

SUMMER 2010 NEWSLETTER

Abortion has affected our generation like no other.
Unless we stand up and convince politicians and the public that abortion is
wrong, future generations will be affected even more.

We have the power to make a difference.

CLC Youth is a network for pro-life young people to help them get involved and stay informed. You have a special role to play in influencing politicians and changing the culture. CLC Youth is a branch of Campaign Life Coalition, the political wing of the pro-life movement in Canada. CLC works at all levels of government to secure full legal protection for all human beings from the time of conception [fertilization] to natural death, as social justice demands.

MP Rod Bruinooge, Chair of the pro-life caucus, urges youth to get involved: "I am always encouraged to see young people get involved in politics. You are not only our future, but a key part of our present and your voice matters now. We cannot let society forget the immense value of every life. Speak up and be heard, but also remember to listen; that is how you grow. Don't let anyone tell you to be quiet because your view isn't popular. What's popular isn't always true, and what's true isn't always popular."

Instead of being an obvious voice, studies show that there is a HUGE lack of young voters when



election time rolls around. Young people must fill those booths and vote for their local pro-life candidate. We must be informed in our voting decision, which means asking those running for office exactly what their views are on life issues. This can be done by:

You can visit www.campaignlifecoalition.com for background information on your current local MP. Or, visit the offices of your local candidates. Bring a camcorder, a tape recorder, iPHONE etc. Record their answers to important questions such as:

1. What are your views on abortion?
2. Would you support a bill to give rights to the unborn?
3. Would you support a piece of legislation limiting or outlawing abortions in Canada?
4. Do you think abortion is a settled issue or do you think it is something that needs to be addressed once again in parliament?

By using this information, you can not only make an informed decision about who you want to represent you in parliament, but you can also submit your findings to Campaign Life Coalition. CLC can then post relevant information on-line and help thousands of Canadians make informed and intelligent decisions about their political candidates.

*"Never forget that everything
Hitler did in Germany was legal."
- Martin Luther King Jr.*

Meet The Summer Interns!

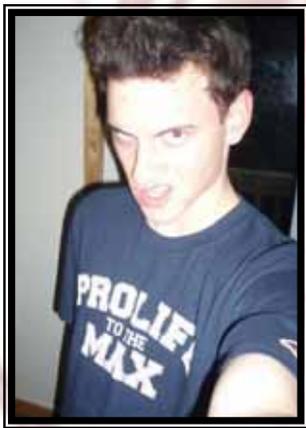


Agnes

Age: 21

School: Ryerson University

“Even though I can’t put an end to abortion right away, it doesn’t mean I won’t try.”



JOSEPH

Age: 21

School: Our Lady Seat of Wisdom Academy

“In order for the law on abortion to change, two things must happen: there must be a widespread conversion of heart among Canadians and Canadians must also become educated on the topic.”



MARIKA

Age: 23

School: University of Waterloo

“Our leaders need to realize that despite how convincing any argument for abortion may seem, the reality is that an actual human life is in jeopardy.”



Mark

Age: 20

School: Centennial College

“The only law on abortion was struck down in 1988, which means there is no law on abortion in Canada. Laws need to be put into place regarding issues of abortion, maternal health, and the protection of the unborn child under all circumstances.”



Michelle

Age: 20

School: University of Ontario Institute of Technology

“As long as pro-life organizations and communities keep striving for what is right, people’s views will eventually change.”



Sarah

Age: 18

School: Homeschooled

“We need to educate and activate people, and make abortion unthinkable”



Ximena

Age: 21

School: George Brown College

"I enjoy working in the pro-life movement because I am not working for my own satisfaction but on behalf of those who have no voice and also for those who are scared to speak out about the evils of abortion."



Theresa

Age: 18

School: Christendom College

"Working at CLC enables me to be constantly kept up to date and learn about pro-life issues. The only way the laws are going to change is for people to take a firm stand against abortion."



CATHERINE

Age: 16

School: Hawthorne School

"For abortion laws to change increased awareness of the harm abortion has on women needs to be raised. I also think that the youth need to take action on their beliefs and work together to change the abortion law in Canada."



John

Age: 20

School: University of Toronto, St. Michael's College

"I believe that small steps are necessary to ban abortion entirely."



DOMINIC

Age: 22

School: York University

"We need to embrace compassion for the smallest and most vulnerable members of our society."



Alissa

Age: 23

Campaign Life Coalition Youth Coordinator

"We are the voice of the future. We need to use this to our advantage and become actively involved to fight against abortion-on-demand at any and all cost."

