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A publication of West Virginians for Life, Inc. Volume 36, Number 1 March/April 2014 Clear Contrast on Life Between Senate Candidates Capito and Tennant

by Karen Cross, NRL Political Director

In the race to replace Senator Jay Rockefeller, there is a clear contrast on abortion and Obamacare between the two likely candidates to emerge from West Virginia's May 13 primary elections: Congresswoman Shelley Moore Capito and Secretary of State Natalie Tennant.

Compare the candidates on life issues:

• Since the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision in 1973, more than 56 million defenseless babies have been aborted - more than 3,300 each day, 365 days a year.

Secretary of State Natalie Tennant supports the current policy of abortion on demand. EMILY's List has praised



Congresswoman Shelley Moore Capito

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pro-abortion candidate Natalie Tennant. EMILY's List is a radical pro-abortion group which supports Democratic women candidates who support abortion for any

Natalie Tennant

reason, and the use of your tax dollars to pay for them. Congresswoman Shelley Moore

Capito has voted to ban partial-birth

abortions, voted against using your tax dollars to pay for abortions, and voted to require parental notice before an abortion is performed on a minor daughter. Capito voted to protect unborn babies 20 weeks and older who are capable of feeling pain from a gruesome death by dismemberment or other horrific late abortion techniques.

• Obamacare provides government funding for health plans that pay for abortion on demand, and will result in the rationing of lifesaving medical treatments.

An Obama supporter, in 2009, Natalie Tennant stressed the importance of passing Obama's health care legislation.

Shelley Moore Capito opposes Obamacare and voted to repeal it.

EMILY's List is out of touch with the American public on abortion.

In a March 3, 2013, poll conducted by The Polling Company[™], inc., only 12 percent agreed with the statement, "Abortion should be legal for any reason at any time during a woman's pregnancy," and yet this is the extreme position held by EMILY's List.

In fact the American public is far closer to the pro-life position than to EMILY's List's. A poll released by Gallup on May 10, 2013, revealed that a total of 58% believes that abortion should be illegal in all circumstances (20%) or "legal in only a few circumstances" (38%).

Because of that, it is not surprising that

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by Wanda Franz, Ph.D.

The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act passed the House at 10:25 p.m. on March, 8, 2014, the last day of the Legislative Session, under the title, Pain-Capable Fetus Protection Act. At this writing, it awaits the signature of Governor Tomblin.

With this vote, our state has supported the need for compassionate policies that recognize the compelling state interest in protecting babies from the moment that they can feel pain at 20 weeks in utero. It is only appropriate that, during the legislative session, legislation was also considered that would protect children from bodily harm from child abuse. The Pain Bill recognizes that this protection is needed beginning at 20 weeks in utero, when medical science says that the unborn baby can feel pain.

Some legislators expressed concern

about the constitutionality of HB 4588. It could be outlawed in the last trimester, is important to be clear: our new law has never been found to be unconstitutional. The Constitutional merits of all laws are determined by the Courts. Roe vs. Wade and Doe vs. Bolton, the Supreme Court decisions of 1973, established a woman's constitutional right to have an abortion

beginning at 24 weeks menstrual age. However, exceptions had to be made for the mother's physical and mental health. The "attending physician," that is, the abortionist, was to make those determinations. Most states (West Virginia was not one of them) passed laws outlawing abortions

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The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act

is on Firm Constitutional Grounds

eligible. In practice, this meant that it was

the ones who determined who was legally

effectively impossible to prohibit thirdtrimester abortions. An example is the state of Nebraska, which had the 24weeks viability standard as the basis of their law. This did not protect unborn children from being aborted by Carhart, the notorious late-term abortionist. Once the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act was passed in Nebraska, this late term abortion practitioner moved to Maryland to continue his practice.

This is because this new bill establishes a new standard under the compelling interest of the states to protect innocent life from pain. Carhart appears to have recognized that, under this new standard,

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From the President

Dear Friends:

At 10:25 p.m., on March 8, the last day of the legislative session, the West Virginia version of the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act passed and was sent to the Governor's desk for his signature. If it is signed into law, it will join the list of successful pro-life legislation passed in previous years: The Partial-Birth Abortion Ban Act (1997), a Women's Right to Know Law

(2003), the Unborn Victims of Violence Act (2005) and the Ultrasound Option Requirement Act (2010). Statistics demonstrate that laws like these save the lives of unborn babies and protect women by providing facts and information before an abortion is obtained.

Our opponents have worked against our legislation, but they obviously fear our ability to inform others of their actions in Charleston. To this end, HB 4463 was introduced to control the ability of members of organizations like West Virginians for Life to speak out about the issues and the actions taken by the members of the State Legislature; and it was strongly opposed by West Virginians for Life.

HB 4463 would have imposed government regulations on any "public communication" prior to an election. It would have provided for criminal penalties if an organization merely "mentions a candidacy, a political party, or a challenger to a candidate, or takes a position on a candidate's character,

qualifications, or fitness for office..." The bill places this restriction on virtually any form of public communication.

The regulations would have been imposed for the ninety days before a primary election and 120 days before a general election. The result of this bill would have been to prevent West Virginians for Life and other similar organizations from engaging in any public discourse about important issues for 7 months out of every election year! We couldn't even mention the name of an elected official or tell the public anything about voting records. This year, we would have had only a week to tell the public about the results of the vote on our bill at the end of the legislative session before the communication black-out for the primary election would have been imposed.

