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Fight Planned Parenthood with facts, savvy, says HLI chairman

Planned Parenthood is trying to give itself a public image makeover.

Patricia Bainbridge is determined that America's largest abortion provider and most vocal proponent of abortion won't get away with it.

"Planned Parenthood is and always has been about changing the way people view human sexuality," the chairman of Human Life International said at a Defend Life-sponsored talk in Ellicott City October 19.

In great part, said Bainbridge, they have succeeded in debasing our culture to the point where, for most teens and young adults (not to mention adults in general), sex is "just another recreational activity."

But there has been pushback.

"For the first time in their history, Planned Parenthood is running scared," Bainbridge declared.

Undercover exposés by Live Action and other groups have revealed Planned Parenthood employees giving false information to "clients" and aiding and abetting "pimps" in exploiting underage girls.

States have defunded Planned Parenthood to a total of \$61 million.

So the abortion organization is working hard to transform its image from mass baby-killer to kindly health care provider.

Never mind that 97.6 percent of its services to pregnant females are abortions.



Don't be fooled by Planned Parenthood's efforts to pose as kindly "health centers," warns Patricia Bainbridge.

Or that Planned Parenthood Federation of America's Fact Sheet reported committing 329,445 surgical abortions in 2010.

PPFA is now calling its clinics "health centers," asserting that they provide a great variety of health services, of which abortion is only a miniscule part—3 percent, to be exact, said Bainbridge.

Their clinic on Howard Street in Baltimore, for example, is now the "Baltimore City Health Center," according to Planned Parenthood of Maryland's website.

Bainbridge noted that Abby Johnson, a former Planned Parenthood clinic director in Texas, calls

the 3 percent claim "a gimmick."

"That number is actually closer to 12 percent, but strategically skewed by unbundling family planning services so that each patient shows anywhere from 5 to 20 "visits" per appointment (i.e., 12 packs of birth control equals 12 visits), and doing the opposite with abortion visits, bundling them together so that each appointment equals one visit," explains Johnson.

At PlannedParenthood.org, a long list of "General Health Care Services" includes items such as cholesterol screening, flu vaccines, and thyroid screening, which your local Planned Parenthood clinic "may" provide (call first to make sure, they advise).

"Most of these services you can get at your local mall," Bainbridge observed: "In Maryland alone there are at least a dozen county health clinics that offer these services free."

One of Planned Parenthood's most notorious tactics is their claim that they perform mammograms when, in fact, not one of their clinics does; they merely refer clients to other facilities for them.

"I'm sick and tired of President Obama and others going around and saying, 'Oh, if we defund Planned Parenthood, women won't be able

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Md. Physicians' Board suspends late-term abortionist's license

The Maryland Board of Physicians has suspended the medical license of late-term abortionist Harold O. Alexander of Forestville, Md.

The Board, in an August 22 Consent Order, found that Alexander, 60, "engaged in unprofessional conduct in the practice of medicine, failed to meet the standards of quality medical care, and failed to keep adequate medical records."

The most recent complaint received by the Board against Alexander alleged that the abortionist "was engaged in performing late-term abortions with an unauthorized provider."

The complaint, made by Operation Rescue after they conducted a 6-month undercover investigation, charged that Alexander was colluding in a suspicious late-term abortion scheme with Florida abortionist James S. Pendergraft IV.

Pendergraft, whose Florida medical license was suspended at the time and who had no Maryland medical license (a requisite for performing abortions in Maryland), was funneling late-term abortion patients through his website, LateTermAbortion.net, to Alexander's OB/GYN Services in Forestville.

On his website, Pendergraft touted himself as "a highly trained Board Certified Ob/Gyn" who has been performing "pregnancy terminations" for 25 years, including thousands of late-term abortions.

But because Florida law prohibits abortions beyond 24 weeks in his Florida offices, "We perform the intercardiac injection of medication in our private facility in the Washington, D.C., area," his website stated.

"Intercardiac injection" is a lethal injection into the baby's heart made with a long spinal needle through the wall of the woman's abdomen, guided by ultrasound.

"Misplacement of the spinal needle and injection into the wrong area can possibly be catastrophic," Pendergraft admitted on his website.

At an interview conducted by



Abortionist Harold Alexander's medical license has been suspended after multiple complaints against him dating back to 2006.

Board staff in January 2012, Alexander, under oath, named three patients who had been referred to him by Pendergraft. He later admitted to a fourth such patient.

The Board subpoenaed medical records for the patients, but Alexander could not come up with the records for one of the four, a patient from Wisconsin.

He claimed he had shredded the documents in response to threats that had been made to the patient and himself by the patient's family members. Such intentional destruction of medical records violates Maryland law.

With Alexander's license suspension, the Alexander/Pendergraft operation has been shut down.

The Board told Operation Rescue that Pendergraft is not working in association with any other office in Maryland.

Because Pendergraft was not licensed in Maryland, the Board had limited jurisdiction over him, and Operation Rescue's complaint against him was closed without any action by the Board.

Go to the nearest hospital

Complaints to the Board against Alexander date back to 2006, when a physician at a hospital identified only as "Hospital B" alleged that on March 30 Alexander had begun a saline abortion on a 25-year-old woman who was 20+ weeks' pregnant, but failed to complete the procedure the next day.

The woman came to the hospital on March 31 with cramping, vaginal bleeding and nausea. Her membranes had been ruptured, she had no amniotic fluid, and there was a single puncture wound on the right side of her abdomen.

An ultrasound revealed no fetal heartbeat was present. The hospital's obstetricians induced labor to complete the abortion.

When the woman told the hospital that Alexander had begun the saline abortion the day before and had subsequently told her to go to the nearest hospital when she began contracting, the attending physician phoned Alexander's office and spoke

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Catholic dollars help bring Alinsky-style ‘organizing’ to Baltimore

By Stephanie Block

As far back as the 1940s, there have been efforts to use the theories of Saul Alinsky to create neighborhood organizations for “social change.” Alinsky’s particular genius was to tap religious institutions for their moral as well as material “capital” in support of these neighborhood organizations.

He managed to seduce every major Christian body with promises of relieving poverty—though *how* this would be accomplished was little understood.

In 1970, the Catholic Church in the United States officially “blessed” Alinskyian community organizing through its creation of the Campaign for Human Development (later renamed the *Catholic* Campaign for Human Development—CCHD), an annual collection that has funded hundreds of these groups.

One CCHD-endowed Alinskyian group was founded in Baltimore. An affiliate of the Industrial Areas Foundation (IAF) network, it was called Baltimoreans United in Leadership Development (BUILD), and spent its first three years on modest projects that taught its members how to tackle the city’s political machinery. From there, thanks to its longevity and many “successes,” BUILD developed into a cautionary tale of what the United States will look like if the hundreds of other Alinskyian community organizations around the country achieve their ends.

