



A Win for Our Side

Sacramento, Sept. 28..The Governor vetoes the CA. Adolescent Family Life Act, and signs SB 709 into law.

After ten years the Right To Life movement has two successes! This is an occasion for rejoicing. These successes have come about because of the hard and persistent work of the pro lifers in Sacramento and, most especially, because of all of our readers who wrote those letters to their legislators and the Governor. Contacting your legislators, letting them know your position on pro life matters counts.

The passage of Senator Montoya's SB 709 means that for the first time hospital personnel and employees will be informed that they have a right to refuse participation in the abortion procedure. This right has existed in law since 1971 (CA. Health and Safety Code #25955) but never publicized. Now it will be required for the hospital or clinic administration to post notices to this effect.

The veto of SB 1555/AB3225 came as a complete surprise. We believe it was due mainly to the volume of letters the Governor received and to some very thorough investigative work by our own CRLC.

This reporter was informed on at least three occasions that legislators were voting for this bill in large part because it was supported by the California Catholic Conference, a catholic lobbying organization in Sacramento. The bill was also being promoted as acceptable to the right to life organizations because certain wording had been inserted prohibiting the use of funds for abortions. In fact, no pro life group supported this bill nor did the CA. Catholic Conference support it. It would appear that our legislators were deliberately misled. The sponsors of the bill were quite willing to insert a prohibition

on abortion funding because the true intent of the bill was the distribution of contraceptives and had nothing whatsoever to do with abortion.

This bill, if passed would have established family planning centers in high schools. As usual the pro aborts had found an attractive package in which to wrap their merchandise. We are all interested in providing counselling and support services to pregnant women and adolescent parents. We are all interested in encouraging young girls to remain in school and receive a good education in preparation for gainful employment. That was the lure to entice the support of the pro life groups and legislators. Unfortunately many of them fell for it. Had we stood by and done nothing we would have compromised one of our basic values. We would have surrendered all public high school students to the sales pitch of the population controllers.

Our own pro life service agencies such as the Birthrights and Crisis Pregnancy Centers can provide all of the services offered through this family life act and we can do it better. Our organizations work very hard without the support of tax money to provide housing, medical care, good nutritional information, child care and counselling for their clients and they do it without pressuring women to contracept. Testimony before Congressman George Miller's Committee on Children, Youth and families showed that 25% of contraceptors become pregnant. When family planning agencies encourage sexual activity "protected" by contraceptives they are in effect creating a demand for their services. It is the old market place law of supply and demand.

Write to Governor George Deukmejian and thank him for his veto. The address is...The Honorable George Deukmejian, c/o State Capitol, Sacramento, CA 95814.

FAMILY PLANNING AND OUR FUTURE

Q., What will be the effect of block grant funding on the Office of Family Planning?

Block grants to the counties appears to be the Administration's preferred method of handling the funding of population control programs. Current practice involves setting aside state budget money to fund a central, state office located in Sacramento. The OFP was developed during the Brown administration.

For two years in a row Governor Deukmejian has reduced the budget of OFP by \$9.5 million for a total of \$29 million per year. This money is then distributed to local groups such as Planned Parenthood who distribute contraceptives to their clients. The OFP is an agency within the department of Health Services. A few years back OFP gave a large grant to Planned Parenthood to develop a sex education program to be used in the public schools and to train the sex ed. teachers

in its use. This program was so offensive to pro-life and pro-family organizations that a successful campaign was mounted to have it removed from the schools. Unfortunately many teachers had already received the training and possessed the manuals.

Block Grant funding would allow for the closing of the one central office and disburse its activities to the various counties. Each county would be able to include within its budget requests a certain amount that could be used to run a local OFP. The county would receive a block of money which they could use as they saw fit. This would have the effect of creating 58 lobbies (58 counties) rather than the one. This plan is opposed by both Planned Parenthood and pro lifers since only the state would profit by removing OFP lobbyists from the Capitol. The administration believes that local option of family planning activities will bring about greater control while pro lifers feel it will create greater abuses and greater health hazards to our teenagers. The underlying philosophy here is that the administration feels obliged to continue providing the means for people, married or single, to avoid giving birth.

There is no doubt in the minds of pro life activists that the OFP was created as a population control center. What do we mean "Population control? We mean by that, an elitist philosophy of cleansing the population of undesirable groups of people. This can mean anything from eliminating the poor the potentially handicapped, or ethnic subgroupings. The founder of Planned Parenthood, Margaret Sanger, believed that the poor were somehow more fertile than wealthier people and that the poor only begot more poor citizens. Her philosophy permeates the thinking of P.P. to this day. Directing abortion and contraceptive advertising to the poor is not done through compassion for the plight of poor people, but to

suppress their numbers.