Fortunately this bill was defeated with our help. WV MetroNews reported on February 6, 2014: "The opponents picked up more support when West Virginians for Life called on lawmakers to vote against the bill."

We can be proud of the results of this legislative session. We deeply appreciate the work of our Charleston Lobbying Coordinator, John Carey, and of the staff and volunteers. Your calls to legislators and your presence at our Rally were essential to our success. Thank you and keep up your work on behalf of the babies.

Nanda Franz, Ph. D.

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he would not be able to continue his practice of late-term abortion.

This new standard has been recognized by Supreme Court Justice Kennedy in his support for the Partial Birth Abortion Ban Act. In his opinion, he wrote that states have a "constitutional role in defining their interests in the abortion debate." He further wrote that states "may take measures to ensure the medical profession and its members are viewed as healers, sustained by a compassionate and rigorous ethic and cognizant of the dignity and value of human life, even life which cannot survive without the assistance of others."

This argument provides the basis for states to pass legislation that meets these criteria under *Roe* and *Doe*, such as The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, which has never been struck down by the Supreme Court. Some have pointed to an Arizona law, which the 9th Circuit Court of Appeals found to be unconstitutional. However, this is a different law, named the Mother's Health and Safety Act.

Eight states have passed bills similar to ours, which have gone into effect without legal challenge: Nebraska, http://wvforlife.org/blog/events/ 16th-annual-rose-dinner/ Kansas, Oklahoma, Alabama, Louisiana, North Dakota, Arkansas and Texas. In Texas, the Pain Bill was part of a large omnibus bill. Another portion of the bill, dealing with abortion restrictions, was challenged in Court. However, the Pain Bill itself was not challenged, presumably because there was no basis for a challenge. Two additional states (Idaho and Georgia) have passed the Pain Bill where they have been challenged in state courts.

West Virginia is proud to be the 11th state to pass this ground-breaking

"We Support the Abortion Opt-Out in the WV Health Care Exchange" petitions will continue to be gathered.

Sign electronically at *wvforlife.org* or print them from

http://wvforlife.org/blog/2013/11/21/abortion-is-not-health-care-petition-drive-is-ongoing/

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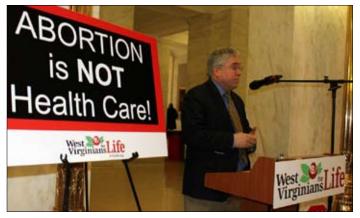
Pro-Life Heroes

by John Carey, Legislative Coordinator

The annual Pro-Life Rally & Day at the Legislature was held February 11. It was an exciting day. The galleries were packed with pro-lifers who witnessed the dramatic effort by 48 Pro-Life Heroes to bring the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act (HB 4588) out of committee and to the floor of the House for a vote to become law. These 48 delegates included all of the Republicans and two Democrats: Ricky Moye and Jeff Eldridge. Each of these delegates chose to take a stand for life which advanced protections for the unborn and changed the direction of West Virginia. This effort to "discharge the committee" ended with a tie vote: 48 for and 48 against.

While this effort was initially defeated, it enabled legislators to finally hear the voice of the people of West Virginia and was essential to the eventual passage of the bill by both the House and the Senate. Without these efforts, the unborn child, capable of feeling pain beginning at 20 weeks, would not be protected from abortion in the Mountain State. Thanks to all our pro-life Delegates and Senators, who worked for the bill and voted for its passage. (See pages 4-5 for voting records for the Session.)

Now that HB 4588 is in the hands of



Pro-Life Attorney General Patrick Morrisey was well received. He addressed the rally crowd briefly before everyone fled the lower rotunda to sit in the House galleries.

the Governor, our efforts have turned to encouraging him to sign the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act into law. He has 15 days to sign or veto HB 4588 or simply allow it to become law without his signature. We have been informed that the Governor's staff will be available to meet with WVFL shortly to discuss this legislation.

HB 4588 is model legislation which was developed by National Right to Life and has currently passed in 10 states. Georgia has been enjoined by a state court which has it under consideration. Idaho's law was struck down by the 9th Circuit Court, which is the most reversed

governs abortion clinics, they did nothing to attack the part of the law known as the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. This would indicate they were not confident they could have won their case.

In light of this, we are on reasonably solid footing to expect that our model



Pro-Life heroes and cosponsors of HB 4588 Delegate Rick Moye (above with National Right to Life Political Director Karen Cross and WVFL Legislative Coordinator John Carey) and Delegate Jeff Eldridge (right) broke party ranks in support

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of a Motion to Discharge the Committee in preparation for a floor vote on the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act on February 11. The motion failed 48-48. However, the wheels were set in motion for HB 4588, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act, to succeed.

court in the nation, and is currently under appeal. This leaves eight states in which the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act is functioning as state law. Some

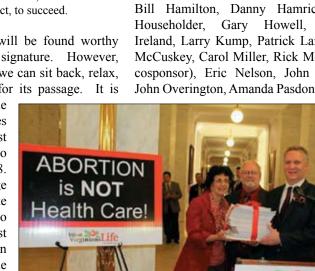
have pointed to the Arizona law, which was struck down, as evidence that HB 4588 is not constitutional; but this law is nothing like ours. It is called the "Women's Health and Safety Act" and we do not include it among the 10 states. Federal Courts strike down laws all the time which are later determined to be constitutional by the

US Supreme Court. One example of this is the Partial Birth Abortion Ban, which was struck down by a variety of federal courts before eventually being found to be constitutional by the Supreme Court.

