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## **A KILLER CONFERENCE**

Rabid pro-abortion activist and Marquette University Professor Daniel Maguire spoke about “spirituality and sexuality.” David Satcher spoke about his experience with “reproductive choice” issues as Surgeon General and why supporting “choice” is important. These two speakers highlighted the 2002 Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) conference.

McGuire, author of “Sacred Choices: The Right to Contraception and Abortion in Ten World Religions” and active in “Catholics” for a Free Choice, spoke at an “interfaith prayer breakfast.” Gloria Feldt, PPFA’s president, joined Satcher to deliver the keynote address, which was entitled, “Hope for Humanity.” Other speakers included Wendie Malick (NBC’s “Just Shoot Me”), Ana Gasteyer (NBC’s “Saturday Night Live”), Giancarlo Esposito (the film “Ali”), Emme (model and host of “E! Fashion Emergency” on the Entertainment Network), and Cyndi Leive (editor of *Glamour*). All were present to celebrate PPFA’s 85<sup>th</sup> anniversary.

At the “Honors Gala,” awards were presented to the media for “courage and excellence in covering reproductive rights and health care issues.” Named for Planned Parenthood founder Margaret Sanger, Maggie Award recipients were:

- *The San Diego Union-Tribune* (Copley News Service): Nominated for the feature story entitled, “Girl and Boy, Interrupted,” which examined the lives of a teenage couple and their struggle with parenthood.
- Ellen Goodman (*Boston Globe* editorialist and syndicated columnist): Nominated for “mastery of her medium and her insightful body of work,” including writing about “women’s reproductive rights and policies.”
- Ann Telnaes (syndicated editorial cartoonist for Tribune Media Service): Nominated for her “distinctive visual style and thought-provoking content addressing women’s humanity.”
- The History Channel: Nominated for its “Sex in the 20th Century” documentary, which examined the “pivotal role sex has played in America’s cultural and social landscape” over the last century.
- “20/20” (ABC News): Nominated for a “compelling look at the perpetrators and the targets of anti-choice domestic terrorism.”
- “Sex in the City” (Home Box Office): Nominated for its blunt (some would call it “vulgar”) “discussions” about sex and sexuality.
- *Essence*: Nominated for “consistently sensitive and smart coverage of women’s health issues, including two articles focused on emergency contraception and mifepristone.”

- “Days of Our Lives” (NBC): Nominated for episodes involving two couples considering having sex for the first time and “discussing contraception and testing for sexually transmitted infections.” It is noted that soap operas “have become important sex educators.”
- “Law & Order: Criminal Intent” (NBC): Nominated for an episode focusing on “Web-based threats posed to family planning workers by anti-choice extremists.” The drama included the shooting of an abortionist.
- Sexuality Information and Education Council of the United States: Nominated for its Website, described as a “go-to Internet resource that disseminates information about sexual health, promotes comprehensive education about sexuality, and advocates the right of individuals to make responsible sexual choices.”

“Planned Parenthood is proud to honor the extra-ordinary talents of individuals and groups who have fearlessly, thoughtfully and creatively addressed a wide spectrum of reproductive rights issues—from contraception to clinic safety,” Feldt said. “Each Maggie Award honoree enlightened the public with honesty and respect for every person’s right to make their own responsible choices about sexuality and parenthood.”

A “Congressional Day of Action” coincided with the conference. PPFA described the affair: “Planned Parenthood leaders, celebrity supporters, volunteers, and staff from across the nation take to Capitol Hill to express their support for insurance coverage for contraception, international family planning and increased access to emergency contraception and medically-accurate sex education.”

### **CAUGHT “RED-HANDED”— AGAIN**

Life Dynamics claims to have uncovered activity at abortion facilities that no pro-life activist will find difficult to believe. Abortionists and “family planning” groups are accused of violating laws requiring that they report the sexual abuse of children. Life Dynamics claims to have assembled “a mountain of evidence” showing that a primary contributing factor is the cover-up being perpetrated by Planned Parenthood and the National Abortion Federation (NAF).

“The problem...is much more widespread than they [researchers] had anticipated when the project began,” reads a Life Dynamics statement. Adults impregnate at least 60 percent of girls aged 15 or younger. “In fact, the data shows that a junior high school girl is now more likely to become pregnant by a grown man than by a boy near her own age,” the statement continues.