When asked if the current administration accepts population control as a necessary function of government an administrative official responded that; "That may indeed have been the value held by the previous administration, but it is not ours." Peter Rank, Health Services Director is quoted as stating, "The Administration remains committed to family planning programs and views them as a beneficial service."

Every individual who believes in the intrinsic value of life and in the value of the family as the core of civilization needs to convey to our legislators and the administration our opposition to government interference in these areas. Whether it is done through abortion or birth control devices the desired result is the same, a government sponsored, pre-conceived notion that controlled growth of population just like controlled redevelopment is a function of government. If we continue to be silent we are tacitly consenting to this takeover of authority.

Our political leaders need to be educated concerning the damage being done to our young people. Today's classroom health education is unhealthy. The family planners have had ten years in which to experiment on our youth and the legislators need to be informed of the havoc they have produced. If you have information concerning specific cases of health damage or sterility resulting from contraceptives or abortions dispensed to young people by state funded family planning agencies the Health Dept., David Swoap, Secretary, and Peter Rank, Director of Health Services need to be told. The address for these offices is 714 P st, Sacramento, CA. 95814. If you wish to maintain confidentiality you may mail your information to our office and we will deliver it to the proper sources. Your evidence may be on tape or in writing.

State Employees not allowed to have a Conscience

State employees whose work touches on the abortion area are not allowed to exercise their right of conscientious objection. Hundreds of state and county employees are required to process medical claims for abortions, state and county fire marshalls must certify newly constructed abortion mills as fire safe (state fire marshalls are called in when an abortion chamber will receive federal funding).

On October 10th, State Fire Marshall Jim Tringham will appear before a board of inquiry to answer charges that he used the state mail to promote the right to life and that he discussed right to life during office hours. This Interogation Hearing will be conducted by Joanne Lowe, Ass't Director, Special Enforcement and Internal Control Dept, Office of State Fire Marshall, Sacramento.

The State Fire Marshall's office approves architectural plans for hospitals

and ambulatory surgical centers among other types of businesses including abortion centers. Jim works out of the Northern Regional Office located in San Leandro which covers the coastal counties from Monterey to the Oregon border.

Jim received a set of plans from architect Gerald Matson of Eureka for a building site owned by Planned Parenthood of Humboldt County located in Eureka. The architect claimed that he only learned of the inclusion of an abortion surgery after agreeing to design the plans. He tried to break the contract but was threatened with a suit if he did. He said to Jim "Do you know what they do in there?" Jim responded, "yes, we do. My wife and I are members of the right to life movement."

The architectural plans did not meet the code, especially the federal regulations entitled the "Life Safety Code" which requires fire alarms and fire walls.

State Employees . . . Continued

A building must meet these requirements if the business is to receive federal funding. The building also did not meet state fire regs because it had a "dead end corridor." This is in violation of Title 24, of the CA. Administrative Code, Chap. 33; sec.3304...

"Exits shall be so arranged that it is possible to go in either direction from any point in a corridor to separate exit, except for dead ends not exceeding 20 ft.in length.

This subsection shall apply to all occupancies, regardless of occupancy load.

Our fire marshall has every reason to believe that the construction of the building was commenced before the plans had been submitted since the order to change the construction was met with violent outbursts by the director of the abortion mill, Michelle McKeegan who also happens to be a member of the state advisory board for the Office of Family Planning. McKeegan began hassling a Deputy Director, Don Truhett, of the Field Inspection Dept. of the Office of State Fire Marshall, Sacramento. In an attempt to prevent McKeegan from further harrassing the department fire code regulations were eased on the building pending cooperation and approval from the local Eureka Fire Dept.

Our member ran into trouble when he decided to send "The Challenge To Be Pro Life" to the architect. He brought the booklet to the office to send it out on his own as personal mail, but instead it got picked up by some clerk and sent out in the state mail pouch. The next thing he knew he received a formal letter on October 3rd notifying him of the interrogation hearing.

After the revised architectural plans had been submitted to the office Jim stated to his supervisor that he did not want to put his signature of approval on the plans due to his pro life belief. He felt it was similar to being called in to Dachau to declare the gas chamber fire safe. However, he was told that he had to sign the plans. He had no choice. He was forced to deny his conscience, he did as he was told, but is being brought up on charges anyway. He has been advised to obtain legal counsel. Fortunately as a member of the Peace Officers Association he has access to legal aide. He just has to hope he draws a pro lifer.

