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In Memory of Donna Gentry Nov. 1941 - Feb. 2011



**Dedication of Pregnancy Care Center Bench at Chamber of Commerce Plaza**

Pictured above is Donna Gentry just minutes before she was to be honored at the Dedication Ceremony on Friday Jan. 28 at the Daviess County Chamber of Commerce Plaza on Main Street in Washington. Donna suffered a massive stroke towards the end of the ceremony and was taken to Daviess Community Hospital where she was then transported to Deaconess Hospital in Evansville. Donna was there until Tuesday night when she was brought home with hospice and passed away Wednesday afternoon February 2. Donna Gentry leaves a long list of accomplishments not only in the Right to Life and the Pregnancy Care Center but

also in other community organizations. She was laid to rest on Saturday February 5.

Placing the Bench/Monument at the site where the Pregnancy Care Center was founded in January of 1999 was the idea of Micki McCullough the Director of the Pregnancy Care Center. Micki approached the Right To Life Organization and asked if they would want to underwrite the cost of this project and the purpose was to let it serve as a lasting marker on the site where the Pregnancy Care Center was founded 12 years ago. This bench would also honor Donna Gentry who was the founder of the Pregnancy Care Center

and honor the many lives she has been able to touch, the many people she has helped, and her many accomplishments in the pro-life movement. The work of the Pregnancy Care Center would not have been possible without the dedication of Donna Gentry to see it through.

In 1986 Donna Gentry joined the Daviess County Right To Life and served as Secretary, Vice President and then as President. She was President of Daviess County Right To Life for 13 years until 2008. While serving as President in 1999, She established the Pregnancy Care Center in Washington on Main Street. The Center operated at that location until it was moved to a new location on West Walnut Street in September of 2004 and in November of 2008 it was moved to its present location at Grace Baptist Church which is located on 705 Troy Road.

Louis Kavanaugh Jr. who worked with Donna Gentry for 25 years spoke about his association with her. "I can only add that Donna's passing is a severe blow to the pro-life movement not only in Daviess County but to the surrounding counties as well. She has worked tirelessly for the unborn and to help mothers in an unplanned pregnancy there at the Center and also even before the Center was started. For the last two years she served more in an advisor role in the Right To Life as her first concern was the taking care of her husband Garland who was in ill health. I spoke with her

on the phone at least once a day to discuss what needed to be done or just to see what she thought we should do on certain projects. She had become a close friend over the years and she will be missed. I feel sure the Good Lord will reward her for her work."

Martin County Right To Life Officers issued a statement after Donna's Passing. "Donna Gentry's contribution to the Pro-Life Movement is monumental. She was always leading the way and had such a big impact not only on the people she worked with but also the expectant mothers and their babies. She will always be with us in spirit and continue to guide us." This was signed by Marvin Arvin President of Martin County Right To Life and Vice President Van McAtee and Secretary/Treasurer Alan McAtee.

Ever so often you come across an individual who has made such a huge impact on their community, and this has been evident in Donna Gentry's passing. The impact by Gentry was evident by the many people who paid their respects and to the large crowd who attended her Funeral. Donna's Granddaughter Brianne Rainey said it best as she ended her remarks at the Funeral. "We remember her as a great woman, but she wasn't. She was a simple woman that did great things through Jesus." I would have to agree with others who say that her spirit will live on in the work she has started.



### We Remember Lester Padgett, 1925 - 2010

Shown above on the right is Lester Padgett who along with his wife Delores (left) was to receive the Pro-Life Award given at the Right To Life Banquet in the Fall. Lester died suddenly just days before the Banquet, and Delores along with their son Jerry accepted the Award in honor of Lester. We take this time to remember Lester and the all the work he did with so many charitable organizations. The picture was taken just a year before Lester died. May God Bless and Reward him!



### Daviess Co. Right To Life Receives Grant

Shown above is the presentation of the Check received from Daviess Martin County REMC in December 2010. The Right To Life received a grant for Display Back Drop and Cover which will be used for the Display Booths at the Fair and the Turkey Trot.

Shown here accepting the check is (L®) Louis Kavanaugh Jr., President of Daviess Co. Right To Life; Jana Traylor, Office Manager; Donna Gentry, Board Member; and Teresa Showalter, Daviess-Martin County REMC.

## We Remember Ben Ray Bean 1928-2010

Ben Bean, long-time Vice President of Daviess Co. Right To Life passed away on December 10 of 2010, and we want to take this time to remember Ben's passing.