Mark Crutcher, president of the pro-life group, wants to educate the public about the pervasive concealment of child sexual abuse. He wants those responsible for this “criminal failure to report” the crime to be taken to court and held accountable. “No matter how someone feels about abortion, most people will agree that the abuse of these young girls needs to be reported. The fact that these incidences are not reported is bad enough, but the fact that they are not being reported simply to protect a financial and political agenda is even more reprehensible,” Crutcher said.

Pro-life activists will recall it was Life Dynamics research that led to the release of *Lime 5*, which examines the sexual assault, mutilation, and even the death of women at America’s abortion facilities. It was also Life Dynamics that uncovered the widespread selling of body parts from aborted children.

Douglas R. Scott, president of Life Decisions International, fears that the research will end up doing little to change abortion industry practices. “Life Dynamics research always brings a loud cry from pro-life activists and causes the jaws of others to drop,” Scott said. “While it is great for letting people know what is really happening, the problem is that the shock wears off. Planned Parenthood and its ilk hide behind the wall of their unregulated business empire and enjoy the protection of the powerful elite.”

Scott said the violation of state and federal law is the best chance for going after the pro-abortion groups. “We cannot emphasize the killing. We must focus on the fact that laws have been broken and prosecutors should act appropriately.” Scott said this is no “silver bullet,” but it will be a problem for the abortion industry. He also said that the leadership of Life Dynamics is “wise” and can be counted on to handle this matter “in the most beneficial and effective way.”

Scott applauds Life Dynamics for its professionalism while reminding pro-life people that the key is to touch the hearts of those who currently do not care. “Only God can do this,” Scott said. “We need to pray that this news is received by open minds and hearts and that it will be followed by a demand for change.”

“Let’s remember that if a group thinks it is acceptable to kill children, it will surely see nothing wrong with breaking the law, misleading people, or lying outright,” Scott said. “Our job is to expose them as often as necessary and for as long as it takes until people get the message that we are dealing with the moral equivalent of the mafia.”

### **SUBVERTING THE WILL OF THE PEOPLE**

Planned Parenthood engages in “judge shopping” to obtain court permission for abortions on minor children, undermining the Texas parental notification law. The abortion-committing group takes cases to judges they know will be sympathetic to their position.

Planned Parenthood has been taking the cases to judges in counties outside the home jurisdiction of the abortion facilities and teenagers involved. Abortionists avoid courts in Harris and Dallas Counties, which have Republican judiciaries. They turn instead to Bexar and Travis Counties, which have either a split or prominently Democrat judiciary. Harris County has had 19 cases filed since the state law became effective in January 1999. Dallas County has seen 13 cases. Compare this with Bexar County (191) and Travis County (110), reports *The Houston Chronicle*.

The law requires abortionists to notify the parents or guardians of a minor before committing the abortion. Children who claim that notification would put them at risk of child abuse and who can demonstrate that they are sufficiently informed and mature can ask a judge to waive the notification requirement. The United States Supreme Court has mandated such judicial bypass provisions. Abortions committed against teen-agers and their unborn children have declined in Texas since the law was implemented. The state pays attorney fees and other costs when a minor files a bypass petition.

Rebecca White, a senior vice president with Planned Parenthood of Houston, justifies the practice by saying that many judges in Harris County received financial support from a doctor who actively supports pro-life candidates in local judicial races. “The Harris County judiciary for a minor seeking an abortion would not be the friendliest place to go,” she said.

“For the kind of young women this law was geared toward, it’s probably accomplishing what it was designed to do—encourage those young women to involve their parents,” said White. “Where it really is not working is for kids from nontraditional families, for homeless kids and kids whose parents are in prison.”

White wants the law amended to allow notification to an adult other than a parent or guardian, such as a friend’s parent or a counselor. Pro-life leaders oppose such changes because they would allow abortionists to have “counselors” on hand who would press for the abortion and keep the parents in the dark, thereby gutting the intent of the law. Moreover, the fact is that for every teenager Planned Parenthood convinces to bypass her parents the group makes more money.

