



# Kansans for Life

Affiliate of the National Right to Life Committee

## State Board probe of 2 abortionists ends without discipline

A recent expose in the Topeka newspaper about a disreputable and impaired Wichita surgeon lends credence to a perception that doctors can continue to be a danger to the public and yet retain a Kansas medical license.

The Kansas State Board of Healing Arts' long-held policy is that physicians are a state resource that should be preserved, while balancing that goal against that of protecting patients.

Recently, the Board closed complaints from **Kansans For Life** about two state-licensed abortionists-- Herb Hodes & LeRoy Carhart. In neither case did the abortionist receive disciplinary action or loss of license. All we were told is that unspecified "information"

was placed in their personnel files.

The way the Board handles complaints about their licensees is frustrating. The filer of the complaint to the Board learns nothing of what transpired in the case--even in a general way--unless and until concrete discipline is taken against the physician.

Our complaint against **Hodes** focused on a late-term abortion allegedly initiated by him in 2011, after the state's pain-capable ban on such abortions was in effect. It was based on a direct tip to KFL from the wife of a Missouri physician allegedly involved in the abortion's surgical completion.



Hodes



Carhart

Our complaint against **Carhart** involved the death of his patient, Jennifer Morbelli, as well as other women taken from his Maryland clinic by ambulance. Recent legal authority for the Board allows them to examine Kansas-licensees' actions in other states. Yet we have no clue as to what the Board found. We are left with the impression that the Board believes Carhart is following acceptable standard of care for women obtaining late abortions in Maryland.

Nevertheless, we still urge that knowledgeable individuals not be discouraged from filing responsible complaints to the Board. After all, the Board *did* initiate license revocation of George Tiller six months before his death, and later sought and obtained license revocation of his referring abortionist, Kris Neuhaus.

**The Board does not even confirm or rebut the facts of the alleged incidents sent to them!**

In that case, we are left wondering whether an illegal abortion was actually begun in Kansas (to be "resolved" in another state) and whether other similar abortions are occurring.

## New Stem Cell Center already treating patients

The Midwest Stem Cell Therapy Center was created in 2013 by the Kansas Legislature under the leadership of Gov. Sam Brownback and Sen. Mary Pilcher-Cook.

Sited at the KU Med Center, the MSCTC has selected Dr. Buddha Dawn as Director and the advisory board is headed by Kansas City neurologist, Dr. Dana Winegarner. Both physicians have testified annually to the legislative Health committees on the astounding successes of adult stem cell research.

The MSCTC is already involved in clinical trials treating patients with "adult" stem cells. Dr. Dawn has personally been involved in trials at KUMC using adult stem cells to repair heart damage.

KFL's Kansas City-area chapter held a public meeting with Dr. Winegarner explaining the work of MSCTC as:

- increasing access to ethical stem cell treatments, particularly in the Midwest;
- coordinating and cataloging ongoing research;
- teaching the medical community, the public and the media about this rapidly developing area.

Access to treatment trials have been limited by the number of cells available for use. To increase patient clinical trials, MSCTC will work collaboratively to multiply clinical-grade stem cells obtained ethically--from adult tissues and umbilical cords, (**embryonic and fetal sources are banned**).

Creation of a global database of available stem cell clinical trials is a high priority, and can end what's called "stem cell tourism": desperately ill individuals pursuing expensive but worthless so-called stem cell treatments overseas.

The earliest treatment using adult stem cells was bone marrow transplants, which have been used for many years to successfully treat leukemia and related bone/blood cancers. The Wichita-based blood and marrow transplant center of Kansas has a seat on the MSCTC advisory board.

The MSCTC held its first national conference in September and will make its first financial report to the Senate in January. Although state funding was authorized for startup, the MSCTC will actively be pursuing financial donations.



Neurologist Dana Winegarner, giving stem cell update at a KFL public meeting in Kansas City

Learn more about adult stem cells at [stemcellresearch.org](http://stemcellresearch.org)

# Boycott Planned Parenthood Supporters

Planned Parenthood, the largest supporter, promoter and performer (over 300,000 a year) of abortion in the United States, continues to grow in power and influence. Many corporations and even non-profit organizations financially support Planned Parenthood.

Life Decisions International keeps track of these companies and organizations and publishes a list of them in "The Boycott List". In order to get the list, you must be a member of Life Decisions International which costs \$42.95 per year. Once you are a member, you can order additional copies of the List for \$3.75. The lists are copyrighted and they do not allow anyone to make copies of the list.

