



More than 350 supporters attended the gala event.

Successful 27th Annual Rose Dinner IN WEST VIRGINIA

Mary Anne Buchanan, WVFL Office Manager

FOX & Friends Weekend host and NY Times best-selling author Rachel Campos-Duffy was relatable, funny, and moving as she keynoted the 27th Annual Rose Dinner on Friday, April 25, in Morgantown. Wife to Transportation Secretary Sean Duffy and mother of nine, she shared home life stories, especially of their youngest child, Valentina, born with Down Syndrome. She reminded the crowd of over 350 that 90% of unborn children with that diagnosis are aborted in the U.S. because of the strong push by doctors to end the pregnancy.

Rachel said that not one other child in Valentina's classes has Down Syndrome, and how nice it would be for her daughter to have someone else at school that looks like her.

Rachel said that adding Valentina to their family only made them all more patient, compassionate, authentically tolerant, unconditionally loving and "in the moment."

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Another Excellent Pro-Life Rally Day

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West Virginians for Life held its annual Pro-Life Rally Day on Friday, March 14, in the lower rotunda of the State Capitol in Charleston on a day that would reach an uncharacteristic 80° outside.

Inside the Capitol, where attendees were encouraged to visit their legislators, the crowd was addressed by several of them at the noon rally, the highlight of the day. Included in that mix were Secretary of State Kris Warner, State Treasurer Larry Pack, Agriculture Commissioner Kent Leonhardt and several Senators and Delegates totaling 20. Many indicated that this was their primary issue.

Pro-life men, women, and children of all ages came to show support for HB 2352, *Modifying the Unborn Child Protection Act* (Women's Right to Know), and HB 2456, *Pregnancy Support*. (The latter would end up passing before the session's end, but the Women's Right to Know Act would be thwarted in committee.)

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Rally participants gathered in the Lower Rotunda of the Capitol.

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WEST VIRGINIANS FOR LIFE

Welcomes Lacey Evans

AS ITS NEW PRESIDENT

From the President



Passing the Baton

Dear Friends,

It is both an honor and a privilege to introduce myself as the new president of West Virginians for Life. Since its founding, this organization—and the dedicated individuals who have shaped it—have secured meaningful victories on behalf of women, children, and the most vulnerable among us in West Virginia. I am looking forward to building upon the strong foundation that has already been laid and continuing to foster a culture of life across our state.

My journey in the pro-life movement began the moment I first learned what abortion was. I was in middle school, and I overheard the word while the news played in the background. Curious, I asked my mother what it meant. Her answer left me stunned. Why was this even a thing? Who came up with this idea? How was this not illegal?

In high school, I chose abortion as the topic of my persuasive speech in my senior English class and made the case for life. It was well received. Later, I gave the same speech in a college class—admittedly in an effort to save myself some work—but the reaction was much different. I was surprised by the resistance; I suppose I was naïve, and I hadn't yet realized how controversial my position was. What was so obviously an injustice to me, I found, was not seen as such by my peers. That experience was eye-opening and it left me a bit shaken.

It was also in college that I felt a deeper calling from the Lord to get involved in the pro-life cause. Not knowing where to even begin, I did a bit of internet research and discovered the National Right to Life Academy—a six-week summer course hosted by the National Right to Life Committee. It was essentially a pro-life boot camp for college students, and with financial support from West Virginians for Life and others, I was able to attend in the summer of 2009. That experience—immersed in the ethical, legal, and practical aspects of issues like abortion, euthanasia, and assisted suicide—was one of the most formative and rewarding of my life.

Upon returning to West Virginia, I had made

connections with West Virginians for Life, as Dr. Wanda Franz served as president of the National Right to Life Committee during my time at the Academy. I was welcomed by the organization into further involvement, and I joined the board after moving to Tucker County in 2011 (where my husband Josh and I currently live and work as teachers) and have since participated in numerous events, spoken at conventions, and continued to advocate for life.

When Dr. Franz announced she would be stepping down as president, I once again felt the Lord tug at my heart. I knew it was time to step forward in a new way and continue this important work with renewed purpose.

I understand that this position is not always easy or popular. I'm no longer that younger version of myself who thought that everyone would be opposed to abortion. I've come to understand the painful complexities and challenges that so many women face—circumstances that can make abortion seem like the only or most compassionate option. That is precisely why our mission matters. We carry the truth, and that truth brings freedom—freedom from pain, from regret, and from the lasting consequences of abortion.