Whenever a judicial bypass is not granted, Planned Parenthood screams that the judge did not follow the law. Yet such cases are not supposed to be rubber-stamped, no matter how much Planned Parenthood would hope this would be the case. “The fact is that no one, especially Planned Parenthood, loves the child more than the parents,” said LDI’s Douglas R. Scott. “And no group has more of a financial interest. Planned Parenthood should be prohibited from playing any role whatsoever in such cases. It is the equivalent of a tobacco company encouraging legal action by teens who want to smoke behind the backs of their parents.”

## **AMERICANS SPLIT ON ASSISTED SUICIDE**

An ABCNEWS/Beliefnet poll shows that slightly more Americans oppose assisted suicide than support it. When the question is posed in a broad manner, 48 percent oppose legalizing assisted suicide, while 40 percent support it. When Oregon’s law allowing assisted suicide is described, opinion moves to 48 percent opposed and 46 percent in favor.

Not surprisingly, the survey shows that non-Christians and people who profess no religion overwhelmingly support assisted suicide. But most people who say they are “Christian” (eight in ten Americans) oppose it. This is especially true of evangelical Christians, who oppose assisted suicide by a 2-1 margin. Analysis of the poll reveals that views are primarily based on fundamental views of life and death.

Opposition is strongest among Catholics, Christian women and evangelical Christians. The Oregon law engenders a little more support from the first two groups, but evangelicals remain steadfastly opposed. Americans who call themselves “non-evangelical” Protestants oppose assisted suicide, but to a lesser degree. They support the Oregon law (53-39 percent).

As with abortion, more women oppose assisted suicide than do men. Just 34 percent of women support assisted suicide. Republicans oppose it by 61-28 percent. The poll found support for assisted suicide lowest among those ages 65 and older. Nancy Valko, a pro-life nurse involved in end-of-life issues, said older Americans tend to oppose assisted suicide because they are the most vulnerable to pressure to end their lives.

Assisted suicide garners most support in the states along the West Coast. It is the only region where majorities favor the practice (53-36 percent).

“We cannot rely on polls one way or the other. Polls used to be on our side on the abortion issue,” said LDI’s Douglas R. Scott. “As we know, the majority opinion is not necessarily translated into law. We need to remain vigilant and understand that those who want doctor-assisted suicide will continue their work.” Scott notes that other polls have shown a slight majority in favor of doctor-assisted suicide.

## **L.D.I. ACCUSED OF GRAVE SINS**

Stephen Wetzel, self-appointed leader of “Missionaries to the Unborn” (not to be confused with the highly effective Missionaries to the Preborn), carried out his threat to release a so-called “exposé” attacking LDI for seeking donations for its highly regarded *Boycott List*. LDI was also chastised for deciding against placing the names of the offending corporations on its Website.

The “exposé” has a shocking title: “Pimping Prolife: A case of Prolife Profiteering?” The entire text, which was placed on the group’s Website and picked up and then disseminated by others, follows:

Who is LDI—Life Decisions International?

This is *not* Mark Crutcher’s LDI of Denton, Texas, Life Dynamics Incorporated—the well respected ministry in the forefront of the prolife movement.

In browsing the Life Decisions International web site, I could not find a name connected with the group—save a Washington, DC address and telephone number. There is a president mentioned and board members, but no names connected with this group on their web site that we could find as of this writing.

I was sent to this site in regards to their Planned Parenthood boycott list—a list a companies that *we* are supposed to boycott due to their support of Planned Parenthood. Sounded like a good thing to me!

Their domain name is *\*fightpp.org\** which I'm guessing means "Fight Planned Parenthood." Given the response from Life Decisions International, this writer could be wrong.

Much to my dismay, in seeking to find the boycott list on its web site, it was nowhere to be found. In contacting the group I was told, "The Boycott List is available for order only. It is not available online. Please visit our website for details: [www.fightpp.org](http://www.fightpp.org)."

Turns out the list is only available if you send them \$15.60.

It's not that the amount is a whole lot of money, but does it not defeat the purpose of a boycott and a "ministry" to not make the list of companies supporting Planned Parenthood readily available? I mean, that is their reason for being right? To "Fight Planned Parenthood?"