KFL is a member and offers you a copy of The Boycott List for only \$5.00 which will cover the postage as well.

So, if you would like a copy of the Life Decisions International Boycott List of companies and organizations that financially support Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry, send an e-mail to [kflcheryl@yahoo.com](mailto:kflcheryl@yahoo.com) Be sure to include your mailing address, city, and zip code.

We will order the new lists on February 2<sup>nd</sup> and they should arrive by mid-February. You will receive a return envelope with your boycott list, to send your \$5 donation.

## Letter-writing makes boycotts much more effective

If enough people stop purchasing a product, the owners of the company might notice that sales have decreased, but they will not know why *unless we tell them* the reason we have stopped purchasing the product is the company's donations to Planned Parenthood. So, a necessary component of a successful boycott is contacting the company to explain why we have stopped purchasing their products.

KFL wants to make it as easy as possible for our members to complete the letter-writing step of the boycott, so if you order your copy of The Boycott List as described above, we will also send you sample letters to the companies. KFL is going to choose a few specific companies and organizations to target each month, and sample letters to those companies will be provided to you along with your copy of The Boycott List.

### Sample Letter to Bank of America

Write to: Mr. Brian T. Moynihan (President & CEO), Bank of America Corp., 100 N. Tyron St., Ste. 5800, Charlotte, NC 28255.

Dear Mr. Moynihan,

Recently, I learned that Bank of America is supporting Planned Parenthood. This is very disturbing to me because Planned Parenthood is the largest promoter and performer of abortion in the United States.

Planned Parenthood performed 333,964 abortions in 2011. That is about 25% of all abortions performed in the U.S. Also, according to their own annual report, Planned Parenthood does 145 abortions for every adoption referral it offers. They are in the business of abortion.

I urge you to change your policy and to stop any funding to Planned Parenthood. I cannot patronize any company that supports Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry. I prefer to continue doing business with Bank of American, but only if they sever their connections to Planned Parenthood.

Please respond to the letter and let me know what actions you intend to take.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely Yours,

(Your Name)

### Sample Letter to the Girl Scouts

Write: Ms Connie L. Lindsey, President, Girls Scouts of the USA, 420 – 5th Ave. New York, NY 10018.

*(Girl Scout cookie sales start soon. We recommend you donate directly to any local Girl Scout Troop and not buy any cookies.)*

Dear Ms. Lindsey,

Recently, I've learned that the Girl Scouts are supportive of Planned Parenthood and their philosophy of abortion on demand. This is very disturbing to me because Planned Parenthood is the largest promoter and performer of abortion in the U. S.

Planned Parenthood performed 333,964 abortions in 2011. That is about 25% of all abortions performed in the U.S. Also, according to their own annual report, Planned Parenthood does 145 abortions for every adoption referral it offers. They are in the business of abortion.

Little girls should be taught that life is valuable and should be respected. They need to know how to respect themselves and how to develop lasting relationships. Abortion destroys relationships and hurts women as well.

I urge you to change your policy and to stop any funding to Planned Parenthood. I cannot be a part of any organization that supports Planned Parenthood and the abortion industry. I will continue to support our local Girl Scout troop but I will withhold any support of Girl Scouts USA, and the purchase of Girl Scout Cookies, until the Girl Scouts change their policy concerning Planned Parenthood.

Please let me know what actions you intend to take and any changes in policy that you would recommend.

Thank you for your time.

Sincerely Yours,

(Your Name)

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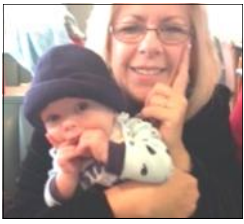
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# Standing for life— at death's door

By Mary Kay Culp, KFL Executive Director

Through the illnesses and deaths of my parents, my eyes were really opened about the pressures families face from medical professionals for denial of care.

What really protected my elderly parents' rights was that my sisters and I were the designated decision-makers under the health-care power of attorney (POA).

However, documents that could preempt POA are being heavily promoted nationally by pro-euthanasia groups. Such documents are generally known as POLST (Physicians Orders for Life Sustaining Treatment), and in Kansas they are called TPOPP (Transportable Physician's Orders for Patient Preferences).

POLST /TPOPP is a form designed to be filled out by a person well ahead of the time—sometimes years before—they need critical care. The signed form gives health care institutions the right to deny life-saving treatment, including food and water via tube. And just to make sure it is not overlooked, the POLST/TPOPP is printed on hot pink paper and kept on top of the patient chart.

