



Kansans for Life

Affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee

Call your state senator about these two bills

Kansas Legislative Hotline: 1-800-432-3924

At press time, these bills were advancing in the Kansas House. Please call your state senator and tell him you support these bills.

The Pro-Life Protections Act (twin bills: House Bill 2598 and Senate Bill 313) has many excellent provisions. One provision ends the performance of abortion by any state entities, including obstetric/gynecological resident physicians who are technically state employees. In 1998, Kansas thought it ended abortions done at KU, but the training was moved offsite to abortion businesses! This bill will close this loophole, without harming the education and formation of ob/gyn physicians to manage all maternal complications.

The Healthcare Rights of Conscience Act (twin bills: House Bill 2523 and Senate Bill 62) will broaden current state protections for healthcare facilities and personnel. Current law allows refusal to be involved in abortion and sterilization, and this bill secures protection from job loss and civil lawsuits to pharmacists and others who cannot, in good conscience, be involved in the distribution, and referral for, devices & drugs that they reasonably believe cause abortion.

Call the Kansas Legislative Hotline and ask to speak with your senator (the telephone hotline workers will help you determine who he is if you don't know).

If you want to know when a pro-life bill is coming up for a vote, go to www.kfl.org and sign up for our e-mail alert system.

Former Kansas abortionist "recycles" patient files

On March 26 it was revealed that disgraced Kansas City abortionist Krishna Rajanna had thrown, into a school recycling bin, abortion patient records containing extensive personal information.

The files were discovered by a woman who was placing recyclable materials in the bin. She was shocked to see records including patient names in a place where anyone could see them. When the police did not respond to her call, she called her daughter, who contacted the *Kansas City Star*, which has since turned the records over to the Kansas Board of Healing Arts.

Rajanna was a failed surgical internist who opened a low-cost clinic, "Affordable Abortions," in Kansas City, Kansas.

Rajanna, who lost his Kansas medical license and closed his abortion business in 2005, said his medical records were stored in his house. When told by *Kansas City Star* reporters that some of the records he had discarded were less than 10 years old (and therefore he was legally required to retain them) he said, "Some of them might have been mixed up that way."



Rajanna

Read more at kansansforlife.wordpress.com.

Terminal Diagnosis— Precious Life

Cory and Terisa Morgan, of Lenexa, Kansas, are preparing for the birth of a daughter with Trisomy 18, who has less than a 10% chance of surviving her first year.

Please read Terisa's beautiful account — published on the KFL website — of her family's decision to love this baby for the short time they have with her.



The Cory Morgan Family
Photo: www.kendallherman.com

Ella Rose Morgan is due on Easter Sunday. The Morgan family is receiving support from Alexandra's House, a perinatal hospice for infants which offers support to families experiencing a pregnancy in which the baby has been diagnosed with a terminal illness. They would appreciate your prayers as well.

Read more on the KFL website: www.kfl.org



Baby Bottle Project



In the midst of a secular society that tries to tear families apart, driving a wedge between mothers and fathers, and seeing babies as a curse, not a blessing, we see babies as a gift from God and a sign of the love between a man and woman in marriage. The Baby Bottle Project is simple—give a baby bottle to every family leaving your church on Mothers' Day (we will supply the baby bottles). The family is asked to place their change in the baby bottle and return it to the church on Fathers' Day.

What is accomplished? There is a real connection between Mothers' Day and Fathers' Day. Babies are seen as a gift to the family. It gives the pastor the opportunity to talk about what God intends for men, women, and children. The money raised goes toward the educational efforts of KFL, which is trying to re-establish a sanctity of life ethic in our culture. If you are interested in doing this at your church, call 1-800-928-LIFE.

Memorials

Please pray for the families who have honored their loved ones with a gift to Kansans for Life:

Dennis Barba

Given by Pamela Barba ♦ Ada Cleveland ♦ Tom & Peg Graham ♦ Timothy & Luisa Metiver
Michael & Brenda Parker ♦ Douglas Scalard ♦ John & Kathy Tytla

Paul Conrardy

Given by Calvin & Carla Boyd ♦ Gene & Eunice Hellman ♦ D.J. & Marie Mantooth
Janet Molitor ♦ Lois Schlickau ♦ St. Patrick's Catholic Church

Oda Dawson

Given by Mary Jane Whelan

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Given by Bob & Jean Agnew ♦ Gregory & Marcia Base ♦ Richard & Alma Benards ♦ Lyle & Roberta Briley
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Anita Fairchild ♦ James & Judy Keenan ♦ Phillip & Janice Montgomery ♦ Frances Seidl
Leon & Denise Seiwert ♦ Ben & Jill Wano ♦ Joseph & Nancy Wood ♦ Kenneth & Shirley

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Given by George & Susan Cady ♦ Charles & Catherine Hollis ♦ Charles & Mary Lowen
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Loss on all fronts and healing beyond

By Amy Meyer, a Kansas member of Silent No More Awareness

I write this today because I regret my abortions and I want men and women to know this road is not one they want to take. I had an abortion because I listened to the young man who said I could not raise a child on my own because I had a future—I still had to go to college. He said he wouldn't help me. And what about my parents? They would never understand their good daughter's pregnancy. In my confusion, shock and fear, I believed the lies.

