

Troubles mount for late-term abortionist Brigham

The suspension of Steven Chase Brigham's medical license in New Jersey on October 13 is just the tip of the looming iceberg of troubles for the 54-year-old late-term abortionist.

Brigham's once-thriving four-state chain of abortion mills, billed as American Women's Services, continues to dwindle, with his four Maryland clinics either closing their doors or not accepting clients at present.

A newly elected Cecil County state's attorney may pursue felony charges against Brigham for practicing medicine without a license in Maryland, and could even charge him with murder or manslaughter.

And details continue to emerge on the sleazy histories of the abortionists working for Brigham at his Maryland and other clinics.

Uses Shepard as cover

Brigham's lucrative abortion business hit a major pothole on August 13, when a botched abortion at his secret Elkton, Md., clinic led to revelations of late-term abortions begun at his Vorhees, New Jersey, mill and completed in Elkton.

Headline stories in major news outlets (including *The Philadelphia Inquirer* and the Drudge Report) detailed how, in New Jersey, Brigham inserted rods to dilate the cervixes

Steven Brigham could face murder and other felony charges in Maryland.

of late-term patients and gave them digoxin to kill their unborn babies.

Then, to bypass the law in New Jersey, where he could not legally do abortions past 14 weeks gestation, he had the patients drive in a caravan to Elkton, where the dead babies were extracted.

At his October 13 hearing before the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners, Brigham admitted to doing abortions in Maryland even though he has never had a Maryland medical license.

But he argued that he believed it was legal to do so as long as his employee, Delaware abortionist

Pro-lifers to state's attorney: bring charges against Brigham

Local pro-life leaders called on the Cecil County state's attorney on October 21 to bring criminal charges against abortionist Steven Chase Brigham.

"We're calling on the state's attorney to issue those criminal charges immediately and pursue the maximum penalty under the law," said Michael Martelli of Living Hope for Life, a pro-life ministry in Hanover, Md., which, along with Defend Life, organized the October 21 press conference.

The pro-life coalition held their conference in front of the state's attorney's office in Elkton, the town where Brigham's secret late-term abortion clinic was brought to light in August, after an 18-year-old woman who suf-

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George Shepard, Jr., was present.

The 88-year-old Shepard, however, had had a stroke and cannot use one arm, making it impossible for him to assist in an abortion.

But records seized by police at the Elkton clinic show Shepard listed as the physician of record for an abortion in early August of a woman who was 33 weeks pregnant.

In its ruling suspending Brigham's license, the New Jersey board stated, "Dr. Brigham has consistently and repetitively engaged in manipulative and deceptive behavior designed to circumvent the requirements of the board's termination of pregnancy regulations and to eviscerate the protections that those regulations seek to afford to New Jersey patients."

The board has sent Brigham's case on to an administrative judge for a revocation hearing.

Maryland clinics closed

Brigham's Elkton mill was closed by authorities shortly after the August 13 abortion there that threatened the life of an 18-yearold, 21-weeks-pregnant New Jersey woman.

A police raid of the clinic revealed the remains of 35 late-term aborted babies, some as late as 36 weeks gestation, stored in a freezer.

Brigham's Cheverly, Md., office closed in September. His abortion mills in Baltimore and Frederick are not taking appointments and appear to be closed, at least for the present.

May face murder charges

Cecil County State's Attorney



Pro-lifers want Ellis Rollins (right), who defeated State's Attorney Christopher Eastridge (left) in the November elections, to prosecute Steven Brigham.

Christopher Eastridge, a Democrat, who failed to respond to calls by pro-life groups for criminal charges to be brought against Brigham, was defeated by a 61-39 percent margin in the November 2 elections.

The state's attorney-elect is Republican Ellis Rollins III.

Practicing medicine without a license in Maryland is a felony punishable by up to five years in prison, as well as fines ranging from \$1,000 to \$50,000 for each violation.

Maryland law allows abortions past viability (generally considered to be 24 weeks) for "health of the mother" reasons.

"Health" is defined very broadly to include the "distress . . . associated with the unwanted child . . . the problem of bringing a child into a family already unable, psychologically and otherwise, to care for it . . . the additional difficulties and continuing stigma of unwed motherhood . . . "

However, Maryland law states that if an unborn baby is past vi-

ability and the baby's life is taken in an illegal act, the perpetrator can be prosecuted for murder or manslaughter (Md. Criminal Law Code Ann. 2-103).

Brigham's sleazy abortionists

The Maryland Board of Physicians on October 27 upheld their earlier summary suspension of the medical license of Nicola Riley, the abortionist who committed the August 13 botched abortion in Elkton under Brigham's supervision.

Investigations of Riley and other abortionists employed by Brigham, conducted by the Kansas-based pro-life group Operation Rescue, disclose a string of criminal convictions and other serious problems.

Riley, a graduate of the U.S. Military Academy at West Point, was convicted in 1991 of aiding and abetting a credit card and identity theft ring while serving as an officer

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Abortionist Carhart may be coming to Md.

Maryland's lax abortion laws have attracted yet another late-term abortionist

Notorious Nebraska abortionist Leroy Carhart, whose late-term abortion business is now illegal under a new Nebraska law, said he was planning to open a clinic in the Maryland-D.C. area on December 6, as well as one in Iowa.

The Nebraska law bans abortions after 20 weeks gestation on the ground that the unborn child feels pain at that stage.

"The laws are more favorable" in Maryland-D.C. and Iowa, "and we are going to do the maximum the law allows," Carhart told The Washington Post.

Maryland has almost no regulations of abortionists or abortion clinics. The state allows abortion up to any gestational age for "health" reasons, which can include the "distress" associated with the unwanted child

Maryland's only requirement is that abortions be done by a licensed physician.

The District of Columbia also has liberal abortion regulations.

Carhart refused to disclose the

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at Ft. Carson, Colorado.

She served one year at the Ft. Leavenworth military prison in Kansas and then received a dishonorable discharge from the Army.

Riley went on to receive a medical degree. She barely passed the United States Medical Licensing Examination after three tries.