## AMBIGUITY is DEADLY

The biggest problem is that the emergency situations anticipated in POLST/TPOPP are unspecified and the interpretation will be made by the health care provider. If my parents had signed such forms, they would have overridden the medical POA held by us.

For example, when Dad was being transferred to a nursing home some nurses at dad's hospital rolled their eyes when we requested he receive a procedure for an access "peg" for tube feeding. But they had to put in the access due to our POA—even though they thought we should let him transfer without any way to be fed!

At the nursing home, dad got food and water through that tube for a month or so while a new antibiotic was tried that voila!—roused him out of his infection-based semi-coma. Soon after, a cap was

screwed on the peg and he was eating three meals a day, by mouth, at the cafeteria. Dad lived another two years and when he became comatose again, relied on the "peg" for food, water and meds!

## Families confront "brain death" and life support denial

Recently a California family made headlines for battling a hospital wanting to withdraw life support from their 13-year-old daughter, Jahi. The hospital claimed she was "brain dead", following catastrophic complications from a tonsillectomy.

At this writing Jahi has been moved to a center willing to help, but the hospital initially refused to do the access procedure for tube feedings, that non-surgical facilities cannot perform. (A similar situation arises when tracheotomy access must be provided prior to transfer.)

This battle is not an isolated event. A Kansas City teenage boy went into a coma after alleged malpractice. The hospital then claimed him "brain dead" but his mom insisted his blood pressure monitor reacted when she arrived and spoke his name. When she refused to allow removal of life support, the hospital took her to court.

Before the court acted, a bizarre event occurred: hospital staff reported to the mother that a "crazy patient" had entered her son's room and pulled out his tubes and he could not be re-stabilized. The resulting *Kansas City Star* headline said (chew on this slowly): "**Brain dead boy dies on life support.**"

Families shouldn't be forced to end life support when someone is deemed "brain dead"—especially when malpractice is suspected! (Did you know that malpractice

settlements are much more expensive when someone survives but needs life long care vs. one who dies?)

And no one should be able to "guilt" someone into donating their loved one's organs. In another case I was privy to, a trauma surgeon tried to pressure a poor woman—within 24 hours of a gun accident involving her son—to turn off life support and donate his organs. "We have 14 year old lungs here and a 14 year old heart," the surgeon allegedly said, to which his mother replied: "**His name is Mark.**" (Name changed.) She added: "Well, we've seen what you can do. Let's see what God can do," to which the doctor allegedly replied, "Haven't you heard, in this century, God is dead."

## PERSON or ORGAN SOURCE?

We referred this mother to a pro-life neurosurgeon who examined the boy thoroughly but reported that he was indeed "gone." Afterwards she allowed life support to end (without transplants), and buried her son. All she and the family needed was some time, some respect and someone they could trust.

I read four scholarly articles that discuss the inconsistent application of "brain death" criteria to the critically injured. Yet it's used all the time prior to requests for organ donation. Those preferring to wait for some sign of recovery are too often written off a "unrealistic" or "too religious" and taken to court by hospitals. How awful!

We have the right to medical accuracy and consistency in life-or death diagnoses. Even more alarming are indications of rationed care under Obama-compliant insurance policies, see: [www.nrlc.org/medethics/healthcarerationing](http://www.nrlc.org/medethics/healthcarerationing).

What to do? For now, sign up for (or renew) your KFL membership with the enclosed form, or at [www.kfl.org](http://www.kfl.org)! We have plans but we're gonna need all resources and all hands on deck!



# “I figured I had no choice”

By an anonymous Kansas woman

I finally had my first boyfriend! It was serious! I just *knew* he loved me! Though I was only 19 as well as he, we just knew it was love. Unbeknownst to us at the time, it was more *lust* than *love*!

I was working fast food and wondered why everything seemed to make me sick. I was sick in the mornings, and being normally tall and skinny, was wondering why I had gained weight when I didn't raise my appetite. Then my sister broke it to me... “You're (three months) pregnant.”

NO WAY! I CAN'T BE! I've got an “Archie Bunker and his wife” set of parents with morals as high as God and they will kill me! I didn't live with them at the time – I was on my own with another friend – but they had “guilt projectors.”

My sisters and roommate convinced me that marriage was *way* too early and abortion was a better idea so no one would know. My oldest sister proceeded to take me to the clinic. I know it was in Missouri by Ward Parkway, but because of the horrific scars it *still* leaves me 31 years later – I couldn't tell you the exact location.

