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The Forgotten Victims of Abortion

By *Stephen Curran*
Mentoring Coordinator

Many are acquainted with the emotional trauma experienced by myriads of women after an abortion, but few are aware of the pain men suffer after losing a child to abortion. Every abortion includes a father who has had a role, either active or passive. Regardless of the specific part a man plays in the abortion decision, he is not immune to the possible after-effects including guilt, anger, grief, and powerlessness. Men are truly the forgotten victims of abortion today.

These are the firsthand accounts of three such men.

Jimmy* came to the Center with his partner for her pregnancy test, and he was excited about becoming a father. In the course of his session with a Mentor, he confided, "Three years ago when I was with a different girlfriend, we ended up pregnant. She had just started a new job and didn't want to tell them she was having a kid, so she was thinking about an abortion. I didn't want her to kill our baby, but she said we could have another one later when the time was better. I couldn't talk her out of it,

and she did it. I was really upset, and we eventually broke up. After that, I started taking drugs and was addicted for two years. I'm doing OK now and have been clean for a year. It's something I'll never forget, feeling so powerless to protect my child."



Leon* and his girlfriend became pregnant in high school. "I had no say in what happened; her parents took her right to an abortion clinic. After that, I didn't want anything to do with women for over 7 years. I thought I could just get past it, but it just kept popping back up in my mind. I can't believe I'm telling you about this; I don't talk about it. I guess I just needed an ear."

Jeff* and his girlfriend, Cari*, came to the Center for a pregnancy test. He was totally opposed to abortion, especially after hearing the heartbeat

on the ultrasound. However, Cari still planned on terminating. In tears, he told her, "I don't want to be that guy standing outside the abortion clinic crying, so I won't go with you." Cari chose a chemical abortion. "After she took the second pill at home, she

started to get really scared because she felt so bad that she called me. Having a medical background, I rushed over to help. I can't describe to you what she went through, I could write a book. She said they made

it sound so easy. I tried to take care of her while she went into labor and delivered our dead baby in the shower. It was barbaric. I can't believe they approved this drug."

Through the course of meeting with men like these, PCE Mentors often uncover a history of post-abortion trauma and its impact on their lives. We point them to the One who offers forgiveness and healing. By encouraging, equipping and walking with men on their path to fatherhood, we aim to break the cycle of disrupted fatherhood for generations to come.

*Pseudonyms

A Hole in One for Life

By Debbie Durbin
Marketing Specialist

A sunny September day at the lovely Terrace Park Country Club was a perfect setting for the annual Golf Fore Life event. A record number of golfers participated in the scramble tournament and enjoyed a delicious lunch and spectacular day of golf. Later that evening, 180 guests enjoyed the lively 19th Hole Party with cocktails, dinner with an amazing dessert bar, and an online auction.

Dedicated GFL committee members Claire Cahill, Ed Donohoe, Bizzy Driscoll, Barbara Momper, Tom Pernik, Diane Rinaldi, Steve Rohde, Edy Schlotman, and staff members planned the event. New this year, a 100-bottle wine pull added to the festivities.

Thanks to the participants, generous sponsors, and in-kind donors, we raised vital funds for our mission to empower women and men facing an unexpected pregnancy with life-affirming alternatives to abortion. "It was a fantastic tournament! The pace was great, and it was awesome meeting up with old friends. It was hard to pick which dessert was the best, so why choose!" commented attendee, Julie.

Congratulations to the Winners:

1st Place - Women: Ann Rich, Amy Joseph, Paige Grote, and Nancy Grote.

1st Place - Men: Mike Shawhan, Chris Harrison, and Tom and Jerry Shawhan

1st Place - Mixed: Mike and Linda Bodin, and Peg and Tom Pernik

Longest Drive - Women: Chrissie Rodhe



First Place women's team!

Longest Drive - Men: Mike Trimpe

Putting Contest: Julie Kelly

Driver Raffle: Jean Robson

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Dear Fellow Pro-life Friends of PCE,

Good News First: Ohio is now “NEGATIVE 1” which represents another surgical abortion facility in Ohio is no longer in business...we take HOPE. In Toledo, the Capital Care abortion site surrendered their Ambulatory Surgical Facility license to the Ohio Dept. of Health (9/19). Cause for our celebration and need for continued prayers that they will not reinvent themselves to be an abortion pill-mill as their related Columbus facility has done.

As you probably heard, Cincinnati is thankfully “NEGATIVE 2” Planned Parenthood sites for abortion referrals and distribution centers! Closed are the Springdale site and one PP located near Western Hills High School, not far from Elder and Seton High Schools. Thank God and the faithful prayer pilgrims of Helpers of God’s Precious Infants and Forty Days for Life. Your continued public witness, service and prayers reap rewards.