For the most part, proliferers have difficulty in getting information out to begin with—and then have to pull teeth to get people to act on it. This is just one more hurdle to jump.

One has to wonder how many people have actually purchased this boycott list. Maybe 100.... 1000.... 5000? It seems (to me) quite impudent to have a boycott that only a few hundred or few thousand people know about.

If my groups [sic] goal was to fight Planned Parenthood, then I would be begging people to take the information! It was [mttu.com](http://mttu.com)'s reason for contacting them to begin with—to get the information out there so proliferers would know *who* to boycott.

One well-known pastor and prolife leader wrote concerning this story:

"I'm leery of giving money and my address to someone that calls for a boycott of PP (Planned Parenthood) but won't offer any info on groups to boycott unless I pay for it. At best it could be well-intentioned, but profiteering on a cause that ought not to cost anything. At worst, it's a front org (organization) preying on Christians (who) want to see PP gone forever. They sure don't have a real public cause that they present that needs the funding and why they are charging.

"Strange.

"I'll stick with ALL [American Life League] and STOPP [a division of ALL] for resources along with sources of info on businesses that work with PP in my own community. There, the info is free of charge and I can contribute if I so desire."

At best, this is a self-defeating organization as the list of companies that are to be boycotted is held close to the vest and must be purchased.

At worst, it is prolife profiteering.

Life Decisions International was asked for a comment in regard to this story and [we] have received no response as of the posting of this story.

"The use of the question mark in the title is a common scheme of some writers," said LDI's Douglas R. Scott. "Hey, I used a question mark!" he can say. 'I didn't actually say you were guilty!' But the title is quite

revolting—particularly to those who labor in the fight for the unborn and against Planned Parenthood in particular.”

One can find out about LDI just by visiting our Website. The site includes information about LDI’s goals, standards and policies. Taking a look at any press release on the site would at the very least identify the president and how to contact him. (Ironically, the only person whose name appears on Wetzel’s Website as being directly associated with his work is Wetzel. Nor will one find a mailing address or phone number.)

LDI has existed for more than a decade and the Board of Directors includes many top names in the Pro-Life Movement. For example (organizations listed for identification purposes only): Douglas R. Scott (formerly vice president of Christian Action Council, and executive director of Arizona Right to Life & HUMAN LIFE of Washington), Tom Stobhar (Pro Vita Advisors), Hon. Penny Pullen (Life Advocacy Resource Project), James J. Giese (Dubuque County Right to Life), Michael Schwartz (Concerned Women for America), Ted Gerk (Life Internet), John Hof (Campaign Life Coalition), and Rev. Richard Hogan (Natural Family Planning Outreach), among others. There are also many well-known and highly respected members on LDI’s Board of Advisors.

Information about LDI’s Board of Directors was e-mailed to Wetzel immediately upon his request. We believe that a board of directors is biblically mandated. Yet Wetzel has no board of directors and is accountable to no one.

The requested donation for *The Boycott List* is \$15.60 if ordered online and \$14.00 by mail. We also seek donations for some of our brochures, booklets, and so on. This is how LDI is funded. While large pro-life groups have development offices and millions of dollars, our \$100,000 annual budget (which pays all salaries, rent, research materials, travel, etc.) does not allow for such luxury. If we are pro-life “profiteers,” we are doing a horrible job at it.

The economic truth is that the requested donation amount does not even come close to paying all the bills. There would be no *Boycott List* if it were not for our loyal and generous supporters who donate funds beyond the requested amount. They essentially subsidize *The List* and other publications so we may keep the cost down for those who order it.

LDI once offered *The Boycott List* without requesting a donation, but our policy changed when: 1) pro-Planned Parenthood people were urged to send for *The List* in an effort to bankrupt us—which they nearly did; and 2) we began to realize the enormous expense involved in obtaining the information needed to prepare *The List* (manpower, phone calls, letters, subscriptions, travel, etc.). It soon became clear that we had to seek donations for this valuable work or end the project because we simply did not have the funds to support it.