2010 March For Life

ABORTION – A CRIME AGAINST HUMANITY

On May 13th, 2010, a crowd of over 12,500 people came together in Canada's capital to protest against the injustice of abortion. As seems to be the growing trend, the majority of those attending the National March for Life were young people. From noon till almost 5:00 p.m. Parliament Hill was filled with pro-lifers listening to talks given by the president of CLC, Jim Hughes, politicians, religious leaders and spokespersons from Silent No More.

Taking place alongside the annual banquet on the night of the March, was the Youth Rose Dinner, accommodating the ever-growing number of young people getting involved in the pro-life movement. Melissa Ohden, an abortion survivor and compelling pro-life activist, was the evening's keynote speaker. Her story revealed the grotesque reality of abortion; but as a hopeful survivor, her inspirational talk focused on the value and dignity of human life.



Melissa Ohden

their age, as well as misinforming them on the stages of development of the unborn child. This served to educate the audience not only on the reality of the pro-choice position, but also on development and growth of the child in the womb.

Stephanie Gray, co-founder and executive director of the Canadian center for Bio-Ethical Reform spoke next, and delved into the horrible truth of abortion, emphasizing the importance of life regardless of the stage of development or the disabilities a baby may have. The powerful video of Nick Vujicic, a man without arms and legs, served to bolster her point and provided audiences with a passionate story of survival and human worth.



Stephanie

Scattered throughout the day were workshops by Melissa Ohden, John-Henry Westen, Alex Schadenberg and David McDonald. Topics included euthanasia and assisted suicide, activism, and the importance of proper use of communications.

-M. Nolan



Lila

On the following day, May 14th, the annual Youth Conference took place, consisting of speakers, workshops, good food and music. Lila Rose, a pro-life educator, speaker and founder of Live Action, kicked off the conference with a talk focused on exposing the lies of Planned Parenthood through her undercover work, using secret video tapes and audio recordings of actual Planned Parenthood employees telling their patients to lie about



PRO-LIFE MEDIA. AT YOUR DISPOSAL.

Kathy Ireland on the Mike Huckabee Show

I Made Mike Huckabee. Supermodel Kathy Ireland explains why she became pro-life on the Mike Huckabee Show. Although Stephen Colbert and Conan O'Brien fought over who made this presidential candidate famous, Kathy Ireland does a pretty good job by choosing his show to go, as Fox News puts it, "against the grain of the glitterati".



<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=oMjeddIJCqU>

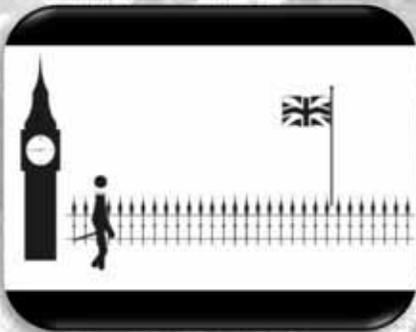


Virtue Media- Professional Pro-Life Ads

Before Tim

Tebow. These quick 30 second commercials effectively broadcast, compassionate and educational media messages, to bring about a positive change in hearts and minds on pro-life issues.

<http://www.virtuemedia.org/television.htm>



Overpopulation, Kids, A Stable Population...

Stick People Are People Too. This quick two minute cartoon effectively and entertainingly explains

all aspects of population, replacement and fertility rates. The Population Research Institute is a non-profit research and educational organization dedicated to objectively presenting the truth about population-related issues, and reversing the trends brought about by the myth of overpopulation. Check out their website at <http://overpopulationisamyth.com/> to see more facts and videos. Also available on youtube:

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=zBS6f-JVvTY>

Lia's Speech: 12-Year Old Torontonion Public Speaking Award Winner

Who needs Hannah Montana? Watch an amazing pro-life speech given by 12-year old "Lia" from Toronto, ON. Apart from winning first place at her school's public speaking competition, her



"controversial" speech also helped save a baby! Lifesite News reported that one woman sent Lia a message on her youtube account saying that because of this video she chose not to have an abortion.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=nNGvMmvYRHw&feature=related>

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Nick Canon- Can I Live?