Jim has said that there are dozens of other Planned Parenthood aboretoriums being planned for the near future, especially in the Bay Area. He will most likely be required to sign the plans on

these also. In good conscience he does not want to do it. The dilemma is twofold, if he is allowed to step aside then most likely someone who is pro abortion will step in and sign approval of plans that are shoddy. If he signs the plans he will have to rigidly require that P.P. adhere to the regulations thereby believe that the construction of the building was commenced before the plans had been submitted since the order to change the construction was met with violent outbursts by the director of the abortion mill, Michelle McKeegan who also happens to be a member of the state advisory board for the Office of Family Planning. McKeegan began hassling a Deputy Director, Don Truhett, of the Field Inspection Dept. of the Office of State Fire Marshall, Sacramento. In an attempt to prevent McKeegan from further harrassing the department fire code regulations were eased on the building pending cooperation and approval from the local Eureka Fire Dept.

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ADVERTISING

Do you have a business that you would like to advertise in our newsletter? We publish this newsletter at least four (4) times a year. For \$100. we will print your Ad four times a year. That amounts to \$25.00 each publication. The space allotted will be one-half calling card size. This is similar to ads appearing in church bulletins. Please send us your information and/or a business card from which we can take the information along with your check for \$100. This would be a tax deductible contribution.



EDITORIAL

Success, even on a small scale, is a wonderful thing, especially when it happens so infrequently.

We can have more successes if we all agree to do three things:

1. Gather together 12 people and form a Right To Life Chapter.
2. Network with other groups.
3. Respect the religious and political beliefs of your members.

The past history of right to life development in California has been one of isolationism, each group working independently. The reason being that if the pro aborts couldn't find us they couldn't attack and destroy us. This attitude has done more to defeat us than all the pro aborts' strategy ever could.

Realistic goals, cooperation, dialogue, sharing of talents that's the new name of the game. It worked to bring about the defeat of SB 1555/AB 3225. It can work every time.

Come in out of the cold. Consider becoming a chapter of California Right To Life. We already have three and are working with three others. Look around your community, your county and find other groups who share your concerns and develop friendships and trust.

One caution is to be noted, networking puts you in contact with people of differing faiths and politics. You must constantly remind yourselves that your goal is to save babies from the exterminators not to convert your members to your faith or political party. There is a great temptation to witness your faith to other members, but this is the surest way to destroy your own organization leaving room once again for the exterminators to do their work.

Sharing a common desire to restore respect for life to all human beings is the only criterion. We have a just cause, we are the majority, the time could never be better. Let's get going!

DONATIONS ... *please!*

We operate solely with private donations. The economy is prospering so we are told, but charitable groups are suffering from lack of donations.

We have no paid staff, we recently had to move from a rented office space because we lacked the money to continue there. A generous member has opened her home to our office on a temporary basis. Please, please include us in your generosity.

THERE ARE SEVERAL WAYS TO CONTRIBUTE.

1. Pledge patron. Monthly, quarterly or annually. We mail you a reminder and you send us a check.
2. United Way payroll deduction. Request the Donor Option Card. Write in our full name and address..CA. Right to Life Education Fund, P.O. Box 85, Walnut Creek, CA 94596. Deduction must be at least \$15.00.
3. Combined Federal Campaign designated contribution. This is for federal employees You must write in our full name and address and declare that you want all or part of your contribution to come to us. This is a new program for us.
4. Combined Federal Campaign Designated Contribution to National Right to Life Educational Trust Fund, Donor number 372. 419 7th St. NW, Wash, D.C. 20004. A small portion of this donation will be shared with CRLC.

All patrons contributing \$50.00 or more will receive a monthly update letter on our activities

Newsletter subscription of \$6.00/year. This is renewal time.

C H A P T E R N E W S

The Brentwood chapter of CRLC has been an aggressive defender of the right to life, according to Karen Ballesteros, President. Brentwood, located in East Contra Costa County has consistently contributed educational material to the local newspapers and has witnessed for life at the Antioch Planned Parenthood aboratorium.

They have donated bassinets and baby clothes to adolescent parents and provided them with support and loving attention. They have even come up with cribs through careful inspection of the local garage sales, etc.

