

Lincoln Right to Life

Upcoming pro-life events:

Sept. 24-Nov. 4, 6 a.m. to 6 p.m.
Planned Parenthood, 5631 South 48th St.



Abortion is the leading cause of death in the world, ending more lives than cardiovascular disease, cancer, AIDS, war, hunger ... or any other cause.

You can change that.

Use off-street parking or the north parking lot at Cornerstone Christian Church. Do not park in Planned Parenthood's parking

lot. It is not open to the general public, and you may be ticketed.

Sign-up is conducted at participating churches, or attend as your schedule allows. You may register at <http://www.40daysforlife.com/lincoln>.

If you unable to offer a physical presence, consider offering prayer and fasting for an end to abortion in our community and the world.

Nebraska Catholic Conference Pro-Life Banquet & Conference

Oct. 3-4 at The Cornhusker, Lincoln

Oct. 3 features registration, social hour and a banquet with keynote speaker Dr. Francis J. Beckwith. The conference continues the following day with Holy Mass at St. Mary's Church, then a series of pro-life discussions with various speakers. Visit <http://www.nebcathcon.org> for more information and to register.



Life Chain

Oct. 5, 2:30-3:30 p.m. along O Street

In 2013, Life Chains were in 1,550 cities and towns. Join in the 27th year of public witness on behalf of the unborn. Life Chain provides a visible and resolute voice for the voiceless children who are threatened by abortion.

Please bring your family to show your public support during this annual event. For your street assignment, check with your church. For more information, visit <http://www.lincolnrighttolife.org>.

Candlelight Rosary walk to Planned Parenthood, Oct. 6, 8-9 p.m.

Please join us for a candlelight Rosary walk from St. Peter's Catholic Church to Planned Parenthood. All ages welcome! We will gather to pray for mothers considering abortion the next day and their unborn. Please gather inside St. Peter's, 4500 Duxhall Drive, by 8 p.m.

Bring a candle and lighters, or a flashlight, and your Rosaries.

From the president, Matt Tapling

In my message, I will discuss upcoming events and answer the question, “Why do we do this anyway?”

Why do we continue to stand up for the dignity of the human person and pray for an end to abortion? On Sept. 13, a national memorial remembered the 5,000 post-abortive babies discovered at a warehouse in Northbrook, Illinois, in 1988. It exposed the abortion industry’s disregard for life when they disposed these victims of abortion as “medical waste” rather than offering the human burial we would provide for any other person at the time of death. The local pro-life group obtained these remains and provided a proper mass grave and burial ceremony for these victims. There are more than 500 mass gravesites for aborted babies across the nation. In Catholic teaching, it is called a corporal work of mercy to bury the dead.

Our presence at the abortion facility is the last pro-life witness women will experience prior to becoming post-abortive. Our witness pricks the conscience of the woman and those who see us standing up for the cause. Fasting is a sacrifice we can

In the spring newsletter, we announced an ultrasound machine would arrive on alternate Tuesdays. However, there was a delay in the implementation of this project. We continue to move toward that end, but are still working on the final details. Please keep this project in your thoughts and prayers. I apologize for any inconvenience this delay may have caused.

each take, for example, by denying ourselves of the snack in between meals so that we become more aware of the suffering around us.

Please take action by participating in one or both of the following events:

- 40 Days for Life is Sept. 24-Nov. 4 in front of Planned Parenthood at 48th and Old Cheney from 6 a.m. to 6 p.m. Please sign up for an hour of prayer and fasting at <http://www.40daysforlife.com/lincoln>.
- Take a stand for life at this year’s Life Chain on O Street Oct. 5 from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m. Please go to <http://www.lincolnrightrighttolife.org> for the latest details.

Lastly, Sept. 5 was the feast day of Blessed Mother Teresa of Calcutta. She was a Catholic nun who spent her adult life helping the poor in India. She was a humble, holy woman whose work of prayer and fasting helped to aid the poorest of the poor. She displayed a worldwide example that a simple task done in love can change the world. Blessed Teresa was a dear friend of Pope John Paul II, who beatified her in 2002. She spoke to the United Nations and the National Prayer breakfast. She was known to say, “God does not call us to be successful; He calls us to be faithful.”

Back to Basics

- For every 1,000 births, there were 236 abortions in 2006.
- The number of children aborted each year nearly equals the number of American deaths in the Revolutionary War, the Civil War, World Wars I and II, and the Korean, Vietnam and Persian Gulf wars combined.
- In week six of a baby’s development, brain waves are detectable.
- There were more than 95,000 second- and third-trimester abortions in 2006.
- An estimated 46 million abortions occur annually worldwide.

— Taken from “The Basics,” National Right to Life Committee Educational Trust



Mother Teresa receives the Presidential Medal of Freedom from President Ronald Reagan in 1985.

Persevere, pray, fast and be present.
God bless you all.

Update on activities at Planned Parenthood abortion fa

By Jack Odgaard

Planned Parenthood continues to shed staff at its Lincoln abortion clinic. The latest person to leave is Casandra, the manager. She was a regular employee when the previous manager, Anne, left last year.

Helpers at the Lincoln abortion facilities recently were blessed to see a save when a woman who had gone for an abortion changed her mind and left. This happened at 10:15 a.m. — before the doctor

arrived. Two Helpers watched the woman and prayed for her when she came out of the clinic around 9:30 a.m. She walked along the front of the building smoking a cigarette and then went back into the clinic. A short time later, she emerged again and walked to the north side of the building, where she sat down on the shaded curb while talking on her cellphone.