After obtaining her medical license in Utah, she apparently imLeroy Carhart is planning to open a late-term abortion clinic in the Maryland-D.C. area.

exact location of the planned Maryland-D.C. clinic, saying he wanted to avoid abortion protestors for as long as possible.

But he said he wanted it to be close to the Metro and the airports.

"My hunch is that it will be near BWI, with easy access to women flying in there mostly via Southwest Airlines, which has nonstop flights from nearly all over the country," said Defend Life Director Jack Ames.

"He will probably have courtesy van service from there to his mill.

"Maryland, without any restrictions at all on abortion, could easily become the late-trimester abortion capital of America."

Operation Rescue President Troy Newman is not sure Carhart's plans for Maryland and Iowa clinics will get off the ground, because he may not be able to get financing.

But, noting that Carhart "is about as welcome as the plague in Maryland," Ames promised, "If he does come here, we will be all over him" with leafleting, graphic signs, and other forms of peaceful protest.

Carhart is nationally known as the abortionist who fought a Nebraska law banning partial-birth abortion and later, the 2003 federal Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act.

In Stenberg v. Carhart, the U.S. Supreme Court struck down the Nebraska law.

But later, in Gonzales v. Carhart, with Justice Samuel Alito replacing Justice Sandra Day O'Connor, the Supreme Court upheld the federal ban.

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mediately became an abortionist.

Abortionist Mehrdad Aalai. who worked in Brigham's Baltimore and Cheverly clinics before they closed, pled guilty to Medicaid fraud in 1993, was fined and served three years' unsupervised probation.

His Maryland medical license was revoked in 1994 but reinstated two years later.

Abortionist David Reid Peters, who works at Brigham's clinic in Virginia Beach, Va., was sanctioned by the Virginia Board of Medicine for prescribing drugs "outside of a bona fide practitioner-patient relationship, as required by law."

Vikram Hiralal Kaji, an abortionist at Brigham's Voorhees and Woodbridge, New Jersey, abortion mills, was convicted by the New Jersey Board of Medical Examiners in 1993 of having improper sexual contact with three patients.

He reportedly had sex with a young patient in his office whom he

knew to be a vulnerable, depressed victim of child sex abuse.

New Jersey placed Kaji on a one-year suspension, fined him \$5,000 and ordered him to undergo psychological counseling.

The New York Medical Board revoked Kaji's medical license for sexual misconduct and drug abuse in 1995.

Clinics still operating

Brigham himself has had his medical license revoked in New York, Florida, Georgia and California.

He has served three months in jail for billing fraud.

When the Pennsylvania Department of Health told Brigham in July that he could no longer operate abortion clinics in the state because he was employing unlicensed caregivers, he transferred ownership to an elderly acquaintance in Ohio.

Under this new ownership, his former abortion mills in Allentown and Pittsburg remain open for business.

Brigham still operates six clinics in New Jersey and two in Virginia, in Fairfax and Virginia Beach.

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fered a botched abortion had to be airlifted to Johns Hopkins Hospital to save her life.

Brigham has committed multiple crimes in Maryland, asserted Martelli.

"Regardless of your position on abortion, Steven Brigham is a safety hazard, and not just to the women in Elkton.

"He does not even have a Maryland medical license, yet he has admitted to doing abortions in Maryland, but said he thought it was legal because he had a licensed physician, Dr. [George] Shepard, present with him."

Shepard is an 88-year-old disabled physician, Martelli noted.

"Brigham deserves to be behind bars," declared Defend Life Director Jack Ames: "Because he committed abortion on babies after 24 weeks gestation, when they could live outside the womb, he could be indicted and convicted for murder."

When you participate in the criminal act of committing abortions without a medical license, and the aborted baby is over 24 weeks gestation, that is considered murder under Maryland law, Martelli explained.

Referring to Brigham's operations, in which he ferried patients from his New Jersey clinic to Elkton for abortions as late as 36 weeks gestation, Delaware Right to Life's Moira Sheridan said, "This is the true face of abortion in America: clandestine, dirty, and filled with contempt for women and their unborn children."

Brigham's actions' have made a mockery of the medical profession, said

Kurt Linneman, director of the Maryland Center for Bio-Ethical Reform.

"We call upon the medical boards and legislatures of both Maryland and New Jersey to establish tight guidelines for the abortion industry."

Delegate Michael Smigiel said that although the Maryland General Assembly "is more concerned about protecting the privacy of the abortionists than they are in protecting our women," he was going to pre-file legislation "that will prevent any more Brighams from coming to the state of Maryland to complete their atrocities."

In the meantime, he said, "We need to have criminal prosecutions as a warning to others that we will not tolerate this in Maryland."

Martelli agreed. "If we don't bring criminal charges, Cecil County and Maryland will become a haven for hacks and butchers like Brigham with no regard for public safety."

After the press conference, a Mass of remembrance was held at Immaculate Conception Church in Elkton for the 35 aborted babies found in a freezer in Brigham's Elkton clinic.



Jack Ames (at microphone) calls for Steven Brigham's prosecution at the pro-life coalition press conference with (from left) Delegate Michael Smigiel, Michael Martelli, Moira Sheridan and Kurt Linneman.

No holds-barred ads set off media and viewer firestorm

WOLF BLITZER'S "SITUATION ROOM," CNN, October 25 -

WOLF BLITZER: This campaign season has seen some incredibly graphic political ads. Some are so disturbing, YouTube won't run them, but they're appearing on TV when your kids may be watching.

CNN's Brian Todd is joining us now with more on this story.

BRIAN TODD: That's right. And, Wolf, these ads are showing images of aborted fetuses! And believe it or not, the stations airing these ads have to run them. The pictures are so disturbing, we have to blur them significantly.

The candidate, Republican Missy Reilly Smith, has virtually no chance of unseating Democrat Eleanor Holmes Norton for D.C.'s shadow seat in Congress.

I caught up with Smith at her upscale apartment in Washington where she runs her campaign...

In the few brief weeks before the November 2 elections, the mainstream media's guardians of political correctness reacted with undisguised shock and horror.

An unknown Republican candidate for the House of Representatives from Washington, D.C., had figured out how to legally breach the invisible walls that had heretofore held firm, and was showing D.C.'s TV viewers unedited photos of aborted babies.