It is significant that the pro-abortion folks brought suit in the Texas 5th Circuit against a very large pro-life bill. While they went after the section of the law that NRLC legislation will be found worthy of the Governor's signature. However, this does not mean we can sit back, relax, and stop working for its passage. It is

imperative that the Governor receives calls from West Virginians who support HB 4588. Please encourage everyone to make calls. Be sure to download the most bulletin current insert that has the Governor's email address and phone number and distribute it at your church. In addition, we need to continue to win the public-opinion war by writing editorials and finding ways to get information out that supports HB

4588.



Pro-Life House Minority Leader Tim Armstead, who brought the Motion to Discharge to the House floor previous to the rally, was happy to see Opt-Out petitions (21 lbs./nearly 15,000 names) presented by WVFL Program Director Mary Anne Buchanan and WVFL Legislative Coordinator John Carey. West Virginians for Life will continue to gather Abortion Opt-Out petitions.

A special website has been created with information on the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act that can enable you to address criticisms made by pro-abortion to the press, to articles on blogs, facebook and other places on the internet. We are thankful for all of you, who

have supported this legislation and enabled it to gain passage by such large majorities in both the House and the Senate. We must remember to keep working until the Governor finally puts his signature on the bill.

individuals: http://www.wvflfetalpainbill.

org/. Go to this website for the facts so

you can respond with accurate information

The Heroic Forty-Eight

Special thanks to the 48 who voted for the Discharge Motion on February 11. They are Delegates Bill Anderson, George "Boogie" Ambler, Troy Andes, Tim Armstead, Lynne Arvon, Bob Ashley, Tom Azinger, Anna Border Sheppard, Jim Butler, Scott Cadle, Ray Canterbury, Roy Cooper, Daryl Cowles, Jeff Eldridge (bill cosponsor), John Ellem, Joe Ellington, Paul Espinosa, Allen Evans, David Evans, Larry W. Faircloth, Ryan Ferns, Michael Folk, Cindy Frich, Marty Gearheart, Bill Hamilton, Danny Hamrick, Eric Householder, Gary Howell, Woody Ireland, Larry Kump, Patrick Lane, John McCuskey, Carol Miller, Rick Moye (bill cosponsor), Eric Nelson, John O'Neal, John Overington, Amanda Pasdon, Suzette

Raines, Roger Romine, Ruth Rowan, John Shott, Randy Smith, Kelli Sobonya, Erikka Storch, Linda Sumner, Ron Walters and Steve Westfall.

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Candidate Surveys and Voting Records

The following chart is a service to you describing the pro-life records of the candidates running in this year's election. The first four columns consist of selected questions from the WVFL Candidate Survey. The questions for each are presented here. A "yes" answer is pro-life for all four questions. If no response is indicated, a survey was not received. An asterisk (*) indicates written comments were included. The following four questions were asked:

1 = There is now substantial medical and scientific evidence that unborn children can feel pain by 20 weeks after fertilization. Would you support legislation to protect pain-capable unborn children from death by abortion?

2 = The 2010 federal health care law known as the Patient Protection and Affordable Care Act, allows states to opt out of the use of tax dollars to provide abortion coverage in the state-based insurance "exchanges" it creates. Would you support legislation which allows West Virginia to prohibit all qualified health plans offered through the state exchange from including abortion coverage, except to prevent the death of the mother?

3 = In the *Webster* decision handed down July 3, 1989, the U.S. Supreme Court upheld the Missouri statute that limited the use of public facilities for abortions when the mother's

life was not at stake. It is now clear that it is entirely appropriate and legal for a state to make a decision to stay out of the abortion business altogether. Would you vote to prevent the use of tax funds for abortion other than to prevent the death of the mother?

4 = Would you vote to require that abortion clinics comply with basic health and safety standards?

O.O.S. = Opt-Out Support as indicated by signing the WVFL questionnaire asking for support of an abortion opt-out provision in the new WV Health Care Exchange. Y stands for yes, the questionnaire was signed. N indicates the incumbent did not sign the questionnaire.

D.M. = Discharge Motion vote on the House floor on February 11, 2014. Y is a pro-life vote of yes to discharge the bill. N is for no. A is for absent.

Pain Vote = Final vote on HB 4588, the Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. Y is a yes vote in support of the pro-life legislation on the House floor (February 25, 2014) and the Senate floor (March 8, 2014). N is for no. A is for absent.