I remember walking in. I didn't feel any emotions except for fear that someone would tell my parents somehow. But when I

lay down on the table and they proceeded with the “surgery” – I felt GUILT! But it was too late to turn back. I figured I had no choice! I felt a *lot* of physical pain afterwards.

My sister who took me to my abortion appointment was willing to help me “get rid of the evidence” but she wasn't there for me spiritually. My other two sisters did not want to get involved in my “personal problems.”

My “beloved” boyfriend chewed me up one side down the other crying, “Why didn't you

tell me? We could have worked something out! We could have gotten married! It was my kid too!” Needless to say, we broke up. On top of the guilt in murdering a child, I now lost my one and only first love!

At the time of my abortion, there were not the number of post-abortion support groups that there are today. To a woman dealing with the aftereffects of abortion now, I would say “Get help!” Find a counselor who works with a group of women who have all been through abortion, so that you will get support and understanding and not condemnation for what you did.

Four years later I got pregnant out of wedlock again. This time it was only for “fun” and not love. But I promised God the day after I aborted that I would *never kill another child*! So I gave her up for adoption. The “fling” was upset only because he thought I should have aborted her: “Do you know what this will do to your life – walking around pregnant and not married?” I didn't care.

The verbal abuse I received from my father still hurts, but knowing I didn't upset God and

saved a child was *much* more important! My parents never did know about the abortion — after their reaction to my second pregnancy, I was afraid to tell them about the

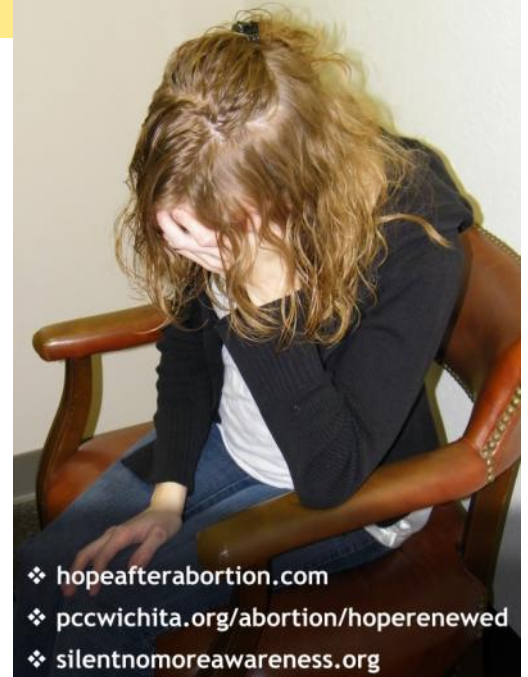
first one (the baby I aborted).

Later I married for a short time (divorced 3 years later) what I thought was another “true love” – we lost our child at four months old. He was born too early to survive. He died at home. So again, the abortion nightmares came back!

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## Hurting after abortion?



❖ [hopeafterabortion.com](http://hopeafterabortion.com)

❖ [pccwichita.org/abortion/hoperenewed](http://pccwichita.org/abortion/hoperenewed)

❖ [silentnomoreawareness.org](http://silentnomoreawareness.org)

What would it have been? A boy? A girl? What about a name? I hated myself for *years*! I wouldn't forgive myself for *years*!

Thank you LORD for forgiving me and may this letter touch a life to save a life!

## Testimonies needed

KFL needs written testimonies of women who have had abortions. These testimonies will be used in support of laws which will help inform women about the harmful effects of abortion, and in support of laws to protect women and babies from abortion. They will also be used for public education about the effects of abortion on women.

If you send us your name and address with your testimony, that information will be kept confidential. You may also send your testimony anonymously. Please indicate whether we have your permission to publish your testimony in our newsletter, submit it to the Kansas Legislature, or both. Send your testimony to KFL at 2501 E. Central Ave., Wichita KS 67214, or e-mail [davidgittrich@yahoo.com](mailto:davidgittrich@yahoo.com).

## LARGEST WORLD POST-ABORTION STUDY CONFIRMS NEGATIVE MENTAL EFFECTS

A November 2011 meta-analysis [review of the studies] on Post-Abortion effects offers the largest quantitative estimate of mental health risks associated with abortion available in the world literature. The author is Priscilla K. Coleman, Professor of Human Development and Family Studies at Bowling Green State University. Coleman reviewed 22 published studies from 6 countries between 1995-2009, including 877,181 participants, 163,831 of whom experienced an abortion.