Missy Smith's 30-second campaign ads ran first on the local CBS, NBC, ABC and Fox news affiliates.

"We started out with the news; then as more donations came in, we did the afternoon shows and evening shows," Smith explained.

"You name it – we did it: Dr. Phil, Oprah, Ellen Degeneres, Seinfeld, "Everybody Hates Chris," Jay Leno, David Letterman, Saturday Night Live.

"Our strategy was to get to the young people, especially blacks, because for every black baby born, one is aborted."

In the two weeks before the elec-

Missy Smith calls for an end to legalized abortion in her congressional campaign TV ad.

tion, Smith's two 30-second ads ran a total of 225 times, paid for with \$67,000 in donations raised through appeals to a network of pro-life groups.

One ad began with images of healthy unborn babies, but ended with a photo of bloody, dismembered arms from an early aborted baby.

The second ad was even more "hard-sell": a photo of a bloodied late-term aborted baby was followed by photos of blackened, scarred babies killed by saline abortions.

"I killed two of my babies by abortion," Smith narrated in an emotion-filled voice-over.

"I was told, 'It's not a baby!' They lied to me. They exploited me. Then I learned the truth, and I've suffered for years . . . Obama, Pelosi, Reid, Norton: they all support the murder of babies and the abuse of women by abortion. It's time to make child-killing illegal again."

The hard-hitting ads spawned news stories on the ABC and CBS local affiliates, and in *The Washington Post, The Washington Times, The Drudge Report, The UK Mail,* and *The Hill.*

Radio stations across the country interviewed Smith by phone.

Again and again, reporters asked, "Why are you doing this?"

"Because I want it shown that abortion is murder," Smith would reply.

She told CNN, "It's just like when Eisenhower went to the concentration camps after World War II and made the townspeople come in and see the Holocaust victims, and they were horrified.

"With these ads, we blew the doors off the walls of these abortion clinics and showed what happens behind closed doors that nobody ever gets to see."

Explained Smith, "My three main purposes were to save babies' lives, to save women from harm and from being wounded for life, and to get this dialog going."

The ads set off a firestorm of reaction from the viewing public. Smith estimates she got 50 phone calls for each ad.

"Some people were wonderful. They would say, 'Thank-you so much! I've always thought these pictures should be shown.""

But the great majority of calls were obscenity-laden diatribes.

"For two weeks I really got pummeled! These people were so angry – they had no interest in anything I had to say. They wanted to tell me how vile and disgusting I was, and that I should go to hell.

"You do feel pretty beat up after awhile."

Smith thinks that most of the abusive callers were involved in some way with abortion.

"Anger is part of the grieving process [after a death]," she observed. We've had 50 million abortions since *Roe v. Wade*, so it stands to reason there's got to be an enormous amount of anger out there."

A frequently voiced complaint was that the ads showed late-term aborted babies, but that 88 percent of abortions occur in the first 12 weeks



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But, countered Smith, "The remaining 12 percent of 50 million means that 6 million late-term babies have been murdered; that's not to take away from the younger babies murdered by abortion, but 6 million is a riveting figure."

The callers' main complaint, however, was, "My children are seeing this!" said Smith.

For each ad, Smith got about 50 phone calls; the majority were laden with obscenities.

But she pointed out that the ads appeared on many shows with blatant sexual content.

"Parents are sitting with their children and watching the most inappropriate shows, and then they yell at me!"

TV stations ran 15-second disclaimers before the ads warning that they contained "extremely graphic images that may be disturbing to children."

Fifteen-second disclaimers after the ads told viewers that the station "is required by federal law to broadcast this advertisement without modification."

"And then they said, 'If you have



any complaints, call' – and they gave my phone number!" said Smith with a laugh.

"The stations wanted me to pay for the 30 seconds of disclaimers, but I told them, 'I'm sorry!""

Smith found the pulling of her ad for its "shocking and disgusting content" by YouTube "ludicrous."

"It epitomized the irony of this entire journey," she reflected: "They show the most vile things on You-Tube."

Smith's "journey" was a rough one. She received no support, financially or otherwise, from the D.C. GOP.

Months of preparation and planning, banging on doors night after night to get enough signatures to place her name on the ballot, attending meeting after meeting with civic organizations in the process of firming up and rounding out her campaign platform, writing articles, press releases and fundraising letters, doing TV, newspaper and radio interviews – "Sometimes I wouldn't crawl into bed until 5 a.m.," she recalled.

When the votes were tallied, Eleanor Holmes Norton had received 109,577. Smith got 7,401.

But that had never been the point.

One phone call that Smith especially remembers came from an earnest 13-year-old girl.

"I'm just calling to thank you," the girl told her.

"I never knew what abortion was. When I saw your commercial" -- and here her voice broke – "it made me cry.

"I'm going to write President Obama; my friends and I are going to tell him to *stop* abortion!"

Said Smith, "I thought, *that's* why I'm doing it – because this child will never have an abortion."

Court: No immunity for troopers who arrested Defend Lifers

The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 4th Circuit has denied a request by Maryland state troopers for immunity from a lawsuit brought by Defend Lifers arrested and jailed in Bel Air in August 2008.

The lawsuit was brought after at least a dozen state troopers and Bel Air police officers mass-arrested 18 pro-lifers who were peacefully holding signs along Route 24 during Defend Life's Face the Truth Tour.

Sixteen of the pro-lifers were held in jail overnight.

"It looks like the Maryland State Police will have to be responsible for their actions, just the same as we ordinary Maryland citizens do," said Defend Life Director Jack Ames, who was one of the 16 arrested and jailed.

In its October 18 order the 4th Circuit court found that the pro-lifers' arguments that the troopers culpably violated their First Amendment free speech rights, and that their arrests were retaliation based on the content of their speech, were sufficient to deny the troopers' request for immunity for the time being.

Audio tapes of 911 calls received by the State Police reveal passing motorists complaining that the prolifers' graphic signs of aborted babies were "offensive," "annoying," "not cool," "disturbing," "awful," "grotesque," "extremely inappropriate," "disgusting," and "obscene."

The pro-lifers charge that the troopers, in arresting them, enforced a "hecklers' veto" over their free speech rights.