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House Candidates	Party	Dist.	County	1 2	3 4	0.0.8	.D.M.	Pain Vote	e% pro-life votes		Party	Dist.	County				0.S.I	D.M.F	Pain Vote	% pro-life votes
Jones, Ronnie D.	D	1	Brooke, Hancock	Y	YY		Ν	Y	33%	Hutchinson, Joe	D		Cabell		ΥY					
McGeehan, Pat	R	1	Brooke, Hancock	YY	ΥY				100% (House)	Sobonya, Kelli	R		Cabell				Y	Y	Y	100%
Swartzmiller, Randy	D	1	Brooke, Hancock	YY	ΥY	N	Ν	Y	88%	Hicks, Ken	D		Wayne	Y	YY					
Zatezalo, Mark	R	1	Brooke, Hancock	Y	Y					Kinsey, Tim	D		Wayne				N	Ν	Y	50%
Diserio, Phillip W.	D	2	Brooke, Ohio		YY		Ν	Y	33%	Marcum, Steve	R		Wayne	Y	ΥY					
Weld, Ryan W.	R	2	Brooke, Ohio	YY	YY					Perdue, Don	D		Wayne				N	Ν	Ν	44%
Elswick, Chris	R	3	Ohio							Tomblin, Randy	R		Wayne		_					
Fluharty, Shawn	D	3	Ohio							Baisden, Michael J.	D		Logan, Mingo							
Palmer, Dave	D	3	Ohio							Deskins, Russell Lee	R		Logan, Mingo		YY					2001
Santorine, Dolph	R	3	Ohio							Marcum, Justin J.	D	20	Logan, Mingo				Y	Ν	Y	33%
Sheehan, Martin P.	R	3	Ohio		ΥY					Dean, Mark	R	21	McDowell, Mingo, Wyoming		YY					
Smith, Holli	D	3	Ohio	<u> </u>		<u> </u>			12.24	Stacy, Roger	R		McDowell, Mingo, Wyoming	Y	ΥY	Ý				
Storch, Erikka	R	3	Ohio		Y* Y		Y	Y	100%	White, Harry Keith	D						N	N	Y	89%
Evans, David A.	R	4	Marshall, Ohio		Y* Y		Y	Y Y	100%	Barker, Joshua	D		Boone, Lincoln, Logan, Putnam	Y	YY		Y	N	Y	50%
Ferro, Mike	D	4	Marshall, Ohio	YY	YY	N	N	Ŷ	50%	Eldridge, Jeff	D		Boone, Lincoln, Logan, Putnam		_		Y	Y	Y	100%
Hall, Dave	D	4	Marshall, Ohio							McCallister, Gary	D		Boone, Lincoln, Logan, Putnam							
Morris, Ron	R D	4	Marshall, Ohio Marshall, Ohio		Y Y Y Y					Moffatt, Michel G.	R R			Y	YY	Y				
Sidiropolis, David		4			YY					Mullins, Justin			Boone, Lincoln, Logan, Putnam		_					
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Romine, Wm. Roger	R	6	Doddridge, Pleasants, Tyler		YY	Y	Y	Y	100%	Meadows, Gloria	R		Boone, Logan, Wyoming Boone, Logan, Wyoming	\vdash		++-		_		
Harshbarger, Jason S.	R	7	Pleasants, Ritchie		YY			I	100%	Phillips, Rupert "Rupie" JR.	D		Boone, Logan, Wyoming Boone, Logan, Wyoming	\vdash		++	N	N	Y	33%
Ireland, Lynwood "Woody"	R	7	Pleasants, Ritchie		YY		Y	Y	100%	Rodighiero, Ralph	D				ΥY		. N	IN	I	33% 100% (House)
Anderson, Bill	R	8	Wood	Y Y			Y	Y	95%	Tomblin, Teddy "Ted"	D		Boone, Logan, Wyoming	v	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}}$		γ	N	Y	33%
Malone, Denzil "Buddy"	D	8	Wood		YY		<u> </u>		3370	Cline, Sue	R		McDowell, Mercer		YY		<u> </u>			3370
Border, Anna	R	9	Wirt, Wood		ΥY		Y	Y	100%	Phillips, Linda Goode	D		McDowell, Mercer				N	Ν	Y	25%
Marion, Jim	D	9	Wirt, Wood		<u> </u>	<u> </u>			10070	Acosta, Tom	R		McDowell, Mercer	Y	YY		<u> </u>		•	2070
Ahlborn, Courtney Lynne	R	10	Wood							McKinney, SP "Pat"	D				NN					
Azinger, Mike	R		Wood	YY	YY					Moore, Clif	D		McDowell, Mercer				N	Ν	N	33%
Criss, Vernon	R	10	Wood							Ellington, Joe C. JR.	R		Mercer, Raleigh	Y	YY		Y	Y	Y	100%
Deem, Frank	R	10	Wood						92% (Senate)	Gearheart, Marty	R		Mercer, Raleigh				Y	Y	Ý	100%
Kelly, John R.	R	10	Wood	YY	YY				, í	Shott, John	R		Mercer, Raleigh				Υ	Y	Y	100%
Miller, Paul E.	D	10	Wood	Y N	NY					Brown, James M. "Jim"	D		Monroe, Raleigh, Summers		ΥY					
Poling, Dan	D	10	Wood		YY		Α	Y	67%	Cooper, Roy G.	R		Monroe, Raleigh, Summers				Y	Y	Y	100%
Steed, Debra L.	R	10	Wood							McNeely, James W. "Jim"	D	28	Monroe, Raleigh, Summers							
Ashley, Bob	R	11	Roane			Y	Y	Y	100%	O'Neal, John D. IV	R	28	Monroe, Raleigh, Summers	Y	YY	' Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Bright, Michael "Mike"	D	12	Jackson	YY	ΥY					Pritt, Jeff	D	28	Monroe, Raleigh, Summers							
Kessell, John	R	12	Jackson							Moye, Ricky	D	29	Raleigh	Υ	YY	Y Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Westfall, Steve	R	12	Jackson		ΥY		Y	Y	100%	Pennington, Lavonne J.	R		Raleigh	Υ	ΥY	Y Y				
Cadle, Scott	R	13	Jackson, Mason, Putnam		YY		Y	Y	100%	Wood, Greg	R	29	Raleigh							
Gibson, Tim	R	13	Jackson, Mason, Putnam		ΥY					Bates, Mick	D				ΥY					
Ihle, Michael	R	13	Jackson, Mason, Putnam	ΥY	YY					Kessler, Mel	D		Raleigh-never got to vote		YY					
Juba-Plumley, Rosalee	D	13	Jackson, Mason, Putnam							Roop, Jack "Gordie"	D		Raleigh		YY					
Martin, Joshua	D	13	Jackson, Mason, Putnam							Sumner, Linda	R		Raleigh				Y	Y	Y	100%
McGrath, Josh	D	13	Jackson, Mason, Putnam							Arvon, Lynne	R		Raleigh, Wyoming	Y	YY	Y Y	Y	Y	Y	100%
Westfall, Nathan "Nate"	R	13	Jackson, Mason, Putnam							McKnight, Clyde D. Jr.	D		Raleigh, Wyoming		_					
Butler, Jim	R	14	Mason, Putnam		Y Y	Y	Y	Y	100%	Bullock, Tighe	M		Clay, Fayette, Nicholas, Raleigh							
Roach, Johnny	D	14	Mason, Putnam						<u> </u>	Fast, Tom	R		Clay, Fayette, Nicholas, Raleigh	Y	YY	' Y				
Foster, Geoff	R	15	Putnam		YY	<u> </u>			<u> </u>	Hughes, William F.	R		Clay, Fayette, Nicholas, Raleigh		<u>.</u>					
Jordan, Duke	R	15	Putnam						────	Kessinger, Kayla	R		Clay, Fayette, Nicholas, Raleigh							0.451
Anderson, Dale II	R	16	Putnam		YY					Perry, Dave	D				YY		Y	N	Y	94%
Bender, David	R	16	Putnam	YY	YY					Pino, John	D			Y	YY		N	N	Y	93%
Hornbuckle, Sean	D R	16 16	Putnam Putnam		YY	-			<u> </u>	Staggers, Margaret Anne	D		Clay, Fayette, Nicholas, Raleigh		YY		N	Ν	Y	50%
Jones, Lionel										Hanshaw, Roger			Calhoun, Clay, Gilmer				~	NI	V	500/
Lucas, Patrick			Putnam		YY	Y	Y	Y	100%	Walker, David A. Boggs, Brent			Calhoun, Clay, Gilmer Braxton, Gilmer	Y	Y Y	′ Y	Y NI	N	Y Y	50%
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Plymale, Lauren E.	D		Putnam		YY		IN	IN	17.70							/ Y				100%
Holland, Joyce W.	R		Cabell, Lincoln	YY					<u> </u>]	Turner, Dr. June Byrd, Andrew D.						Y Y Y				
Reynolds, Doug	D		Cabell, Wayne			Y	N	Y	50%	Caudill, John D. IV			Kanawha	Υ	$\frac{1}{\sqrt{1}}$	/ Y				
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Stephens, Dale			Cabell, Wayne	YY			N	Y	78%	Harless, David S.			Kanawha	\vdash		++-	-+			
Chaffin, Billy J. II			Cabell		ΥY					Hatfield, Barbara "Bobbie"			Kanawha	\vdash		++				0% (House)
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January 22 March for Life in Washington, D.C.