Coleman

Her review found women who underwent an abortion experienced an **81% increased risk of mental health problems**, including a 34% increased risk for anxiety disorders; 37% greater risk of depression; 110% greater risk of alcohol abuse and 220% greater risk of marijuana use/abuse. Abortion was also linked with a 155% greater risk of attempting to commit suicide. The study also found that women who delivered an unplanned pregnancy were significantly less likely to have mental health problems than similar women who aborted unplanned pregnancies. Women with a history of abortion were 55 percent more likely to have mental health problems than women who did not abort an unplanned pregnancy.



# The Heart of the Matter

By Frederica Mathews-Green First published in *Parenting Magazine*, January 1992

In Edgar Allen Poe's classic horror tale, "The Tell-Tale Heart", a murderer dismembers his victim and hides the pieces under the floorboards. When the police call to investigate, he prides himself on his cleverness—but gradually becomes unhinged, at last screaming out the location of the corpse. He was undone by the sound of his victim's heartbeat, drumming in his ears.

Why, after so many years of legalization, does the abortion debate continue in America? Why haven't we accepted it as matter-of-factly as we do any other surgical procedure? I believe that it has something to do with a tell-tale heart. Deep inside we know: someone dies in every abortion, a tiny growing child with hands and eyes and a face and a beating heart. Four thousand times a day that beating heart is stopped—but in our conscience it seems to go on.

I didn't always feel this way. I was an abortion advocate in college, and before the *Roe v. Wade* decision my car sported a bumper sticker that read "Don't Labor Under a Misconception—Legalize Abortion." But that was when I thought that abortion merely discarded a "glob of tissue". I didn't know that that tissue was shaped remarkably like a baby, and that it was alive. I didn't know that the crude process of abortion sucks the child out, piece by piece, through a narrow tube and into a bloody bag.

But once I learned, my stand against violence had to include abortion as well. I simply could do no other. For the tell-tale hearts are our own as well; we cannot deny the beat of compassion that wells from within, that urges us that something is terribly wrong in our land.

The abortion business makes at least \$500 million dollars a year in this country, performing over a million and a half abortions. Only a tiny fraction of these are done for reasons of health, rape or incest. Half of all abortion customers were using no form of birth control; nearly half are coming back for a second (or third or fourth...) abortion.

Are these women callous, contemptuous of the lives they have begun? Yet who would choose abortion if she had any other choice? The procedure itself is ugly and degrading, a mechanical vacuuming of the womb's interior; she must pay for this privilege several hundred dollars in cash, and knows, at some level, that its only purpose is to destroy her child. In the process she runs risks from puncture and infection to colostomy, paralysis, or

death; abortion is an unnatural invasion to reverse a healthy process, so even legal abortion will always have its risks. Then there is the psychological trauma, sometimes delayed for years, which accounts for the number of grief-stricken post-abortion women flooding into the pro-life movement.

It seems clear that no woman would have an abortion if her alternatives did not appear even more forbidding. Like an animal caught in a trap, trying to gnaw off its own leg, the aborting woman can see no other escape except this route of violence and despair.

In defending the path of abortion, Supreme Court Justice Blackmun wrote, "Millions of women...have ordered their lives around [access to abortion], and...this right has become vital to the full participation of women in...American life." We recoil to think that something so hideous could have become necessary to our lives. How can it be that we must sacrifice our children to succeed? Is such a sacrifice laid on men? Is any other

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oppressed or marginalized group required to have surgery in order to participate in American life?

Abortion may not have helped women, but it has helped those who would be inconvenienced by her pregnancy and her child. It is easier for a sexually irresponsible man to pay for a woman's abortion than to marry her, or to pay child support for eighteen years. It is not out of concern for women's welfare and dignity that *Playboy* so enthusiastically supports abortion on demand.

The relentless demands of careerism also have little patience with parenting. It is easier for an employee to abort her child, than for management to worry about providing maternity leave, health insurance, child care, and time off for Mom to go to the school play. She is expected to conform to the male model of worker—never pregnant, with a wife at home to take care of the kids. It's easier on everyone if the woman has an abortion—easier on everyone, that is, except her and her child. No wonder our hearts are uneasy. Abortion is cruel to children, and it is not much kinder to the women on whom it feeds.