I'm Not Pro-Nick, I'm Pro-Life

Although Nick Canon can hardly be labeled a pro-life artist, this video and the song's lyrics have a surprisingly profound pro-life message. The song is about Nick's mother's choice to keep Nick, after a close call with abortion. Although the rapper is quoted as saying, "I'm not pro-life, I'm pro- Nick"; intentionally or not, Canon quite accurately and intuitively portrays how abortion is the wrong choice.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=vdOCwd9EttE>



Flipsyde- Happy Birthday

Happy Birthday To The Ground

Californian band Flipsyde released this pro-life song from their debut record "We The People" in 2005. The song was written as a testament to fathers who have lost their children from abortion, and, according to their website, became a #3 hit in the U.S. Flipsyde has toured with the Black Eyed Peas, The Game and Snoop Dogg, and has continuously inspired other popular artists. After hearing this song, Akon reportedly said, "The song got me right away. I knew right then I wanted to work with Flipsyde."

Check it.

<http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=C5f9-b-Zfnw>

News on the University Front:

Fighting the Good Fight

“We did not break a single University bylaw or regulation and so we will defend ourselves accordingly. We will also not cease exercising our rights to free speech just because they’re threatening us. I’d rather be expelled as a principled person than graduate a coward.”

-Alanna Campbell, President of University of Calgary Pro-Life Group

Interesting fact number one: the word “Google” can be used as both a noun and a verb.

Interesting fact number two: If you “Google” *University of Calgary Pro-Life Group*, you literally come across hundreds of results. This group has been in the news since 2008 for their on-going battle with University officials over the right to have GAP (Genocide Awareness Project) displayed on their campus. Although CPL has been putting on these powerful demonstrations since 2006 without incident, the University has repeatedly

threatened them with arrest, expulsion and censorship. Finally earlier this year, the University went so far as to warrant individual, non-academic misconduct hearings for 8 members who proceeded with this demonstration in 2010. The University found the students “guilty” and issued each of them a formal written warning, stating that if they “fail to comply with directives of Campus Security staff in the future” it will “result in more severe sanctions.” Cristina Perri, CPL secretary responded, “We’ve been informed that there are a lot of possible punishments involved, ranging from warnings to expulsion, but there’s nothing they can do to us individually that compares to what hundreds of unborn children encounter each day in our country.”

Interesting fact number three: Only one woman, U of C's Acting Associate Vice-Provost Meghan Houghton conducted the hearings, denied the students legal representation AND was the sole decision-maker in the “guilty” verdict.

- A. Golob





Movies!

Coming Soon:

Blood Money

Blood Money, a documentary that exposes the truth behind the abortion industry, is a film to look out for in the future. Although I only watched the 3 minute trailer of Blood Money, I know it's going to be one of the most powerful documentaries of the year - which is why pro-abortion activists tried so desperately to shut it down. According to LifesiteNews.com, producer Roman Jaquez was informed by Spectrum 8 Theatre that they would no longer be hosting the premiere due to threats by these activists. The film, however, was shown at the Madison from May 14th - 20th, 2010, and met with great success. Although this movie is only being shown in the U.S- petitions across North America are being signed to try and get this movie into theatres.



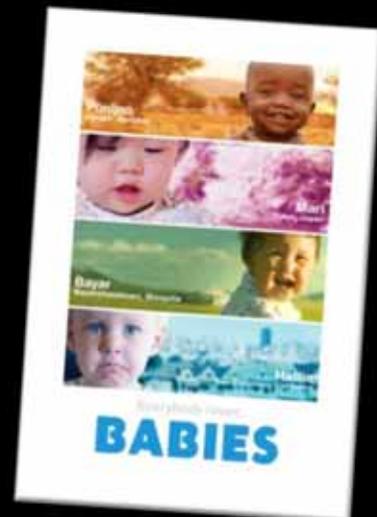
- Go to <http://www.bloodmoneyfilm.com/index.php> to watch the trailer, read about the movie, and sign the petition.
- Appearances include Norma McCorvey (the plaintiff in Roe Vs. Wade), Dr. Bernard Nathanson (abortionist-turned-pro-life-activist), Dr. Alveda King (niece of Martin Luther King Jr, politician, author, and pro-life activist) and Joseph Scheidler (labeled the *Green Beret* of the pro-life movement).

In Theaters Now:

Babies

This visually stunning new movie simultaneously follows four babies around the world - from first breath to first steps. From Mongolia to Namibia to San Francisco to Tokyo, BABIES joyfully captures on film the earliest stages of the journey of humanity that are at once unique and universal to us all.

- Directed by Thomas Balmes and Produced by Focus Features.