I should have realized there was a big problem with what I was agreeing to when he said he would take me where there would be no hassle (otherwise known as "protesters"). I was told my baby, whom I later named Lauren Marie, was a mass of cells, that I would feel the sadness that pregnant women feel once they've delivered, but would soon get back to normal. They did not tell me that for the next 10 years I would suffer from drug and alcohol abuse or that I'd live a promiscuous lifestyle trying to make myself feel loved when I really didn't believe I deserved it.

During the abortion I felt the life being sucked right out from me. There was pulling and resistance, as if the baby was holding on for her dear life. Immediately after the abortion, I felt empty and alone. I felt like a hypocrite and a liar because I knew it was a life and I ignored the truth. Each night for six months after the abortion, I curled up in fetal position and begged God to forgive me and told Him I would never do it again.

After three years of my crazy lifestyle, I got sick of it and wanted out. I thought I found the way in a relationship and ended up pregnant. This time, I kept my promise and gave birth to beautiful Mariana Francisca. I had gone back and forth to the church, but for the most part, stayed away because I had done the one thing a woman shouldn't do—allow her baby to be ripped from her womb. As time went on after the abortion, I stuffed my guilt way down and tried to forget what had happened. I focused on my sweet Mari and tried to get on with life.

I managed to get my masters degree, but it was meaningless. I was trying to prove that guy right by getting a good education. I finally stopped smoking weed after having a panic attack one night in 2002. My self-hatred and self-defeating behavior didn't stop. I was determined to find my "true love", but I looked in the wrong spot—a nightclub. The person I met was a womanizer and an alcoholic and only by the Hand of God did I get out of that abusive relationship. A month later I found out I was pregnant. I was devastated. I found myself in circumstances where I could not bear the end result and here the fear, doubt and confusion took over. While God's truth, on the one hand was saying, "It's OK, come to me and you will find refuge. What looks bad and hurts now will only help you, and you'll find out one

day how." An evil thought was sniveling in my ear saying, "You can't handle this. What about Mariana? She'll never view you the same. She'll end up just like you," making me think of all the bad things I couldn't let happen and I fell into the trap. I aborted my baby, who I named Jesus Antonio and only two months later, being filled with such rage and hate, I aborted my baby named Magdalena who was the result of a rape by the same person.

Lying on the table after my third and last abortion, I realized what I had just done. I allowed someone to kill the baby sister Mariana had always wanted. I started screaming and bawling while the nurse just stared blankly.

After that I withdrew from the world for a while, but soon became very active in church. I wanted so badly to be forgiven and went to confession. I wanted to forget my past and all relationships and behaviors that put me there. I wanted to become the new "me" and not look back.

I met a wonderful man to whom I am now married. A week from our planned wedding date, my parents, Mariana and I were in an accident in which Mariana was killed and my dad was paralyzed. Again there was chaos and grief, but I believe my living through it all was my second chance and knew instantly I had to help prevent women from having abortions.

Seth didn't know about my past until after we were married. He found a written confession, and it caused major strife between us. I believe, however, that his finding my confession was God's way of getting me on the next path of my journey. I still lacked healing and true understanding of God's forgiveness and Seth's discovery of my confession thrust me into the critical stage towards healing. Seth and I found help and forgiveness through a Rachel's Vineyard retreat where I was allowed to grieve the deaths of my children.

I know loss on all fronts and don't want anyone else to suffer what I have. If you have participated in an abortion, I want you to know there is hope and forgiveness. The pain you feel is from the hurt you have experienced by losing your baby. The most important thing I think all men and women should know about abortion is that even though it looks like a quick fix, it has devastating consequences. A person may say she is happy she had the abortion, but if she looks deep in her heart and contemplates that her child or children can no longer make a mark on this world, or bring joy to her heart, she might

start to understand that the hurt and emptiness she isn't sure why she feels, is from the void of her lost child.

I choose to be silent no more so others can know there is healing and forgiveness, and I pray others will see abortion is the wrong choice; a choice that will affect them forever.



Repeat abortions in Kansas

(statistics from the Kansas Department of Health and Environment, 2010)

Of women aborting in Kansas...

59.9 % were aborting for the first time

25.1 % had one prior induced abortion

9.5 % had two prior induced abortions

5.5 % had three or more prior abortions

Abortion affects men, too

A Kansas woman writes about her son's abortion experience

My son was in high school, living with his father in another city after our divorce. He and his girlfriend, the love of his life, conceived a child.

His father apparently paid to abort his own grandchild, so that no one's life would be ruined. That is, only the life of the child would be.

Afterwards, my son and his girlfriend were pressured to break up. I don't think he's been in touch with her since the tragedy. The two young parents moved on with their lives. I don't know what happened to his girlfriend, the mother.

I was kept unaware of all of this because of my strong pro-life conviction. Until my son broke down and confessed it to me through his grief.

My son went from being a gifted student to barely graduating high school. He's spiraled down ever since. Drugs and alcohol don't cover the pain. He can't drive or keep a job. Suicide is a constant thought. He would desperately like to change what happened, even though he had little say and no control over the circumstances.



