

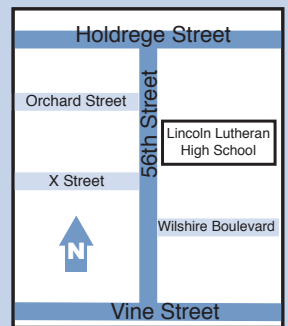
Lincoln Right to Life

Lincoln Pro-Life Speech Contest 2013

Lincoln Lutherans for Life and Lincoln Right to Life are teaming up to present this contest for high school students.

Lincoln Lutheran High School,
1100 N. 56th St., Lincoln
Saturday, April 13

Registration begins at 9:30 a.m.
Contest begins at 10 a.m.



Prizes include:

First place: \$400
Second place: \$300

Third place: \$200

Fourth place: \$50
Fifth place: \$25

Speech Theme: Religious freedom and the HHS mandate - How does it affect the pro-life movement?

For more information and to see contest rules, visit <http://www.lincolnrighttolife.org>, call 402-325-9252 or email russbarger@windstream.net. Registrations can be obtained from and submitted to the same email address.

Make your voice heard, earn some money for college,
and put your speaking ability to important use!

A message from President Matt Tapling

As we confront the culture of death, we must think globally but act locally. A recent report states that there have been 330 million abortions in China since 1974 (yes, six times the number of abortions in the U.S.), as a result of the China one-child policy. The article states that China's population could be as high as 33 percent greater than it is if the policy had not been implemented.

The unstated assumption is that abortion is an acceptable trade off to China's "overpopulation." After all, with an increase in population so large, how could the government ever feed its people? We also listen to similar arguments from the environmental movement in the U.S. While food supply, raw material from the earth and air quality are valid concerns

that we must consider, I would like to discuss the fallacy of the argument that says abortion, or "population control," is a viable alternative or even a good solution.

These policies put government, its ability to feed the people and the earth's well-being ahead of the life of the people — who are made in the likeness of God. The correct priority by God's law is people first, then animals, followed by earthly material, air quality, CO emissions, etc. People, and the sanctity of human life, are first in the natural order of law. With being, first comes the responsibility of the people to manage the resources of the earth and the lands so that the animals may thrive as well. When one loses the perspective of the correct natural order of law and views people as a drain on the

environment rather than a blessing from God, we end up thinking that 330 million murders are a good policy!

One more global event is that Pope Francis recently was elected as the head of the Catholic Church, challenging us to reflect on God's mercy with strength and humility. We can and do that locally on a weekly basis as we stand for life in front of the Planned Parenthood facility and reflect God's love to abortion-minded women.

Locally, I thank Lincoln Catholic Diocese Bishop James Conley for participating and leading the 40 Days for Life closing prayer on Good Friday. Thanks to all participants of 40 Days for Life and the churches and parish leaders who helped get the word out. I encourage you to expand your prayerful presence every Tuesday or as your schedule allows.

We have our pro-life speech contest in April. Please recruit your high school-aged friends and family to consider this opportunity. Details are on the front page of this newsletter.

God bless you and continue the good work of sharing the pro-life message with deeds and words when needed.

— Matt Tapling



Lincoln Right to Life board members join its state affiliate, Nebraska Right to Life board members for a dinner honoring National Right to Life president, Carol Tobias.

Diaper Heaven relocates to 733 South 13th St., Trinity Lutheran Church

Trinity Lutheran Church has graciously donated space in a house near the church for Diaper Heaven.

Diaper donations may be left on the front porch or brought on Mondays, 11 a.m. to 5 p.m. when diapers are distributed. Thank you for your continued support. Most importantly, thank you for keeping our needy mothers served and acquainted with our pro-life message.

This new location is closer to bus routes and more convenient for the many women who travel by bus to pick up diapers.

As an added benefit, we have acquired a dozen or so new customers who will be hearing our pro-life message.



Wanted!
500 donors to give \$5 a month
to purchase diapers

Receive our newsletter and other important pro-life updates by e-mail.

Submit your e-mail address to lincolnrightrighttolife@windstream.net

Pro-Life Educational Survey: 2013 Lincoln Elections

Candidates: Your answers to this survey are for educational purposes only; this is not an endorsement of any candidate.

Pro-life citizens in your county/city are sending this educational survey to local candidates in selected races. Responses of those who reply will be shared with the general public via whatever means of communication the local pro-life activists wish to employ such as social media, email, newsletters or newspaper ads.

1. In its 1973 rulings, Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton, the U.S. Supreme Court created a constitutional "right to abortion" that invalidated the abortion laws in all 50 states giving us a policy of abortion on demand through all nine months of gestation. Under what circumstances, if any, do you believe abortion should be legal?
 - a. In no case. Yes No
 - b. Only to prevent the death of the mother. Yes No
 - c. In cases of incest and rape reported to law enforcement authorities. Yes No
 - d. In cases of fetal deformity. Yes No
 - e. In cases to select the desired sex of the child. Yes No
2. Do you support the reversal of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton, which would return the issue of abortion to the individual States as a matter of public policy? Yes No
3. Planned Parenthood is the largest provider and promoter of abortion in the U.S. Planned Parenthood of the Heartland has expressed a

desire to move into cities outside of Omaha and Lincoln. Would you support efforts to divert tax funds for government programs away from Planned Parenthood and any such organizations that perform, promote, counsel or refer for abortion? Yes No