Kirsten and Allyssia with mother Sharon Johnpeer enjoyed their first march.

MacKenzie Baker, Sharon Johnpeer, Courtney Lennon, Dorinda Baker, Allyssia Evans and Mary Anne Buchanan



Pro-life Delegate Ron Walters is pictured here with WVFL Program Director Mary Anne Buchanan and WVFL Legislative Coordinator John Carey, along with pro-life Delegates Kelli Sobonya, Woody Ireland, John Overington, House Minority Leader Tim Armstead and Patrick Lane at the February 11 Pro-Life Rally & Day at the Legislature.

Pro-Life Rally & Day at the Legislature - February 11



Pro-life Senators Mike Hall and John Unger



Pro-life Senators Sam Cann, Evan Jenkins and Jack Yost with National Right to Life Political Director/WVFL Political Liaison Karen Cross



Pro-life Senator Chris Walters



Pro-life Senators Daniel Hall, Mike Green and David Nohe with WVFL Program Director Mary Anne Buchanan and National Right to Life Political Director Karen Cross



HB 4588 Cosponsor and Pro-life Delegate Peggy Donaldson Smith with Karen Cross, National Right to Life Political Director



Pro-life Delegates Roy Cooper, Jim Butler, George Ambler, David Evans, Ray Canterbury, Marty Gearheart, Family Policy Council Pres. Allen Whitt, Delegate Anna Border behind WVFL's Mary Anne Buchanan, Delegates Mike Folk, Paul Espinosa, Ruth Rowan, Cindy Frich and John Carey, West Virginians for Life Legislative Coordinator



Pro-life Delegate Brent Boggs



Pro-life Delegates Daryl Cowles, John O'Neal, Tim Armstead, Amanda Pasdon and Linda Sumner



Pro-life Delegates Lynne Arvon and Carol Miller await their turn at the mic.



Pro-life Delegate Larry Kump



Pro-life Delegates Suzette Raines and Amanda Pasdon with NRL Political Director Karen Cross

Pro-Life Profile



Mason County President

Wayne Sanders

by Patricia Johnson

Wayne and his wife Pat, whom he describes as his best friend and staunchest supporter, celebrated their 36th wedding anniversary in February 2014. They have two beautiful daughters, Brooke and Erin. Brooke is the mother of their two wonderful grandsons, Dylan (13) and Zane (7). Erin is the mother of their beautiful granddaughter, Abby (7). Wayne graduated from Glenville State College in 1977 and has been employed at Toyota Motor Manufacturing in Buffalo, WV since 1998.