Education ‘reform’ and housing

BUILD—as well as many other local Alinskyian organizations—achieves its final ends by means of many small steps. Its primary foci during its first several decades was education “reform”—specifically, promoting public acceptance of outcome-based education—and housing. In reality, however, these are not two projects but elements of a single, over-arching vision for a restructured society.

BUILD sold education “reform” to parents of struggling Baltimore public schools as a creative and progressive alternative to unimaginative, “traditional” approaches of the past. Highly controversial, outcome-based education not only brought about changes in school governance and structure but also novel pedagogies that were often used to challenge students’ philosophical assumptions from home.

BUILD’s education plan, called the Commonwealth Agreement in the 1980s, led eventually to incorporating Theodore Sizer’s Essential School Movement in Bal-

Like Obama? You’ll love BUILD

Two Protestant ministers and a Catholic priest helped bring BUILD to Baltimore in 1977.

BUILD’s website, buildiaf.org, says, “BUILD is an affiliate of the Industrial Areas Foundation founded by Saul Alinsky, who is considered the father of American community organizing. Barack Obama is among the many community organizers who have used IAF principles to improve the life of Americans.”

Leftwing radical Saul Alinsky founded IAF in 1940. Today IAF has 49 affiliate groups, including the one in Baltimore. Its community organizers are self-described “professional radicals” trained in the tactics of revolutionary social change.

Alinsky’s book, *Rules for Radicals*, written just before he died in 1972, was dedicated to Lucifer, “the very first radical,” who “rebelled against the establishment and did it so effectively that he at least won his own kingdom.”

Alinsky argued for moral relativism in fighting the establishment: “In war the end justifies almost any means....”

Alinsky’s tactics of intimidation are epitomized in his oft-quoted rule: “Pick the target, freeze it, personalize it, and polarize it....One acts decisively only in the conviction that all the angels are on one side and all the devils are on the other.”

Obama embraced many of Alinsky’s tactics and recently said his years as an organizer gave him the best education of his life.

timore and was touted by the IAF as an opportunity for public “schooling in democracy.”

IAF’s “schooling in democracy” requires a tight control over the direction which the “democratic” IAF local goes. Local membership may “vote” on the strategies proposed by the core team of the organization but “votes” are only to affirm and support the core’s decisions. For its part, the core team is under the watchful eye of an IAF organizer and will be kept operating along the same track as all other IAF locals.

The Commonwealth Agreement, later called the Baltimore Commonwealth, like other instances of Alinskyian-supported school reform, was not limited to pedagogy or school governance.

It includes a broad spectrum of “benefits” that are more or less related to schooling: an incentive plan to keep teenagers in school and to help them find jobs or get financial assistance for college after graduation; after-school use of facilities for different sorts of activities, including school clubs, service projects, adult education, and community events; evaluations of activities in terms of how they develop “public skills”; and so forth.

Baltimore Commonwealth also contains school-to-work components, described by the Baltimore Empowerment Zone executive summary as “a continuum of services for high school students designed to help them transition to the world of work,” and is part of a partnership in which BUILD is one player, along with the mayor, the public schools, the Federal Department of Labor, and several local employment boards and business councils.

It represents one of a number of experiments in Baltimore neighborhoods, called in the executive summary “Laboratories of Innovation.”

Comprehensive reform

BUILD was also an actor in other Empowerment Zone supported programs, notably the Community Building in Partnership, a “neighborhood transformation” project in the Sandtown-Winchester area whose intentions are *comprehensive*, that is, encompassing all public and private support systems—including housing, education, employment, health care and public safety.

This is accomplished through money for housing—the Community Building in Partnership is a “community action component” of the Nehemiah Housing Project.

Created by Congress in 1988, the federal Nehemiah Housing Opportunity Program operates through the department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD) and provides grants to non-profit organizations like IAF locals. These project grants provide funding to rehabilitate old housing or construct new housing for low or middle-income people.

The Nehemiah Project in Baltimore, with its planning, service, and community action component, the Community Building in Partnership, involves recreating the public schools as part of the support network for the entire community.

Baltimore Commonwealth and Community Building in Partnership are two examples of comprehensive government intervention in the lives of its citizens under slogans of citizen self-determination and “participation.”

Both programs are referred to as “models” for the nation. Coupled with the strong “popular education” compo-

nent, called variously “civics education,” “adult literacy” or simply “community mobilization,” the Industrial Areas Foundation is a strong and significant factor in bringing about public acceptance for comprehensive, systemic political “change” in Baltimore.

It’s not pro-life

The “progressive” direction of these programs and their implications for “social change” contain elements that are profoundly antagonistic to Church teachings about human life.

To speak plainly, the health care components within BUILD’s various education and housing initiatives are morally compromised.

One finds, for example, that the Vision for Health Consortium forged from the “comprehensive neighborhood transformation program” begun by the Community Building in Partnership mentioned above, includes the community’s primary health care providers and Baltimore City’s Health Department.

Most of these are folks with a decidedly secular approach to health care. The Baltimore Health Department’s “Strategic Plan to Reduce Teen Birth in Baltimore City,” for example, focuses on programs involving “access to confidential contraceptive services” and changing youth attitudes towards teen pregnancy, including “the belief that it is God’s will” that they have their babies young, even if financially and mentally able to parent.

Another Consortium member, the University of Maryland Medical System, provides “comprehensive” reproductive services, including in vitro fertilization, elective abortion, and family planning. The Children’s Hospital, part of the University of Maryland Medical System, offers many of these “services” to adolescents.

The full significance of this work is reached when one remembers that these highly secularized “values” are being inculcated among Baltimore’s children.

Community Building in Partnership provides after school and summer recreation programs for youth with counselors who discuss “safe sex” and other health matters with their charges. The Vision for Health Consortium has health clinics that provide primary care services in neighborhood public schools.

These are compromised programs that have been brought to Baltimore as part of the “social change” supported by Catholic dollars for Alinskyian organizing.

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Protesters slam Komen funding of Planned Parenthood

By Ellen Staniszewski and Kurt Linneman

CBR Maryland staged a protest at the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Hunt Valley on October 21, targeting the funding of Planned Parenthood by the Komen Foundation.

Positioned at the race's starting line and along the race route, a dozen protesters held 4-foot-tall signs of aborted babies, smaller "Defund Planned Parenthood" signs, and a huge banner stating that abortion increases the risk of breast cancer.

The graphics of aborted babies and other signs were so prominent that the race announcers urged the participants, "Enjoy your race! Don't look at the protesters and don't let them spoil your race," inadvertently drawing everyone's attention to the protesters and their message.

Six police officers were on hand to preserve the peace and protect the protesters' freedom of speech. Their presence may have prevented a serious confrontation from escalating between a race participant and a pro-lifer.