While some suggest it is better to get the information out than to ask for a donation, it is equally important that this work be financially supported so it can exist in the first place. The same could be said of everything published by any good organization (brochures, books, videotapes, and so on), but they are virtually never distributed gratis. Are all of these groups guilty of “profiteering?” It is unfortunate that we must seek support but it is basic economic reality in a Free Enterprise system. Moreover, LDI has distributed countless numbers of *Boycott Lists* for as little as \$1.50. To people we know, we have even given them away.

Considering our annual budget and that fact that LDI has *never* engaged in aggressive fund-raising, we are doing great things. We have convinced more than 84 corporations to stop funding Planned Parenthood. We spend tens of thousands of dollars per year on research related to the boycott alone. Why? We publish fully accurate information. We do it right. This is why people count on and trust LDI.

Wetzel refused to identify the “well-known pastor and prolife leader” who joined him in accusing the people at LDI of “profiteering” and “pimping.” The accusation implies that LDI is cheating people. Wetzel and his friends are entitled to their personal opinion.

Wetzel said LDI was sent an e-mail that included the threat to write an “exposé.” The e-mail was sent at 10:17 PM on *Sunday*, April 28, 2002. LDI responded at 6:25 AM on Monday, April 29. Yet the story states that LDI did not respond in a timely manner.

Wetzel told LDI that he would come up with his own list of “Planned Barrenhood” sponsors and place it on the Internet. It is surely Wetzel’s right to do so. We do know, however, that this will weaken our effectiveness and corporate leaders will be *very* unreceptive to Wetzel’s style. It will also lead to confusion among pro-lifers and corporate officials alike.

Scott said that LDI is not opposed to criticism within the Pro-Life Movement. “In fact,” Scott said, “criticism can be healthy and if we deserve it, we should be subjected to it.” But he said that Wetzel “needs to understand the whole story as well as some very basic facts before making such outrageous charges—most of which are masked in innuendo.”

Wetzel had more for LDI. He supposedly contacted others for comment on his “exposé.” They responded to the charge of “pimping” and “profiteering”:

“Yeah, I agree about the charges. I also think the group is trading on the name recognition earned by LDI (Life Dynamics International) in Texas. They probably have some legitimate information but are actually selling it to generate cash flow. Their whole pitch sounds like quislingspeak. I think we should get their list and add some more names to it and publish it online and charge zero dollars for it. How’s that for a plan?”

Ironically, it seems that “Missionaries to the Unborn” could be accused of “trading on the name recognition” earned by Missionaries to the Preborn. In addition, the organization referenced in the above quotation is called Life Dynamics *Incorporated*, not Life Dynamics *International*. (To our knowledge, no other entity includes the “I” from “Incorporated” as part of its ellipsis. For example, every major pro-life group as well as for-profit corporations have “Inc.” as part of their proper legal name, but you will not see IBMI [for IBM] or ALLI [for American Life League], and so on.) When LDI’s name was selected more than a decade ago, Life Dynamics was not well-known and, more importantly, LDI leaders did not sit around discussing the ramifications of being referred to as “LDI.”

Wetzel sent LDI another response to his dissemination of the attacks in the “exposé”:

Don’t know Scott at Life Decisions International personally. In 2001, his group asked the National Right to Life to stop funding Planned Parenthood by taking donations through American Express. Back in 1999 he wrote that Bush would set the pro-life cause back decades if he were elected. Life Decisions does not call sinners to repentance—takes an incremental chip-away-at-it approach to ‘Problem Solving’ which goes contrary to the Word of God.”

The number of inaccuracies in the above paragraph is astounding. In fact, some are the complete opposite of the truth. This person is speaking about LDI yet knows virtually nothing about us. Wetzel refused to identify any of the people he quoted. In addition, Wetzel promised to print excerpts of LDI’s response to his allegations but he never did so.

LDI soon began receiving nasty e-mails. For example:

From: Frolicingfrog@cs.com  
Date: Mon, 29 Apr 2002 13:49:56 EDT

PROBABLY ONE OF YOUR MOST ASKED QUESTIONS SHOULD AND SOON WILL BE "WHY ARE YOU PROFITEERING OFF OF THE PROLIFE COMMUNITY"?

Human Life International President Fr. Thomas J. Euteneuer, is a member of LDI's Board of Advisors. He wrote to Wetzel:

In this case (the LDI boycott list), you have not discerned correctly what is happening, and I bid you to reconsider your attack.

