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FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR'S DESK



BRAGGING RIGHTS FOR DCRTL!

It's hard to be humble when. . . we're being recognized nationally! Many of you already heard this but for all the rest of you—you need to hear that we (*as part of Iowans for Life-the greater part, I might add—as in 7 of the 9 buses*) were asked to lead the March for LIFE in Washington, D.C. And, we (DCRTL) had a national winner in the essay contest. [*Congratulations to Kayla Schneider, a 7th grader from Seton School in Farley.*] And, we had the largest number of participants coming to the March from so far away. [*Rough estimate-close to 500.*] And, we think we will be featured in the National Catholic Register. [*They were notified and expressed interest.*] And, you probably saw us on National TV since we were the ones in the red capes and sweatshirts at the very beginning of the March. [*At least I think they will show the beginning of the March. They usually do.*] [*Note: you are reading this after the trip. I am writing this before we leave so its ready to mail out on time!*] All this is good news! We are just one little group among many but it shows that we are making things happen. We have more people involved and are spreading the message further than others. We are making a difference! It's only going to get better! Our plans to increase our visibility, expand our outreach and enlarge our membership base are soon to be realized. We are set to move into our newly remodeled "Office and Education Center" this month. And when we do, our much desired message center will be up and functioning thanks to the generosity of two donors who specified that the money be used for that only. We will be able to display pro-life messages 24 hours each day and update the message as often as desired. Almost 14 **thousand** cars go by that corner each day. We will keep people informed! Watch for continuing education opportunities for students and professionals. Thank You Pro-Life Dubuque!

Speaker Training/Education Sessions

Dubuque County Right to Life is once again offering informational classes on topics pertinent to the Right To Life movement. Involvement in the pro-life movement begins with learning the truth - the facts about abortion, chastity, euthanasia, stem cell research, Planned Parenthood and more. Anyone interested in learning more about issues to become a speaker or just to be an effective advocate one-on-one is welcome to join us. Classes will be given by Connie Hardie, Educational Director. They will be held at our NEW office, 2205 Carter Road from 7:00 - 9:00 P.M. on three Sundays - February 26, March 5 and March 26, 2006. One additional session will be needed for those who plan to complete the training and become a speaker. There will be an \$8.00 charge for materials. (Obtaining materials is strongly suggested, but optional.) Our major focus as an organization is education. We are in need of more qualified speakers for our speakers' bureau. To register, or for more information call Ellen or Colleen at 556-5960.

“THERE’S AN OLD SAYING IN WASHINGTON THAT CONGRESS LISTENS TO WHO’S TALKING!”



PRO-LIFE LEGISLATIVE ACTIONS:

The addresses and phone numbers for your members of Congress are:

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Washington, D.C. 20510

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E-mail addresses for **Representatives** can be found at <http://clerkweb.house.gov> (and then go to “Write your Representative”). Phone numbers are listed above. Rep. Jim **Nussle**, 303 Cannon House Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20515, 202-225-2911. Fax: 202-225-9129. E-mail: <http://www.nussle.house.gov>. Dubuque office: 563-557-7740, Waterloo office: 319-235-1109, Mason City office: 515-423-0303, and the Manchester office: 563-927-5141 or 800-927-5212.

E-mail addresses for **Senators** can be found at <http://www.senate.gov>. You can **reach any senator** by calling the Capitol switchboard at 202-224-3121. Senator Charles E. **Grassley** (R), 135 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, D.C. 20510. E-mail: chuck_grassley@grassley.senate.gov/ Phone: 202-224-3744 in Washington; 319-232-6657 in Waterloo; or 319-363-6832 in Cedar Rapids. Senator Tom **Harkin** (D), 731 Hart Senate Office Building, Washington, DC 20510. E-mail: tom_harkin@harkin.senate.gov/ Phone: 202-224-3254 Washington; 319-365-4505 Cedar Rapids; or 563-582-2130 Dubuque.

To contact your IOWA Congressmen:

Call the State House to reach your Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, Treasurer, Secretary of Ag., Auditor, and Attorney General @ 515-281-5211. To reach your State Senators, call 515-281-3371. To reach your State Representatives, call 515-281-3221. The toll free number to the Iowa Capitol Building is 800-375-7097.

