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Dubuque County Right To Life, Inc. is a non-profit, non-sectarian, educational organization dedicated to preserving and fostering respect for human life from conception to natural death. We educate the public about the dangers of abortion, euthanasia, and infanticide.

FROM THE EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR’S DESK



Great night! Great news! Great Responsibilities!

Thanks to all who attended our annual L.I.F.E. Dinner last Friday evening. We had a **great night!** It proved to be an enjoyable, informative event. We worked hard and all turned out well, at least as far as we can tell! Even the weather cooperated. What a lovely evening. Our only regret was that you couldn’t **all** be there—maybe next year. See inside this issue for pictures and more comments.

The Supreme Court decision upholding the ban on partial birth abortions is **great news!** This was the first time since 1973 that they upheld a federal law that prohibits a (any) type of abortion. Now, this particular procedure (partial birth abortion or intact dilatation & extraction) is illegal. There is a life of the mother exception. A doctor can be prosecuted for performing a partial birth abortion but the woman cannot be prosecuted for having one. No individual state can make partial birth abortion legal again because it was a federal law that was upheld. Yes, that is good news. But the fight isn’t over. It is likely that this ruling, while a success because it was in our favor, will not necessarily save babies lives. We continue our struggle to ban ALL abortions. If you would like more information, please contact our office.

Finally, we have **great responsibilities.** HF 611 (Sexuality Education) has passed both the Iowa House & Senate. All school districts in Iowa must now teach “medically accurate, age-appropriate” sex ed as part of their human growth and development programs. These terms are our opponents (Planned Parenthood) code words for their research and are used to promote their agenda. This type of sex education leads to promiscuity which leads to (the need for) birth control, which leads to which leads to abortion. It is our responsibility to monitor what is being taught to our children. Now, more than ever, we must take the responsibility of sex education of our children into our own hands.

Please join our Action Alert List—We are currently setting up a database so we can notify you by email if there are any Pro-Life issues that you need to be aware of. Often we hear of legislative actions at the last minute and could then get the information out to you so we don’t miss an opportunity to influence or at least let our views be heard. Email your address to dcrtl@dcrtl.org. Also, if we have your email already YOU MUST STILL TELL US THAT YOU WANT TO BE ON THE ACTION ALERT LIST if that’s what you want. We will not put anyone on the list without consent to do so. If you do not have email and want to be notified, let us know and we will put you on a call list. In addition to setting up an action alert database, we are exploring the possibility of distributing our newsletter via email or by notification that it is up on our website to anyone preferring that to the regular mail. If you prefer to receive your newsletter online, please let us know.

PLEASE PRAY WITH US AND FOR US EVERY DAY DURING THE MONTH OF MAY AS WE SEEK GUIDANCE AND DIRECTION CONCERNING A SPECIAL PROJECT.

OPPORTUNITIES FOR PRAYER AT THE ABORTION MILLS:

Dates for the upcoming visits to pray at the abortion mills are: Tuesday, May 15th (Cedar Rapids) and Saturday, May 19th (Iowa City). Call for information if you can join us.



Pictures go on this page (as delivered on CD)

Dear Friends,

We had a great night on Friday night as we celebrated our 15th annual L.I.F.E. Dinner. The L.I.F.E. Dinner is a very important event for Dubuque County Right To Life. It began as and continues to be our major fund raiser. We are also given an opportunity through the guest speaker to take a broader look at the issues. We've had many very good speakers over the years and this year was no exception. We began IN 1992 with Dr. Mildred Jefferson of Boston, the first president of National Right To Life and a current board member of American Life League. Other speakers have included Charles Rice, of Notre Dame's Law school, Msgr. Jim Lisante, who spoke twice and is now the host of the Christopher's TV program. We have also brought in the heads of American Life League, Human Life International, Life Decisions and the Pro-Life Action League. For many the most memorable speakers were the women of Silent No More. Their heart wrenching stories put a real face on the evil of abortion. This year's speaker, Jim Sedlak, the founder of STOPP Plan Parenthood, was one of our most informative. His 35 minute talk could only touch on the depth of his vast knowledge of Planned Parenthood and its agenda. We will soon be showing his talk on cable access. We also have a series of other talks on Planned Parenthood by him on CD available at our office.

I sincerely hope that those of you attended the Dinner had a good time. It is always nice to see pro-life friends that come every year to support the efforts of DCRTL. We were so thrilled with the turnout and very thankful to the many people who made a real effort to attend and bring a friend.

Thank you to the Dinner committee members—Ellie Freund, Laura Dolehide, Caroline Mockler, Bev Petty, Karen Fleege, and John Markham. Thank you to our great staff Ellen Markham and Colleen Pasnik for their usual super job. Thank you also to Mike Ward, Jim Giese, Dennis Mai, Bill Pasnik, Art Gilloon, Sara Brehm, Vince Meis, Marian Bourek and Irene Sherrman for special help. Jim Barefoot was so kind to volunteer to tape our speaker for Mediacom. Special thanks to Archbishop Jerome Hanus for his presence and special prayer.

Last, but certainly not least, thank you to all of you who were so generous this year. We are also very pleased to announce that a special family has pledged to begin an endowment for us through the Community Foundation of Greater Dubuque. More details on this will be provided in the future.

Maureen Ward

PS: Many of you were unable to come this year so we want to give you a chance to make a pledge. Please accept our gratitude in advance.

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UPCOMING EVENTS - Plan now to join us!

- ◆ **May 3**—National Day of Prayer. This year’s theme is IIChronicles 7:14. In conjunction with this national effort, we will hold a non-denominational prayer service at our office at 7:00 P.M. This will take the place of our general meeting for May. Please join us for prayer for our nation and for respect for all life. A reception will follow. If you wish to bring a snack/treat to share, feel free to do so.
- ◆ **May 13, 2007**—Mother’s Day Roses
- ◆ **June 7th**—general meeting featuring Kirsten Lillegard on the Creighton Method of Natural Family Planning.
- ◆ **June 17th**—Father’s Day! Watch for a gift idea in our next newsletter.



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- ⇒ Medium & tall size garbage bags
- ⇒ Prayers



Our cable access shows can be seen on cablevision Channel 16. Watch for our **upcoming locally taped programs**, scheduled for Mondays @ 10:00 A.M., Fridays @ 3:00 P.M. and Saturdays @ 1:00 P.M. This month we are airing *Life Dinner 2007 featuring Jim Sedlak—“Planned Parenthood: After Your Children and Grandchildren.”*

We now are able to present other programs on Cable Channel 15. The scheduled times for *LIFE TALK NEWS* are: Mondays @ 9:00 P.M., Tuesdays & Wednesdays @ 3:30 P.M. and Thursdays @ 2:00 P.M. The scheduled times for *Faces of Abortion* are Tuesdays @ 8 P.M. & Wednesdays @ 1:00 P.M. Please keep watching to get updated on life issues and events. Mediacom now has 24 hour programming so our shows will also make random appearances during the night and on weekends—so watch to see if you can find our shows at other times than those listed above.

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

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