The Life Decisions Corporate boycott list is one of the finest pieces of research that the pro-life movement puts out. Doug Scott is not a profiteer, he is a warrior. The costs associated with his product simply fund his work, not his lifestyle. Does not Jesus Himself say that "the laborer is worth his wage" (Lk 10:7)? How should this work of Christ be any different than spreading the Gospel in other forms? Not everything in the work can be offered free. Consider the enemy. When Doug tried that approach some years ago all the PP [Planned Parenthood] thugs took him up on the offer and drained his stock, nearly bankrupting him and destroying his work. Even if he were to offer the list free on the internet he would undermine his own ability to generate funds to keep his work going. That would serve PP's interests very well.

From personal experience, I want you to know that the Boycott List has led to one of HLI's greatest recent victories. On account of Doug's work we were able to enter a corporate resolution against the Target Corporation and get them to completely defund PP the baby-killer. On account of Doug's generosity in printing us several thousand copies of his boycott list at a bare-bones rate, we were able to get that list into the hands of hundreds of our supporters who can now use it to fight PP with us. I regularly have people call me to tell me that they are boycotting the baby-killer on account of the endorsement we give to the boycott list. They know they can trust it beyond the shadow of a doubt...Doug does so much with so few resources, and he should be thanked, not criticized for his efforts. The very fine STOPP organization might not exist today if it were not for being absorbed into the much larger ALL. They now have resources that allow them to disseminate information to the public at much lower cost. However, an annual subscription to the Ryan Report still costs \$25! Doug does not have the luxury of a multi-million dollar backup. He uses the widow's mite to accomplish the work of Christ.

Another respected pro-life leader, Meredith "Mick" Eugene Hunt of Life Advocates, wrote to Wetzel after coming across the "exposé" from a source that had picked it up from Wetzel:

For years, off and on, I have been a "subscriber" to Doug's list and have had absolutely no problem with paying a little money for it, nor have I been much disturbed by his copyright, which makes good sense to me under the circumstances. His list simply is the absolute best, most carefully researched, and by far the most complete boycott list of Planned Parenthood in the country. This is not just a small piece of paper with a few names on it. He also has quite a success rate in corporations stopping their funding of PP...

I will refrain from calling your article [exposé] any appropriate and fitting names, but your terms such as "pimping" and "profiteering" are way out of line and your article [is] reckless and harmful...

I could go on and on, but I definitely think that You Owe Him a Published, Public Apology.

(It takes a little money to run a prolife work. How do you get by? I send my newsletter out to donors and free to any one asking for it, but then I don't have people all over the country getting it without also offering a little support; and my letter is not the work itself, but only about it.)

After speaking by phone with Joseph M. Scheidler, director of the Pro-Life Action League and another member of LDI's Board of Advisors, Wetzel e-mailed LDI saying that he is "backing off on the...boycott list for pay story." Yet he said that doing so leaves a "bitter taste" because LDI is engaging in the "holding back of vital info that would benefit all proliferers, for money..." Wetzel went on to say that LDI's Website "looks like a front group for a proabort organization trying to scam money from proliferers. Especially with the list for pay."

Wetzel asked Brenda Spurlock, an employee of Operation Save America (formerly Operation Rescue), to write to LDI. She said that LDI leaders were being confronted on this “money for *List*” issue in line with Matthew 18, which covers how Christians should confront other Christians who have sinned against them. Yes, LDI’s policy and practices are called sinful.

Any individual may choose to disagree with this or any other policy. However, in the case of LDI, all policies are subject to the review by the Board of Directors that we believe God has put in place. “Like I said, legitimate criticism is certainly acceptable, but casually and callously accusing us of such despicable sin is another thing altogether,” Scott said.

Why do we even print this kind of article; one that takes so much valuable space? As our policy reads, “LDI will publicly but professionally challenge organizations that we believe are discrediting the Pro-Life Movement, but only after first taking the issue to the organization’s leadership. We welcome such challenges from anyone who can ever show LDI is discrediting the Pro-Life Movement.” We just believe the challenge should be based on truth—not innuendo, inaccuracies, and *National Enquirer*-type writing. So we print this kind of story to make sure that those who care about the truth know the truth.

