

# Yuba-Sutter Right to Life

## Quarterly Newsletter

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### MESSAGE FROM THE PRESIDENT OF YSRTL

Dear Friends,

Here comes 2012, the 39<sup>th</sup> year since the Roe vs. Wade decision and the beginning of the 40<sup>th</sup> year of legalized abortion. When John and I became involved in the Pro Life movement I thought it would only take a couple of years to turn this thing around. Little did I realize that we were involved in a spiritual battle. At times it seemed hopeless and never ending. Then I am reminded that God is with us – helping us as we go. So with God's grace we continue to spread the Pro Life message, loving both Mother and Baby – bringing help to those in need and trusting Him for the outcome.

Our 7 board members, together with a few faithful attendees, have worked hard to spread the truth through Pro-Life radio ads on KMYC & KCYC. Chuck Page, John and I have appeared on KMYC Radio talk shows, a very pro-life & pro-family station. If you read our quarterly newsletter, you know all the other activities we have been involved in.

My prayer for 2012 is that we continue to strive to follow what God wants us to do. I believe that includes voting for Pro-Life candidates to serve us in all levels of government, and finding someone to step forward and head up a 40 Days for Life Campaign in front of our Planned Parenthood (PP). The National PP organization has instructed ALL affiliates to do surgical abortions by January 2013. We NEED a presence at the killing center. 40 Days for Life has had tremendous results saving lives, converting abortion facility workers to our side and actually closing abortion businesses. Check out their website: [www.40daysforlife.com/](http://www.40daysforlife.com/)

I am sure when we die and go before our Lord, He is not going to ask us if we succeeded, but He will ask if we tried. Please come join us at our monthly meetings & take information back to your Church. Let's all work together sharing our time and talents for life.

May God bless you all this Holy Christmas Season!

Maureen Guth



**NEW YORK**, September 28, 2011 ([LifeSiteNews.com](http://LifeSiteNews.com)) The U.S. House Committee on Energy and Commerce, chaired by Rep. Cliff Stearns, [has asked](#) Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) to hand over all documentation that would prove not only proper allocation of its \$363 million in Medicaid and other taxpayer funding each year, but also its institutional dedication to reporting child sex abuse and illegal sex trafficking. PPFA president Cecile Richards called the investigation “harassment and intimidation.”



### THE MOVIE [180](#) CHANGES MINDS

This video can be seen at [www.youtube.com/watch?v=7y2KsU\\_dhwI](http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=7y2KsU_dhwI) According to a November 2, 2011 article on [LifeSiteNews.com](http://LifeSiteNews.com), this video (released in September of 2011) has been seen by more than 1.3 million people and has changed many minds on abortion.

LifeSiteNews reports one public high school student in West Virginia wrote in an email about how 180 helped change the mind of her entire class about abortion. She wrote an essay in her civics class about how she wished abortion were illegal. “After I had finished reading my essay, a discussion arose in class about how they thought abortion should be a choice, especially if the child is unhealthy or was caused because of rape. But once we started to compare it to Hitler and the Jews, everyone’s minds started to change....Because of 180 I was able to turn around the entire class opinion about abortion and by the end of the class, 25 of the 25 students and my teacher as well had all raised their hand agreeing that abortion should be illegal.”

**BOCA RATON, Florida**, September 21, 2011 ([LifeSiteNews.com](http://LifeSiteNews.com)) Where do the souls of aborted babies go? In a poignant new song called “Unborn Angel”, 26 year-old pro-life and pro-family rap artist Joe Pots suggests that a guardian angel leads the “unborn angel” to the throne of God.

Pots says his new song was inspired by his concern for mothers who become pregnant in difficult situations. He hopes that the song will inspire them towards life-affirming options such as adoption.

To listen to the song, click [here](#). The song is also available for purchase on iTunes.

Yuba-Sutter Right to Life appreciates your support throughout the year. We depend upon your contributions, which are tax deductible, and we do our best to be good stewards of your donations. Please consider giving today.

## UPCOMING EVENTS:

*You Are Cordially Invited....* To our meetings! We meet the **first Wednesday of every month** (except January 2012, which will be on Tuesday the 3rd) at 7:00pm in the conference room of the St. Isidore Parish Hall. Everyone is welcome! Call 673-1437 for details.

### West Coast Walk for Life 2012:

This year's event will take place on January 21st, 2012 in San Francisco. Please join us for this very inspiring event. Yuba Sutter Right to Life will have **3** buses leaving the parking lot of St. Isidore at **9:30am**. Tickets are \$25 each, but soon will go up to \$30. Please call Maureen at 673-1473 or Mike at 656-2122 or email [secretary@ysrl.org](mailto:secretary@ysrl.org) for info/tickets. They're going fast so get yours while they're still available! Check out [walkforlifewc.org/event.htm](http://walkforlifewc.org/event.htm).

**FRONT ROYAL, Virginia**, October 3, 2011 ([LifeSiteNews.com](http://LifeSiteNews.com)) [The Population Research Institute](http://LifeSiteNews.com) (PRI) has released the latest episode of their popular YouTube cartoon series. The series is designed to refute the idea of overpopulation with stick figure animation.

The latest video, available at [Overpopulationisamyth.com](http://Overpopulationisamyth.com) deals with the issues surrounding our population's latest milestone of 7 billion people. The video aims to show that, according to the UN's latest data, the world's population is not skyrocketing out of control, but rather slowing to a standstill before plummeting downward again.