Ben Bean served as Vice President of Daviess County Right To Life for many years and during that time also served as Pastor of Bethany Christian Church. When the Right To Life started in 1976, Ben invited the local Right To Life Group to hold their meetings at his church and always made us feel welcome. Ben along with wife Eva helped the Organization in every way they could while still giving their time and energy to their Church. Ben was one of the Founding Members of Daviess Co. RTL.

He was rewarded for Service and dedication to the Pro Life Movement with the Pro-Life Award at the Annual Right To Life Banquet in 1999. We will never forget what he has meant to our organization and the community.

We wish to extend our condolences and prayers to Ben's sons: Paul, David, Joe, John and Philip and the rest of Ben's Family. Our Prayers are with the Bean Family during this time. There is never a good time to say "Good Bye" to a Dear Friend but we know what Ben has done here on earth has prepared him for his heavenly reward. We say, "Well Done, Good and Faithful Servant." May the Angels come to welcome you home. We will always miss Ben, but we are better for knowing him.

Louis Kavanaugh Jr., President of Daviess Co. Right To Life.



**Ben & Eva Bean**

Ben served as Pastor of Bethany Christian Church for 46 years. During that time he presided over weddings and funerals, visited the sick in hospitals or in nursing homes, and was always available to those who were in need of someone to talk to. He still found time to help his community in whatever way was needed. Eva was always by his side.

## 2010 Was A Good Year for the Pro-Life Movement

The year 2010 was a good year for the Pro-Life Movement. After two elections of losing ground at the ballot box and in the State and Federal Legislative battles the voters in November took a big step in returning Pro-Life people to positions of authority throughout the Country. The US Senate seat held by pro-abortion Evan Bayh now goes pro-life with Dan Coats with his victory over Brad Ellsworth. Two pro-life House pick-ups with Bucshon and Young victories. Stutzman and Rokita will also join as freshmen pro-lifers in the House. All three statewide offices won by pro-life candidates Mourdock, Berry and White. Every one of the 11 GOP House newcomers is an IRTL-PAC endorsed candidate. The GOP has added at least four pro-life women to its caucus. Three of the four GOP Senate newcomers received IRTL-PAC endorsement. Former Planned Parenthood staffer Sue Errington lost her re-election bid in Senate District 26. The GOP control the Indiana Senate 37-13 and the Indiana House 60-40 with many of the GOP members being Pro-Life.

## Presentations Available to Area Churches or Groups by Ryan and Lindsay Dillman

Just a reminder that Daviess County Right To Life is currently giving Pro-Life Presentations to area churches or groups on behalf of Right To Life Organizations. The Presentation will lay out in detail the effects that abortion has had on our society and as Christians what we can do to help stem the tide.

If you or your church group is interested in having this presentation, please give Right To Life a call and we will be glad to set up such a presentation. The presentation is an excellent opportunity to promote pro-life values within your congregation. Ryan will be glad to give this presentation to the whole congregation or to small groups.

If you have any questions or want to set up a presentation, give Right To Life a call at 812-486-3658 or 812-257-0222 or in Loogootee 295-2076. Please join us in this educational effort as Ryan Dillman does a great job in presenting the facts on abortion, and I think you will agree it will be good for your group to hear.

**Daviess County Right To Life has a new web site, try this link:  
[www.daviesscountyrctl.com](http://www.daviesscountyrctl.com)**

# What a Difference a Day Makes! 2010 Election Results

By Karen Cross

What a difference a day makes! Massive pro-life gains in the House and an improvement of between four and seven seats in the Senate came after less than a year after naysayers were writing political obituaries for the Movement and for pro-life candidates.

But these “experts” did not understand that pro-life voters vote their values. They vote their hearts. They vote for the most vulnerable among us. They are selfless and passionate, and on November 2, they soundly voted against President Obama’s pro-abortion agenda.

The situation admittedly looked bleak after 2008, a very, very difficult year for the Movement. Pro-abortionists controlled the Senate (led by Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid) and the House (under the iron fist of Nancy Pelosi). The most pro-abortion President in history occupied 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue.

Making the situation worse, five pro-life senators decided to retire. Many wanted us to believe that faced with all this adversity pro-life Americans would be fewer and less motivated.

They were wrong on both counts. The political landscape changed drastically on November 2. It changed in no small part because being pro-life worked to the advantage of candidates.

According to a November 2, 2010, poll conducted for NRLC by the polling company, 30% of voters said that abortion “affected” their vote. Of those, 22% voted for pro-life candidates, while only 8% of all voters voted for pro-abortion candidates. Pro-life candidates enjoyed a net pro-life advantage of 14%.

(This advantage is not new. In 1980, National Right to Life Political Action Committee (NRL PAC) was organized. In the 30 years that followed, in election after election, among those voters who base their vote on abortion, National Right to Life has consistently seen a definite advantage for pro-life candidates over pro-abortion candidates.)