Currently Touring:

The Human Experience



“We are pro-family and pro-life, so we wanted to do a pro-life film that never mentioned the word ‘abortion,’ didn’t take a religious view, didn’t take a political view, we just wanted to be pro-life because that’s the way life should be naturally.”

- Joe Campo, Producer

The Human Experience is a story of a band of brothers who travel the world in search of the answers to the burning questions: *Who am I? Who is Man? Why do we search for meaning?* Their journey brings them into the middle of the lives of the homeless on the streets of New York City, the orphans and disabled children of Peru, and the abandoned lepers in the forests of Ghana, Africa. What the young men discover changes them forever. Through one-on-one interviews and real life encounters, the brothers are awakened to the beauty of the human person and the resilience of the human spirit. This movie is currently touring across Canada, Europe and the U.S.

Visit <http://www.grassrootsfilms.com/thehumanexperience/> to see if this movie is playing in your area.

“...All that is necessary for evil to succeed is that good men do nothing.”

– Edmund Burke



CLCY Spotlight:

“THE ULTIMATE MEASURE OF A MAN IS NOT WHERE HE STANDS IN MOMENTS OF COMFORT AND CONVENIENCE, BUT WHERE HE STANDS AT TIMES OF CHALLENGE AND CONTROVERSY.”

-MARTIN LUTHER KING JR.

“Every year about 1.6 million children are aborted in Canada and the U.S., and we’ve decided to do something about it. We’ve decided to go for a walk. A very long walk, actually.”



- *Michael Hayden*

On May 22nd, 2010, 21-year-old Michael Hayden, along with 15 other Canadians set off on their one month journey to walk across Canada with Crossroads Ministries for the pro-life cause. Starting in Vancouver and ending in Ottawa, the goal of this pro-life pilgrimage is to join efforts in prayer and small sacrifices for the sake of the innocent. Their mission is to speak to the survivors of abortion — the youth of Canada. They speak to parish groups to encourage pro-life



activism in their communities, stop at local abortion clinics along the route to participate in prayerful, peaceful protests and sidewalk counseling. Their main goal is to spread the message of life and love through the means that the modern world provides. They also actively participate in radio, television and newspaper interviews with the mainstream media as well as religious media outlets.

Please support Michael and his fellow companions in their efforts to spread the pro-life message.

To learn more about the annual Crossroads walk, visit their website: <http://www.crossroadswalk.org/>.

UP-COMING EVENTS:

TORONTO RIGHT TO LIFE: FAMILY DAY

- **When:** June 19th, 2010
- **Where:** Northmount School, 26 Mallard Road, Toronto, ON
- **Time:** 11am- 3pm
- Coffeehouse with live music, BBQ, baked goods, activities, face painting and much more. Free Bouncy Castle and Free Admission. Come celebrate life and learn about the pro-life cause!
- Read more at: www.righttolife.to

SHOW THE TRUTH TOUR 2010

- **When/Where:** July 12 to 16 - Greater Hamilton, Kitchener, Guelph
- **When/Where:** August 9 to 13 – Toronto
- Join Rosemary Connell and her team during their two 2010 summer tours. Show the Truth is a non-denominational mission dedicated to showing the truth of abortion to the Canadian public. Show the Truth is committed to peaceful and legal means of pro-life education, through displaying large photographs of abortion and distributing literature.
- <http://www.showthetruth.ca/>

NCLN NATIONAL SYMPOSIUM

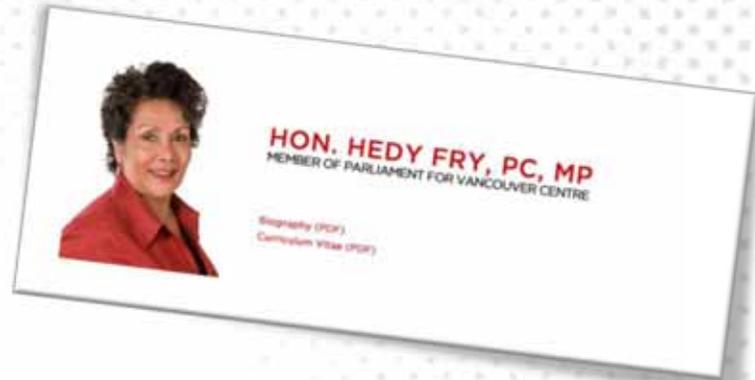
- **When:** Oct. 1st to 3rd 2010
- Join your fellow campus pro-life leaders for a weekend of training, networking and inspiration. Topics include articulating the pro-life position, helping women make the choice for life, engaging your campus, dealing with campus conflicts, event planning, establishing your club and building your membership & more!
- For more information contact Rebecca at director@ncln.ca .
- Registration will be online at www.ncln.ca .