In response to the motorists' complaints, states the 4th Circuit order, "The troopers informed the participants, incorrectly, that county



A Maryland state trooper handcuffs Joan Walsh during the 2008 Face the Truth Tour.

law required that they obtain a 'permit' to conduct the demonstration.

"When they learned the demonstrators had no 'permit,' the troopers [allegedly] ordered the group to 'leave the area' and to 'leave the county,' specifically informing the demonstrators that they would be arrested unless they discontinued their demonstration."

The pro-lifers then moved their demonstration about two miles north on Route 24, to the town of Bel Air, where they incorrectly believed they were out of State Police enforcement jurisdiction. It was then that they were arrested.

According to the 4th Circuit order, Harford County Deputy State's Attorney Scott Lewis advised the troopers that the demonstrators were likely violating the county law that prohibits the obstruction of the free flow of traffic, and that the troopers would be "on good ground" to order the demonstrators to leave the area. Lewis advised the troopers to charge the demonstrators with disorderly conduct, disobeying a lawful order, and impeding traffic.

Eleven days after their arrests, Harford County State's Attorney Joseph Cassilly had all charges dropped against the pro-lifers.

The pro-lifers "forcefully dispute the troopers' contentions," the 4th Circuit order states: "They focus most heavily on their First Amendment claims and emphasize the alleged statement by Trooper Bradley that they 'leave the county.'

"They contend: 'Even if [Appellees'] constitutionally protected speech in a public forum had caused some degree of traffic disruption, that could not have formed a basis to declare the entire county off-limits for free speech activities.

"This is particularly true given the dubious base upon which the

HLI battles population controllers worldwide

World travelers love to take pictures on their trips around the globe and show them to their friends back home.

Brian Clowes is no different – but some of his photos tend to be a bit unusual.

Like the photos he took of billboards all over Africa pushing the use of condoms.

Or the one he took at a hospital for babies dying of AIDs in Capetown, South Africa.

"This little guy died at age one, weighing 5 pounds," he told his audience at a Defend Life-sponsored talk in Huntingtown, Md., November 17.

Clowes has traveled to 35 countries on five continents in his work as a speaker, educator and trainer for Human Life International.

The mission of the Front Royal, Virginia-based organization is to organize, train and equip pro-lifers all over the world to effectively oppose the Culture of Death, he explained.

"There are hundreds of pro-abortion groups, such as UNICEF, the World Health Organization, International Planned Parenthood Federation, Doctors without Borders.

"When we go into a country, we find out what these groups are doing, expose their contraceptive and abortion imperialism, and get the people organized against them."

In his trips all over the world, Clowes has seen some strange things.

In Belize, he watched population controllers conduct a condom demonstration for youths on a city street.

"No one told them that condoms fail one out of 12 times, so we went up and gave them the truth about condom use," he said.

On a trip to a tea-picking area in Sri Lanka with former HLI President Fr. Tom Euteneuer, the two found that Planned Parenthood had been there before them.

"They had given women shots that they told them would help fertility, but were actually the abortifacient Depo-Provera."

At a clinic run by Dominican sisters in the Philippines, the medi-



Planned Parenthood puts on a condom demonstration on a street in Belize City.

cally trained sisters spent Tuesdays and Thursdays removing IUDs from women.

The U.S. Agency for International Development had been through years earlier, supposedly giving routine pelvic exams to all the women aged 15 to 44.

In actuality they had inserted IUDs in them without their knowledge.

"So there were almost no children under the age of 10 in the whole area," said Clowes.

Perhaps his most bizarre adventure occurred when he went to the Ukraine to investigate reports that newborn babies were being stolen from poor women in Kiev for their organs.

"My wife and I followed this trail and ended up at the Institute for Regenerative Medicine in the Barbados," run by a Ukrainian proctologist, Yuliy Baltaytis.

"They would take the newborn baby organs and grind them up and inject them into women for \$25,000 a pop.

"They guaranteed it would take ten years off your life and cure any disease you had.

"We infiltrated the organization, got all the paperwork and gave it to the BBC, which did a 30-minute show on it."

Baltaytis, the proctologist, was run out of town.

The population controllers, beginning with Margaret Sanger, and in Britain, Marie Stopes, have always targeted minorities.

More recently, a top-secret document, National Security Study Memorandum 200, also known as the Kissinger Report, which was declassified in 1989, shows the true motive behind the U.S. government's aggressive funding of population control.

"Why is the U.S. trying to push birth control off on the rest of the world – because we care for them? Because we want to eradicate poverty? It's none of those things," said Clowes.

The Kissinger Report says that population policy is relevant to resource supply: "In other words, we're telling people to stop having babies so we can get our hands on their natural resources."

Human Life International asked the Bush administration in 2005 to repeal or amend the Kissinger Report.

"We never heard anything back, so this is still official U.S. policy," said Clowes.

HLI has been more successful in other battles, however.

"We have stopped or greatly delayed the legalization of abortion in a dozen countries.

"We are the ones who first exposed the forced abortion program in China in the mid-1980s.

"And in the past five years alone, we have trained and equipped more than 25,000 leaders, priests and seminarians throughout the world."

HLI has branches and employees in 88 countries, but concentrates its efforts primarily in the Southern American hemisphere, where abortion is still illegal in many countries, "because once abortion comes in, it's 100 times harder to get rid of it than it is to prevent it in the first place," Clowes asserted.

"We helped to delay the legalization of abortion for three years in South Africa, but Nelson Mandela legalized both homosexual marriage and abortion.

"If pro-life doctors refused to do abortions, they were jailed for 10 years, so they fled the country."

Although South Africa's popula-



An Irish newspaper reports on two Ukrainian doctors who fled to Ireland after helping expose the trafficking of aborted baby organs in the Ukraine.

tion is already declining, Africa's population in general is "zooming," despite its AIDs epidemic, said Clowes.

"That's where the future of the world lies, if they can only overcome corruption. They have the most natural resources in the world and a large, young population.

"We already see large seminaries in places like Nigeria and Kenya, exporting priests by the thousands every single year.

"So the Holy Spirit works in amazing ways: we evangelized Africa, and now Africa is evangelizing us."

