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It has been twenty years and counting since I first became active in the pro-life cause, which includes the writing and reading of thousands of articles and correspondence (both in and out), some of which suggest where we are headed as a society. One letter that struck me was by Henry Morgentaler; dated Nov. 7th, 1998, and addressed to the Daily News, it was published in papers across Canada. He wrote, "I predicted a decline in crime and mental illness 30 years ago when I started my campaign to make abortion in Canada legal and safe." (Note: neither is true, it would seem.) The theme of his letter was that abortion was a cure, more or less, for crime and mental illness. It seemed rather absurd to me, for any reduction in population would likely reduce many things. My attention was drawn to another article on file. In *The Futurist*, 1990, Arnold Brown pointed out that statistical devices used to measure the economy are flawed, for they fail to take into account **exonomic** factors; that is, unmeasured forces such as natural disasters, climate change shifts, and terrorism that can determine economic realities. He went on to say that other **exonomic** factors included morality, voting, law and order, **abortion**, and race. (He noted that abortion is a factor but the connection is never made in the mainline media when they discuss economic downturns.) Then there are environmental factors such as toxic gases, acid rain, ocean resources, and the rain forest, as well as other issues such as mental health. All I can say is "wow." Could it be that **part** of the reason for the economic woes, that we are now facing, is that we are missing 3 to 4 million children lost in the past 40 years to abortion? Does this loss account in part for the decline of the family, termed the 'living cell' of the community? It would appear what has been sowed perhaps is coming to fruition. It is time for those who influence public opinion and supposedly guard the future to take a second look at things that really matter: e.g., family, children, morality. When will our society's public-opinion leaders start supporting these important concerns? Of course, abortion and the re-shaping of families by government intervention is wrong and should be protested loudly.

I would like to encourage everyone to promote the Gabriel Project in your community. (For an overview go to, www.clcns.com/gabriel.htm). At the first workshop in NS, which is about to begin, we will be speaking on pro-lifers' willingness to assist women struggling to cope with unplanned pregnancies.

Good news does come from time to time: I'd like to announce that Tom Wappell, former MP from Toronto, has accepted the position of legal counsel for CLC Canada. Tom brings with him a wealth of experience politically as a former member of the parliamentary all-party Pro-life Caucus. Tom will be visiting with CLC NS in March.

Hopefully in 2009 we can, via the Gabriel Project, provide aid and support to pregnant mothers and their children. We will be able to influence the public and educate people about the effects of abortion today in the future of our country. This too will underline the intrinsic value of life given to us from God. In the meantime we shall continue to attempt to persuade and educate our politicians. We must be prepared to take a public stand despite our fears and reservations. As the angel Gabriel said to Mary, "Don't be afraid."

This year Ellen and Julie are prepared to go to your church, to your organization, and present what we call "Pro-life 101" a presentation that helps you educate and to win the pro-life debate. Call the office for details (902 861-1982).

We wish to thank you ever so much for your support this past Christmas, for our successful cake and card sales. We are thankful for your prayers and participation in vigils, picketing, and whatever you do for *life*. Our national president Jim Hughes keeps telling us, Don't worry: the battle was already won 2000 years ago. Thanks, Jim!

This time of the month is good for me as I get to write to so many supporters that are not on e-mail and to give you my heartfelt thanks for your support spiritually and financially.

For the life issues,

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Herm Rose Wills



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Happy New Year

If you're like me, you've begun 2009 with a fresh and invigorating commitment that this year will be different! You'll put away all that junk food and pick up... it's so hard to swallow.... a salad and water!

As we commit ourselves to accomplishing our physical goals, I trust we will also commit ourselves to speaking out against the evils of abortion. We must remind ourselves that we are more important than we think. No one is an island. We need each other: isolated islands we're not. To make our pro-life efforts work, we have to lean and support; relate and respond; give and take.

That's the relationship we have with each one of you and why you are so important to us. Your prayers and financial commitment to the cause of life is an investment that counts right now and for eternity. Very little work of lasting value to God's Kingdom is accomplished without people of faith, conviction, and steadfast commitment. You are these people!