He believes he gave away his only chance to be a parent and can't forgive himself, despite his repentant prayers to our loving, all-forgiving God. He's so far refused to get professional help for his severe mental state, perhaps feeling he deserves the constant hurt.

It's been almost 20 years since the abortion. My son is a ruined man, and I also grieve the loss of a grandchild I never knew. I *know* with all my heart that abortion hurts more than just the precious child—and that lives are ruined, not saved, because of it.

Spring 2012 Events

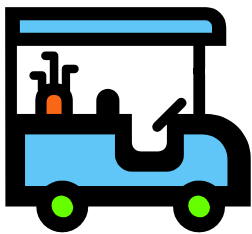
NATIONAL PRO-LIFE T-SHIRT WEEK



Participating in **National Pro-Life T-Shirt Week** is simple. Wear your pro-life T-shirt any day—or every day—this week! You don't have a pro-life T-shirt? Visit any KFL office, or search online for pro-life T-shirt sales. You can also use a plain white T-shirt and make your own shirt design with permanent markers or fabric paints. Take a pro-life message with you wherever you go this week.

April 24-30, 2012

17th Annual KC KFL Golf Marathon



May 15, 2011

Plan now to help protect the unborn by raising tax-deductible donation pledges (from your friends at work, church and don't forget your extended family when you see them on Easter) for each hole you golf in the K.C. KFL Golf Marathon, Tuesday, May 15, at Painted Hills Golf Course in KCK — a day of sun, fun, food, and prizes “fore” life! For more info go to www.kfl.org and see Golf Marathon on the Events tab. Prior registration required. Call KFL at (913) 642-5433 or e-mail Kansansforlife@aol.com. Once registered go back to www.kfl.org and download pledge forms. You get pledges and we do all the billing later.

(Returning players, we've got your lists & will even mail for you if you prefer.) Teams welcome. Spring has sprung. Call now! Enjoy a great day of golf and do something to help KFL at the same time!!!!



These T-Shirts are just \$10 plus \$5 for postage = a total of \$15.

The blue T-Shirt is available in men's sizes: L, XL, and 2XL.

The pink T-Shirt is available in women's size: S, L, XL, and 2XL.

Order by mail, by sending \$15 to KFL, 2501 E. Central, Wichita KS 67214. Be sure to tell us what size and color you would like, and the address where you want us to send the shirt. Or stop by the office and pick up your shirt for \$10 (no postage cost).



ANNUAL PRO-LIFE PICNIC

May 5, 2012

Wichita-area pro-lifers are invited to the annual family picnic on Saturday, May 5, from 10:00 a.m. to 1:30 p.m., at Edgemoor Park at 5815 E. 9th in Wichita. There will be a bounce house and a petting zoo — plenty of fun for kids! Bring a side dish to share, plates and flatware for your family, and a donation (diapers, baby clothes, etc.) for local crisis pregnancy centers. If you would like to volunteer to help with this event, contact our Events Coordinator, Melissa White, at the Wichita KFL office (687-5433) or by e-mail: melwhite@cox.net.

Not in Wichita? Maybe you should have a pro-life picnic in your community. Right after the Life Chain on October 7 would be an excellent time for a family picnic. Call the KFL office at 1-800-928-LIFE if you need help planning events for your local community.

Summer 2012 Events

Stars and Stripes for Life

Flag Day:
Jun. 14, 2012



Save the date on your calendar now for a Thursday evening event celebrating the achievements of both our Educational Fund and our Political Action Committee. This event will be in Wichita. More details will be announced later.

If you would like to volunteer to help with this event, contact our PAC Coordinator, Melinda Craft, at the Wichita KFL office (687-5433) or by e-mail: kflpac@yahoo.com.



Washington, DC - June 28, 29 & 30, 2012

For more information:

www.nrlconvention.com
or call 202-378-8842

Sedgwick County Fair

July 11-14, 2012

Volunteers are needed for the Sedgwick County Fair booth, July 11-14 in Cheney. If you would like to volunteer for a shift at the booth, call the Wichita office at 316-687-LIFE.

Johnson County Fair

Aug. 6-11, 2012

Volunteers are needed for the Johnson County Fair booth, August 6-11. We will have balloons and lots of freebies ... if you would like to volunteer for a shift at the booth, call the K.C. office at 913-642-LIFE.

Your County Fair

Summer 2012

KFL can send you everything you need for either a "manned" or an "unmanned" booth at your county fair, or at other local events. Find out the date of your event, then call us at 1-800-928-LIFE.

For 24-hour pregnancy assistance, call:
1-800-848-LOVE

Church Bulletin Ads and Inserts

Help women and men in your church who are hurting after an abortion. A selection of bulletin inserts, bookmarks, ads, and other resources are available at www.afterabortion.org

KFL Blog

Pro-life news & commentary
Focused on Kansas issues & people
kansansforlife.wordpress.com

Hurting after abortion?

- hopeafterabortion.com
- silentnomoreawareness.org

In the Beginning...

Church Education Project

Download weekly bulletin messages at www.kfl.org under "Educational Resources"

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