Wayne attends New Hope Bible Baptist Church in Point Pleasant, WV. He has always been pro-life and feels God used New Hope to get him more involved in the fight for life. A few years ago, Wayne was asked to speak to the congregation about an upcoming pro-life fundraiser. The two weeks between when he was asked to speak and when

he spoke, the Holy Spirit was at work in him. Wayne recounts that he could not sleep, he could not focus, and he felt like he was carrying around an extra 30 pounds of weight on his shoulders. Soon after speaking, he joined the local pro-life chapter and met some very dedicated individuals. The President, Connie Gibbs, was a wonderful lady who led the group for 14 years and did a fantastic job. Additionally, she taught Wayne a lot about the issue.

Other than Jesus Himself, Wayne believes no one is more innocent than a preborn baby. Wayne states, "All babies belong to God and we have no right to make decisions on when a person should die. Our nation has lost its reverence for God, so we feel more comfortable making these life and death decisions." Wayne feels compelled to remain involved as it was God who drew him into the pro-life movement. He draws hope and strength from seeing how God works through the pro-life movement and knowing we are on the winning side.

"For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future." - Jeremiah 29:11

Like other chapters, the Mason County Chapter of WVFL seeks to get teens more involved. Wayne understands the necessity of teens being involved in promoting abstinence among their peers. Attending the January March for Life in Washington D.C. blessed his soul in seeing the number of youth, college age and younger, standing up for life. Wayne is motivated by the potential inherent in these pro-life youth. Due to the tragic statistics in Mason County on infant mortality, child death, and births to unmarried teens, Wayne understands it is critical to reach out to teens and get them involved.

Wayne feels the biggest challenge to the right to life is the growing indifference in America and around the world. He realizes the root cause of this lack of respect for human life is none other than our lack of love and reverence for God. "However", Wayne assures us, "One day I know Jesus Christ will end this horrific tragedy. And when He does, we win."

Wayne shares one of his favorite Bible verses revealing the intimacy of God; a verse that is dear to all of us in the pro-life movement:

For I know the plans I have for you, declares the Lord, plans to prosper you and not harm you, plans to give you hope and a future. - Jeremiah 29:11

WVFL thanks Wayne for his leadership and dedication in seeking to protect God's precious gift of human life!

Statutory Rape Went Unreported?

A grand jury has indicted parents of an 11-year-old girl in Ona, WV who were arrested after arranging for an abortion following a case of pregnancy after incest. West Virginia State Police say the parents consented to the abortion and the abortion clinic in question didn't report the abortion to authorities.

Michael and Amanda Adkins were arrested on charges of child neglect causing the risk of injury. While some licensed medical professionals were involved in getting information to authorities, WSAZ-TV indicates the abortion clinic in Charleston that did the abortion, did not report the clear case of statutory rape.

The grand jury added charges of incest, sexual assault and witness intimidation to the case. The indictment charges Michael Joe Adkins with incest, first-degree sexual assault and sexual abuse by a parent for alleged intercourse with his daughter, which impregnated the girl as the sexual activity continued after she became 12. He and the girl's stepmother, Amanda Rea Adkins, also face counts of child neglect creating risk of injury and conspiracy as part of an abortion and subsequent procedure aimed at covering up the alleged incest. Neither defendant entered a plea at the mid-March arraignment. The case moves forward with both maintaining their innocence.

Cabell Circuit Judge Alfred Ferguson released both defendants on a \$20,000 bond, although he indicated a willingness

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West Virginia Teens for Life

Dear West Virginia Teens for Life,

In February, we had the pleasure of attending the West Virginians for Life Rally at the capitol building in Charleston. We listened to state leaders and spoke to the teens in attendance about how we are the next generation of voters, and our voices matter.



WV Teens for Life CoPresidents Maria and Ruthie Deely with Donna Kolanko, secretary of the Mon County Chapter, at the Rally

We were very happy to see a

couple of the winners from the essay contest present to be recognized and we want to thank you for taking the time to attend. We want to thank everyone for their participation in the essay contest once again and would like to encourage everyone to participate in our next one coming up in the fall.

We have been a part of West Virginia Teens for Life for over a year now, and we are happy to say we have enjoyed every minute of it. We love meeting all of you and we can't wait to meet more.

Although we seem voiceless as individuals, our voices are heard loud and clear together. This is why as the next generation of voters, we need to prepare ourselves so that when the time comes, we can go to the polls and vote for life! Until then, we have to keep on working and educating ourselves

As Mother Teresa once said,

"If you want a love message to be heard, it has got to be sent out. To keep a lamp burning, we have to keep putting oil in it."

Sincerely, For Life,

Ruthie and Maria Deely, WVTFL Co-Presidents

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to consider increasing the amount due to the new charges. He scheduled their next appearance for April 21. Both defense attorneys declined comment afterward.

The pro-life movement has repeatedly documented how abortion facilities fail to report cases of statutory rape allowing predators to cover up their crimes with abortion.

CALENDAR OF EVENTS

May 13, 2014 (Tues.) - Primary Election Day in West Virginia

June 14, 2014 (Sat.) - Board Meeting, Clarksburg

June 23, 2014 (Mon.) - 2nd Annual Golf FORE Life! Tournament, Bridgeport Country Club, Bridgeport

September 14, 2014 (Sat.) -Board Meeting, Clarksburg

September 27, 2014 (Sat.) -State Convention, Trinity Assembly of God, Fairmont

Clear Contrast from page 1

EMILY's List often leaves out the word "abortion" when it praises its candidates and disguises its agenda in many other ways. For instance, in a release describing Tennant, they say she's "a groundbreaking leader" and never mention abortion.