"We set out to be entertaining first," says Colin Mason, PRI's Director of Media Production and the video's editor. "We figure if we can be funny and interesting visually, people will absorb the concepts."

"Essentially," Mason continued, "when people see the rate at which we're adding a billion people, they automatically assume that our population is ballooning at an unsustainable rate. But that's not the case at all...and most of the time, all it takes is a simple explanation of the math and people get it. The hard part is getting them interested enough to do that. That's what we hope to accomplish with these videos."

"The fight against the myth of overpopulation does not have to be a bare-knuckled brawl," says Steven Mosher, PRI's president. "These videos are funny and easy to digest, the very opposite of Al Gore's boring pronouncements on the 'dangers' of too many people. Our viewers end up considering the science that supports our pro-life position, often for the very first time. We say to our skeptics: watch, laugh, and learn."



Since 2007, 40 Days for Life has witnessed:

- 1,633 individual campaigns in 422 cities
- More than 500,000 people joined together to fast and pray for an end to abortion
- More than 14,000 congregations participated
- 5,045 lives have been spared from abortion—and these are just the ones we know about!
- 61 abortion workers have quite their jobs and walked away from the abortion industry
- 16 abortion facilities completely SHUT DOWN

Prayer continues at [1750 Wright Street](http://1750WrightStreet.com) in Sacramento on abortion mornings: Thursday, Friday, and Saturday from 8am-11am. [Sign up on-line!](http://SignUpOnline.com)

**MILWAUKEE, Wisconsin**, November 3, 2011 ([LifeSiteNews.com](http://LifeSiteNews.com)) Witnesses outside an abortion clinic said an African-American girl who looked to be between 11 and 14 years old had asked for help from pro-life sidewalk counselors, only to be physically blocked by the abortion clinic escort staff. The girl was trying to get more information at a pro-life center across the street.

"Once she said she wanted to go across the street, she [the escort] held up her arm and blocked her, then she put her hand on the kid's shoulder to stop her," said one of the counselors present at the scene. "The whole group of vigilers were pleading for her to let her go across the street to get free help, and they wouldn't let her."

"We could hear her say, 'please take your hands off me,'" one of the counselors reported. "You could see it in her eyes." The counselor went on to say that the guardian, who appeared to be the girl's mother, came out of the clinic appearing "very irritated" and "literally pulled her back into the clinic."

When the police were called, the operator responded by saying there was nothing to be done, and no officers were dispatched.

[The Justice Foundation](http://TheJusticeFoundation.com) has a [letter](http://Letter.com) that can be printed out and given to the parents or guardians of a pregnant minor which outlines the rights of the minor. It states that no one may force, coerce, or pressure her to have an abortion. It also gives examples of coercion, such as threatening to kick the girl out of the house, grounding unless she has the abortion, or threatening her with violence.

If you know a girl who is pregnant and being pressured by someone, please give her the letter so she will know what her rights are.

*Merry Christmas from Yuba Sutter Right to Life!*

# Gifts from God

by Heather Pugh

My heart is broken. No, shattered. And the pieces are so very small that I am afraid that I will be unable to gather them back together again. What is happening in our world? In our country.....our state....our city....our homes? Children are dying...from abortion....from abuse....from neglect. And so many of us are turning a blind eye. We profess with our lips love and tolerance and yet our hands strike out in anger and we close our eyes to the horror happening around us. I want to gather all of these children in my arms and hold them to myself. I want to softly whisper words of love and encouragement to them. I want to dry their tears and stroke their head and gently rock them to sleep. I want to wrap them all up in a blanket overflowing with love and let them know how special they are. I want to tell them they are children of God, loved with a love that surpasses all understanding.

I read so many articles in order to write the quarterly newsletter and so many of them are heartbreaking. On occasion, I cry. The tears sting as they roll down my cheeks. Women are being forced to have abortions. It doesn't only happen in China. It happens right here when boyfriends threaten their girlfriends with leaving or abuse if they don't abort. It happens when parents threaten their daughters with eviction or abandonment and force them to the abortion clinic. The many years of abortion and birth control have turned children into an object....*a thing*. *Something* that we can choose to have or to throw away.

I don't write this as someone who believes herself to be above all that ails us, but rather as someone who has suffered the same temptations and, by the grace of God, has come to realize my numerous faults and shortcomings. I myself was unexpectedly pregnant at the age of 18 and had decided to have an abortion. Thankfully, a coworker who had made that "choice" and deeply regretted it shared her experience with me and my mind was changed not only for that moment but for the rest of my life. My son is now 24 years old and I would be blessed with three more children over the course of the next 15 years.

I would like to propose something. That we love and treasure our children. That we show them how loved and valued they are. Not only with words, but with actions. I propose that we "occupy Love". Or rather, that we allow Love to occupy us. Let it wash over us and send all that is keeping us cold and distant from one another down the drain. Allow love to overcome us and transform us. Let's allow Love to direct us in its symphony. Let's allow compassion to become the law of the land and have mercy not be what we seek for ourselves, but for others as well. Let's have Christmas be a season that rejuvenates our hearts, our minds, and our lives and leads us closer to God by bringing us closer to one another. And as we celebrate the birth of the infant Jesus more than 2,000 years ago, let us be reminded that children are indeed a gift from God.