What exactly was “exposed” in the “exposé?” LDI asks for a donation for the materials it publishes. “It is as though LDI had been keeping this fact a secret and it took an ‘exposé’ to make us come clean,” Scott said. “It is this kind of thing that makes us wonder if it is worth it.”

### QUOTABLE QUOTE

“I would sooner have you hate me for telling you the truth than adore me for telling you lies.”

— Pietro Aretino (1492-1556)

### THE PRAYER PROJECT

The Prayer Project encourages prayer for those in the Pro-Abortion Movement and those who have not been strong in their claimed pro-life convictions. Join us in daily prayer for: May—Secretary of State *Colin Powell*; June—Canadian Minister of Health *Anne McLellan*, Lib.; July—*Nadine Strossen*, professor of law at New York Law School and president of the American Civil Liberties Union; and August—Rev. *Carlton W. Veazey*, president and CEO of the Religious Coalition for Reproductive Choice.

### WORTH YOUR TIME

*July 10-14, 2002*: American Life League’s Celebration of Life World Family Conference will be held at New Orleans, Louisiana. The program includes a track focusing on pro-life activities in minority communities. Information: [www.all.org](http://www.all.org) or call (540) 659-4171.

*October 24-26, 2002*: Campaign Life Coalition Canada and Life Canada will host a conference entitled, “Creating a Culture of Life.” Speakers will include Jack Willke, M.D., of Life Issue Institute and International Right to Life; pro-life author Fr. Ted Colleton, Dr. Talmir Rodrigues of Brazil, Dr. Amin John Aboud of Australia, and Anna Halpine of World Youth Alliance. The conference will be held at Etobicoke, Ontario. Information: call (416) 204-9749 or 800-730-5358. E-mail: [yoli@lifesite.net](mailto:yoli@lifesite.net).

## NEW PARTNERSHIP, SAME BAD MESSAGE

Planned Parenthood has partnered with *Teen People* to spread its deadly message. In its June/July 2002 issue, the magazine offers three key articles on page 48:

- *Are You A Sexpert?:* This article urges teens to take a sex quiz as part of the *Teen People* and National Campaign to Prevent Teen Pregnancy's "National Day to Prevent Teen Pregnancy" (May 8). One question:

Jeff and Tara had been dating for a few weeks but had only kissed good night. Now they're in Tara's basement making out and Jeff starts fumbling with her bra. Tara isn't sure she wants to go there, but she really likes Jeff, and she's afraid that if she tells him to stop, he'll think she's a prude and lose interest. If you were Tara, what would you do?

- *Safe, Not Sorry:* This article tells the story of Marshall Hunter II, a Planned Parenthood peer educator, who set out to "champion safe sex." As part of Planned Parenthood's Teens Helping Teens program, Hunter performs skits on sex and relationships. He also distributes free birth control and pregnancy tests to young people. Hunter says that teens "are going to have sex" and it is better that they "be protected." Hunter claims to practice abstinence.

- *5 Things You Need to Know About Teens and Sex:* This section cites misleading Planned Parenthood statistics as undisputed fact.

*Teen People*, published by Time Inc. (a subsidiary of AOL Time Warner), also included an article noting that "June Is Gay Pride Month." The magazine commissioned a poll of young people asking this question: "Are you gay, lesbian, bisexual, transgender or questioning [your sexuality]?" The results: 22 percent say they belong in one of the aforementioned categories.

**ACTION:** Write to Mr. Norman Pearlstine, Editor-In-Chief, *Teen People*, P.O. Box 999, Radio City Stn., New York, NY 10101-0999. Write to: Mr. Don Logan, Chairman & CEO, Time Inc., 75 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10019. Write to: Mr. Richard D. Parsons, CEO, AOL Time Warner Inc., 75 Rockefeller Plaza, New York, NY 10019.

## IN THE KNOW

LDI has received another Planned Parenthood e-mail alert. We thought you would find it strategically useful:

From: Planned Parenthood Action Network  
Date: Fri, 24 May 2002 11:25:37 -0700 (PDT)  
Subject: Court Nomination Update: What you should know

As you may know, President Bush has the authority to nominate federal judges at all levels. These nominations are crucial for two reasons: very often these judges have the final say on important issues; and once an individual is confirmed as a federal judge, they are often considered for higher court appointments, including the Supreme Court. This is why it is so important that these nominations demonstrate a commitment to safeguarding fundamental rights, including reproductive rights.

