

Right To Life of Indianapolis

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...On behalf of the unborn, disabled and elderly.

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News and Activities



Mark your
calendars
for upcoming
RTLTI events

Celebrate Life Dinner
Thursday, September 14th
Indianapolis Convention
Center

Oratory Contest
11th & 12th Grades
Saturday, October 21st
Covenant Christian HS

**Memorial Service for
the Unborn**
Sunday, January 28th
2:00 p.m.
Indiana War Memorial

Bike 'n Hike
Saturday, April 14th
Marian College

**Help us honor these highly regarded and deserving
pro-life individuals at the Celebrate Life Dinner!**

The Charles E. Stimming Award will be presented to:

Mary Alice Boarini (grandmother)
Mary Ann Noble (mother)
Mollie Noble (granddaughter)

Three generations of the Boarini Family have donated the table centerpieces for the Celebrate Life Dinner for over twelve years. Their family personally arranges the flowers the night of the dinner each year.

The Respect Life Award will be presented to:

Dr. Paul Jarrett

Dr. Jarrett is an Obstetrician-Gynecologist who performed abortions in 1974. After 23 abortions he stopped when faced with the reality of the humanity of a baby he aborted. He has been active in the pro-life cause since the early 1980's. He now serves as a medical missionary to Kenya.

**Celebrate Life Dinner, Thursday, September 14th,
Indianapolis Convention Center. To make a reservation,
call 317-582-1526 or visit us on the web at www.RTLindy.org.**

News & Notes

◆ Right to Life of Indianapolis sponsored the walk for Best Buddies of Indiana, an organization that pairs mentally challenged persons with friends. **We support other organizations that promote respect for the disabled and the elderly, because this is our mission.**

◆ **Join other pro-lifers to pray** at the Planned Parenthood at 86th and Georgetown on the first

Saturday of every month. Mass is offered at St. Monica's at 8:15. We encourage people of all denominations to gather at Planned Parenthood, and perhaps hold services beforehand in their own churches.

◆ **Partial Birth Abortion is still legal** because judges in three different district courts struck down the ban. The Supreme Court has agreed to review the constitutionality of the Partial Birth Abortion Ban.

◆ **A Teens for Life meeting** was held on August 9th. Students from Teens for Life clubs in local high schools shared ideas and activities. For information about our Teens for Life program, contact the RTLTI office.

◆ **Thank you to all of the wonderful volunteers** who staffed our educational booths this summer at the CarmelFest, Black Expo, Summer Blitz and State Fair. Thousands of people were reached through your help.

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Are minorities targeted by the abortion industry? Let's look at the facts:



Hispanic American Women

Abortions right here in Indiana in 2004: 738

7% of abortions in Indiana were performed on Hispanic/Latino women

However, Hispanic/Latino population in Indiana: 3.5%

African American Women

Abortions in Indiana in 2004: 2,945

28% of abortions in Indiana were performed on African American women

However, only 8.4% of Indiana's population is African American.

3 out of 5 pregnant African-American women will abort their child.

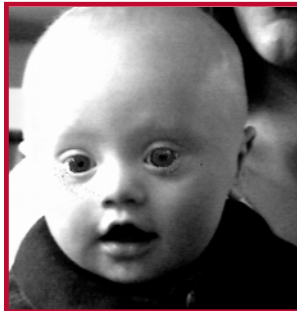


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Studies Reveal Most Down Syndrome Babies Aborted

Many studies now estimate that a shocking 80-90 percent of women who discover their unborn child has Down Syndrome (DS) choose to abort. This situation is compounded by the fact that some of the prenatal DS testing is wrong 20-40 percent of the time. A new study is causing controversy over this issue by revealing that many doctors put pressure on women to have an abortion if their baby is found to have Down Syndrome. In the *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*, Dr. Brian G. Skotko recorded the following results of his study of women who chose to keep their child:

- ◆ 13% of doctors openly reported that they emphasize the negative aspects of DS
- ◆ 10% of doctors actively "urge parents to terminate"
- ◆ One mother reported that her genetic counselor "showed a really pitiful video of people with DS who were very low tone and lethargic and then proceeded to tell us that our child would never be able to read, write or count change."



- ◆ Several mothers reported that their obstetricians had used the word "mongoloid" in describing DS
- ◆ Skotko's study concluded with the following admonishment: "In fact, with the appropriate sensitivity and explanation, **obstetricians can make the births of children with DS celebratory experiences for mothers who choose to continue their pregnancies after receiving prenatal diagnosis.**"
- ◆ *American Journal of Obstetrics and Gynecology*, November 2004.