More Good News: The number of children

dying in abortion in America has fallen to levels below one million (still a staggering number!) and there are fewer practicing abortion “providers”.

However, while this is encouraging, chemical abortions are on the rise and the overall fertility rate in our country is shrinking (Right to Life Action Coalition of Ohio). The chemicals, methotrexate and mifepristone, also known as RU-486, act like “human pesticides”.

As part of Informed Consent, Ohio Senate Bill 155, would mandate notification be given to a woman that there is a possibility to successfully reverse RU-486 abortion procedure before it is completed.

Seriously Bad News: Our beloved school children and our clients (current and future) are facing the lurid Comprehensive Sexuality Education (CSE) being thrust upon them. The health and innocence of our children are under

attack. Planned Parenthood and its allies are infiltrating our schools and libraries in Ohio on an unprecedented scale, working to indoctrinate and sexualize our children. Families and pro-family groups are uncovering some of the most graphic advocacy for the sexualization of our children (K-12), which attempts to normalize depraved and immoral behaviors and promote abortion.

CSE is so beguiling, but evil. I can’t even put examples in this letter but am compelled to share the urgency and extreme gravity with you. Now, you must do your homework and reclaim your families, Dad and Mom! Yet, we take HOPE. Excellent leadership has put together an investigation and plans at Protect-ChildHealth.org. Let’s work to bring public attention to the cause of Life. Keep legislators engaged with the Pro-life cause!

THANK YOU FOR VOTING FOR LIFE too!

Jane Hoffman, Board Trustee

CHASTITY ON THE FRONT LINES

Parents Protect Against Pornography

By *Shayne Reno*
Chastity Education Manager

It is no secret that our country is amid a major porn epidemic. For years we have seen countless studies and warnings related to pornography and its numerous negative effects. As awareness of the issue has grown, parents have turned their attention to the daunting task of protecting their children from a tsunami of pornographic material available in an ever-changing technological landscape. We are able to get a small glimpse into this tidal wave every year when Pornhub, one of the biggest porn websites in the world, publishes its statistical year in review.

The statistics from 2018 are staggering, however, they can serve as a valuable tool in safeguarding our youth. Of the findings

published, the most helpful concern **when** and **how** pornography is most often consumed.

According to last year’s data, the highest porn traffic occurred between ten p.m. and one a.m., with 71.6% of all traffic being viewed via cell phone. With this information, parents can target specific times and activities that would more readily expose their children to pornography. Simply monitoring a child’s screen time and eliminating smartphone usage during overnight hours is a huge step in protection.

Along with these few practical measures, there is a plethora of online resources available to aid parents in their task. Perhaps the most comprehensive website I have found is provided by the Catholic Diocese of Lincoln Nebraska. Here, parents can watch videos that will walk them through the process of setting up parental

controls, find links to Covenant Eyes and other forms of filtering/accountability software, as well as access materials to help them start a conversation on the topic of pornography with their child or teen. A link to this website, and other helpful resources can be found on our chastity education page at supportpce.com/chastity-education-program.

We know that the distorted message of sexuality portrayed in pornography is in direct competition with the message of chastity. Unfortunately, this is not a battle fought solely in the classroom. While we as Chastity Educators will do our best to bring the message of authentic love to the students we encounter this year, our prayers and support go out to all the parents fighting to protect their children on the home front.



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High-tech Window to the Womb

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“That’s incredible. I had no idea ...!” This is a typical response when our client first views her baby in 3D on our new ultrasound machine. Tears regularly flow. Sometimes, these are happy tears. Occasionally, those tears are accompanied with silence, because she is suddenly faced with the weight of her situation and the life-or-death decision she must make. But no matter the response, clearly our new state-of-the-art 3D/4D ultrasound machine is helping to illuminate the truth.

It is difficult for scared expectant couples to visualize their baby

without an ultrasound. Although viewing the black and white photos of 2D ultrasound help them to envision their child, with 3D/4D capability, they glimpse a more accurate picture of an active baby in real time. They marvel at the baby wiggling within the womb well before movement can be felt; that clearly this baby is more than “a clump of cells.” Then there’s that sacred moment when they hear

the baby’s heartbeat, even as early as six weeks of gestation!

Thanks to the generosity of an anonymous donor, fetal development is now more convincing than ever before, and lives are being spared. We cannot adequately express the depth of gratitude we feel each time a life is saved, but we lift a prayer of thanksgiving with every scan.



3D/4D ultrasound of ~ 14 week old baby.

Material Assistance Room Organizer Needed

Do you have a talent for organizing small spaces? Are you looking for a way to use your talents for a pro-life ministry? PCE is searching for a volunteer to regularly organize our material assistance room. Responsibilities include folding and arranging baby clothes and supplies. Flexible hours! Please contact Jane at 513 321-3100 or at jmoore@pregnancycentereast.com for details.