**May hope, love, and warmth
be in your heart's possessing,
and may this New Year
bring you and yours many blessings.**

Our year at a glance:

There were the usual office tasks and work on elections, educating elected representatives and informing the public about pro-life, pro-family issues. We held our 1st "March for Life" prayer vigil and rally in May. CLC co-sponsored the first Halifax 40 Days for Life prayer vigil which commenced in September. This was awesome and a great opportunity to meet many of our pro-life supporters. Our 18th annual Life Chain, held in October, was a tremendous success with more than 200 attending. For the first time the event achieved news worthy status on the CTV evening news. November and December were busy with fruit-cake and Christmas card sales, which realized \$1,376.55, our largest profit ever. It took a tremendous amount of work, sorting, mailing and delivering—but it was well worth the effort for Fireside Kitchen (the workshop for intellectually challenged adults) and the Euthanasia Prevention Society also received profits from these sales, to the thanks of all who purchased these cakes and cards. This is one year we can say we began *out of the red!*

Be sure to check out the upcoming events and please plan to participate in this year's March for Life, a critically important event for the pro-life movement. It's a time to come together in solidarity to stand for our beliefs. This year we memorialize the lives of over 3 million children killed during the 40 years of abortion in Canada.

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UPCOMING EVENTS & INFO



SPEAKER:
Jose Ruba, founding member of the Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform

“Echoes of the Holocaust”

A Reflection on the Abortion Issue

Sponsored by:

**St. Mary’s Pro-life Students
& Campaign Life Coalition NS**

Location:

St. Mary’s University
Burke Building, Theater A
Thursday, February 5th at
7: PM



“Case for Life”

Sponsored by:

St. Margurite Bourgeoys Parish

A presentation for **YOUTH** only

Location:

St. James Church
1274 Hammonds Plains Rd.
Sunday, February 8th, 7:45PM

Contact: Simon Gomez
292-3900

2nd ANNUAL MARCH FOR LIFE

This year marks 40 years of no abortion law in Canada. As we plan our 2nd annual March for Life to be held May 13th and 14th, we hope that many of you will attend to publicly witness against the appalling slaughter of our innocent brothers and sisters. The event begins with the candlelight prayer vigil on Wednesday, May 13th and closes with the march to Province House on Thursday, May 14th.

Shameful Media Bias Again in this year’s US March for Life Coverage

Media Totally Ignores US Pro-Life March of 300,000

More than 300,000 people assembled in Washington, D.C. for the 36th Annual March for Life. But as far as media is concerned, it never happened. The New York Times, ABC, CBS, and NBC had absolutely nothing on the March, and absolutely nothing on the 36th anniversary of Roe vs. Wade. Put the word "abortion" into nexus and you get a black hole for that day, and the days that follow.





Poll: Canadians Unaware of Unlimited Abortion, Want Women Given Risk Info

Ottawa, Canada

(LifeNews.com) -- Polls routinely show Canadians are more pro-abortion than their American counterparts, but a new survey helps explain why. Canadians may become more aware... if they understood that abortion is allowed nationwide for any reason throughout pregnancy. A new poll by the Angus Reid polling firm has found that a vast majority of Canadians do not know, under the country's current legal situation, that abortion is permitted at any time from conception up to the moment of birth. The poll found 92 percent of the respondents did not know that is the case. The Angus Reid poll also found virtually everyone polled wanted information about abortion's risks and dangers to be readily available to women contemplating abortion. It found 95 percent said information should be given about the psychological fallout women face from abortions and 96 percent want information distributed about the physical and medical complications abortions produce.



Abuse victims often use the phrase "Silent No More" to indicate their response to being victimized. It may be surprising to some in our society that women from coast to coast are uniting under the banner of "Silent No More" because they have had abortions.

Not illegal "back alley" abortions, but abortions in legal "clinics."

These women do not consider themselves freed, empowered, or ennobled because of their abortion. Rather, they testify that they were enslaved, weakened, and wounded. They were, in short, given a false promise, which is the essence of all temptation. They were told that this "procedure" would solve their problems. Instead, it brought more problems than they care to think about: namely, the whole range of physical and psychological wounds often described by the term "post-abortion syndrome".