"A large man, at least 6-foot-4 with a stroller and toddler, got in my face," said demonstrator Albert Stecklein.

"He told me, 'There are children here, and these signs are wrong! Komen does some good things. Tell me, how many breast cancer survivors do you have in your family? Do you see that police officer over there? If he wasn't there, I would beat the s--- out of you.'"

Stecklein maintained his composure.

Herb Gillis, protesting against



At the Susan G. Komen Race for the Cure in Hunt Valley, Hank and Ellen Staniszewski hold a banner calling for the Komen Foundation to stop funding Planned Parenthood.

the Komen Foundation for the first time, was positioned at the front of the graphic display and felt the full impact of the comments from the walkers.

"It was spiritual martial arts, fully relying on the Holy Spirit to fight the battle of thousands of people flowing past me and voicing their opposition to our visual display of abortion, or giving me a 'thumbs up' that they agreed abortion was wrong," said Gillis.

"I was joyful in knowing that some people may have become pro-life because of the signs I was displaying. I showed my love for the poor babies and I hopefully saved the lives of some babies by turning people away from abortion. Some women also may have been saved from cancer by being turned away from having an abortion."

"Twenty thousand-plus people are being misled because this char-

ity is failing its agenda and mission to fight cancer and somehow finds justification funding the world's largest abortion empire," remarked protester Hank Staniszewski.

"It's pathetic that killing babies is dressed up and socially and ethically accepted by many, some strongly and some through apathy. The announcer told the participants to ignore the protesters, but she could not tell them to ignore their consciences. We were showing that this charity needs to grow a conscience."

As racers yelled angrily at the protesters, several shouted back: "Write to the Komen Foundation! Tell them to defund Planned Parenthood and we won't protest here next year!"

After the last runners/walkers crossed the starting line, five pro-lifers took their message to the finish line.

“The finish line proved to be a great place to position ourselves, as the participants, who were no longer in a rush to get the race started, slowly walked past our signs and pictures,” said CBR Maryland Director Kurt Linneman.

“The interaction with the runners was much more engaging on both the positive and negative sides.”

Part of the protest was educational, informing racers that abortion increases the risk of breast cancer. Demonstrators handed out hundreds of small pink cards to participants, directing them to go to AbortionBreastCancer.com and learn the facts about the link between abortion and breast cancer.

According to an October 21 article by Erin Cox in *The Baltimore Sun*, the crowd at the Hunt Valley race was much smaller and donations were lower this year than in previous years.

“Numbers have been depressed in Maryland and at Komen events across the country following a controversy over the national Susan G. Komen Foundation’s decision to cut funds to Planned Parenthood,” Cox reported.

Komen subsequently reversed its decision and is currently giving funds to Planned Parenthood.

Registration numbers were down by 29 percent and donations were down 35.5 percent for the Hunt Valley race, which is held by Komen’s Maryland affiliate, said Cox.

“Organizers said they had registered roughly 23,000 race participants, down from 31,517 last year, and raised a total of \$1,440,386. Last year, Komen of Maryland brought in \$3.1 million,” she reported.

Komen Maryland has blamed the weak economy and competition



Baltimore County police officers keep watch to protect the protesters’ free speech rights.

from other October events for the decline in donations.

“Yet the legacy of the national organization’s decision—subsequently reversed—to stop funding Planned Parenthood left an imprint on the otherwise joyous celebration of survival and hope in Hunt Valley,” Cox concluded.

Pro-lifers contend that Komen Foundation is actually funding increased breast cancer by funding abortions performed by Planned Parenthood; thus, while asking for donations to fight breast cancer, in reality they are promoting breast cancer.

The Archdiocese of Baltimore’s position on Komen, stated by its Respect Life Office in January 2011, remains unchanged, according to a recent article in the Archdiocese’s newspaper, *The Catholic Review* (“Komen pink still tarnished by Planned Parenthood ties”).

The statement calls Komen’s work “beneficial,” but says that the Respect Life Office “neither supports nor encourages participation in activities that benefit Susan G. Komen for the Cure,” citing Komen’s “policy allowing affiliates to offer financial support to abortion-

providing facilities, its public denial of studies showing abortion as a contributing cause of breast cancer, and its endorsement of embryonic stem cell research.”

Despite the Baltimore Archdiocese’s opposition to Komen, four Catholic groups had teams in the race: St Pius X Panthers from Baltimore, Notre Dame of Maryland University School of Pharmacy, Mount Saint Joseph High School, and Notre Dame Preparatory School.

Corporate Presenting Sponsors included Subway, 101.9 lite FM, EXIT 10, Baltimore County Maryland, Panera, Fidelity Power Systems, MTA Maryland, IMRE, Safeway, ABC Channel 2, and *The Baltimore Sun*. (Other sponsors were at lower levels of sponsorship).

The protest at the Hunt Valley event was the sixth time this year that CBR Maryland has protested at a Susan G. Komen Foundation event.

“CBR Maryland is committed to protesting at Susan G. Komen events until they once and forever defund Planned Parenthood,” said Linneman.

Commentary

Post-Christian America voted for reflection of their own morality

By Bob Brown

This election made me feel small and helpless. I wanted to crawl into a hole. If Saddam Hussein's final hide-out isn't a tourist trap yet, perhaps I can get away from it all and hunker down in it for a while.

Adding to the sting of the losses in the race for the presidency, for Maryland's second and sixth congressional districts (in which I labored hard), and elsewhere is the pervasive marginalization of pro-life issues.

We are constantly told that our message is trivial, that it reflects an "extreme" agenda that the vast majority of Americans don't consider important: "It's about the economy, stupid!"

But *was* this election about the economy? Acknowledging that President Obama was dealt a tough hand and that four years might not have been ample time to repair the economy completely, the fact is that the economy has steadily tanked and is far worse now than it was when Mr. Obama first took office, especially when you consider the doubled national debt and the high rate of unemployment.

Nobody voted to re-elect Mr. Obama because he had actually fixed the American economy.

"It's about the entitlements, stupid!" Mr. Obama's economic success in the first four years of his presidency came in redefining "economy" to mean "entitlements."

There was no job growth, just government growth—and the prospect of even more government growth as the government empowered itself, like through Obamacare, to tax or penalize whomever it needed to in or-

der to provide even more free stuff, including what Catholics and Christians and pro-lifers consider to be morally objectionable stuff.

That's why I think that this election was not really about the economy. No, this election was about people voting either to protect a way of life or to change a way of life.

The truth is that half of Ameri-

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cans (judging by the popular vote) see in President Obama the ultimate reflection of who they want to be. And the other half of the nation fears the image that he portrays.

So, who is Barack Obama? He and Vice President Biden claim to be people of faith, and, for sake of argument, let's take them at their word.

