

OPPORTUNITIES TO WITNESS 4 LIFE

** Tuesdays, 8 to 12 N at **PLANNED PARENTHOOD**(PP), 4th and Franklin Sts., Reading. Killing day. Be a witness! We pray as a group at 9:30 AM. If you can't be at PP, then pray where you are.

* Wednesdays, 9 AM to 10:00 AM, prayer at **Planned Parenthood** and help give out NFP literature, etc.

* 1st Sunday of the month, Reading Hospital, 2 - 3 P

* Other abortion mills in the area (Allentown Diocese) where you can witness: **Allentown Women's Center**, 1409 Union Blvd. Rear, Abortions on Tues., Thurs, Fri., Sat. **Allentown Planned Parenthood**, 29 N. 9th St., abortions: Fri. AM. **Allentown Medical Services**, 2200 Hamilton Blvd., Abortions: Mon., Wed., Thurs., Fri., Sat.

* October 2nd, 2 to 3:30 PM. **Life Chain**. Note extended time. Penn Avenue, West Reading. Pick up signs at St. James Church at 7th and Penn Ave.

* Next **Pro-Life Berks BCTV program is October 11th** at 8:30 PM. Please tune in. You can watch the program streaming from the BCTV website if you can't get it locally. The topic will be the needed regulations of abortion clinics.

* **40 DAYS FOR LIFE CAMPAIGN AND PRAYER VIGIL** See page 2 for **Vigil at Reading Planned Parenthood**. In **Allentown the Vigil** will be daily at **Allentown Medical Services**, 2200 Hamilton Blvd. There is much need for prayer at this mill. It is a true house of horrors. Contact mlpohl8@aol.com for more information on the Vigil.

***** **ATTENTION** *****
RALLY IN HARRISBURG
MONDAY, SEPT. 26TH, NOON
 See page 3 for details.

WHAT ARE YOU GOING TO DO?

Sonya Corbitt, in an online 8/20/09 article, wrote a "Scriptural Reflection: The Call to Lead

is the Call to Serve." Think about that. Do you consider yourself to be a pro-life leader? We often have the wrong view of what it is to lead. When I think of pro-life leaders, for example, I don't think of the people who are forever talking the talk, but not walking the walk. Rather, I think of the faithful friends I see out at the abortion mills each week where they seek to pray for the abortion workers, for the clients and for the protection of the babies from death. I also think of those people I see, and read about, who work "behind the scenes". These are the volunteers who work at pregnancy care centers, or those who drudge up to Harrisburg or down to Washington to keep a close eye on the goings-on there. The willingness and patience of some is really astounding, especially where they face active opposition. Their reward in heaven will be great.

We are at a critical time when there is so much we can do to end abortion and the culture of death. Ask yourself if there is more you can do. Simply showing up is a leadership action. It shows you care enough to do something about the atrocity of abortion. Please carefully pray about the events listed in this issue and then plan to participate as much as you can.

Going to Harrisburg, for example, is a big deal in the leadership department. Politicians are always counting potential votes. and they *will* notice you are there. Better still, bring a sign to let them know you are really serious and ready to kick butt. Standing at an abortion mill to pray is also a very big deal. Who knows how many people you will witness to by just being there, and who knows how your prayers will be answered?

So please, go to the Rally in Harrisburg, contact your legislators about the urgent need for the passage of S.B. 732, take part in the 40 Days for Life Vigil, and stand at the Life Chain for an hour. Be a leader and others will follow. KK

40 DAYS FOR LIFE™



SEPTEMBER 28 - NOVEMBER 6

**Prayer Vigil in front of Reading Planned Parenthood
4th and Franklin Sts., Reading**

Daily from 8 AM to 5 PM

Pray for the end of abortion.

**Come with a buddy or bring a group. Any day, any time.
Be part of the national 40 Days for Life Campaign and Prayer Vigil.**

**Contact: Mary Alice Kuhns, 610-562-7663; Michol Lynn Kaeser, 610-637-8521;
Evelyn Torres, 484-794-3063; Carrie Good, 484-388-9827; or
Pro-Life Berks, 610-375-3395**

**Were you horrified
by the Kermit
Gosnell “House of
Horrors”?**

**Did you say,
“Something must be
done.”?**



**Rally in Harrisburg
in our State Capitol’s Rotunda
Monday, September 26th
12 noon**

The conditions and activities of Kermit Gosnell’s West Philadelphia abortion facility were not “rare exceptions.” They reflect an industry that routinely injures women, violates state laws, and receives political protection from local and state officials.

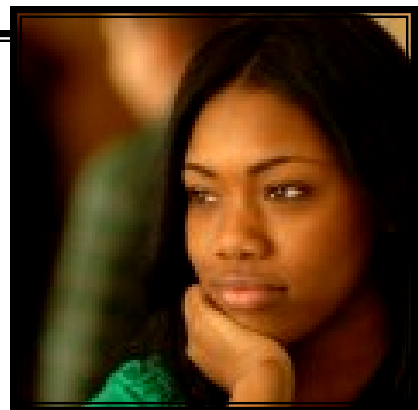
In the upcoming weeks, the Pa. House and Senate will consider S.B. 732, which seeks to protect women from Pa.’s abortion industry. This bill requires that abortion facilities meet the same standards as “Ambulatory Surgical Facilities.”