To write: The Honorable _____, Office of the Governor or Senate Chamber or House Chamber, State Capitol Building, Des Moines, IA 50319. Begin letters with Dear Governor _____ or Dear Senator _____, or Dear Representative _____.

To FAX: House 515-281-6108; Senate 515-281-5868

To E-mail: firstname_lastname@legis.state.ia.us Please note: an underscore character must be typed between the first and last name. When e-mailing your legislator, please let them know where you live in their district. There are various e-mail addresses for legislators.

Iowa—Governor Vilsack signed a cloning ban into law in 2001, but he now wants the law repealed to allow cloning for research. The only restriction on scientists in Iowa at this time this a ban on human cloning. Scientists are able to do any stem cell research that they wish – adult or embryonic. The law now states that you cannot clone a human embryo for purposes of research or reproduction. What the Governor and the University of Iowa are supporting is a ban human reproductive cloning. In other words, the bill will allow human cloning to take place as long as the cloned embryo is killed. Please contact your legislative officials about this!

Federal—We look for the **Right to Life Act/Paramount Human Life Amendment** to be re-introduced. The Right to Life Act of 2005 will protect millions of unborn children by prohibiting any state or federal law that denies the personhood of the unborn, thereby effectively overturning *Roe v. Wade*.” **ACTION:** Let your Senators and Representatives know what you think about this bill.

“Holly’s Law.” The bill would suspend the abortion pill RU-486 pending a review by the Comptroller General of the United States of whether the Food and Drug Administration followed proper procedures in approving the drug in 2000. **ACTION:** Let your Senators and Representatives know what you think about this bill.

Unborn Child Pain Awareness Act. The bill requires every abortionist to provide, whenever a woman seeks an abortion past 20 weeks after fertilization, specified information about the capacity of her unborn child to experience pain during the abortion. After the woman receives this she must either accept or refuse (by signing a form) the administration of pain-reducing drugs directly to the unborn child. **ACTION:** Let your Senators and Representatives know what you think about this bill.

The Supreme Court ruled 6-3 that the Bush administration cannot prohibit the use of federally controlled drugs from being used in assisted suicides in Oregon, the only state in the nation with a law allowing the practice. The majority said federal law does not trump state law, even though the supremacy of federal law is normally upheld. Congress should pass **an amendment to the Controlled Substances Act** that specifically states that assistance in suicide is not a 'legitimate medical purpose.'”

This month our featured **Boycott target company** is: KENNETH COLE PRODUCTIONS—Operations: clothing, umbrellas, fragrances (Black & White), shoes, hosiery, luggage, brief cases, handbags, wallets, watches, belts, cuff links, eyewear, & Unlisted brand products); Contact: Mr. Kenneth D. Cole, Chairman & CEO, Kenneth Cole Productions Inc., 603 W. 50th St., New York, NY 10019-7029; (212)265-1500 or (800) 536-2653; www.kennethcole.com. Please write or call to express your disappointment with their funding of Planned Parenthood. Your note can be as simple as “I refuse to continue doing business with you until you no longer fund Planned Parenthood.”

February is American Heart Month. We are happy to report that the American Heart Association does NOT participate in embryonic stem cell research!! **February is also National Cancer Prevention Month.** Unfortunately most cancer research organizations do use or at least support the use of embryonic stem cells either directly or indirectly. Some are associated with Planned Parenthood and/or its agenda. For example, The American Cancer Society and the Susan G. Komen Breast Cancer Foundation are listed in the *Boycott List's* “Dishonorable Mention” section. If solicited to donate, and aren't aware of their policy call us (563-556-5960). In this case, your note could say something like, “I will not contribute to [name of charity] until you quit providing support for embryonic stem cell research/funding Planned Parenthood.”

Abortion mill visits: Please join us and commit to praying at the mills! Remember that the best way to close these killing centers is to have a constant pro-life presence there. We can't do that without your help!!!