While the magnitude of the pro-life gains in the U.S. House and the U.S. Senate varies according to the issue, the results were stunning. According to Douglas Johnson, NRLC legislative director, “Overall, there has been a net shift in the pro-life direction in the House of 40 to 55 votes, depending on the issue.”

Likewise, “The election results were good in the Senate as well, where the net shift in the pro-life direction will be from four to seven votes, depending on the issue,” Johnson continued. “No senator is being replaced by a successor who has a weaker position on abortion.”

## Archbishop Dolan Chosen to Head U.S. Catholic Bishops

By Dave Andrusko

The annual meeting of the United States Conference of Catholic Bishops in mid-November produced two particularly notable results from a pro-life point of view. First, outgoing President Cardinal Francis George strongly maintained that developments since the passage of health care reform (dubbed by pro-lifers as ObamaCare) “have settled the empirical issue” that it expands federal funding for elective abortions. “Our analysis of what the law itself says was correct and our moral judgments are secure,” he said, adding, “Throughout this public debate, the bishops kept the moral and intellectual integrity of the faith intact.”

Cardinal George made his remarks November 15 in Baltimore in his final address as president.

Second, the following day, in what was considered a surprise, the nation’s bishops chose as George’s successor Archbishop Timothy M. Dolan of New York, who is warmly regarded by pro-lifers. Since the Bishops’ Conference was reorganized in its current form in 1966, the sitting vice president (in this case Bishop Gerald Kicanas of Tucson) has ascended to lead the conference. However, after the

ten candidates were narrowed to two, Archbishop Dolan received 128 votes to 111 for Bishop Kicanas. When Pope Benedict appointed Dolan Archbishop of New York, he was Milwaukee Archbishop. Local pro-lifers were filled with praise for his service.

“He quickly established himself as a strong advocate of the sanctity of Life in Milwaukee and Wisconsin,” said Barbara Lyons, executive director of Wisconsin Right to Life, in early 2009. Archbishop Dolan had served as a trustee of Wisconsin Right to Life’s mass media program which airs television ads to touch hearts and minds to value human life and to reduce the number of Wisconsin abortions. He had also promoted the program through his appearance as a featured speaker at fundraising events.

“Our hearts are saddened by the loss of his tremendous and inspirational leadership in Wisconsin for the cause of life,” Lyons said at the time. “We rejoice that he will bring those same dynamic qualities to a national audience. Obviously Milwaukee’s loss is New York’s gain.”

# Oregon Catholic Group Stops Using United Way Over Planned Parenthood

The Catholic Community Services Board in Eugene, Oregon, has stopped using the United Way as a charity partner through which it can receive donations because of ties to Planned Parenthood. The Lane County United Way gives funds to Planned Parenthood, the nation's largest abortion business that does more than one-quarter of all of the abortions done annually in the United States. Also, some Oregon Planned Parenthood centers have begun distributing the dangerous RU 486 abortion drug that has killed dozens of women and injured more than 1,100 women in the U.S. alone since 2006, according to the FDA.

In 2010, funds obtained through the United Way accounted for \$71,000, or 4 percent of the budget of the

Catholic organization. The money it had received had been designated for food and shelter services for poor and homeless residents of the area. Portland Archdiocese spokesman Bud Bunce told the Eugene Register Guard newspaper: "If there was going to be no changes made, his recommendation was they (Catholic Community Services) would need to withdraw from United Way. Planned Parenthood is now offering abortion services in Lane County. Abortions are contrary to Catholic moral teachings."

Bunce added that it doesn't matter that the money is not used directly for abortions, because it goes to an agency that does.

## Texas Legislators Promote Bill for Ultrasounds Before Abortions

If a woman is going to have an abortion, shouldn't she at least be given all of the information she needs to make an informed decision beforehand? That's the question two Texas legislators are asking, and they say the answer is ensuring women are given information about their unborn baby that abortion centers normally don't provide beforehand. Although women getting abortions most often have an ultrasound to determine gestational age, they don't necessarily get a chance to view it. Sen. Dan Patrick, a Houston Republican, and Rep. Geanie Morrison, a Victoria Republi-

can, are behind a bill in the Texas legislature that would change that.

Morrison told the newspaper, "This legislation would require mandatory consultations in person, not over the phone, or by recorded message, at least 24 hours prior to the procedure. We just want women to be informed about the procedure and the short-term and long-term health risks. Any type of procedure you get, even if you have dental surgery, you should talk to a physician and see what the risks are."