The abortion industry, led by Planned Parenthood, opposes this bill. They are pressuring legislators to amend this bill to make it ineffective. They are fired up to protect their industry!

**WE NEED TO STAND FOR WOMEN’S HEALTH IN
HARRISBURG AND OPPOSE PA’S ABORTION
INDUSTRY.**

**PLEASE JOIN THE MEMBERS OF THE PRO-LIFE
CAUCUS OF THE PA GENERAL ASSEMBLY FOR THIS
RALLY.-**

Pro-Life Coalition of Pa.—215-885-4237



SIGNS MATTER

It was raining. A pretty young lady in a green tamoshanter, carrying an umbrella approached me and timidly asked if she could take a photo of me with my sign. I said, "Sure!" She took the photo while I held her umbrella, then approached me again. Checking the photo on the LCD, her eyes moved left to the poster of the aborted baby which she had not yet seen. Instantly, her face changed to a look of horror, her eyes transfixed. She raised her hand to her face and began to cry, and I cried along with her. She had finally seen what our media has successfully kept a secret for almost 40 years: the real face of abortion. She walked away, crying, and I mumbled "God bless you, : through my own tears. When you see it again for the first time through someone else's eyes, it's a very emotional experience.

A powerfully-built man of about 30, wearing a tank top and shorts walked by with his wife. At the last minute, his eye caught my sign and poster. He called to his wife, "Hey, Ethel, look at this picture!" I said, "This is what they do in that building. Kill babies for profit." He said, "Yeah, I don't agree with that either, but what're you going to do?" and walked away. I said, "This is what I'm going to do. What are you going to do?" No reply. - Ed Bender

Note: We know there is a difference of opinions out there on the use of graphic signs, but those of us who have seen the reactions of some know, at times, they work. We don't use graphic signs near the clinic door and while we are counseling as it takes the focus away from the mom, but signs really do tell the truth about abortion.

MORE OF FLORENCE PASKO

In the last issue you may recall the sad announcement of the death of Florence Pasko, a long-time pro-lifer. We also mentioned that she had been arrested and had spent time in jail in York, PA in 1991. Ed Bender was arrested with her and was kind enough to tell us the story. Here is part of what he wrote. The entire article will be printed in a future edition.

"... Our group included Florence Pasko (and I believe her husband, John), my twin brother, Jake, and Terry Roth. I'd estimate that there were about 20 of us... All the male rescuers were moved to the overflow area on the floor of the gym. There were bunks set up there... We were treated humanely, and given the opportunity to leave if we pled guilty." He goes on to say that he held out for a week, which is what Florence had one time said she did also. Eventually their trials came up and they had to pay a fine of \$900, or return to prison.

Note: Anyone who has been arrested knows it's not fun. Now with the threat of the F.A.C.E Act, it's even harder. Thank God for all the pro-lifers, then and now, who stand up for life.

Choice is



24 hr. hotline numbers for abortion-minded women: National: 1-800-395-help, PA: 1-800-345-5009, New Jersey: 1-800-662-2678, Regional: 610-626-4006, LIFELINE of Berks County: 610-374-8545, Mercy CPC: 610-376-3949, Life Choices, Kutztown: 610-683-8000, Care Net Lehigh Valley: 610-821-0943, Catholic Charities, Reading: 610-376-7144

Pro-Life Berks started in 1998 when Reading Planned Parenthood (PP) began killing babies. We distribute a monthly newsletter, pay for anti-killing billboards, host a bi-monthly TV program on BCTV, do sidewalk counseling, pray and witness at PP. Still, babies are being killed at PP now on Tuesdays from 8 to 12 N. Pro-Life Berks is a peaceful, prayerful organization dedicated to the defense of human life from fertilization to natural death. We oppose the use of force against both person and property, and condemn abortion-related violence in all forms. Send \$12 to receive this monthly newsletter. PLB BOARD: Fabio Gabrielli, Carolyn Bonkoski, John Boncoddio; Lance Thomas, Joe Koren - Treas.; Mary Alice Kuhns, Kathy Kuhns - Sec and Editor. PLB Advisory Board: Troy Newman, Peter Cianci, John and Michele Woelner, and Margaret Tully. Need assistance? Contact Pro-Life Berks, P.O. Box 6086, Wyomissing, PA, 19610, www.prolifeberks.org, or prolifeberks@aol.com

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- God -

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Rally In Harrisburg!
Monday, Sept. 26th, Noon
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Kickoff for 40 Days for Life!
Wed., Sept. 28th, 9 AM, in
front of Reading Planned Parenthood
4th and Franklin Sts., Reading

**40 Days for Life Campaign and Prayer
Vigil.** Please join in fasting and praying
for the end of abortion!
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Picking up the weekly "trash" at Reading Planned Parenthood.

Another reason to pray for the closing of this abortion mill.