October 28th has been designated as Respect Life Sunday in the Oakland Catholic Diocese. In recognition of this request to honor our martyred preborn babies in Contra Costa County the Brentwood Chapter has developed a Respect Life program at the local Catholic Church. The program will begin with a special Mass celebrated by Father Kozina, Pastor of Immaculate Heart of Mary church, Brentwood, After the Mass from 12:00p.m. to 3:00 p.m. there will be, according to Cecilia Valenzuela, Chairman of Special Events, Food for the Mind - education, Food for the soul - music, and Food for the Body - refreshments. Collette Raya has arranged for the music which will be sung during Mass and later during the afternoon program. The entire East County community has been invited to this "Celebration of Life" through invitations to churches and local newspaper ads.

This would be a fine opportunity for pro life members of different faiths to take part in an ecumenical program.

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C L A S S R O O M H E A L T H E D U C A T I O N U N H E A L T H Y

The feminists would have everybody believe that pro life women are timid little creatures incapable of directed activity. Well, that's just not so. A group of women in San Mateo County are an example of well organized, goal oriented concerned citizens.

It all began on July 31, 1981, when the Womens' Ad Hoc Committee for Responsible Government filed suit in the Third Appellate Court, Sacramento, against Barbara Aved then Chief of the Office of Family Planning. Explaining the suit in very general terms, Gloria Gillogley, Chairman of the Committee stated that; "the OFP and the Education dept were cooperating in developing sex education programs for the schools that were, in reality, unhealthy.

The Womens' Committee, now known as the Legal Foundation for Responsible Government, charged that the sex education programs begun in the early 70's were promoting values that were leading to problems of sexual promiscuity, venereal disease, pregnancy and abortion. The legal suit seeking to bring an end to these sexual indoctrination programs has been going on for three years. During this time evidence has been continually gathered to support their claim. Many people, throughout the state, have been quietly gathering documentation on the actual events and activities being presented in the classroom during Family Life and Sex Education programs. An excellent well documented pamphlet outlining the problem is entitled: "Not In The Public Interest; The Planned Parenthood Version of Sex Education." It is printed by the Couple To Couple League.

Litigation is very expensive. Fund raising is a constant activity with this group of women. The Legal Foundation is a non-profit, tax deductible organization. Donations of any amount are gratefully accepted.

Not everyone can be an activist. Not everyone can actively pursue an end to abortion or provide a home for an unwed mother, but your donation can do a great deal to save lives. When you feel exasperated and wonder if "anybody is ever going to do anything" remember the Legal Foundation For Responsible Government and "let your money do the saving!" Send your donation to: Legal Foundation For Responsible Government, P.O. Box 6273, San Mateo, CA 94403.

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**Becoming a
 CRLC Chapter
 or Affiliate**



The CRLC chapter is the "front line" in educational and legislative efforts of the pro-life movement. Without active and effective pro-life activity in your community passage of a Human Life Amendment will never take place.

The CRLC chapter shares the name of the parent group as well as its stationery. The chapter pays \$20 yearly dues, receives a chapter charter, shares its membership list with CRLC and receives a Chapter Manual which offers guidance and helpful ideas in such areas as communications, legislation (both state and federal), membership and development, education, public relations and finance. Implementing these ideas will help your chapter have a major impact on your community and the way your legislators vote on pro-life legislation.

An affiliate does not directly charter with CRLC, but maintains a semi-official relationship with CRLC. An affiliate group often has an official connection with another organization that shares the work of CRLC, but has a somewhat different focus. Student and Church related groups are examples of affiliate groups.

Yes, I would like to become actively involved with California Right to Life in promoting pro-life values. Please contact me.

I realize the monetary contributions are essential to educate the public on right to life issues. Here is my tax deductible donation in the amount of:

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 implement these goals?*

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- share non-profit mailing permit with chapters
- disseminate legislative alerts and voter guides
- develop effective media relations and help chapters do the same
- maintain complete resource library
- publish statewide newsletter
- buy material in bulk
- coordinate workshops and training sessions
- render advice on picketing pro-abortion establishments

What We Can Do Together . . .

- establish a strong statewide citizens lobby to affect state as well as federal legislation
- initiate effective membership drives
- acquire educational equipment for our mutual use
- sponsor programs, etc. featuring national pro-life leaders
- recruit statewide resource people and solicit "in-kind" contributions
- perfect techniques for fund-raising
- provide for the legal distribution of educational materials on a mass basis
- develop a strong pro-life legislative package that will command the legislators' attention

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