## U.S. Abortion Rate Rises for First Time Since 1990

**Institute that surveys U.S. providers says there were 1.21 million abortions in 2008**

The long-term decline in the U.S. abortion rate stalled as the recession took hold, according to the latest comprehensive survey of America's abortion providers.

The Guttmacher Institute, which periodically surveys U.S. abortion providers, reported Tuesday that there were

1.21 million abortions in 2008 and a rate of 19.6 abortions per 1,000 women aged 15-44.

Both figures were up slightly from the previous 2005 survey, ending a steady decline since 1990, when U.S. abortions peaked at 1.6 million and the abortion rate was 27.4.

## Rep. Mike Pence introduces bill to defund Planned Parenthood

**By Kathleen Gilbert**

Indiana's own U.S. Congressman Mike Pence (R-IN) has introduced a measure that would strip Planned Parenthood, the largest provider of abortions in America, of federal Title X funds. The Title X Abortion Provider Prohibition Act, introduced by Pence on January 7, currently has 122 cosponsors in the newly Republican-dominated House.

"It is morally wrong to end an unborn human life by abortion. It is also morally wrong to take the taxpayer dollars of millions of pro-life Americans and use them to pro-

mote abortion at home or abroad," said Pence in a statement. "The largest abortion provider in America should not also be the largest recipient of federal funding under Title X."

The Planned Parenthood Federation revealed that in 2008 it performed 324,008 abortions, and received \$363 million in government grants and contracts. It is unclear how much of those funds were from Title X, which are earmarked for family planning for low-income families.

# Philadelphia Abortionist, 9 Others Jailed on 8 Counts of Murder in Overnight Raid

**Abortionist Kermit Gosnell was indicted on 8 counts of murder  
January 19, 2011**

Philadelphia, PA - (Operation Rescue) - Police in Pennsylvania have arrested and jailed abortionist Kermit Gosnell, his wife, and eight other suspects in an overnight raid after a grand jury handed down indictments that include eight counts of murder. Gosnell killed Karnamaya Mongar, 41, on November 20, 2009, after she was overdosed on pain-killers during an abortion in her 18th or 19th week of pregnancy. Mongar's brother, told reporters that Gosnell's abortion clinic was "dirty and bloody." Gosnell's medical license was suspended and his clinic closed. A grand jury was convened to investigate. It has charged Gosnell with eight counts of murder for the death of Mongar and seven babies who were born alive during failed illegal late-term abortions then killed by Gosnell or his clinic workers. Some clinic workers have been charged with multiple counts of murder in the deaths of the infants.



## Indiana Cmte Oks Bill on Abortion-Fetal Pain, Information

Under legislation an Indiana state Senate committee approved on Wednesday, women would get information from abortion practitioners they may not otherwise receive.

The bill requires abortion practitioners to tell women considering an abortion that the life of the baby they could otherwise give birth to began at conception and that scientific evidence reveals the unborn child will likely experience significant pain during the abortion at or before 20 weeks of pregnancy.

A similar bill received the support of the Senate previously, but stalled in the General Assembly. However, turnover in the state House following statewide elections that sent new pro-life legislators to Indianapolis could make it so the measure faces better prospects in the lower chamber.

Detractors of the bill said it should be rejected because it would be giving women a religious opinion, but the lawmakers pointed to science and research showing the development of unborn children and their capacity to feel significant pain.

The legislation also requires abortion practitioners to have admitting privileges at a nearby hospital. Having the ability to admit patients is important because abortions frequently pose medical problems for women and sometimes result in life-threatening injuries that would require them to be transported immediately to a legitimate medical center that can properly treat them.

## Planned Parenthood Exec Blasts Videos He Hasn't Watched

A top Planned Parenthood executive who has been the leading public spokesman responding to a slew of videos showing the abortion business helping sex traffickers admitted today he's not watched the videos he's condemned.

The embarrassing moment for Planned Parenthood follows the Tuesday release of new footage of a New York City abortion center going further than centers in New Jersey and Virginia in helping alleged sexual traffickers.

While staff at the Planned Parenthood centers in other states offered to arrange abortions or STD testing for the sex traffickers and guided them in how to keep the actions from authorities, staff in New York tell the Undercover "pimp" he can pose as a guardian to get discounts for his underage sex workers. The abortion center staff assure him they will see

underage girls as young as 13 who have been victimized by the sex traffickers.

Jesse Watters the producer for the Fox News program O'Reilly Factor, confronted Planned Parenthood Vice President for Communications Stuart Schear in New York City Tuesday morning and got him to admit he's not seen the tapes. "We firmly believe that the edited ... that the tape from the Bronx is doctored," Schear says.