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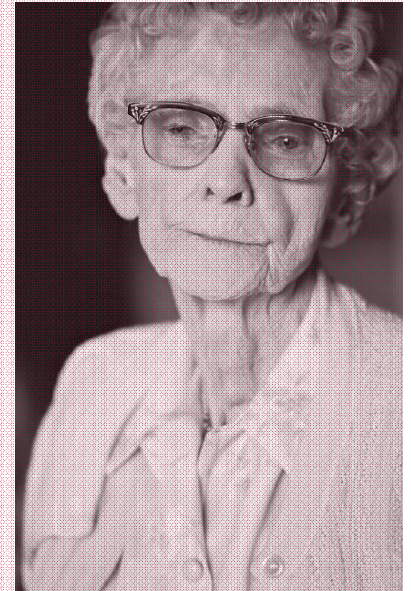
What have you done to show respect for the elderly lately?

Here are some suggestions of ways to show that you care:

- ◆ Read to someone in a nursing home
- ◆ Spend some quality time with grandparents or elderly parents
- ◆ Visit a hospice patient
- ◆ Take lunch or dinner to them
- ◆ If they are able, take them out for a car ride

Beatitudes for Friends of the Aged

*Blessed are they who understand
My faltering step and palsied hand.
Blessed are they who know that my ears today
Must strain to catch the things they say.
Blessed are they who seem to know
That my eyes are dim and my wits are slow.
Blessed are they who looked away
When coffee spilled at the table today.
Blessed are they with a cheery smile
Who stop to chat for a little while.
Blessed are they who never say
"You've told that story twice today."
Blessed are they who know the ways
To bring back memories of yesterdays.
Blessed are they who make it known
That I'm loved, respected, and not alone.
Blessed are they who know I'm at a loss
To find the strength to carry the Cross.
Blessed are they who ease the days
On my journey Home in loving ways.*
-by Esther Mary Walker, 1960.



Residents Object to Dignitas' Body Bags

Residents of a Zurich apartment complex are gathering signatures to evict *Dignitas*, the assisted suicide provider that uses a fourth-floor apartment as the place to end people's lives. Describing it as a "house of horrors," Gloria Sonny, a six year resident of the complex, said, "This place is meant to be a residential flat, but some days you'd think it was a morgue." For many residents, the worst part is seeing these suicidal people in the halls and elevator on their way up to the apartment to die. For other occupants, having to share their elevator with body bags is extremely disturbing. "Almost every day the bodies of people...are taken down in the lift," said Sonny. Kevin Leneveu, another resident said, "It's very creepy. The floors are thin and when we hear movements upstairs, we know that means they're up there, and someone is going to die."

Resource: *Update*, International Task Force Vol. 20 No. 3

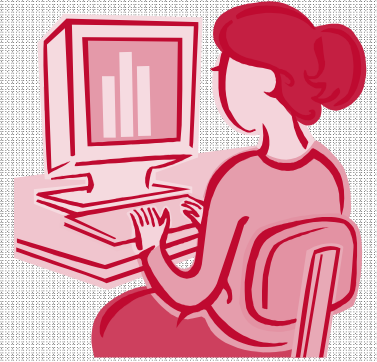
Arrests for Katrina Euthanasia

Dr. Anna Pou and two nurses have been arrested for the murders of multiple hospital patients in the wake of Hurricane Katrina. According to the affidavit, eye witnesses saw Dr. Pou and the nurses administering lethal doses of morphine to patients in the New Orleans hospital. One patient was aware and alert, but because he weighed 380 pounds, Dr. Pou decided that he could not be evacuated. When she gave the patient the lethal shot, she told him that she was giving him something "to help with dizziness." Harry Anderson, spokesman for the corporation which owns the hospital, said, "Euthanasia is repugnant to everything we believe as ethical health care providers, and it violates every precept of ethical behavior and the law."

Resources: Affidavit and Breitbart.com

Don't just Google it! Pro-life search it!

Next time you search the internet, use prolifesearch.com. This search engine is powered by Google with a SafeSearch filter, which weeds out pornography and other offensive sites. Best of all, when a person clicks on a sponsored link, the link pays Google. Google gives part of the proceeds to ProlifeSearch, and ProlifeSearch gives proceeds to pro-life organizations throughout the country, such as yours truly!



Do you have an old car that you want to get rid of?

Donate it to Right to Life of Indianapolis! We will even tow it away for you.

Call 317-582-1526 for more information. Donations are tax-deductible.



It's not too late

to make a reservation for the
Celebrate Life Dinner!

Thursday, September 14, 2006

Indianapolis Convention Center

Social Hour 6:00, Dinner 7:00, Raymond Arroyo 8:00

\$50/person or \$500/table of ten

Register online at www.RTLindy.org

or call 317-582-1526 to pay by phone w/credit card.



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