In contrast, he says, Europe is dying out. Of the 20 countries in the world where the population is declining, 16 are in Europe.

"Europe is the best example of what unlimited abortion and contraception can do – because once a generation thinks that children are expensive and messy and not worth the trouble, your entire country is going to die."

Of the 47 countries of Europe and the former Soviet Union, there are only three where abortion is not completely legal: Ireland, Poland and Malta.

But Poland had Communism and abortion for 40 years, and now they have one of the lowest fertility rates in Europe: 1.04 children per woman.

"We are about 6.8 billion in the world now. We will top out at about 7.5 billion and then begin to plunge," he predicted.

"And if you think we have problems with population growth, wait until you see the problems when population decreases!"

Sorry, guys, we can't give you the

There aren't too many laughs in the pro-life movement, but Steve and Michael Peroutka managed to dish up a bellyful at Pro-Life Appreciation Night October 28.

The two hundred and fifty or so pro-lifers at Michael's Eighth Avenue in Glen Burnie roared with laughter and clapped along as the two brothers delivered a deadpan parody of Dr. Hook's 1970s hit, "The Cover of the Rolling Stone."

While Michael strummed the guitar, Steve bemoaned the fact that, despite all their pro-life efforts, they had never made the cover of *Defend Life*.

Michael joined Steve on the chorus to wail hopefully:

Gonna get our picture on the cover; Gonna buy five copies for my mother! Gonna see my smiling face On the cover of Defend Life! (Just for the record fellas Pro-

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Life Appreciation Night was the lead story, complete with a photo of Steve handing out awards, on the cover of the Sept.-Oct. 2004 *Defend Life*. How soon you forget!)

On a more serious note, the Peroutka brothers presented six awards to individuals whose pro-life perseverance and tenacity are exceeded only by the number of ways in which they have fought to protect the unborn.

Albert Stecklein received the James A. Miller/Robert G. Haase Hero award for, over many years, storing and trucking large Face the Truth posters and much larger GAP (Genocide Awareness Project) signs to Face the Truth and other tours, and to college and other events.

"None of these nearly 150 truth tours and events would have been possible were it not for Albert's faithfulness to the pro-life cause," said Steve

The Patalinghug children (clockwise, from top right): CJ, Angelique, Jared, Gabriel, Emmanuel and Alyssa, received the Dr. William J. Hogan Education Award at Pro-Life Appreciation Night.



Peroutka in presenting the award.

Receiving the Senator Francis X. Kelly Political Action Award was Delegate Don Dwyer, Jr., whom Defend Life Director Jack Ames describes as "fearless – a modern-day prophet."

The Anne Arundel County delegate "is absolutely hated in Annapolis because he is one person who stands up for righteousness; he champions the most unpopular causes," says Ames.

In addition to sponsoring bills opposing same-sex "marriage," Dwyer submitted personhood amendment bills in the 2009 and 2010 Maryland General Assembly sessions.

The Marilyn Szewczyk Pro-Life Service Award went to Pastor Luke Robinson, pastor of the Quinn Chapel African Methodist Episcopal Church in Frederick.

As a keynote speaker at the 2007 March for Life in Washington, D.C., Pastor Robinson's message, on the devastation of the African-American community by abortion, was titled, "Stop the Lying – We Are Dying."

At the 2009 March for Life, Pastor Robinson called on President Obama to preside over the end of abortion and black genocide in America.

Charles Suraci, Jr., was given the Anthony J. "Bud" Peroutka Knights of Columbus Servant Leader Award, named after Steve's and Michael's father, who died this year.

"Chuck has been in the pro-life movement for 40 years," said former State Senator Frank Shore, who accepted the award for Suraci, who was in the hospital.

As head of the pro-life committee for the Knights of Columbus Rosensteel Council in Bethesda, Suraci has organized the council's yearly March for Life kick-off rally.

cover – will the centerfold do?

"He's like the man behind the scenes," said Shore. "Because of him Rosensteel is the lead council in the state for pro-life activities."

Six brothers and sisters who comprise a positive-message pop singing group called Musix won the Dr. William J. Hogan Education award.

The Patalinghug children: CJ, 19; Alyssa, 17; Emmanuel, 15, Gabriel, 13; Angelique, 12; and Jared, 9, have all been homeschooled and are very passionate about being part of the pro-life movement.

The Patalinghug family owns a martial arts school in Pasadena called Kick Connection, and five of the six children have black belts in Tae Kwon Do.

The Dr. Jack and Barbara Willke Founders Award was given posthumously to Dr. Mildred Jefferson, a prominent, outspoken opponent of abortion, who died October 15.

Dr. Jefferson, the first black woman to graduate from Harvard Medical School, was one of the founders of the National Right to Life Committee and served as its president from 1975 to 1978.

A great orator in the pro-life movement, Dr. Jefferson testified before Congress in 1981 that *Roe v. Wade* "gave my profession an almost unlimited license to kill."

State Senator Andy Harris was the evening's guest speaker, just days before his decisive win over First District Congressman Frank Kratovil.

Harris spoke about his efforts in Annapolis to limit abortion and stop embryonic stem cell research funding.



Gonna get our picture on the cover! Steve and Michael Peroutka wow the crowd with their smash hit, "The Cover of Defend Life." Lyrics are below. A video of their gig is on www.youtube.com/watch?v=1nIcixr3c6s.

Well, our name's not Smothers But we're pro-life brothers And we don't like them that abort. We march with Nelly 'Til our feet are smelly And we finish at the Supreme Court. Well, we got a lot of backing But there's something lackin' And it cuts through us like a knife; 'Cuz we know Jack Ames But we can't get our names On the cover of Defend Life!

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So it goes without explainin' We're not really complainin' But it's causin' us lots of strife Cuz I'm treated like a thug And I can't get my mug On the cover of Defend Life.

- 3 -

Andy Harris venerates us And Cookie tolerates us There's no doubt at all about that. We're tight with Ray Ruddy And Joe Scheidler is a buddy – He even lets me wear his hat! So it must be of concern For all of you to learn That the situation here is rife With two guys who quote the Scriptures But can't get their pictures On the cover of Defend Life.