The American people are pro-life. Most people are appalled when they hear testimony about the atrocities in the Gosnell murder trial. Most are disgusted when they realize Gosnell's utmost disregard for the woman, hear about the filthy conditions at his clinic, and learn about his brutal method of "snipping" the spinal cords of sometimes six pound babies who were born alive during an abortion.

Yet the violence of abortion, as displayed so graphically in the Kermit Gosnell murder trial, is supported, without limitations or restraints, by EMILY's List and the candidates they support.

On November 4, 2014, West Virginia voters will decide which candidate represents their values.

Golf FORE Life! Tournament

Monday, June 23rd | Noon Tee Time Bridgeport Golf Course, Bridgeport, WV Registration Form



Registration forms are downloadable at www.wvforlife.org/golf

There are several ways to participate in the Golf FORE Life! Tournament, including playing in the tournament, sponsoring a hole, donating tournament prizes or gifts, or doing all of the above! Please complete this form and send back to us. Please contact us with any questions.

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If using check, please make payable to WVFL Ed Trust Fund. Mail, with this form, to WVFL, 25 Canyon Road, Morgantown, WV 26508. If by credit card, please complete the following:

Donations for tournament prize items and players' gifts are also needed - contact us for more details.

West Virginia residents may obtain a summary of the registration and financial documents from the Secretary of State, State Capitol, Charleston, WV 25305. Registration does not imply endorsement.

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Across the Mighty State

Harrison County: Harrison County's chapter raised funds for a full-page prolife advertisement in the Clarksburg *Exponent-Telegram* on Sunday, January 26, with hundreds of signatures collected from churches in the area. Also a WVFL Board member, Mary Tillman, spoke with the parish nurses from Immaculate Conception Church in Clarksburg about end-of-life issues. These issues included the dangers of Living Wills, palliative/ hospice care, and rationing.

Lewis County: Lewis County Chapter Leader Cheryl



S m i t h attended t h e Chapter Leaders

WVFL Program Director Mary Anne Buchanan and Cheryl Smith, Chapter Leader for Lewis County at the Pro-Life Rally

Roundtable prior to the Rally on Feb. 11 as well as the Rally. She shared how a baby bottle campaign has become their chapter's most successful fundraiser.

Mason County: Mason County is planning to help The Gabriel Project in a soup sale fundraiser on April 11, in front of the Wellness Center in Point Pleasant. Mason County is also doing the Baby Bottle



Newly elected Mon County Chapter Leader Chris Kolanko and out-going Leader Mary Anne Buchanan at the 41st Annual March for Life on January 22

Project during the month leading up to Mother's Day. It is a great fundraiser with about 50 churches involved. Mason County will also be participating in a community yard sale by selling food. At the Pro-Life Rally in Charleston on February 11, there were twenty-six participants from Mason County. The chapter had two tables for providing baked goods and pro-life items for donations. Most of the group sat in the galleries of the House to be introduced and observed the 48-48 Discharge Motion vote. We have also seen Teens for Life flourishing in Mason County; the teens have several activities in the planning stages. Anyone interested in joining this new group may email Brandi Varian at deputywife4@gmail.





helpers/ needs workers in the southern end of Mason County; these can be teens or adults. Anyone interested in helping, please president call Wayne Sanders at 304-675-6616. The monthly meetings have been changed to the first Tuesday of each month at 6:00 p.m. at the Farm Museum Kitchen.

com. The chapter

Mineral County: Mark Saturday, April 5 down on your calendar as the day of the Pro-Life Dinner at the Church of the Brethren, 152 S. Main Street in Keyser. The baked steak dinner starts at 6:00 p.m. WVFL Pres. Wanda Franz is the keynote speaker. Tickets are \$10. Call Chapter Leader Dan Ludwick at 304-289-

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Monongalia County: The Chapter thanks the many churches who made the chartered bus trip to the nation's capital possible. Thanks to

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County, Cabin Creek Wesleyan in Keyser and all from Morgantown - Chestnut Ridge Church, Covenant Evangelical Methodist, Faith Baptist, Kingdom

Evangelical Methodist and Saint Luke the Evangelist. Preparations are underway for the 29th Annual Mother's Day Walk-for-Life on Saturday, April 26. The chapter will be mailing out a newsletter soon. The chapter paid for a digital billboard at the Chaplin Hill Sheetz intersection advertising Rose Dinner speaker Cal Thomas. New President Chris Kolanko hopes for more involvement from area churches by asking for a liaison from each one. Call 304-282-0419 for all the details on the Walk or if interested in being a church liaison.

Morgan County: Morgan County published a four-page newsletter, including a petition, and it was distributed to 230 local people. Upcoming events were promoted and paid membership encouraged. Freddie Fleece constructed and donated a beautiful hand crafted cedar chest to be raffled off as a means of fundraising for the chapter. The raffle

closed on the evening of the WDTF Italian dinner on January 18th at Paul Niner Hall. The tickets sold for \$10.00 each or \$25.00 for three tickets. Total income from the sale of tickets totaled just over \$1,000, and the winner of the raffle was



Thanks to Covenant EMC in Morgantown providing a bus, these 8th graders from Covenant Christian School were able to participate in the Day at the Legislature. Pictured are teacher Rhonda Fout, Brianna Wightman, Brooke Fuller, Megan Wojicki, Savannah Fout, senior category Teen Essay Contest 1st place winner Elizabeth Satterfield (Trinity Christian High School), and pro-life Senator Roman Prezioso after a scheduled meeting with him on Rally Day.