The upcoming dates for joining our group are February 18 & 21. We will accommodate your needs to the best of our ability. If you can go on the third Tuesday, meet our group in the parking lot after **7:00 A.M.** Mass @ Resurrection. Tuesday's visit will be to the Cedar Rapids Clinic for Women. Call Tom (563-588-1635) if you are able to go. Please call Ellen or Colleen (563-556-5960) for more information if you plan to go on Saturday. The Saturday group goes to Iowa City to pray.

Memorials to DCRTL:

Thanks to all who have given a gift of life:

In memory of the following: for **Clara Jaeger** from Larry & Irene Scherrman; for **Delores C. Sigwarth** from Joyce Scherner & siblings; for the **Krapfl** babies from Mike & Sara Brehm; for **Clarence & Alice Russell** from Ed & Joan Schiltz; for **Steve Green** from Mary Ann Green, Ed & Teresa Kordick, Dewey & Jane Meyer; for **Paul Dunne** from Gerald & Judy Delaney, Marina Lehmann, John & Sue Lukasik, Alan & Kathy Wedig; for **Delores English** from Dick & Jean Mescher; for **Victor Schaefer** from Dick & Jean Mescher; for **Dick Funke** from Mary Ellen Scherrman; for **Joe Tauke** from Dan & Barb Nicholson; for **Jim Grady** from Dewey & Jane Meyer; for **Joe Ragatz** from Loras & Jo Sabers; for **John Stasi** from Allen Troupe; for **Joy Meyer** from Terry & Dee Schilling; for **Tim Williams** from Terry & Dee Schilling; for **Viola Sutton** from Terry & Dee Schilling; for **Andy Hostert** from Dave & Marie Their; for **Lyle N. Clemens** from Mrs. Hazel Kersten; for **Bernice Beck** from Mary Kay Portzen; for **Rita McDonough** from Virgil & Marian Bourek, Dan & Barb Nicholson, Don & Lois Noel; for **Marie Ruden** from Dick & Jean Mescher.

In honor of: Jennifer Alberhasky from Jean Foust.

Whenever a gift is given in memory or in honor of a loved one, an acknowledgement card is sent to the person or family you designate. With gifts of \$250 or greater, their name is engraved on our memorial plaque which is displayed in our office.



Our cable access shows can be seen on cablevision Channel 16! Watch for our **upcoming programs**, scheduled for Monday @ 10:00 A.M., Friday @ 3:00 P.M. and Saturday @ 1:00 P.M. [If these times aren't convenient, Mediacom will do their best to accommodate. Let them know!] Upcoming programs feature **LIFE TALK NEWS**, Life Dynamic's monthly video magazine. The Justice Foundation **Faces of Abortion** videos have arrived and will soon be alternated with the Life Talk News and local programming. Please keep watching for our new variety in programming. There will be a new show every other week.

Our **February 2 meeting** will be our annual report from all who participated in the Iowans for Life bus trip to Washington, D.C. for the March for Life. It will be held at **7:00 P.M.** in the Cathedral Center. Plan to join us to hear what we saw, heard and did while we were there. This meeting is always entertaining and inspiring. Don't miss out on the fun! Another group will present at Divine Word on **February 20 @ 7:30** followed by Eucharistic Adoration for Life @ 9:00 P.M. (you may stay for all or part). Call if any questions.



COMING EVENTS - Plan now to join us!

- ◆ Pro-Life Mass **every Wednesday** at 2:25 P.M. at the Power of Prayer - 75 W. 17th Street - Fr. McAndrew, celebrant.
- ◆ Two opportunities to **Visit** the abortion mills to **pray and sidewalk counsel** each month. Call 563-556-5960 for details. (more information inside this issue) Abortion mill visits—February 18 & 21.
- ◆ MODERN NATURAL FAMILY PLANNING -call 582-1673 for details.
- ◆ Our **next monthly meeting** will be held @ **7:00 P.M. On Thursday, February 2 @ the Cathedral Center**—details above.
- ◆ **February 20**-March for Life reports @ Divine Word—details above.
- ◆ March 25th—the Day of the Unborn
- ◆ April 28th—Life Dinner.

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