The Helpers sensed that she may be calling for a ride and was going to leave. To talk to her, the Helpers would have had to shout

Nebraska Right to Life PAC 2014 election endorsements

New, answered pro-life (New-APL): Candidate who is not an incumbent and has responded pro-life to our NRL PAC survey in agreement with our main principles.



New ranking system for state legislature only: The passage of legislation in our Nebraska Legislature is where Nebraska Right to Life has had the greatest public policy impact. In an effort to better engage grassroots voters and educate them about the process, the NRL Board voted in April 2014 to create a new ranking system only for state legislative candidates. This new ranking rewards those who lead through the much-needed task of introducing and prioritizing pro-life legislation that NRL supports. Hopefully pro-life voters in legislative districts will seek out the candidates and their current state senator and encourage them to take a more active role in introducing and prioritizing legislation as well as working diligently to get bills out of the Judiciary and Health committees.

U.S. Senate

Ben Sasse, endorsed
Dave Domina, did not respond

U.S. House of Representatives

Dist. 3

Jeff Fortenberry, endorsed
Dennis Crawford, did not respond

Dist. 2

Lee Terry, endorsed
Brad Ashford, did not respond
Steven Laird, did not respond

Dist. 3

Adrian Smith, endorsed
Mark Sullivan, did not respond

Governor and Lt. Governor

Pete Ricketts, endorsed
Mike Foley
Chuck Hassebrook, did not respond,
endorsed by Planned Parenthood
Jane Raybould

State Auditor

Charlie Janssen, endorsed
Amanda McGill, did not respond

State Treasurer

Don Stenberg, endorsed
Michael Knebel, responded
Michael J. O'Hara, did not respond

Secretary of State

Both responded, no endorsement
John A. Gale
Ben Backus

Attorney General

Doug Peterson, endorsed
Janet Steward, did not respond

State Board of Regents

Dist. 1

Tim Clare, endorsed

Legislature

Dist. 26

Brent Smoyer, New-APL
Matt Hansen, did not respond

Dist. 28

Dallas Jones, New-APL
Patty Pansing Brooks, did not respond

Dist. 30

Bob Tiemann, New-APL
Roy Baker, did not respond

NRL PAC CANDIDATE ENDORSEMENT CRITERIA

Nebraska Right to Life PAC sends a survey to every candidate for state and federal office. If the survey is not returned by deadline, a "Did Not Respond" is put by the candidate's name. NRL PAC representatives interview candidates for major offices either prior to the primary or between the primary and general elections. We rely on input from board members and members of our local chapter network around the state, as well as pro-lifers from the candidate's district. Criteria for a pro-life endorsement includes a returned survey and agreement with major principles on the survey. Concurrence with NRL PAC's position on every survey question is not required for a pro-life endorsement. Some issues are "deal-breakers" for an endorsement such as overturning Roe v. Wade, opposition to abortion funding, euthanasia and unethical biomedical research. Incumbents to an office or current elected officials seeking a different office are held to a higher standard by virtue of the fact that they have a voting record which we also take into consideration. However, a 100 percent pro-life voting/action record is a rarity and not required to receive an endorsement. Newcomers with no previous record of action/voting can claim to be 100 percent, but there is nothing to base that on. When incumbents seeking the same office have a good pro-life record, they are given special consideration with a sole endorsement, even if a pro-lifer is challenging them. NRL PAC will consider federal Democrat races on a case-by-case basis. NRL PAC is one of the few groups which prints all of the answers of every candidate who responds to our survey. We feel it is the only fair way to let the pro-life voter know where the candidates stand.

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to be heard from the distance and over the street noise. We don't like to break the prayerful silence that way, and so we stood by and prayed for the young woman. She was there nearly half an hour when her ride pulled up and she got in the car. The Helpers stood near the north entrance and one held out information for her. She didn't take anything, but she smiled and waved at the Helpers as they drove past the Sonic Drive-In. Please pray that the Lord will shower her and her baby with many graces.

We had been blessed with good weather on abortion Tuesdays this summer. We always need more people to pray on abortion days outside the Planned Parenthood facility, so please come any time you are able – for 15 minutes, half an hour, an hour or more – from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. We especially need prayers from 10 a.m. to noon and 2 p.m. to 4 p.m.

The Helpers of God's Precious Infants is a prayerful effort of Lincoln Right to Life.

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. Due to your continuous generosity, we are able to provide support to mothers, including those we have mentioned in this and past newsletters. Please use the enclosed envelope and mark it "Mother's Assistance Fund." Your continued support is most appreciated.

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Saving lives, helping mothers

By Pam McCabe

On a hot Tuesday afternoon in August, two sidewalk counselors noticed a car that seemed to be going around the abortion facility. When they spoke to the woman inside, she told them she was looking for her niece who was planning to have an abortion that afternoon. After an hour, the sidewalk counselors received a phone call from the aunt saying, "My niece did not have the abortion, and we would like to talk with you."

The niece had seen the ultrasound of her baby and told the Planned Parenthood technician, "That is a living thing." She changed her mind against the abortion and left Planned Parenthood.

The sidewalk counselors met with her and advised her to consider Pregnancy Care Center or Birthright. The niece indicated she wanted to visit Pregnancy Care Center for another ultrasound.

The following Monday, a sidewalk counselor took her there.

She had five photos of her unborn baby taken! Her baby is due Feb. 6. The mother is 29 and has two other children. Lincoln Right to Life supplies her with diapers from Diaper Heaven and will help her purchase a new car seat.

By the grace and mercy of God, and your prayers and support, this mother chose life for her baby. The sidewalk counselors and Pregnancy Care Center will stay in touch with her during her pregnancy and after the birth of the baby.



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