For these reasons, many pro-lifers have turned their time, not toward politics, but to practical

aid in the abortion dilemma. There are approximately 3000 pregnancy care centers in America, where a woman can receive many kinds of help ranging from housing, medical care, legal aid, food and clothing, to job and budget planning for the years ahead. All these services are offered free, donated by volunteers who are for the most part women just like her—mothers who care about other mothers in need. No matter how one feels about abortion laws, we can all consider lending our aid to these woman-helping agencies by volunteering time, or laundering donated baby clothes, or opening a guest room to a woman whose family has rejected her. Sometimes all a woman needs is the knowledge that someone cares, that they will stand by her as she tackles a challenging and courageous path.

I have faced this path myself—not as vast a crisis as some women must endure, but still daunting to me. My husband had just lost his job when we found I was pregnant; we knew we would have to move cross-country, but had no idea where. We already had two children under five. Gary and I walked around the block in the late afternoon, choked and fearful. I thought about the tiny, trusting heart already growing beneath my own. Our lives felt out of control; what could we offer this child?

But we did find a job, and we did move, and Stephen was born in our new home, a joyous day among midwife and friends. Nine years later he's the portrait of boyhood, bold and busy, full of plans and projects. But for all his Ninja-Turtle posturing, Stephen has a tender streak that betrays him when he spots a stuffed animal or sees a sentimental show. Of all the hearts that love me, his is the one that loves me with the most unfettered, blind devotion; to him, Mom is perfection on earth.

I think of all the thousands of women today whose children will be pulled out of them bit by bit, children who are as much like them as any mother and child can be. At some point, that tiny, new heart will beat its last. Who can say whether that would have been the heart that, in all her lifetime, would have loved her best?

Stephen comes in, flushed and grimy from running in the afternoon sun. He interrupts me as I sit at my desk, impulsively flinging his arms around me in a baby-bear hug. My head rests against his slender chest. I can hear in there his tender heart, beating faster now than the wings of a bird.



# Kansans for Life



41st Anniversary of Roe vs. Wade: 57 million U.S. Abortions

## Rally, Learn, Pray, March for Life!

### Topeka: Wednesday, Jan. 22, 2014

**8:30 AM REGISTRATION - Location: Capitol Rotunda! (It's finally finished!)** Enjoy free donuts and visit the booths of Kansas Crisis Pregnancy Centers and related groups who will have displays/exhibits.

**8:30 - NOON LOBBY**, take a tour, watch KS House in action and more TBA (to be announced.) Info at registration.

**8:45 -9:30 AM WORKSHOPS (Room numbers at Registration):**  
 "KS Judicial Reform is a Pro-Life Issue" by Jessica Basgall, J.D., Staff Attorney for Kansans for Life  
 "Will You Be Denied Life-Sustaining Treatment?" by Kathy Ostrowski, KFL Legislative Director  
 "Rescatemos Nuestra Raza Hispana - Defendamos la Vida del Pequeño Irrepetible" by Jim Rodriguez, Anna Myers, & Dr. Anna Trujillo

**9:45-10:30 AM WORKSHOPS:** (Workshops above repeated)

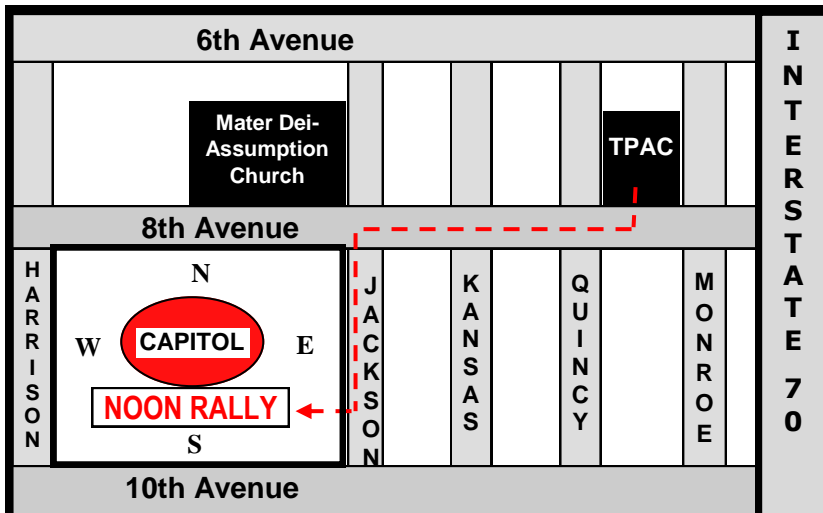
**10:00 AM CATHOLIC MASS** at the Topeka Performing Arts Center Auditorium (TPAC) --see map below.  
**NON-DENOMINATIONAL PRAYER SERVICE** -- Still being planned. Check at registration.