Mr. Obama says that he has faith in Jesus; Mr. Biden states that he personally abides by the teachings of the Catholic Church. But they both insist that they will not impose their religious beliefs on others.

The illogic of that mindset notwithstanding (every person operates out of and imposes some type of belief system on others, some way of looking at the world and acting in it), that's exactly what post-Christian America wants to hear.

Every impenitent soul craves validation for his denial of the reality of his own sin. To make living in denial psychologically easier, the irreligious majority doesn't want just a separa-

tion of church and state; its goal is to separate church from nation, to remove Christianity from every aspect of the American consciousness.

Our President is the poster child of the new hypercompartmentalized morality. Sadly, it appears that he has marginalized his own Christian faith to the point where it does not influence his actions.

As a state senator, he voted against Illinois' version of the Born Alive Infant Protection Act. And despite having two lovely daughters, he added another chapter to his radical and bizarre anti-life legacy by publicly opposing the sex-selective abortion ban bill that was in front of Congress earlier this year.

Such a two-faced way of living life is what a (slight) majority of Americans went to the polls on November 6 to protect: a culture in which there is an appearance of morality but no true objective reality, where faith is a slave to fad and infatuation.

It's the new American Individualism, nurtured by the judicial branch's continual blessing of rights to all sorts of lurid privacies. American Individualism used to be about a person's work ethic; now it's about a person's private ethics.

Of course, the individuals who are truly small and helpless are the preborn children. So, I'm going to crawl out of my Hussein hole—my Barack Hussein Obama hole, that is—and get back to work, laboring with you to protect our nation's precious baby girls and boys.

We must not be thwarted by the media-driven marginalization of faith and of life issues, because we know that our nation's greatest need is to confront them.

In My Humble Opinion

Weak Catholic leadership cost the Catholic vote—and election

By Janet Baker

Most of us are profoundly disappointed in the outcome of the November 2012 elections. All indicators pointed to a Romney victory.

Indeed, the early returns had Romney with a lead, but that soon evaporated. Obama won key battleground states; many of those wins were narrow, but they were wins for Obama nonetheless.

With an economy in shambles and Obama promising more of the same policies that led to the skyrocketing unemployment and debt, voters still voted for him. I've no doubt there was some fraud (hey—he's from Chicago!), but if enough sensible people had cast their votes sensibly, their votes would have overcome any attempts at fraud. But they didn't.

Let's look at the final numbers. Obama won 332 electoral votes and 62,088,847 of the popular vote. Romney took 206 electoral votes and 58,783,137 popular votes.

Romney got over 3 million less of the popular vote than did McCain in 2008. In other words, these GOP voters either didn't cast a presidential vote or voted "third party." If Romney had won those votes, he would have won the popular election. Based on where those votes might have been located, he might have taken the Electoral College and would now be President-Elect.

Some pundits are sounding a common yet strange theme. Brent Bozell, during a meeting of conservative leaders, complained, "It should have been a landslide for Romney had he embraced a truly conserva-

tive agenda." If I'm interpreting this statement correctly, he's saying that conservatives (probably in that 3 million number) did not find Romney acceptable so they didn't vote for him.

I've seen this echoed in other on-line discussions (mostly on Facebook). If Bozell is right, those conservative voters, by abstaining from a vote for Romney, cut off their noses to spite their faces.

Let me be up front about this. I

Had Catholics voted their faith, the election would have turned out differently.

would rather have seen any GOP primary candidate other than Romney win the nomination. I did not get my way. So what? I realized that while there may have been uncertainty about the path that Romney might have taken, there was no uncertainty whatsoever about the deadly destructive path that Obama would have continued to take—and is now doing.

The choice was clear. Either Romney or Obama was going to take the White House. No third-party candidate stood a snowball's chance in hell of going to the White House, no matter how pure as the driven snow his pro-life convictions might have been.

A vote diverted from Romney to one of these candidates (or a vote not cast at all) was one less vote that Obama needed to overcome to win the election. That these conservative

voters refused to accept that logical consideration is more a fault of their own stubbornness and perhaps pride than it is a fault of Romney's.

Let's address another and more serious problem. In 2008, Obama took the majority of the Catholic vote. Despite the unabashed hostility that Obama is displaying to Christians, and Catholics in particular, Obama again took the majority of the Catholic vote.

"How on earth could Catholics be so stupefied as to vote for Obama again?" you might ask. Well, for an answer to that question, we need look no further than St. Vincent de Paul Church in Baltimore.

During the weekend of October 27-28, the pastor, Fr. Richard Lawrence, read a letter from Archbishop Lori concerning the election, and Question 6 (the gay marriage referendum) in particular. This was during the homily.

Immediately afterwards, during the homily, he trashed the Archbishop's letter and declared his support for perverted lifestyles couched in the language of matrimony. He received an ovation.

So far, the only response from the Baltimore chancery was a rather vague statement. What is needed is for Archbishop Lori to defrock that priest; I understand this isn't his first episode of defiant dissidence.

Meanwhile, at Holy Trinity Church in Georgetown, Father Thomas Reese (who edited the heterodox *America* magazine until the Holy Father fired him from that position), during a Sunday lecture series

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Book Review

Planned Bullyhood gives inside story on PP/Komen shootout

By Moira Sheridan

Planned Bullyhood, Karen Handel's clear-eyed analysis of the Susan G. Komen for the Cure funding battle with Planned Parenthood, is vindication for all pro-lifers who already know that Planned Parenthood is a deceptive, vicious organization.

Handel, former senior vice-president of Komen, had to learn it the hard way. Her book, released in early September, has been met with—wait for it—deafening silence from the media.

Well-written and compelling from beginning to end, it presents a tale of two organizations, both ostensibly concerned about women's health, that ultimately go to war with one another.

Komen, unwilling to fight and unsure of their message, is no match for Planned Parenthood, which enlists the media, politicians, and vocal feminists to bully the breast health organization into submission.

Handel, an intelligent, capable woman whose many career successes—both in business and politics—positioned her perfectly to manage Komen's public policy team, joined the organization in late 2010 after a bruising run for governor in Georgia.

Her experience as Secretary of State of Georgia established her as a git-er-done kind of woman, a problem solver who liked challenges. Komen would be the biggest challenge of her life.

The foundation sought someone to tighten and clarify the quality of grants given out to organizations so that all would be going directly towards helping women affected by

breast cancer or helping to prevent the disease.