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- E. Michael Jones, Culture Wars Magazine

- Fr. Paul Schenck, National Pro-Life Action Center

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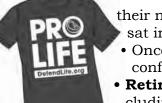




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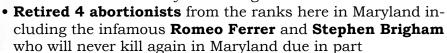
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Adult stem cells restore sight

By John Naughton

In yet another remarkable demonstration of the power of the perfectly moral adult stem cells to aid mankind, Italian researchers recently reported the correction of vision loss using cornea grafts enabled by growing cornea stem cells into membranes.

The cornea is a dome-shaped cap covering the colored iris and pupil of the eye. Damage to the cornea in one or both eyes may cause blindness. If the injury is severe, the cornea may be irreparable.

The study was carried out at several European research centers, hoping to show injured corneas are reparable using adult stem cells grafted onto corneas of eyes blinded by chemical or thermal burns.

The study evaluated 106 eyes blinded by burns of the cornea: 83 from alkali, 16 from acid, and 7 thermal burns. One eye was blinded in 87.5 percent of the patients, and the other 12.5 percent were blinded in both eyes.

The results of the study were: complete success in 81 (76.6 percent); partial success in 14 (13.1 percent); and failure in 11 (10.3 percent). Successful stem cell cultures remained stable on the eyes treated for up to 10 years of follow-up, whereas failures occurred within the first year after grafting.

The researchers concluded that the culture of a patient's stem cells offers a source of cells allowing transplantation in the effective treatment of human corneas destroyed by burns.

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These are marvelous results for those whose sight

was improved. Surely they celebrated their "miracle" and thanked God. No doubt the researchers will be working to determine the reason for the failures to see what they can do to improve the success rate.

Despite the many wonderful medical advantages of adult stem cells, our federal and Maryland governments continue to pour money into immoral (because it results in the killing of a new human being) embryonic stem cell research.

ESCR has not helped a single sick or impaired person; it has not cured any disease or eased any human condition. Recently, Archbishop Allen H. Vigneron of Detroit said research that destroys human embryos "deserves our scrutiny and scorn."

For years our legislators have used our taxes to pay for ESCR without any benefit to mankind. It would be better to use those funds for many other reasons, including adapting the Italian technique for cornea grafts to help Americans and others.

One easy way to let your legislator know your views on funding the killing of embryos vs. helping people, when the Maryland Legislature is in session beginning in January 2011, is to register with the Maryland Catholic Conference at capwiz.com/_mdcath/mlm/_signup/.

The MCC will be working to redirect state funds to adult stem cell treatments. They will invite you to contact legislators by email when appropriate.

Another way to inform your legislators if you know someone who might benefit from such a treatment is to have them testify to legislators on the desirability of funding adult stem cell optical treatments vs. killing embryos. Contact Nancy Paltell at the MCC website for assistance.



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Agency targets critic of parents' rights grab

James Likoudis has written and lectured for decades on the usurpation of parental rights by both federal and state governments.

In 2008 he got to know his subject up close and personal.

In March of that year, a caseworker from the county Child Protective Services came to the Likoudis home in New York State and, on the basis of an anonymous hotline call to the CPS Central Register in Albany, accused the author and his wife Ruth of running an unauthorized day care center.

"We explained we were taking care of our 3-year-old identical twin grandsons, Luke and Jake," Likoudis told his audience at a Defend Lifesponsored talk in Silver Spring October 14.

The other children in or about their home were visitors to the village park next door, the couple told the caseworker.

After a full explanation, identifying themselves, the names and ages of their grandsons, and the names and address of the boys' parents, the charge of running an unauthorized day care center was quickly dismissed as "unfounded."

Three months later, a second purported hotline call led to a visit by another CPS caseworker.

The anonymous complainant alleged that "the children Jacob (3) and Luke (3) are left outside for hours while Ruth (grandmother) is inside the home. This is not the first time.

"Kathryn (mother) is aware that the grandmother is not capable of supervising the children, but continues to leave the children in the care of the grandmother."

The caseworker questioned the children, who denied that they had



Author and lecturer James Likoudis successfully fought false charges brought against him and his wife by Child Protective Services.

been playing in the street. But in his report, Likoudis said, the caseworker alleged that they had admitted being in the street.

In August Ruth received an "indicated" report from CPS. "Indicated" means the evidence of child abuse and maltreatment was substantiated by the investigation, Likoudis explained.

The Likoudises hired an attorney. Through a Freedom of Information Act, they obtained in-house CPS memos concerning their case that revealed there never had been a second anonymous hotline complainant.

The charge had instead been maliciously fabricated by someone in the local CPS office, "who alone could have had access to the material regarding our family from the first 'unauthorized day care' case," Likoudis charged.

"When we finally received our administrative hearing before a judge,

our attorney absolutely shredded the testimony of the caseworker, proving his professional incompetence and total lack of understanding of children," he said.

The Likoudises had spent \$7,000 on attorney's fees. The charges of mistreating their beloved grandsons had caused acute emotional distress that led on one occasion to Ruth's emergency hospital treatment for a possible heart attack.

And for over two years, their son and his wife lived with the threat hanging over them of having their sons taken away from them for allowing them to be in danger at their grandparents' home.

"We were shocked that the judge quashed our subpoenas against CPS officials whom we were quite ready to accuse of a malicious fabrication by an out-of-control government agency," Likoudis recalled.

He noted that according to Dr. Stephen Krason, co-author of *Parental Rights: The Contemporary Assault on Traditional Liberties,* about two-thirds of reports of child maltreatment made to CPSs nationwide are unfounded.

Moreover, parents who are accused of maltreatment have few of the due process rights accorded to ordinary criminal defendants, such as the right to trial by jury, access to agency records about their case, and the right to confront and cross-examine accusers.

"There is further irony in the fact that CPS agencies often fail to protect children who are actually abused and neglected," said Likoudis.

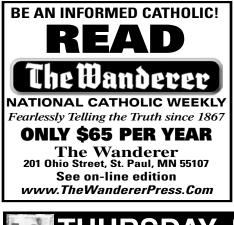
He called for reforming state laws to protect parental rights, children and families from "out-of-control" CPS agencies, by:

- Helping eliminate the anonymous hotlines which result in false and malicious reporting by making such accusers subject to tort suits.
- Clarifying the meaning of "child abuse" in the law, and treating it as a criminal matter in regular courts where the accused will have constitutional rights and protections.
- Insisting on the strictest requirements before agencies can remove children from their home.