"But you haven't seen the tape yet, have you?" O'Reilly Factor producer Jesse Watters asks.

"I would like to ... he begins to respond. Sensing an admission is not forthcoming, Watters presses: "Have you seen the tape?" "I actually have not seen the full tape yet." he admits.

Meanwhile, a statement from Planned Parenthood of New York City also tries to deny the validity of the video footage from the undercover investigation Live Action conducted.

“Unlike other publicized tapes, the hoax patients in New York were not able to get beyond the reception desk for private consultation,” the statement says. “Had the teens in question come into our center, they would have met with a licensed social worker. All teens coming into Planned Parenthood of New York City are screened for child abuse and neglect.”

“Planned Parenthood’s story keeps changing,” Live Action president Lila Rose responded. “First they attacked Live Action—while admitting guilt and firing their New

Jersey manager. Then they defended their Virginia staff saying they acted ‘professionally’ and claiming that they ‘offer excellent training to our staff.’ They even went so far as to say, ‘there is no training that could prevent this from happening,’ on national television.”

“Live Action’s investigation has uncovered a serious, institutional crisis in which Planned Parenthood is willing to aid and abet sex trafficking and exploitation of minors and young women,” she said.

Planned Parenthood said Monday it will retrain employees who deal publicly with patients on how to report potential illegal activities—which Rose said is a clear admission the abortion business is engaged in covering them up and is admitting its guilt.

## January 22, 1973 -- January 22, 2011

### In Memory of the Babies who have been Killed by Abortion Since the 1973 Supreme Court Decision Legalizing Abortion

Right To Life joins our nation in mourning the deaths of so many millions of innocent lives lost to abortion. We acknowledge the pain and anguish suffered by the many mothers and fathers who now regret that fateful decision. We pray for their healing. We also pray for the many individuals who work tirelessly and sacrificially to end this modern-day holocaust.

We only wish that mothers coming into abortion chambers could see the “window into the womb” (Below) so they could see what they are carrying. If they could see, we believe they would choose life not abortion.

### Baby Sucking its Thumb in the Womb



This picture shows a baby sucking its thumb while still in the mother’s womb. Does this child look like a blob of tissue? In the first month of pregnancy the baby’s heart will start to beat, in week six brain waves can be detected and the child’s mouth and lips are present and fingers are forming. Does this Child look like a Baby? In the first two months is when most abortions are performed. **The U.S. Supreme Court may say that abortion is right, but is it right in God’s Eyes?**

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**Daviess County Right To Life Meetings** are 7 PM  
the last Thursday of each month at the Right to Life  
Office at 705 Troy Road. (Grace Baptist Church, Lower  
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**Daviess County Right To Life Paper Drive** is the  
first Saturday of February, April, June, August, October,  
December from 9 AM till 2 PM at the Old K-Mart Park-  
ing Lot. Other pick up points around the County are from  
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#### Right To Life Web Sites:

Indiana Right To Life <http://www.indianalife.org/html/index.htm>  
Priests For Life: <http://priestsforlife.org>  
Life Issues: <http://www.lifeissues.org/orders.html>  
Life News: <http://lifenews.com>  
<http://www.lifesitenews.com>  
Democrats for Life: <http://www.democratsforlife.org>  
Indiana State House: <http://www.in.gov/apps/sos/legislator/search>

Right To Life of Indy: <http://www.rtlindy.org>  
Christian Coalition: <http://www.cc.org>  
Pro Life Acton League: <http://www.prolifeaction.org>  
Susan B. Anthony List: <http://www.sba-list.org>  
National Right to Life: <http://www.nrlc.org>  
Abortion Research <http://www.abortionresearch.com>  
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### Have You Renewed Your Membership or Made a Donation to Help Stop Abortion?

When the new administration took office, they said their first priority was to pass a law that will remove all restrictions on abortion. By doing this on the federal level, they would remove all restrictions on abortion and the Federal government would now be in control of the abortion issue. All Hospitals would be required to close or lose funding if they did not perform abortions. Tax payers would once again be required to fund abortions. Some Churches are now joining us in this effort, and we wish they had informed their members of this before the last election as this effort has become necessary only because of the election of Barak Obama. The Pro-Life Movement had warned voters and churches before the election this could happen, and now some churches suddenly realize their silence or lack of action on this matter has led to this emergency. **What can we do to prevent this from happening?** Contact your Federal elected officials (Senators and Congressmen) and ask them to vote against all Abortion related bills. This will mean no choice for the children that will be killed by abortion. For Addresses of our Elected Officials, see above on this page of this Newsletter.

**Please renew your Membership or make a donation to help with this important work!**

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