The concern with Planned Parenthood, which had been receiving grants from Komen affiliates for two decades, was that the organization should have already been disqualified as a grantee due to their lack of direct services (“pass-through” grants whereby money is given for services provided not by the grantee, but by

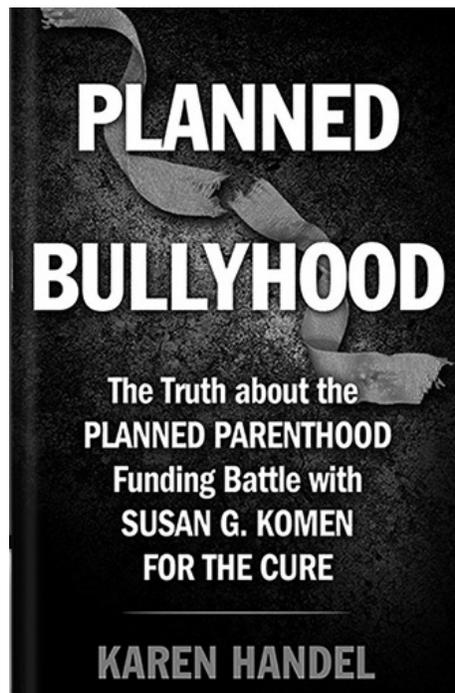
portfolio; Leslie Aun, vice-president of communications; and Katrina McGhee, executive vice-president of marketing, would emerge as either hostile or phlegmatic and confused, to the point Handel wondered whose side they were on.

That Planned Parenthood had been a thorn in Komen's side for years is an eye-opener. Komen feared losing support from Catholic organizations who objected to grants going to the nation's largest abortion provider. They also wanted to be free of the controversies associated with Planned Parenthood—multiple investigations into its policies that supported child predators, sex traffickers, sex selective abortions, and misuse of government funds.

Komen had a pre-existing policy that halted grants when an organization was under investigation. Handel's suggested strategy, to hammer away at the need to direct funds where they could do the most good for women, was a no-brainer.

She warned of mentioning Planned Parenthood specifically, saying numerous organizations would be affected by the new policy. Unfortunately for her, vacillations over this policy, as well as leaks to the press suggesting Planned Parenthood would be targeted by Komen's new policy led to a firestorm.

If any of you missed that particular brouhaha, shut my mouth. Planned Parenthood's collective screeching was heard the world over, with CEO Cecile Richards repeating the lie ad nauseam that millions of women would be denied impor-



an organization they refer clients to) and the fact that they were under investigation in multiple states.

Changing the grant strategy to reflect this new focus was an agreed-upon tactic of Komen's higher-ups, specifically, founder and CEO Nancy Brinker and President Elizabeth Thompson.

Other players, such as Mollie Williams, managing director of community health and overseer of a nearly \$100 million community grant

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Dear Friend of DEFEND LIFE,

It hardly seems possible that once again Christmas is approaching. Here we are almost 12 years into the new Millennium. First and foremost, I want to personally wish you and your family the most joyful Christmas ever.

In spite of the disastrous November elections results, we must remember this. **Our Lord Jesus Christ is still the King of Kings. He will reign forever. He is the ultimate cause of our Joy. His ultimate victory is certain!**

This year, we have been blessed with a **\$15,000 Christmas Matching Challenge Grant**. That's up from the **\$10,000** grant we have received in recent years. Thanks from the bottom of my heart for this group of dedicated **PRO-LIFE** individuals who so fervently believe in the good work **DEFEND LIFE** has been doing these last **25 years** to stop the massacre of **pre-born babies**.

In very simple terms, this means that anything you donate between now and **December 31 will be matched \$ for \$ up to a total of \$15,000**.

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Capt. Guy Gruters



Msgr. Stuart Swetland



Monica Miller, Ph.D.



Steve Mosher



David Bereit



Bob Marshall



Fr. Shenan Boquet

- **Captain Guy Gruters** – POW North Vietnam
- **Professor Patricia Bainbridge** – Chairman, Human Life International
- **Haywood Robinson, M.D.** – Former abortionist
- **Delegate Bob Marshall** – Pro-Life Leader, Virginia House of Delegates
- **David Bereit** – Founder, 40 Days for Life
- **Shawn Carney** – Campaign Director, 40 Days for Life
- **Dr. Monica Miller** – Author, Activist, Professor
- **Father Denis Wilde, OSA** – Priests for Life
- **Monsignor Stuart Swetland** – VP, Mount St. Mary's University

- **Steve Mosher** – President, Population Research Institute
- **Father Shenan Boquet** – President, Human Life International
- **Reverend Walter Hoye** – Sidewalk Counselor Illegally Jailed for 30 Days
- **Fr. Paul Schenck** – Respect Life Director, Diocese of Harrisburg

- In addition to the above speakers, we organized **2** huge **Stand Up For Religious Freedom** rallies, one in downtown Baltimore on March 23 and one in Washington in the shadow of the Capitol Dome on June 8. The purpose of these rallies was to oppose the **Obama HHS Mandate** which, if enforced, will require the Church and other Catholic institutions to pay for abortion, contraception and sterilization through their employee medical plans. **This may be by far the most important challenge the Catholic Church has faced in our lifetimes.**



At the Capitol Hill Rally, we had **16** speakers, including **6** Congressmen (one was the fantastic **Michelle Bachmann**, former Congressman **Bob Dornan**, **Lila Rose**, **Rev. Johnny Hunter**, **David Bereit**, **Kristan Hawkins**, and numerous others. **Ambassador Alan Keyes** was our incomparable keynote speaker as he was at our Baltimore Rally.



You can read about this by visiting **DEFEND LIFE** or you can see the entire historic Washington rally by visiting **DefendLife.Org** and clicking on **View Rally in its Entirety**. Afterwards, we marched to the Supreme Court for a **rally after the rally**.



- Our **12th Annual Maryland Face the Truth Tour** exposing the ugly evil reality of abortion was a great success. We had **15** stops including ones in **West Virginia, Maryland and Washington, DC**. We had **16** Core Team members who came from **6** different states.



- In April, we announced a **\$385,000** settlement with the **Maryland State Police** for the **18** illegal arrests they committed August 1, 2008 in Bel Air, Maryland. That extremely well attended news conference was held in front of the Maryland State Police Headquarters, a most fitting location. You can see it by visiting **DefendLife.Org** and clicking on **YouTube Video**. **Lest you think that DEFEND LIFE got rich from this settlement, think again. Nearly \$300,000 went to our well deserving lawyers, \$80,000 went to individual plaintiffs, and only about \$7,000 went to DEFEND LIFE.**

- Leafleted all Masses at the Catholic parish in Clinton, Maryland which **Pro-Abortion State Senator/Majority Leader Mike Miller** attended most of his life and then leafleted his law office ¼ mile down the road.