4. Would you oppose efforts to place restrictions on abortion alternative pregnancy care centers through unnecessary regulations, zoning ordinances or other policies which apply only to these pro-life centers and would disrupt their ability to provide services? Yes No
 5. Abortion clinics in Nebraska are largely unregulated. Would you support requiring abortion clinics to meet the same public health standards as other outpatient surgical facilities? Yes No
 6. Would you support banning the taxpayer funding and creation of school-based health clinics in public schools that could counsel and refer for abortion without parental consent? Yes No
- Note: For Question 7, the term "use" means: "the sale, purchase, research and/or transplantation of."*
7. Would you support banning the "use" of human embryonic stem cells, either multiple frozen embryos created through in vitro fertilization or embryos created for the express purpose of medical research? Yes No

Key: Y=Yes N=No — No Answer

Primary Election: April 9th

General Election: May 7th

This is an educational survey done by Nebraska Right to Life Inc., 404 S. 11th St., P.O. Box 80410, Lincoln, NE 68501. No endorsements are made when NRL Inc's 501-C-4 conducts a survey only for educational purposes to inform voters as to how candidates responded. All candidates who filed for Omaha Mayoral, City Council & OPS Board races and Lincoln City Council & School Board races were sent a survey via email or postal mail and were given a deadline by which to respond.

CANDIDATE RESPONSES

Candidates not listed did not respond.

LINCOLN CITY COUNCIL

	1a	1b	1c	1d	1e	2	3	4	5	6	7
Roy Christensen	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Norman Dority	Y	N	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Trent Fellers	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y
Mark Whitehead	N	Y	N	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

LINCOLN PUBLIC SCHOOLS

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Dist. 5											
Lanny Boswell	N	Y	Y	N	N	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y	Y

40 Days Success



Anonymously submitted

During seventh period, about seven high school seniors went to pray in front of Planned Parenthood.

We began praying the rosary and were in the third decade when we saw a girl walk outside and stretch her arms to the sky. She then began to walk along the building. We saw a guard follow her and say something to



her. The girl got into her car and began to head out the parking lot. She sat, ready to turn, for about a minute. She then rolled down her window and looked us in the eyes. We were expecting her to yell at us like some other girls did 20 minutes earlier. Instead, she said "Jesus loves you. I couldn't do it, you are doing a great thing." We can make a difference!

Lincoln Right to Life

Fostering respect for human life from
conception to natural death

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Lincoln Right to Life is in need of funds. Your generous, tax-deductible donation assists Lincoln Right to Life in its lifesaving efforts. Please use the enclosed envelope to send your gift today! Thank you.

Mother's Assistance Fund

This fund assists mothers who have turned from abortion. The funds are running low. Your generous tax-deductible donation is needed. Please use the enclosed envelope and mark it "Mother's Assistance Fund." Your financial gift, in any amount, is appreciated.

Has your address changed?

Please help us maintain our newsletter address list. Before you move, you can send us your new address by emailing us at lrlmembership@windstream.net. Be sure to send your name with your old and new addresses. Or complete this form and clip it with the mailing label below and mail to: Lincoln Right to Life, P.O. Box 6321, Lincoln, NE 68506.

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SAVING LIVES, HELPING MOTHERS

Anonymously submitted

"My hummingbird did not live to fly away."

I wrote the previous sentence as I reflected on what had just happened. Here's the background: Recently, one of my sisters wrote in an email about finding a hummingbird so tangled in a spider's web that it could not escape. She was able to hold the hummingbird in her hand — an amazing thing in itself — and painstakingly removed the strands of web until it was finally able to fly away. She was thrilled.

Yesterday, I went to pray at Planned Parenthood at 11:30 a.m. and was there for a bit when I saw a woman sitting on the curb north of the



building entrance, crying and talking on the phone. This went on for a while and I kept praying. Finally, when she looked up I waved to her. Much to my surprise, she made a beeline for me across the parking lot and the lawn to the sidewalk where I was standing with my arms opened to her. She threw her arms around me, crying and crying. We both held on tightly.

We talked and talked. She'd had five miscarriages and finally had her miracle baby, a girl. Now she was pregnant again and had contemplated abortion for a month. She'd even talked to her pastor. She said she couldn't afford to raise another child.

I reassured her over and over again with offers of help. She never would look at me, but kept her face buried in my shoulder and talked and sobbed nonstop. I begged her not to go back in. She finally said she had to go back in to get her stuff. She thanked me for being there and said she needed the hug. I asked her name as she pulled away from me. She said Cassie (I have

changed her name).

She stood outside and smoked a cigarette. I waved to her and she waved back. She went inside a little before noon. The other volunteers and I knelt and prayed. Some had to leave and others came. Three groups of seminarians from Our Lady of Guadalupe Seminary joined us in their suits and cassocks and knelt along the street to pray. I kept my eyes glued on the door. She came out quickly at about 1:15 and went to the south, then around behind the building with the security guard close behind. I ran to the south to call out to her, but I could not. Another lady went to the north and spoke to her as she left in her car. In their conversation she said, "I had to do it."

A short hour and a half before, I had held her and her baby in my arms. She did not escape from the evil spider's web. I'll be praying for Cassie.

The saying, "One dead and one wounded" is so true. What remains important now, until her dying day, is the salvation of Cassie's immortal soul.