But the malfeasance by Child Protective Service agencies is only one aspect of the statist attack on parental rights and the attempt to establish total government control over children, Likoudis emphasized.

"A powerful federal government has sanctioned the entrenchment of profound evils in our society: contraception and abortion, in-vitro fertilization, embryonic stem cell research, sterilization, pornography, and the spread of homosexuality," said the former president of Catholics United for the Faith.

"Increasingly accepted by all too many Americans is the mantra that governmental agencies know what is





best for children," he observed.

Secularists who have lost all sense of the sacredness of sex, marriage and family life impose their philosophy on children in both public and Catholic schools through "comprehensive sex education" programs.

Often, it is not a matter of officials forcing unwilling parents to let their children take part in these programs;

Americans increasingly accept the mantra that government knows what's best for children.

rather, the abandoning of parental rights is caused by a mistaken timidity in the face of the "expertise" of professional educationists, said Likoudis.

As a result, "The government public school now functions as the primary educator of children, not parents," he asserted.

A traditional role of the Church has been to limit the power of the state. But the voice of the Catholic Church has instead been muted when faced with the spectacle of the state's violation of fundamental human



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Troopers solely rely to show they were reasonable in arresting Plaintiffs for obstructing traffic: anonymous phone calls from passing motorists who disliked Plaintiffs' message and whose only allegations of disruption were based on Plaintiffs' message, not conduct.

"In short, the linchpin of the Troopers' qualified immunity claim is their unconstitutional and unreasonable order to leave the county; once this fact is pulled out, their qualified immunity defense falls apart."

"Pro-life advocates shouldn't be handcuffed and arrested for expressing their beliefs," said Alliance Defense Fund Litigation Counsel Daniel Blomberg, who is representing the pro-lifers.

"The 4th Circuit's decision is a positive development for our clients, who deserve justice after what they endured."

rights, said Likoudis.

Many of our Church officials reflexively look to the government for the solution of every social problem, thus helping to concentrate more power into the hands of our secular and anti-religious federal government branches and agencies.

"Good Christian parents often, sad to say, do not find social support in parishes where silence on the key moral issues reigns," he noted.

Pro-life activists need to confront the serious threat to family life being perpetrated by Child Protective Service agencies, as well as other secular attacks on parents and families, Likoudis concluded.

He recommended the website Fightcps.com for more information on Child Protective Service agencies.

In My Humble Opinion

Word of honor trumps recklessly speaking out

By Janet Baker

During this past election cycle there was a bit of quarreling amongst the pro-life community regarding political endorsements and the tax-exempt status of various organizations.

To be specific, some have sought and obtained taxexempt status under IRS Code Section 501(c)3. This status is attractive to many groups because it allows them to inform their donors that they can deduct the amounts of their donations from their income taxes (subject to the statuses of the donors themselves).

A disadvantage of that is such organizations are prohibited by that same IRS code from endorsing specific candidates who are vying for political office. In other words, they may not engage in partisan politics.

The "c3" groups may inform their friends of the pertinent positions taken by all candidates within a given race, but may not name names. We saw several situations where this was done; however, their political advocacy is obviously stilted.

Others within the pro-life community have taken strong public umbrage at them, going so far as to accuse the "c3" groups of "selling their souls." They have urged such "c3" groups to speak out no matter what the consequences. I think that sort of action to be ill-advised – but not for the reasons that one might think.

Putting on my CPA hat, I'll give a bit of a "guided tour." The "c3" status is not automatically thrust upon an organization (churches are another matter). There is an application to be completed (what is the IRS if not laden with paperwork?) and criteria to be met.

When the organization signs the application (and yes, the organization signs it – the officer is merely the agent of the organization), it freely agrees to accept the restrictions laid upon a "c3" organization for the benefits, most notably the tax-exempt status of donations given to it.

Now here's the key. When the organization signs the application, it gives its solemn word that it will abide by the regulations in return for receipt of the benefits.

For those of us who profess to be Christian, and for organizations that profess to be Christian in mission

and character, it is no trivial thing to give one's word. Before God that word must be honored at all costs.

I'm hearing too many suggestions that "c3" organizations should just disregard the prohibition against political speech to "test it in court." No, no, no! That is NOT how the Christian organization "honors its word." Our focus is not so much on the law per se, but the Christian organization's solemnly binding obligation to honor their freely given word. Yes, freely given. I don't know of any case where an organization sought "c3" status under duress.

That being said, I do think that the 501(c)3 status is a hindrance. Pro-life groups, and churches for that matter, must stop being so solicitous about the tax-free donations that they don't speak up when it's necessary.

So what is the morally licit course of action to take? They need to formally renounce the 501(c)3 status *before* they engage in activities prohibited to "c3s."

I'm not an attorney, so I cannot give the particulars about how to do so. I do know, though, that any attempt to "have their cake and eat it too" will not pass moral muster.

Of course they also need to inform existing and potential donors of such intentions so that said donors won't attempt to deduct their donations from their returns, placing them at risk of IRS audits. In summary, I do think the "c3" status is a useless encumbrance, but there are right ways versus wrong ways to extradite ourselves from it.

Pray for the souls of these recently deceased friends of **DEFEND LIFE** Eileen Bolgiano Charlie Evans Hugh Fitzpatrick Patricia Ames

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Elkton scandal should lead to action in Annapolis

By Bob Brown

Back-alley abortions, forever the pro-abortion rallying cry (as in, "We will never go back to..."), are now the industry standard.

The secret abortions carried out decades ago, supposedly in great numbers by sketchy outfits and disreputable characters in the long shadows of the city, are now what pass for health care.

To wit, one Stephen Chase Brigham: Dr. Brigham is the abortionist whose four-state abortion ring crumbled after a botched abortion led to an investigation of his practices.

Dr. Brigham would bring his late-term clients from his home base in New Jersey, where laws regulating abortion are comparatively restrictive, to Maryland My Maryland, where anything goes – at any gestational age, for any reason (as long as it's called a "health" reason.)