Many of President Bush's nominees are questionable in nature, in that they have demonstrated hostility towards women's rights and reproductive rights in general. We scored a victory in the defeat of one such nominee—Charles Pickering—earlier this year, but it is clear that the fight is not over.

The judicial confirmation process requires Senate approval, so it is important that you make your views known to your Senators. Over the course of the next few months we will be asking you to contact your Senators asking

them to oppose the nominations of a series of questionable nominees. For more information on judicial nominations visit our new website at [www.saveroe.com](http://www.saveroe.com).

**ACTION:** Let your members of the United States Senate know what you think.

## BOYCOTT UPDATE

The Corporate Funding Project (CFP) continues going strong—thanks to your commitment and support! To date, 84 corporations are known to have stopped funding Planned Parenthood. Here is the latest news:

■ Misinformation about Amazon.com and its supposed support of Planned Parenthood has been widely disseminated. Only persons who place an order through Planned Parenthood’s Website link are supporting the pro-abortion group. This is even less direct than a matching gift program. In short, Amazon.com is not a boycott target.

■ Starbucks Coffee is not on *The Boycott List*. But **Whole Foods Market** is a boycott target. The latter corporation makes the sandwiches sold by Starbucks. Please do not buy such food at Starbucks.

■ Persons receiving the latest *Boycott List* will see that Care Net is no longer as an endorsing group. This is because the parent group of several pregnancy care centers accepts **American Express**. LDI has urged Care Net to stop accepting the charge card, but so far the request has been met with mere excuses.

“We are conducting an ongoing evaluation of the amount of donor and other income that we receive by accepting American Express cards,” wrote Kurt Entsminger, Care Net’s lawyer. “I can assure you that these amounts are not insignificant.” Yes, Care Net is investigating the financial impact before deciding what to do (as though donors would not give another way).

LDI reminded Care Net that Planned Parenthood, which receives funding from American Express, is the greatest enemy of crisis pregnancy centers. Care Net’s only response was to cleverly point out that Satan is the greatest enemy, not Planned Parenthood. (This is technically true, but we would argue that the mission is the same.)

LDI challenged Care Net to tell its donors that American Express supports Planned Parenthood, but that the card will be accepted anyway. The suggestion was rejected. LDI will print an update on this matter, along with additional details in the next *Caleb Report*.

■ When the CFP began it was decided that only donations to Planned Parenthood would be tracked. The rationale: 1) the need to narrow our focus so as to not overwhelm people; 2) only Planned Parenthood actively advocates for *and* commits abortions; 3) few corporations support the other pro-abortion groups and not Planned Parenthood as well; and 4) Planned Parenthood is the strongest, most recognized and dangerous pro-abortion group in the world.

Beginning with the first *Boycott List* published in 2003, LDI will include the names of corporate supporters of the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Action League (NARAL) and the Canadian Abortion Rights Action League (CARAL). The highly successful standards used to identify and deal with supporters of Planned Parenthood over the past ten years will also be applied to NARAL and CARAL donors.

Why the change? 1) Pro-life people have grown used to and accepted the idea of the economic boycott; 2) There will not be a significant change in the number of corporations appearing on *The Boycott List*; and 3) Those funding NARAL and CARAL are doing so for one reason—they clearly support abortion. These corporations cannot hide behind any excuse, which is common for supporters of Planned Parenthood.

## P.P.F.C. BASIC STATISTICS

For 2000-2001, Planned Parenthood Federation of Canada's budget increased to \$2,283,545 (up from \$1,884,665 the previous fiscal year). Its expenses were \$2,262,966 (up from \$1,809,926). Corporate support slightly decreased. PPFC literature boasts of one of its chief projects—its attack on pregnancy help centers:

To coincide with an investigative exposé of fraudulent crisis pregnancy counselling centres across Canada by the CTV television network program *W5*, we produced a media kit and a checklist to help consumers assess counselling centers....

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