**11:30 AM MARCH FOR LIFE** from TPAC to the South Capitol Steps led by Kansas Knights of Columbus.

**NOON RALLY FOR LIFE** on the outside south Capitol steps featuring:  
**Kansas Governor Sam Brownback, U.S. Senator Pat Roberts, U.S. Rep. Tim Huelskamp,**  
**introduction of pro-life members of the Kansas State House & Senate, and more.**

**1:00-2:30 PM LUNCH** (Cost: Free will offering) Basement of Mater Dei-Assumption Catholic Church -- see map.

**2:30-3:30 PM WORKSHOP:** "Successful Trends in State & Federal Pro-Life Legislation." by Kathy Ostrowski, KFL Legislative Director. Location: Following lunch in basement of Mater Dei-Assumption Church.



March for Life indicated by red line.

**Please bring baby item donations for KS Crisis Pregnancy groups to the KFL Rotunda registration table or lunch.**  
**Suggested items: Diapers, wipes, outfits, blankets, socks, formula, onesies, bottles, pacifiers, P.J.s, baby toys!**

**For more info and any last minute changes: See [www.kfl.org](http://www.kfl.org) or Kansans for Life on Facebook**



## National Right to Life Essay Contest

Senior High Essay Contest: Grades 10-12

Junior High Essay Contest: Grades 7-9

Cash prizes will be awarded.

**Topic: Why I am pro-life.**

For complete rules:

<https://www.nrlc.org/students/essaycontest/>

Essays must be postmarked by Jan. 22, 2014.



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KFL can provide everything you need to set up a pro-life booth at your county fair, church bazaar, or other local event.

**1-800-928-LIFE**

# Join Kansans for Life Political Action Committee for a **Prayer Breakfast**

featuring **Pastor Joe Wright**

As well as United States Representatives, Senators and Kansas executive officers  
(All four Congressmen, both Senators, and Governor Brownback are expected to speak.)

## On January 25, 2016 at 7:30 AM

At the Hyatt Regency, 400 W Waterman, Wichita, KS 67202

\$30 for reservations made by January 17, 2014 ♦ \$40 for late reservations ♦ \$45 at the door

**Contact KFL PAC at 316-687-5433 or [kflpac@yahoo.com](mailto:kflpac@yahoo.com) to make a reservation.**



## *KFL Valentine Banquets*

### *Thursday, Feb. 13*

Note: These events are the evening **PRIOR** to Valentine's Day



#### *Kansas City:*

#### *Wichita:*

**The Ritz-Charles, 137th & Antioch, Overland Park**

5:00 p.m. Silent Auction & Social Time

6:30 p.m. Seating

7:00 p.m. Banquet & Program

**The Midwestern Indian Center, 650 N. Seneca, Wichita**

5:30 p.m. Silent Auction & Social Time

6:00 p.m. Seating

6:30 p.m. Banquet & Program

#### **Speaker: Rick Santorum**

Former U.S. Congressman, 2012 Presidential candidate, currently CEO of EchoLight Studios which produces family films

#### **Master of Ceremonies: Greg Knapp**

KCMO Radio 710 AM morning talk show host



#### **Entertainment: Curtis Waltermire**

"The Mentalist" performs his one-man mind-reading magic show. See [curtisthementalist.com](http://curtisthementalist.com) for more about Curtis Waltermire.

**RSVP Required:** by seat, small group, or table of 10. Call 316-687-5433 or e-mail [kflalyssa@gmail.com](mailto:kflalyssa@gmail.com). Please reserve your seat by Friday, Feb. 7.

**Cost: \$30 per person.**

**RSVP Required:** by seat, small group, or table of 10.

Call 913-642-5433 or e-mail [kansansforlife@aol.com](mailto:kansansforlife@aol.com). Tables of 10, or smaller groups, may be reserved now under one name with number in party, but you must report names of all in party by Monday, Feb. 3, to insure seats. **This is a free event, with opportunity to donate.**



# 2013 Accomplishments: It was a busy year for Kansans for Life!

**Kansans For Life, like our parent organization, the National Right to Life Committee, is actually three corporations in one:**

- **Kansans For Life Education Trust** which is recognized by the IRS as a 501 (c) 3, a tax-deductible, educational organization.
- **Kansans For Life, Inc.** A membership organization which is involved in lobbying for legislation.
- **Kansans For Life Political Action Committee** which monitors voting records, interviews and endorses candidates for office.