LIFE-CHAIN 2010

- **When:** Oct. 3rd 2010
- The Life Chain is held simultaneously in more than 200 cities across Canada each year. It's a powerful street witness campaign that has endured the test of years, saved lives and changed hearts. Please plan to attend this annual event in your hometown.
- http://campaignlifecoalition.com/index.php?p=Life_Chain

INTERNATIONAL PRO-LIFE CONFERENCE

- **When:** Oct. 28th to 30th 2010
- **Where:** Hampton Inn, Ottawa, ON
- **Theme:** Building A Global Culture of Life
- Meet with pro-life leaders from all over the globe to hear them speak about pro-life advocacy and what we can do to make a difference. Hosted this year by Campaign Life Coalition.



Chicken Fry

Hedy Fry: Canadian MP, gay rights activist, outspoken pro-abortion politician, and now poster child for the book, “How to Win Friends and Influence People.” At least that’s what I think. According to author Dale Carnegie, “the only way to get the best of an argument is to avoid it”, a motto Ms. Fry clearly embraces. The Vancouver liberal sheepishly turned down a debate from challenging opponent Stephanie Gray of the Canadian Centre for Bio-Ethical Reform, weeks after saying in a CBC article that she was ready to debate the issue of abortion with anyone. According to the voicemail left from Hedy’s secretary on Gray’s phone, Fry was *misquoted* in the CBC article, as she meant she would debate the issue with anyone *in the House of Commons*. As Kelly



McParland of the National Post so eloquently states, Fry does not want to debate “mere unelected Canadians, especially one who disagrees with her, knows her subject and is experienced at debate.” It’s funny, according to the Liberal Party of Canada’s Constitution, it states, “The Liberal Party of Canada recognizes that human dignity in a democratic system requires that all citizens have access to full information concerning the policies and leadership of the Party; the opportunity to participate in open and public assessment of such means, and such modifications of policies and leadership as they deem desirable to promote the political, economic, social, cultural and general well-being of Canadians.” Either Hedy had her secretary read the constitution for her, or she circumstantially ignored this section for fear of getting...wait for it...fried.

-A. Golob

Youth Action Plan:



1. Meet your MP!

Make an appointment with your local MP to find out exactly where he or she stands on important life issues. Video tape or record your findings and share them with others by sending them to youth@lifesite.net.

2. Get Educated!

Yes, you could watch videos of Justin Bieber online all day OR you could educate yourself on important life issues such as abortion, euthanasia and stem cell research. Visit one of the many websites listed on our resource page to find out more information and prepare yourself to make a difference and take a stand.

3. Write Letters To The Editor!

More times than not, if you write how old you are in a Letter to the Editor, you are way more likely to be printed than another ranting and raving old man. By being informed, you can immediately and effectively influence those reading your letter purely by your example as a young person. Respond to a biased article, or write expressing your beliefs on the issues to get a debate going and people talking! Visit:

http://campaignlifecoalition.com/index.php?p=Letter_to_the_editor, you can see a list of all available newspapers and magazines printed in your area, upload your letter, and have it sent to the publisher right away. It's just that easy.



4. Invite pro-life speakers to your school, church or youth group!

There are many effective pro-life speakers across the country able and willing to educate young people about pro-life issues. Contact Campaign Life Coalition at 1-800-730-5358 or e-mail youth@lifesite.net to get more information on available speakers in your area.

5. Volunteer at your local pro-life office!

Most towns in Canada have a local pro-life office that always needs more volunteers. Research the possible organizations in your area and find out what you can do to help spread the pro-life message in your town!



6. Support pro-life groups and events!

Many pro-life organizations hold annual conferences and seminars to bring like-minded people together and develop new and engaging action-plans in attempt to change Canadian abortion laws. Review our list of summer events and check the Campaign Life Coalition Youth Facebook group regularly for up-to-date happenings across the country.

And Finally...

Important Resources:

- www.campaignlifecoalition.com
- LifeSiteNews.com
- showthetruth.ca
- NCLN.CA
- GAP (Genocide Awareness Project)
- Priestsforlife.org
- *Feminists for Life*
- ProWomanProLife.org
- Teensforlife.com
- standupgirl.com
- abort73.org
- healingtheculture.com
- EPPC.ca
- unfairchoice.info



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