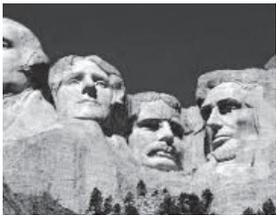


- Continued to make life miserable for abortion mill owner **Todd Staves** and his **VoiceForChoice.org** website. Todd Staves actually owns **Germantown Reproductive Health Services**, where late trimester itinerant abortionist **Leroy Carhart** continues to slaughter pre-born babies.
- Participated in the Annual **Cardinal O'Connor Conference** at Georgetown University where we met dozens of on-fire **PRO-LIFE** college students as well as Cardinal O'Connor's kid sister herself.
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However regrettable the November election results were, we need to put the election behind us and get back to our core mission which is to **stop the baby killing. Once we stop abortion, think how God would most certainly bless America in so many other good ways.**

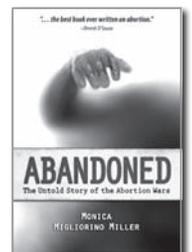
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P.S. Any person who gives **\$100 or more**, will automatically receive Monica Miller's book, **Abandoned: The Untold Story of the Abortion Wars**. See ad on page 20.

Enclosure



CCHD subsidized helpful hints for hookers

Catholics who trustingly gave to the November Catholic Campaign for Human Development collection at Mass may suffer “donor’s remorse” when they learn that \$50,000 of their donations for 2011-2012 went to a Washington, D.C., organization that offered prostitutes helpful advice on how to ply their trade.

Empower DC, the \$50,000 grant recipient, carried a blog post in October 2011 that published and encouraged downloading of “Hey Grrl!,” a 31-page booklet that coaches girls how to get away with certain crimes, such as possession of illegal drugs, having sex in a car, and prostitution.

Their tips for “solicitation” (prostitution) include:

- Watch out for suspicious cars
- Wear sensible shoes
- Know your surroundings
- Do what you need to do to be in a right state of mind
- Don’t carry a lot of cash on you
- If you get picked up, don’t talk to the police.

For “car sex” they advise:

- Make sure you have tinted windows
- Park in a safe place
- Get in—get out
- Watch out for the cops.

For “drug possession”:

- Know the area
- Take a cab if you have a lot of stuff on you
- Don’t keep all of your stash on you.

Empower DC has since scrubbed the blog post from its website.

But Reform CCHD Now (RCN), a coalition of 24 pro-life and Catholic organizations, reports that Em-

power DC still supports abortion and homosexuality.

The group has uploaded a video promoting homosexuality, promoted an LGBT youth writing workshop, fought a D.C. budget deal because it re-instated a ban on abortion funding, and fought the opening of a new Walmart in D.C., on the ground that Walmart refuses to support the homosexual agenda.

Empower DC is just the tip of the iceberg, according to Reform CCHD Now’s “CCHD 2011-2012 Grants Report,” released in October.

CCHD gave \$50,000 to Empower DC, which coached girl prostitutes how not to get caught.

The report (available at reformCCHDnow.com) lists 74 current grantees found to be in violation of CCHD guidelines and Catholic moral teaching.

It documents in detail the ways in which the grantees have supported abortion, homosexuality, birth control or Marxism.

CCHD’s grant guidelines require that “applicant organizations must not participate in or promote activities that contradict the moral and social teaching of the Catholic Church.”

The Archdiocese of Baltimore has no CCHD grantees listed in violation of the guidelines in 2011-2012.

But, RCN cautions, most dioceses that take the CCHD collection retain only 25 percent of the collection money for local use. The other 75 percent is sent to National CCHD,

which then redistributes it to organizations like the 74 listees.

RCN has been researching and exposing the problem of Catholic funds going to organizations that violate Catholic moral teachings for the past three years.

But despite repeated claims by CCHD that it does not fund such groups, RCN notes, the number of these groups and the percentage of total CCHD funds going to them has been increasing.

RCN found that \$2.8 million of the total \$7.6 million (38 percent) in CCHD grants in 2012 went to organizations violating Catholic moral teaching, as compared to 21 percent in 2010 and 24 percent in 2011.

In her research on Empower DC, *Defend Life* columnist Janet Baker discovered, to her shock, that Empower DC lists as its address, 1419 V Street, NW, in D.C.—the identical address of St. Augustine Catholic Church.

“Do any St. Augustine staff members hold positions with Empower DC—and vice versa?” Baker wondered. “Might they also have lent office space, staff, etc., to them?”

Dr. William Marshner, professor of Theology at Christendom College, stated on RCN’s website that the act of granting funds to Empower DC placed CCHD—and thus the Church itself—in a position of formally cooperating with grave moral evil.

Dr. Marshner was not aware that Empower DC and St. Augustine Church share the same address.

This new revelation, comments Baker, means “that the degree of formal cooperation [with grave moral evil] is even more profound than originally realized.”

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to his nursing assistant.

The assistant claimed that Alexander had no medical records on the woman, as she had been seen as a “consult.” Alexander did not return the physician’s phone call.

Alexander at first denied to the Board that the woman had been his patient, but when they sent him documentation, including a receipt to the patient for \$2,000 cash from his office, he finally conceded that “it is apparent that I did perform a second trimester abortion” on the woman.

The complaints against Alexander included numerous charges that he kept sloppy medical records and in many cases, no patient records at all.

When he performed a second-trimester abortion on a 28-year-old woman in 2010, for example, he failed to document a physical examination and failed to document vital signs when she was given intravenous sedation.

For a 21-year-old, 18+ weeks’ pregnant woman who underwent an abortion in 2009, he failed to document an adequate history and physical examination, and did not record any vital signs when she was sedated.

The Board found that on several occasions Alexander had made raunchy and offensive sexual remarks to patients.

In addition, they found that he prescribed Viagra and other drugs to friends, family and himself in what

he called “curbside consults.”

The Board’s Order suspended Alexander’s medical license for a minimum of three months.

He was ordered to undergo an evaluation by the Board’s Maryland Professional Rehabilitation Program, then appear before the Board’s Reinstatement Inquiry Panel, which could impose additional conditions of probation.

If his suspension is lifted, he will be placed on a minimum of two years’ probation.

During suspension or probation he must complete a Board-approved 1:1 tutorial in ethics and a similar tutorial in medical record-keeping.

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tant services should Komen cut off Planned Parenthood’s funding.

Among those services trumpeted by Richards was mammograms, something *no* Planned Parenthood facility is equipped to do. The funding she so feared losing amounted to \$700,000, a drop in the bucket of Planned Parenthood’s annual intake of *\$1 billion*, more than half derived from U.S. taxpayers.

What’s interesting is to read this

through Handel’s eyes. With every betrayal by Komen staff, every lie by Planned Parenthood, and every complicit move by the media, we the readers see the scales falling. Unfortunately, she ends up as the sacrificial lamb of both organizations. But wiser, definitely wiser.

It’s incredibly gratifying to read Handel’s summation of Planned Parenthood’s reason for being: “Planned Parenthood is about politics as much as it is about abortion and reproductive health.