He would dilate the cervix of a late-term client in New Jersey, and then have the client drive to Elkton (in Cecil County, Maryland) the following day where he'd finish the job in a facility that could handle such gruesome murders, in a town that doesn't appear to have had any objections to his presence, in a state that welcomes such businesses.

According to published reports, Dr. Brigham has served jail time for fraud and been fined for failure to pay taxes. Throughout his 20-year career, he has faced disciplinary actions and has had his medical license revoked by medical boards in several different states.

In Maryland, he didn't even have a license to practice medicine, but he sure made our state his home – and his castle, with a wide moat of public apathy and high walls of legislative protections that shielded him from scrutiny while he carried out his wicked deeds within.

But here's the thing: Dr. Brigham is by no means an anomaly. Day after day, you can read reports of women being rushed from abortion clinics to emergency rooms. Across our country, at an ever-increasing rate, unlicensed and licensed abortion practitioners alike are severely injuring and killing women inside clinic walls.

Take, as another example, Dr. Rapin Osathanondh, an abortionist

NARAL is reassuring its allies that Elkton was a fluke – really, New Jersey's fault.

who was also a research assistant at the Harvard School of Public Health.

In September he was sentenced to six months in prison after pleading guilty to involuntary manslaughter in the case of a 22-yearold woman who died in 2007 a few hours after he had aborted her 13-week-old preborn baby.

And when they're not killing, they're up to other mischief, felonystyle. Feliciano Rios, an abortionist from Southern California, pled guilty in July 2009 to perjury and insurance fraud. But he's back in business now.

These stories are so regular that they'd almost be laughable if it weren't for the lives destroyed. Think hard. Have you heard any condemnation of these disreputable characters from NARAL Pro-Choice America? Of course not. In NARAL's perverse brain, crisis pregnancy centers are the frauds because they don't promote *all* of the "options." But how many CPC directors are murderers, man-slaughterers, perjurers or tax cheats? Yeah, zero!

So, how are Maryland's ruling pro-abortion politicians going to play out the Brigham embarrassment? Will it have any impact on how abortion is regulated in Maryland?

I can only guess. There may be talk right now behind closed doors about reviews of abortion providers' records and inspections of clinic premises.

However, I can tell you that they won't follow this through, because NARAL Pro-Choice Maryland, with its usual sinister cool, is reassuring its allies that everything is hunky-dory just the way it is: "Elkton was a fluke – and come to think of it, New Jersey's fault, really."

That's just what O'Malley, Mikulski, Miller, and the rest of Maryland's immoral majority want to hear, because their political careers have been funded by and sustained with blood money.

Maryland's pro-aborts do not want Brigham's case to cause even the slightest public commotion, for fear of loosening the one rock that sets off a landslide of anti-abortion regulations in this state.

If that were to happen, they'd no longer be kings of the hill, and the terrain of their horrid careers would be laid bare. So, they, as well as many national figures, continue to be mouthpieces for the devil's lie: "Safe, Legal, and Rare."

Safe? Abortion has never been safe for the baby, and it's becoming increasingly and shockingly unsafe

for the mother.

Women are suffering physically at the hands of abortionists, being injured and killed in alarming numbers.

The evidence is indisputable that women also suffer emotionally and psychologically; the vast majority of post-abortive women experience many dark years of inner turmoil and broken lives, regretting their choices for a lifetime.

And the American family unit cannot survive if the law of the land continues to define freedom as the right for Daddy and Mommy to turn against their own and kill Baby.

Legal? I would venture to guess that there is more illegality surrounding legal abortion *now* than there ever was when abortions were officially illegal. There are more Dr. Brighams out there than you can shake a stick at, skirting state laws in order to make as much money as they can.

These aren't just a few random bad apples. As Lila Rose's undercover exposés have shown, Planned Parenthood is a gigantic polluted orchard that has been covering up rapes of young girls for whoknows-how-long so that it wouldn't lose business.

They abort a 14-year-old's baby and quietly send her back to her abuser, thereby establishing a surefire repeat customer. At the same time, they use the media to excoriate anyone who won't even support abortion in cases of rape and incest.

Rare? Abortion *was* relatively rare, once, but that was *before* the infamous decision of January 22, 1973.

According to the Alan Guttmacher Institute (formerly Planned Parenthood's research arm), the number of annual abortions has been over the million mark since 1975, and was more than 1.5 million per year from 1980–1992. Is it any consolation that only 1.2 million baby girls and boys are hacked to pieces each year now?

Even to the secular thinker, this disconnect between propaganda and reality shouldn't make sense. Why

We should require abortion clinics to report *every* detail of their dirty business.

hasn't legalized abortion made good on its promises? Why is abortion unsafe, illegal, and commonplace?

The answer is that evil is never satisfied just to knock you a few steps off the narrow way; it is determined to drag you down to the deepest bowels of earthly and eternal hell.

So, how should the pro-life community respond? The injury to Dr. Brigham's young patient is *not* a strategic victory for our side, no matter how much bad press the other side receives. We are saddened for her pain but are not at all surprised



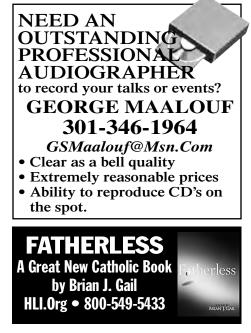
to see once again that the abortion industry is staffed by the absolute dregs of the medical profession.

In Annapolis, at the very least we should push for regulations that require abortion clinics to report to a bi-partisan committee *every* detail of their dirty business, including (but not limited to) how many babies they kill, the age of those babies, the age of every client whom they see, and the reasons for the abortions.

We must tell any timid pro-life representative whom we've put into office that now is the time to act boldly.

For the simple principle of presenting abortion-minded women with all of the facts, every legislator, pro-life or other, should support a law that requires abortionists to offer their clients the opportunity to see a sonogram before an abortion would take place.

And I am also for confronting Maryland's citizens with the personhood of preborn children, until all understand that there is no difference between the back alley abortion and the abortion inside the clinic.





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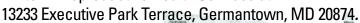
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