Phone: 724-352-9384 john@thehinterlangs.net

#### Bus 6: Cabot (St. Joseph)

Captains: Brian and Provie Hartle

Phone: 724 816 5920 brianahartle@gmail.com

Co-Captain: Cecilia Love

724 822 0614

cillove86@gmail.com

### Buses 7-8-9: Cardinal Wuerl North Catholic High School

Phone: 412-321-4823 info@northcatholic.org

#### Bus 10: VAN Gospel Fellowship PCA Church

Captain: Bill Hohman Phone: 724-898-3322

desmo900@consolidated.net



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