While our opposition argues that women deserve the right to abortion, we believe women deserve better than abortion. And through your continued support, you are helping us shape a culture where life is valued and protected for all members of society. Through education and legislation, we are saving lives, both born and unborn. Thank you for your passion and your unwavering dedication to the most vulnerable among us. I am excited for the work ahead and confident in the great things we will accomplish together.

For Life,

Lacey Evans

Lacey Evans, President

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WVFL RALLY AT THE CAPITOL



Senator Patricia Rucker received the Women's Right to Know Petitions from then-WVFL Pres. Wanda Franz, Ph.D.



Senate President Randy Smith with WVFL Office Manager Mary Anne Buchanan



Senator Rollan Roberts and WVFL Office Manager Mary Anne Buchanan



Senator Jay Taylor emphatically said there is no other way to be but pro-life.

Another Excellent Pro-Life Rally Day (Continued from p.1)

Petitions gathered from around the state were presented to Senator Patricia Rucker who said that her election campaign had been grueling and that, had it not been for West Virginians for Life, she might have lost. She is passionate about continuing her crusade on behalf of pro-life issues.

Bishop Mark Brennan of the Wheeling-Charleston Diocese gave the invocation. Special music provided by Maranatha Church in St. Albans, WV, also added much to the event.

Then-WVFL President, Dr. Wanda Franz, told the crowd, "West Virginia women and girls are still able to go out of state for abortions, especially in Maryland, where the Charleston abortion center has opened up a new facility...The dangers are two-fold. First, Maryland (like many other pro-abortion states) have passed so-called 'shield laws' designed to 'shield' the abortionists from suits brought by out-of-state abortion clients.

Continuing her remarks, Franz said, "Second, women will often be given chemical abortions, which means they will receive a pill in the abortion center, which will kill their unborn child. Then they are given a second pill that is to be taken days later after returning home to West Virginia. The women then go through an abbreviated delivery of their unborn babies at home – without medical supervision (including for the pain and bleeding). If anything goes wrong, they have no 'attending' physician available to them."

Franz told the crowd that a huge undertaking is needed involving billboards, social media, etc. to educate the public about these dangers.

After a stirring rendition of *God Bless America*, the annual Prayer Walk, with participants carrying crosses representing unborn babies who had died and their sorrowful mothers, concluded the event.



The WV Alliance for Ethical Health Care, a subcommittee of West Virginians for Life, deals specifically with issues at the other end of the spectrum of life, i.e. hastened death at the end of life due to a “poor quality of life” perception, discrimination in access to medical care, physician-assisted suicide, and euthanasia.

Be Careful About Those Advance Directives

By Mary Tillman, Legislative Coordinator for the West Virginia Alliance for Ethical Health Care

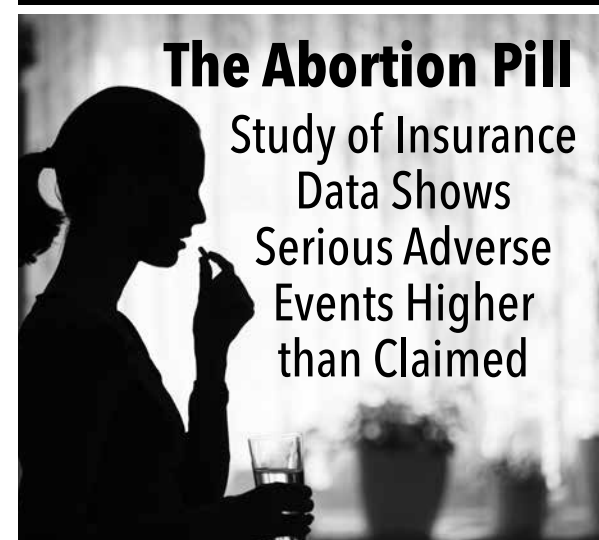
One might think that the concern over dangerous or simply confusing advance directives had been solved by WVFL’s success in 2022, when (after four years of effort!) the Legislature agreed to update language in the Living Will found within the WV Code. Unfortunately, a few recent experiences illustrate that caution and vigilance are still necessary.