“Specifically, Planned Parenthood’s politics is about money—government funding, actually, because without the government funds, Planned Parenthood would be forced to pursue a different revenue model. The rhetoric on health, and especially women, is a smoke screen to hide its underlying political agenda—ensuring the continued flow of nearly \$1.5 million a day in government funding and to elect pro-Planned Parenthood policy makers who, in turn, work tirelessly to keep the cash flowing.”

Here’s someone in the public arena, not affiliated with any pro-life group, who finally gets it.

It’s also gratifying to read through the end notes and see whom Handel has cited for all the dirty facts about Planned Parenthood. She gives credit to LifeNews (specifically Steve Ertelt), Jill Stanek, and Lila Rose of LiveAction as some of the *only* news outlets that are reporting on Planned Parenthood’s numerous and egregious deceptions.

Her omission on the abortion/contraception-breast cancer link is disappointing, however, given that it is a chief complaint by pro-lifers against most breast cancer organizations, including Komen.

Through the brutal treatment by Planned Parenthood, Komen is nonetheless revealed as an organization whose leaders are indecisive and unwilling to stand up for what they (say they) believe in. They might have ridden out the storm, stared down the bully, and emerged victorious. That’s what Handel suggested.

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Book Review

Three books *not* to get the kids for Christmas

By Diane Levero

Warning to parents: Some material in this article is not suitable for children.

As Christmas draws near, you might be thinking of getting some books for your kids or grandkids.

Here are three books which, despite their cute and innocent-looking covers, you should cross off your list.

They are all written by Robie H. Harris, who is a member of Planned Parenthood of America's National Board of Advocates.

It's NOT the Stork!, a *New York Times* bestseller recommended for age 4 and up, is illustrated by Michael Emberly (as are all three books). He sprinkles winsome cartoon characters of a bird and a bee (get it?), with their cutesy comments, throughout the narrative.

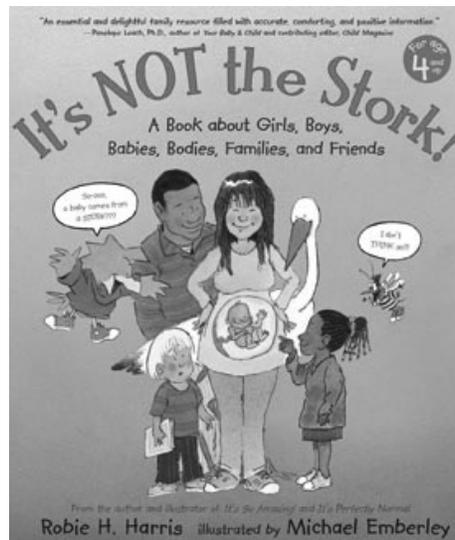
"We talked with parents, teachers, librarians, nurses, doctors, social workers, psychologists, scientists, health professionals and clergy to make sure that all the material is age-appropriate and scientifically accurate," Harris assures parents.

After an innocuous introduction about how girls and boys are alike in many ways, on page 14 we get down to the facts all 4-year-olds need and want to know. Girls have a vagina. Boys have a penis.

We see drawings of a girl sitting on a toilet to "pee" (no scientific words here), and a boy standing and holding his penis to do the same.

Next come illustrations of naked boys and girls, with "scientific" terminology identifying the vulva, penis, scrotum, anus and buttocks.

But wait—there's more! Four-



year-olds apparently *want* and *need* to know about a boy's testicles, vas deferens tubes and urethra.

There's a drawing of a girl squatting and looking at her vulva, clitoris, and opening to the vagina, and another holding up a chart showing her Fallopian tubes, uterus and ovaries.

"To make a baby, a sperm from a man's body and an egg from the woman's body must get together," we are told.

How does this happen? Not to worry. There's a drawing of a man and woman embracing in bed, barely covered with a blanket but obviously not wearing clothes, with huge smiles on their faces, clearly having loads of fun.

"The woman and the man get so close to each other that the man's penis goes inside the woman's vagina," your 4-year-old learns.

Then come illustrations of the baby growing inside the mommy. Any 2-year-old can see it's a baby in the drawings, but throughout pages and pages of illustrations, it is al-

ways a "fetus."

Once it emerges from the birth canal, we are told, it magically becomes a "baby." Just like Planned Parenthood tells us.

Also, just like Planned Parenthood and their pro-abortion cohorts tell us (contrary to any standard biology book, which explains that a new human life begins at conception), our 4-year-old learns that "Once the ball of cells [zygote] plants itself in the womb, that's when a woman is 'pregnant.' 'Pregnant' means the woman is going to have a baby."

Not before. How's that for "scientific accuracy"?

More propaganda: in the section, "All Kinds of Families," we learn that while "some" families have a mommy and a daddy, other families have *two* mommies or *two* daddies.

So *It's NOT the Stork!* has lots of new vocabulary words for your 4-year-old. But some words are notably missing. Nowhere in the book are the words "marriage," "husband," or "wife."

There is no indication that the man and woman having so much fun in bed are married. That's not important, or anything that 4-year-olds need to know about.

It's so appalling!

With author Harris's *It's So Amazing!* for age 7 and up, the explanations get more in-depth.

At age 7, apparently kids must know *all* about puberty. They also need to see frontal nudity drawings of men and women at all stages of life.

Now, your 7-year-old can see

how Grandma looks stark naked—sagging breasts, thinning pubic hair and all.

Once again we see a drawing of a very happy naked man and woman in bed, with a blanket covering them a little, and a similar explanation—but we learn a new term: “sexual intercourse.”

But at age 7, we need to move on to new horizons, such as homosexuality. “A homosexual person is attracted—like a magnet—to the same sex or gender,” we learn.

Seven-year-olds also get fairly detailed information on in-vitro fertilization, birth control, condoms and birth control pills.

They need to know politically correct information about abortion too: “There are times when a woman becomes pregnant and chooses not to stay pregnant.

“She may choose to have an ‘abortion.’ An abortion is a medical way to end a pregnancy.”

(Later, Harris unblushingly titles a drawing of an unborn baby, “Warm and Safe in the Uterus.”)

Our little readers also learn about masturbation—“touching or rubbing the private parts of your own body because it feels good.”

“Some people and some religions think it’s wrong to masturbate,” Harris explains condescendingly. “But most doctors agree that masturbation is *perfectly healthy and perfectly normal*—and cannot hurt you or your body.” (Italics added.)

Seven-year-olds also learn the basics on HIV and AIDS. They learn that a person can get HIV during sexual intercourse, but that wearing a condom can help prevent HIV from passing from one person to another.

It’s perfectly disgusting

But enough kid stuff! When you’re 10 years old, you’re ready for the hard-core stuff—you’re ready for *It’s Perfectly Normal*.

Critics (there *are* a few) call *It’s Perfectly Normal* soft core porn.

Twenty-six pages have illustrations of naked teenaged boys and girls, naked men and women.