Let us pray that all those suffering from post-abortion syndrome will come to experience the healing power of Jesus.

For local information on post-abortion healing contact:

Project Rachel
PO Box 8333, Station A
Halifax, NS, B3K 5M1

Confidential Phone #1 902 423-9955
or email at: projectrachel_halifax@yahoo.ca

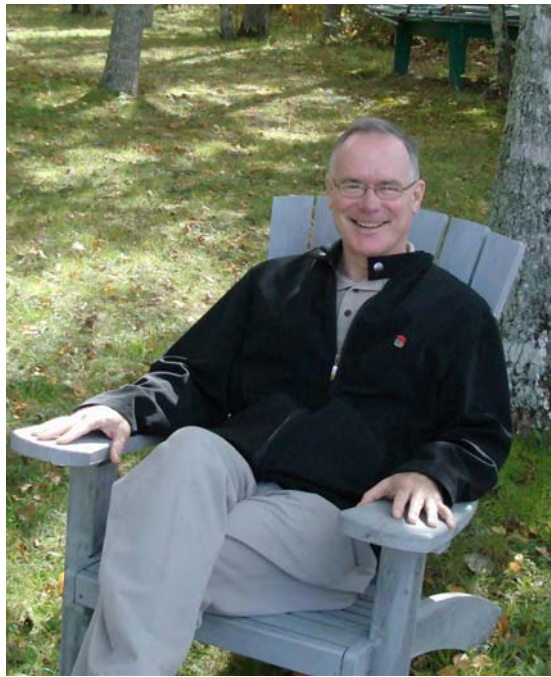


Rosa Parks, Anne Frank, Martin Luther King, Jr.—what do they have in common? Some say determination, some say courage, some say resolve and some may say passion.

While all of these words are truly things these great humans had in common, there is one thing that makes them stand out from others who have been dehumanized: *their voice*. They all had a voice and were able to use that voice to cry out for their lives, their freedom and their humanity.

A voice is something that thousands of innocent pre-born children will never have. It's time we used our voices to proclaim life and freedom for the thousands of our brothers and sisters who are violently killed needlessly every day by abortion.

BOARD MEMBER



PAUL MOORE

I always knew that there was something wrong with the idea of abortion, but it took a reawakening in my Catholic faith and the example of my younger brother John to move me to pro-life activity (John was active in pro-life in Ontario and was arrested several times for rescues in the early 80s—and as a result carried a criminal record until only recently).

I was inspired to become active myself when the Morgentaler abortion facility came to Halifax in 1988. I took part in the rescue at the facility in 1992. I was also a regular picketer at the McCully Street facility for many years, as well as outside the Victoria General Hospital. I have participated in Life Chain from the very beginning and was recently very pleased to take part in 40 Days for Life with my wife Mary Louise. I am a communications professional by trade and in the 90s was fairly involved in media relations and helped out with the writing and editing of a clergy pro-life newsletter. I also served as editor of the short-lived pro-life newsletter, *New Life Style*, in the early 90s.

I can't remember when I joined Campaign Life—then again, I can't remember when I wasn't involved... and I've been a board member for several years and am honored to support the cause of pro-life work here in Nova Scotia.

Pre-Authorized Giving Plan

Campaign Life is pleased to be able to offer pre-authorized monthly donations. This is a tremendous option for CLC because it allows us to schedule our pro-life activities since we know in advance how much support is coming in each month. It is also easy for you our supporters, since you just have to complete a form, send in a void cheque showing amount to be deducted, and then the pre-authorized amount is automatically deducted from your bank account. YOU maintain control of YOUR donation by simply contacting us by phone, e-mail or letter to let us know if you wish to make changes or cancel the plan.

If you would like to donate ten, twenty, fifty dollars or any other amount to Campaign Life each month, simply fill in the form below and mail back to us.

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Signature(s) _____ Date: _____

Other ways you can help by:

Peaceful Picketing (witnessing) Wednesday Mornings 8 a.m. V.G. Hospital, South Street site

Writing your MP, House of Commons, Ottawa, K1A 0A6, on life issues

Be a Contact Person in your Church community

Pray for the unborn and the medically vulnerable, and those involved in pro-life and the abortion industry.

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