Within the past year, I have twice personally been asked at two different doctor appointments “if I had a Living Will or Medical Power of Attorney.” Although I already *do* have a MPOA (and do NOT have a Living Will), I asked to see the forms the health care provider had on hand, and was routinely offering to patients. THE FORMS WERE OUTDATED, AND DID NOT REFLECT THE CHANGES WE HAD MADE THROUGH THE LEGISLATURE. They *still* included “persistent vegetative state” patients as persons who would have their life-prolonging interventions withdrawn, and they *still* did not clarify that by signing a Living Will, you will NOT be able to get medically assisted food and hydration. Of course, I politely but firmly informed both health care providers that the law had changed, and they needed to remedy this immediately!

Another incident that just this past week came to my attention involved a friend who, having learned of the dangers of Living Wills (they are all about *denial* of care), knew that she would no longer present to health care providers the Living Will she had signed some years ago. What my friend did *not* think of was: *had she properly revoked it?* You see, there is something in our state called the “WV E-Directive Registry.” This Registry is a national electronic registry which stores medical advance care planning forms that can be accessed by health care professionals. My friend did not know *whether or not* her old Living Will had been entered into the registry. I instructed her to call the WV Center for End-of-Life Care at 304-293-0695, or to complete the e-Directive Registry Advance Directive Revocation form and submit that to the WV Center.

The other two incidents that have occurred recently involved the issue of “futile” care, typically where there are arguments between health care providers who say a patient is too sick or injured to get better and should only receive “comfort care,” and families, who had not given up on the possibility of their loved one getting better, wanting the loved one to *continue* receiving treatment. In both of these real-life cases, the family contacted the Terri Schiavo Life & Hope Network through their awesome, free, 24/7 Crisis Lifeline (1-855-300-HOPE (4673)) or emailing lifeline@lifeandhope.com. In both cases, my friend quickly received medical and legal advice which resulted in the threat of a denial of care being dropped, and the loved one being treated as was desired.

Keep that phone number on your refrigerator. Revoke any Living Will you may have signed by the process listed above. Check to see if you have a life-affirming **medical power of attorney**, naming a trusted person and an alternate to make medical decisions for you if you become unable to do so yourself. Give an original, signed copy to each of your named, trusted representatives, and keep another original for yourself. For more information, go to <https://nrlc.org/medethics/willtolive/states/>.



*By Laura Echevarria, Media Relations,
National Right to Life*

Research released by the Ethics and Public Policy Center shows that mifepristone abortions have a complication rate far higher than the abortion industry admits.

“Every time pro-lifers want to challenge safety claims made about the abortion pill mifepristone, abortion advocates and their loyal media allies like to quote the claim of the drug’s official label from the Food and Drug Administration (FDA) that clinical studies showed ‘Serious adverse reactions were reported in <0.5% of women,’” said Randall K. O’Bannon, Ph.D., director of Education and Research at National Right to Life. **“New data taken from the field show figures are twenty-two times that.”**

Jamie Bryan Hall and Ryan T. Anderson, two researchers from the Ethics and Public Policy Center (EPPC) looked at data from 865,727 insurance claims involving mifepristone abortions between 2017 and 2023.

The results were staggering. Counting only those with a report of significant or severe complications, EPPC researchers found 10.93% reporting sepsis, infection, hemorrhage, hospitalization, or some other issue that officially qualified as a “serious adverse event.”

Since the data set used for the report involved the broad spectrum of women in the U.S. who obtained mifepristone abortions in 2017-2023, the real-world results probably more accurately reflect current usage and complications.

“Women are told that the complication rate for chemical abortions is minimal but hemorrhage, infection, and failure to identify rupturing ectopic pregnancies are the realities,” said Dr. O’Bannon. **“Tracking these complications became more difficult in 2016 when the FDA decided that medical personnel and facilities only need to report deaths—not the complications arising from the use of the abortion pill mifepristone.”**



2025 Calendar

June 20-21
**National Right to
Life Convention,**
Overland Park, Kansas
(suburb of Kansas City)

July 12
**Golf FORE Life
Tournament**

Sept 20
**WVFL Board
Meeting**

Oct 4
**WVFL State
Convention**

Oct 5
Respect Life Sunday

Nov 8
**WVFL Board
Meeting**

13th Annual GOLF FORE LIFE TOURNAMENT

Saturday, July 12th

Registration & Lunch at Noon

Putting Contest 1:00 pm • Tee Time 1:30 pm

Dinner/Informal Awards Ceremony 6:00 pm

Preston Country Club, Kingwood, WV

Registration
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27th Annual ROSE DINNER

April 25, 2025



Rachel Campos Duffy delivered an excellent and inspiring keynote.