## EDUCATION:

- Purchase of ads online, via smart phone and in the yellow pages to help pregnant women find help in Kansas.
- **Pro-Life Lesson Plans** for pre-K through 8th grade are complete.
- We gave away 5,000 fetal models at the Kansas State Fair. The models speak volumes to young people.
- We distributed hundreds of the **Boycott List**, which lists companies and organizations support Planned Parenthood.
- We promoted a series of bulletin messages that paralleled the development of Jesus in the womb of Mary, traditionally from March 25 to December 25. Many churches run these messages.
- We completed our new **End-of-Life Decisions packets**. Promotion starts soon.
- We distributed over 5,000 Pro-Life Coloring Books to young children.
- We distributed approx. 100 pro-life posters to churches and schools. These have a picture of a baby in the womb with a quote from Psalm 139.
- We completed an educational packet for pastors on LIFE issues.
- **Latinos For Life** is now underway and one of our staff speaks fluent Spanish. She is organizing a Wichita group and working with pastors across Kansas.
- We ran a series of educational radio ads on the Hispanic radio station in Wichita.
- We are finishing the editing of the TV program, "Life After Abortion" that will be airing in 2014. Watch for it.

- We involved several dozen new churches in the Baby Bottle Project, which is both very educational and motivational to Christians across Kansas.
- We are now working with **Pure & Simple Health Education, Inc.** which will be working with parents, teachers, and teens about making healthy decisions.
- We are working to educate people about the Court system in Kansas. It must be changed and the first step is to expose the "Good Old Boy Club" of the current system.
- The KFL Newsletter and Email alert system called "Voter Voice" have kept people informed on a variety of issues.
- Some of the events we were involved in that were educational and motivational: the Kansas State Fair, 8th grade pro-life Forums, Valentine's Banquet, Pro-Life Picnic, Golf Tournament, January 22nd activities, and Life Chain.
- We were blessed to have **two new chapters** join Kansans For Life bringing the total to over 50 chapters across Kansas.

## LEGISLATION:

- Voter Voice email system gave us the opportunity to keep constituents informed of the voting record of their Representatives and Senators.
- We now have Legal Counsel on staff to assist with legislative matters.

### 2013 Legislative victories include:

- **Midwest Stem Cell Therapy Center**

SB 199 establishes the Midwest Stem Cell Therapy Center at the University of Kansas, in collaboration with the Kansas blood and marrow transplant center. They will facilitate

the production of stem cells and treatment applications, barring the use of any fetal or embryonic tissue cells. The Center will create education modules and host a global database resource for physicians and patients.

### • **2013 Pro-Life Protections Act**

HB 2253, the Pro-Life Protections Act", forbids abortions done solely for gender; puts abortion informed consent rules and fetal development information into statute; bans tax-funded payment for abortion and bans tax breaks for abortion businesses; and declares public policy will reflect the fact that human life begins at conception, subject to U.S. Supreme Court rulings.

### • **Civil Rights for the Unborn**

SB 142 is "Civil Rights for the Unborn" and allows lawsuits to be filed in civil court on behalf of the wrongful death of an unborn child at any time in gestation.

SB 142 also prohibits the filing of civil "wrongful birth" or "wrongful life" lawsuits claiming that a disabled child should have been aborted.

## POLITICAL ACTION:

- PAC Spring Fling fundraiser featuring U.S. Pat Roberts.
- PAC Prayer Breakfast at the Republican State Convention.
- Formation of a KFL Wichita PAC to study local school board and city council races.
- PAC Voter's Guides prepared and distributed with election endorsements.
- Listen & Learn Series for all of us to learn more about the Education System in Kansas and how it works.
- Pro-Life Attorney Luncheon.

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**Additionally in 2013, two new crisis pregnancy centers started in Kansas bringing the total to over 50 such centers!**

Kansans for Life is involved in many aspects of the pro-life movement. We are constantly working to make abortion unthinkable, unacceptable and unlawful. All three parts of our organization are run almost exclusively on private donations from individuals like you. Donations to the Education Trust are tax-deductible. Become a member of KFL for \$20 per family, per year at [www.kfl.org](http://www.kfl.org) or by calling **1-800-928-5433**. You can also email us anytime at [kfl@kfl.org](mailto:kfl@kfl.org). We appreciate your prayers and your support of our efforts!

Yours for LIFE, The Board of Kansans for Life

**Thank you for your prayers and support, which have enabled all of the above!**