We get not one but *two* drawings of naked couples in bed having sex, this time without any covers.

Sexual intercourse is described in excruciating detail. (For example: “As the male and female move back and forth in rhythm, the movement of the penis inside the vagina soon feels very good.”)

Along with the soft porn comes the usual Planned Parenthood propaganda:

- Masturbation feels good, and here’s how to do it (illustrations show a boy and girl masturbating).
- Sexual intercourse can involve the penis and vagina, or the mouth and genitals, or the penis and anus.
- Homosexuality was condoned by the ancient Greeks, so it *must* be perfectly normal. But some people “hate homosexuals...Usually, these people know little or nothing about homosexuals...People are often afraid of things they know little or nothing about.”
- “Emergency contraceptive pills” do *not* cause early abortions.
- Every birth control method imaginable is described in de-

tail, with lots of illustrations. But “some methods of birth control, such as the rhythm method, are not considered effective.” (News flash to Harris: the “rhythm method” of Natural Family Planning was superseded at least 40 years ago by more reliable methods such as those used in the Billings method or the Creighton model.)

A two-page spread on abortion offers nine reasons why a woman “might want or *need* to end a pregnancy.” (Italics added.)

The general description of abortion is brief, skimpy, and not completely accurate.

There are *no* illustrations of abortions being performed. A paragraph on the Supreme Court’s *Gonzales v. Carhart*, which banned “dilation and extraction” abortions (commonly known as partial-birth abortions) gives no description whatsoever of the procedure, much less a drawing of the baby being pulled out feet-first before she gets her brains sucked out.

It’s Perfectly Normal’s list of endorsements includes a glowing review from Planned Parenthood CEO Cecile Richards.

Sadly, praise and awards come also from the American Library Association, *New York Times Book Review*, *Publishers Weekly*, *USA Today*, and many others, all in sync with Planned Parenthood’s goal of sexualizing children as early as possible and inculcating them with gravely immoral concepts. The book has sold over a million copies.

Sadly too, *It’s NOT the Stork!* and *It’s So Amazing!* also get rave reviews from a plethora of “experts.”

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to get mammograms!” Bainbridge fumed.

In the meantime, Planned Parenthood works tirelessly and aggressively to propagandize children and teens and thus build its customer base for contraception and abortion.

“Planned Parenthood really believes there are no rights or wrongs with any sexual behavior, as long as it is consensual,” said Bainbridge.

Masturbation, oral sex, sodomy—they’re all okay.

In a book touted by Planned Parenthood, *Girls and Sex*, by Wardell Pomeroy, an associate of the discredited “sexologist” Alfred Kinsey, the question is asked, “Are necrophilia [sex with a corpse] and bestiality [sex with an animal] okay?”

The answer: it depends on your point of view.

Planned Parenthood recruits college students by organizing campus groups called Vox: Voices for Planned Parenthood (there are groups at Towson University, Johns Hopkins University, and University of Maryland College Park).

At Vox events, said Bainbridge, “They have tables with ‘goodies,’

such as penis-shaped lollipops.”

Planned Parenthood is on Facebook, Twitter, You Tube and Smart Phones.

They also run “Safe is Sexy” spots on MTV, VH1, TBS and the Internet, appealing to their young audience with shock humor.

One shows a cartoon couple having sex in bed, with two “angels” sitting on the bedpost behind them.

The male “angel” has a moral concern: does the guy in bed have “protection”?

“That’s blasphemy, as far as I’m concerned!” Bainbridge exclaimed.

Another spot shows an actual (not cartoon) man wearing a condom with his penis hanging out of his pants, proudly sauntering all over public places as people stare at him.

The voiceover cautions that you should be proud to wear a condom, but save it for sexually intimate occasions.

In addition to their own website and materials, Planned Parenthood receives support and advocacy from 140 organizations, including the Girl Scouts, the American Red Cross, the YWCA, and the Children’s Defense Fund.

The entertainment media and

magazines also help Planned Parenthood spread their message.

“Even the October 2012 *Family Circle* magazine had a favorable article on them!” bemoaned Bainbridge.

The article was titled, “How to Have the Sex Talk with your Teen.”

“All month long, we’re teaming up with Planned Parenthood to bring you advice on this essential conversation,” *Family Circle* told its readers.

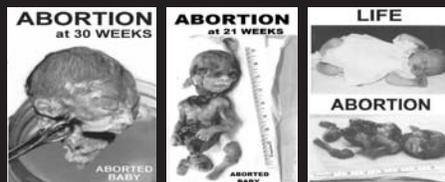
Bainbridge offers this advice to pro-lifers who want to expose and oppose Planned Parenthood:

- Know the facts and be able to document them. Study their annual reports, monitor them on Facebook and on their website. Do internet searches on them.
- Sign up for their mailing list if you’re comfortable with that.
- Know where their centers are and where their fundraising events are being held, and be there to hand out information.
- Know which politicians support them, and who is on your local Planned Parenthood Board of Directors and expose them.
- Know your audience—friend, family, fellow Catholic, “cafeteria Catholic”—and gear your argument toward them.
- Don’t focus on Margaret Sanger; they will say, “That was *then*, this is *now*.” Stick with what Planned Parenthood is doing today.
- Use scientific facts. Don’t say, “I believe life begins at conception”; say, “Life begins at conception.”

Finally, Bainbridge urged, take heart from the advice of Archbishop Charles Chaput: “If we stand up to evil, we *may* lose. If we *don’t* stand up to evil, we *will* lose.”

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stated his opinion that “contraception is a lot cheaper than live births, especially if the live births are problematic.” He too got an ovation.

I’m waiting for Cardinal Wuerl to advise Father Reese that he cannot practice priestly ministry in the Washington Archdiocese.

While I don’t think that will happen, I also call to mind when he *did* tell one priest he couldn’t function in the Washington archdiocese. I refer to Fr. Marcel Guarnizo, who withheld Holy Communion from an openly practicing lesbian last Lent.

Without so much as a decent investigation, Father was suspended. In other words, heterodox priests are ignored, but if a priest actually up-

holds Catholic teaching deemed “not politically correct,” he is sacked.

These three sorry examples—all of them local—explain why Catholics might think it’s no big deal to cast their votes for the most rabidly pro-abortion president in U.S. history to date.

Had Catholics voted their faith, the election most certainly would have turned out differently. We, as faithful Catholics, must start insisting that our bishops uphold Catholic teaching from the pulpit. We need to call, write letters, withhold donations and support parishes that are faithful.

We aren’t going to change anything about our culture unless fidelity to the Magisterium returns to our parishes and to those who call themselves Catholic.



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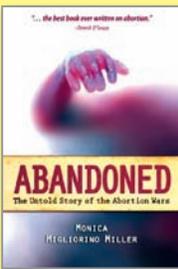
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