> Barbara Yost. In other news Treasurer, Laura Haber, is sending her 12 year old daughter, Ally Haber, on a trip to France



Our volunteers are precious to us. In the fall, we had help with a mass mailing from the Simpson family. Pictured are Michael, Tina, Emma, Levi and Tabitha with patriarch and WVFL Board member Mike Simpson from Ohio County.

Across the Mighty State



6-year old Jacob Barker of Morgantown was quite the helper with the membership mailing.

this summer with the Youth Group at St. Peter's Church in Hancock, Maryland. Father Jack Lombardi will lead the group as they walk 100 miles through France on a France For Life March to minister, learn, and show love and compassion for those without a voice. Ally needs to raise \$2,600 for the trip. Her Website is www. fundsforfrance.com. She is willing to do whatever it takes to raise the money; clean, help organize anything, walk pets, babysit, bake, sew projects, knit, and make homemade goodies. If any of the ideas may be something you would be interested in, please email Laura at lbreengoad@aol. com. Morgan County WVFL hired Ally to do some bulk mailing and she is doing well. Also in Morgan County they have seen the hearts of many people change due to the sidewalk counseling outside of the abortion clinic. The people working in the Hope Pregnancy Center have literally saved lives, and in particular, Tina Malone, has done an excellent job comforting and helping the young women who cross her path. Morgan County is also promoting the pro-life agenda through their billboard outside of Berkeley Springs, with help from Knights of Columbus, the Holy Name Society, and some of the local churches. They also broadcast several pro-life messages a day on WDTF-LP 107.9 FM for Berkeley Springs and 96.3 FM Hancock MD. For more information about the Morgan County chapter please visit their website at WWW.WVFL-MCC. COM

Summers County: The Summers County Chapter was represented at the Pro-Life Rally and Day at the Legislature this past February. It was a pleasure to join hundreds of Pro-Lifers in the House Gallery supporting The Pain-Capable Unborn Child Protection Act. The Chapter is planning a signature advertisement fundraiser for the week of Mother's Day. The Pro-Life advertisement will be placed in the Hinton News. Churches, businesses, and individuals are invited to participate. The Chapter meets every second Monday, 7:00 PM at Sandstone. For more information about the advertisement or meetings, please call Bonnie at (304) 466-1370.

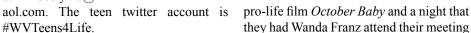
Wood County: Chapter Leader Patty Cooper was excited to attend the Rose Dinner on March 28 and brought several friends with her for that event. She attended a



From Ohio County, these volunteers included Donna and Martha along with Karen McKenzie.

wedding recently (her son's) where those attended who reception the could give to the bride's charity of choice or that of the groom. The groom chose West Virginians for Life. What a novel idea!

WV Teens for Life: Copresidents Ruthie and Maria Deely spoke at the February 11 Rally. Tweet or contact them at deelyma@



WVU Mountaineers for Life: In October the group hosted *The Planned Parenthood Project.* They set up the display in the free speech zone on campus. There were massive signs with information on them to educate college students on Planned Parenthood and the facts about their organization. The Mountaineers also hosted smaller events throughout the year like a movie night where they showed the

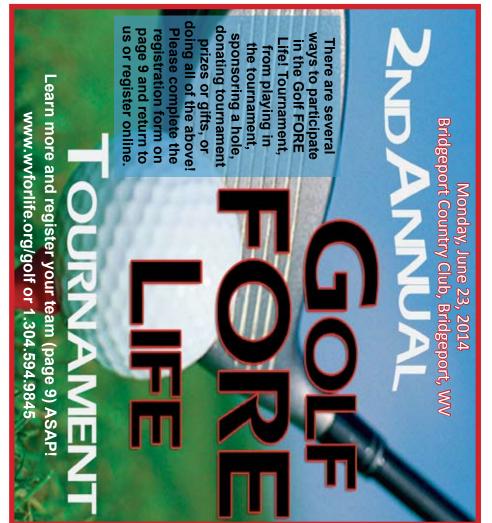


Pro-Lifers, who witnessed the House Health Committee meeting, heard HB 4588 pass out of committee on a voice vote. They included WVFL Legislative Coordinator John Carey, Putnam County Chapter Leader/ Board member Amanda Perkins holding daughter Sam, Allen Whitt of the Family Policy Council, Fr. Brian O'Donnell, Lorrie Legursky, Michel Moffatt, Kayla Kessinger, Yoko and George Wallace.

pro-life film *October Baby* and a night that they had Wanda Franz attend their meeting to educate them on how to defend pro-life arguments. There was also a small group of Mountaineers for Life who attended the 15th Annual Rose Dinner in November and the 16th such event in March, and the March for Life in Washington D.C. Mountaineers for Life has many other events being planned for this semester; to stay updated you can like them on Facebook at *WVU Mountaineers for Life*.



Volunteers from left to right are Marge and Charles Northrop (Doddridge County Chapter Leader/Board member), Wood County Chapter Leader/Board member Patty Cooper and Dr. Wanda Franz, President of West Virginians for Life.





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