Then-WVFL President Dr. Wanda Franz presents the educational initiative entitled "Don't Swallow the Lie."



New WVFL President Lacey Evans presented the offering slides.



Master of Ceremonies
Kyle Wiggs



Pastor Paul Boyles
gave the Invocation.



Pastor Doug Joseph
gave the Benediction.



WV Treasurer Larry Pack
gave opening remarks.



Sen. Jay Taylor, MaryAnne
Buchanan, Del. Joe Statler, and
Sen. Mike Oliverio



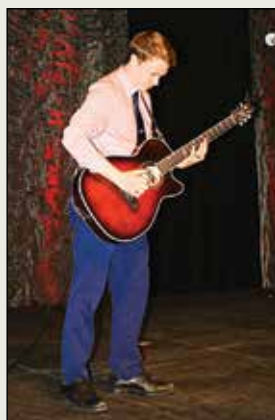
WVFL Board VP Riley Keaton with
wife Sadie and children Margaret
and William



Brian and Valerie Westfall



Sen. Brian Helton and wife Emilee with Joni and
John O'Neal



Ross Semler performed
during the offering.



Louisa Pammer, Pat Lilkendey, and Carolyn Moore



Tom Riffon with Dr.
Wanda Franz



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New WVFL President Lacey Evans with husband Josh

An Evening of Inspiring Presenters, Encouraging Supporters, and Special Friends



Margie Kondrich, Rachel Campos-Duffy, Chloe Kondrich, and Kurt Kondrich



Sen. & Mrs. Ben Queen with Rachel Campos-Duffy



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Melissa Oliverio & Del. Mickey Petitto getting appetizers



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Having an immense fondness for special needs children, keynote Rachel Campos-Duffy enjoyed reuniting with Chloe Kondrich in the VIP Room. The two had gotten to know each other over the years as pro-life advocates in the media spotlight. Chloe, along with her father Kurt, of “Embrace Don’t Erase Down Syndrome,” helped West Virginians for Life pass the Unborn Child with Down Syndrome Protection and Education Act in 2022.

The crowd also saw Wanda Franz, Ph.D., transfer the WVFL President role to Board member and Tucker County Chapter Leader Lacey Evans.

State Treasurer Larry Pack gave special remarks. He reminded those in attendance of the major pro-life successes that WVFL has had.

Around \$100,000 has been raised but \$250,000 total is needed to carry out the "Don't Swallow the Lie" project, an effort to educate girls and women about the dangers of the abortion pill. WVFL hopes to curb the flow of abortion-minded women traveling the abortion corridor to Maryland with this educational campaign.

See pages 6-7 for Rose Dinner photos.

*With
Many Thanks*

West Virginians for Life would like to extend a very special thank you to Dr. Wanda Franz for her many years of dedicated service as president. Her tireless devotion is one of the reasons that West Virginia has set the pro-life gold standard.



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West Virginians for Life was happy to see 2nd District US Representative Riley Moore open up a legislative office in Morgantown. At the ribbon cutting to share in the moment were WV Teens for Life President Thomas Dinkel, WVFL Office Manager Mary Anne Buchanan, Congressman Moore, and then-WVFL President Wanda Franz, Ph.D.



Compass Women’s Center in Morgantown excitedly unveiled their new ultrasound machine in March. This critical tool will be a gamechanger in protecting babies and their mamas. Pictured are WVFL’s Office Manager Mary Anne Buchanan, then-WVFL President Wanda Franz, Ph.D., Compass Executive Director Lisa Liberda, Medical Director Dr. Cindy Walsh, WVFL Program Director Alicia Martin, and Compass Ultrasonographer Lorisa Sebree.

WVFL Treasurer's Article



WVFL Treasurer - Pastor Doug Joseph

Life and Mothers are incalculable blessings!

Paul wrote to Timothy, "When I call to remembrance the unfeigned faith that is in thee, which dwelt first in thy grandmother Lois, and thy mother Eunice; and I am persuaded that in thee also" (II Timothy 1:5). What an impact the faith of godly mothers has! There is a special bond between mothers and children. My mother was an amazing woman by any measure, and although she suffered many heartbreaking challenges, among her greatest concerns was always her children's wellbeing, physically and spiritually. I had graduated from high school at 17 years of age, and shortly afterward (while I was 18), my father committed suicide while all their five children were in their teen years. Shortly afterward, at age 19, I departed from Louisiana to come to West Virginia, in obedience to the calling of God and in pursuit of ministry in His kingdom. My mother was concerned because I was a thousand miles away from home, and she couldn't be there to help me, but she was always supportive of my calling. There is a spiritual

bond between mothers and children who are in the church. Timothy's grandmother, Lois, was a saint of God, and his mother, Eunice, was also. The result of this Godly influence was genuine faith. If you have a mother of faith, honor her. If you do not, honor mothers of faith in the church, and start a new tradition in your family. If you are a mother of faith: be an example and a teacher, Titus 2:3-5.

Your donated time, talent, and treasure have perhaps never been more important!

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With Determination,

Pastor Doug Joseph

WVFL State Treasurer



West Virginians for Life would like to extend a special thank you to the Fahey family, who gave a special donation in tribute to Katie Fahey, beloved wife, and mother of seven.



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WVFL Board Member Briane Turley captured a photo of this powerful statue in Hungary. The child is an aborted girl assuring her repenting mother that she is forgiven. Many women who have undergone abortions in the EU have found healing, and finally accepted God's forgiveness, when they saw it.

MONROE COUNTY WALK FOR LIFE



MONONGALIA



Walkers proceeded through the St. Mary's parking lot at the beginning of the 3.4-mile walk.



Sen. Chris Rose thanking and encouraging Walk for Life participants



Keynote Speaker Dr. Cindy Walsh walked for a while with former WVFL Exec. Dir. Pam Stanley.



In March, the Monongalia Chapter had a petition-signing table for the Women's Right to Know in a Morgantown Church. Children (and adults) enjoyed the fetal models.

NORTHERN PANHANDLE



Rose Dinner attendees: Amy Carlson Meisel, Jennie Adams, Carole Smay, Paul Smith, Matt Chapman, Debbie Smith, Steve Grimm, Curt Butler, Tammy Grimm, Cheryl Butler, Senator Laura Wakim Chapman, Betty Mayfield, Judi Varner Meyer, Becky O'Neil, Lynn Comerici, Charlie Reynolds, Kathy McColloch, Tracy Christ, Libby Burris, Pastor Darrell Mayfield, Jeff Smay, Faith Meyer, Pastor Danny O'Neil



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February 27, Weirton: Debi & Melissa Grimm, Pastor Bennett Briles, Steve & Tammy Grimm, Judi Varner Meyer, Kendra Radcliffe, Amanda Harms



March 3, Wheeling: Bishop D. W. Cummings and his wife, Sis Latisha Cummings, Judi Varner Meyer, Faith Meyer, Debbie Smith, Jennie Adams



March 20th, New Day Church, Follansbee: Steve & Tammy Grimm, Joanie Keller, Scott Adams, Judi Varner Meyer, and Pastor Angel Adams



AIM Gala: Paul and Debbie Smith, Jo Ellen & Jim Haizlett, Judi & Faith Meyer

Greenbrier County:

Greenbrier Chapter leaders, Angela Malo and Ann Turley were invited to speak to the Fellowship of Christian Athletes at Greenbrier East High School after many weather interruptions in March. Angela and co-director of the Greenbrier Pregnancy Resource Center, Jacqui Dudley, spoke to the athletes at Greenbrier West High School in April regarding life issues. The chapter was excited to accept a church invitation (also in April), and their plans are to continue reaching the Christian community through other churches and youth groups. While visiting (Ann) and teaching (Fr. Briane) in Szedged, Hungary, an opportunity to speak to the Catholic Diocese about the pro-life activities in America was requested through the Family Life Center. While they have several pro-life organizations, they were most interested to hear about how WV for Life and the local PRC were organized and supported.

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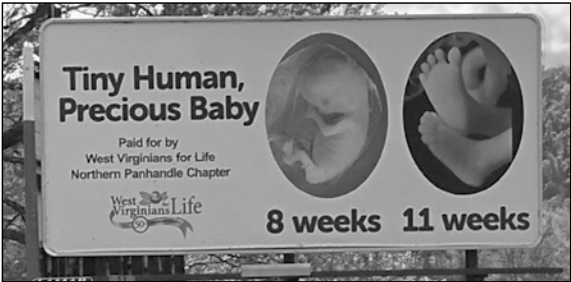
The Mon County Chapter arranged for petition-signing opportunities in the local churches. The annual March for Life was held on May 10, which was a beautiful day. Following the 3.4 mile walk from Star City to the Coliseum and back, a lunch was provided. Chapter Vice President Mary Anne Buchanan acted as the emcee. Cynthia Walsh, M.D., Medical Director of Compass Women’s Center, spoke about the new ultrasound machine installed at their office in Morgantown. The crowd heard brief comments from Senator Chris Rose and WVFL Teen President Thomas Dinkle. The three top fund-raisers received gift cards to local restaurants, and Scott Harper and Willie Owens provided the music. The Chapter contributed a Visa Card and purchased a hole sign for the Annual Golf FORE Life event. It is also planning an on-line Precious Baby Contest for the summer.

Monroe County:

The sound of horns honking filled the air in the town of Union on Saturday, May 10th, as the Monroe County chapter held their annual Mother’s Day rally and walk. The event was held at the town gazebo. Senator Jack David Woodrum was present and spoke to the group. Music was provided by the band “New Horizon.” A good time was had by all. The group’s annual on-line auction in April was also a success. Plans are being made for the Farmer’s Day float in June and the Annual Gospel Sing/Soup Dinner on Sept. 20.

Northern Panhandle Chapter:

The Northern Panhandle Chapter of WV for Life held eight educational events through February, March, and April in various locations including Wheeling, Weirton, Follansbee, Paden City, and Sistersville. The topics were “Addressing Fetal Anomalies” (February), “Abortion Survivors” (March), and “Chemical Abortion” (April). The chapter is encouraged to see the fellowship of their pro-life community at these educational events. A strong pro-life community is resulting, and they are thankful for the relationships being formed, and the commitment of so many to make these events a priority. Chapter officers attended the Aim Women’s Center Gala in Steubenville, OH on March 22nd along with many other pro-life members from the Northern Panhandle. Roughly 30 Northern Panhandle residents, including chapter officers, attended the Annual WVFL Rose Dinner on Friday, April 25th in Morgantown. The chapter’s Walk for Life was held Saturday, May 3rd in Wheeling. Their faithful pro-life community walked in the rain while many loyal members set up a luncheon that was enjoyed after the Walk. They are thankful for each person who prepared for the Walk, those who walked, who prayed, and who gave financially. The entire group appreciated the encouragement of Senator Chris Rose, and Teens for Life President Thomas Dinkel, who joined them for the event. After months of planning, the chapter’s billboard went up the first week of May. They are thankful for the prayers, encouragement, and financial support from both individuals and businesses, who made the outreach a reality!



New Billboard



February 27, Weirton First Church of the Nazarene, Topic: Addressing Fetal Anomalies



March 3, Bethlehem Apostolic Temple, Wheeling, Topic: Abortion Survivors



March 13, Valley Church, Paden City. Speaking at the table is Janetta Ross of Women’s Care Center in Parkersburg.



April 7, Hope United Methodist Church, Topic: Chemical Abortion



April 17, Colliers Way Church of Christ, Weirton, Topic: Chemical Abortion



WV Teens for Life President Thomas Dinkel passionately addressed the crowd at the March 14th Capitol Rally.

Hello Fellow Pro-Lifers,

We have a lot to be thankful for in our movement over the past few months.

For starters, we had many pro-life advocates step up to the plate during this year’s legislative session. For example, newly-elected Senate President Randy Smith (R-Preston), and Majority leader Patrick Martin (R-Lewis), did an amazing job at ushering in solid legislation that protects the sanctity of life.

I was invited, along with several members of the organization, to the opening ceremony of Congressman Moore’s office in Morgantown. It is so reassuring that we have an elected federal representative who stands with us.

I am very excited to attend my second “walk for life” in Morgantown and will give an update on how that goes in my next article. Best wishes to you all, and keep up the fight for life!

God Bless,
Thomas J. Dinkel
Psalm 139:13-17



The Northern Panhandle Walk for Life was joined by Teens for Life President Thomas Dinkel.

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Hundreds of people attended the 27th Annual Rose Dinner. They were encouraged and inspired by the keynote speaker, Rachel Campos-Duffy, from “Fox and Friends.” The story can be found on page 1.

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