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NEWSLETTER OF THE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE OF NEW MEXICO

YOU ARE NEEDED DESPERATELY

by Dauneen Dolce, Executive Director

I have been in the pro-life movement since 1970 and have watched the growth of The Right To Life Committee of New Mexico through those many years. It started with very busy people who had families, jobs, and other activities but felt the need to have hands-on to help direct an organization to the goals that would save human lives.

Many of these people have come and gone after serving faithfully. Some are still around doing their best. But as is true in other aspects, there must be fresh ideas, new energy, and the same wonderful commitment that these people had.

RTLNCNM will soon hold elections for directors for our State Board. These positions are for the next four years. This board meets every other month to make plans to meet our goals and help resolve needs and problems to continually help RTLNCNM grow.

We have nine districts represented on our state board. From each district there are two directors and an alternate. Since districts are created by population, some areas have more than one district.

Districts 1, 2, and 3 represent Bernalillo and Torrance counties. **District 4** represents Union, Quay, Harding, DeBaca, Curry, and Roosevelt counties. **District 5** represents Lea, Chaves, Eddy, Otero, and Lincoln counties. **District 6** represents Grant, Luna, Hidalgo, Sierra, and Dona Ana counties. **District 7** represents Guadalupe, Santa Fe, San Miguel, Mora, Sandoval, and Colfax counties. **District 8** represents San Juan, Rio Arriba, Taos, and Los Alamos counties. **District 9** represents Valencia, McKinley, Cibola, Catron, and Socorro counties.

Qualifications for becoming a director in one of these districts are to be a current dues-paying member of RTLNCNM, to apply to be a director, and then to be voted upon by the membership in that district. Alternates are those who come in third in the district.

Our history has proven that convictions without actions will not make changes. We defeated slavery, Nazism, and other serious events, but we didn't just do it by using words. The word "Pro-Life" requires actions. Just as those first people in the pro-life movement saw beyond the demands of life to give and to work for a better USA and world, so we need to meet their challenge today to do the same.

Fill out the application, or if you have questions, please call me at 505-881-4563. You have an opportunity to make a difference. Please make the move to do so now!

to reflect on what we are truly celebrating. The Declaration of Independence was written so that our Constitution would reflect that the people are organized for justice, for liberty, and for happiness. Our forefathers gathered in Philadelphia in 1776 to draft the Declaration of Independence, which dissolved the political ties that had bound the American people to Great Britain. Thus, a new nation was born free and independent, The United States of America. This was done eleven years before freedom was won on the battlefield in 1787. In 1789 this group plus others met to draft the Constitution of the United States.

Even before we were actually free, we made a statement to the world establishing these cardinal moral truths:... *that all Men are created equal, that they are endowed by their Creator with certain unalienable Rights, that among these are Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness—that to secure these Rights, Governments are instituted among Men, deriving their just powers from the Consent of the Governed.*

Just as the forefathers put on paper their intentions and plans for the people of the United States, the Right To Life Committee, under a civil rights movement that looks to the Declaration of Independence as its guide, is working even when the "war" is going on against the unborn and other vulnerable people.

We have not ignored the words or the philosophy of the Declaration of Independence, for to do so would condemn not only the unborn but our nation.

We are all created equal, as defined by our natural rights. Thus, no one has rights superior to those of anyone else. We are born with those rights. We do not get them from government - indeed, whatever rights or powers government has comes from us, from the "Consent of the Governed." Our rights to life, liberty, and the pursuit of happiness are enacted as we think best, provided that we respect the equal rights of others to do the same.

The unborn who has been "created" has just as much right to Life, Liberty, and the Pursuit of Happiness as his or her mother. The Supreme Court, the federal government, or the state government should not deny the unborn child its right to life. The right of the very smallest unborn (the embryo) is to be respected by all no matter their "status" in life, their age, their power, their monetary means, or the circumstance in life that created this new unborn child.

No matter how daunting the task may look at times, we must prevail in our efforts to restore respect for life as our philosophy and in actuality in our country.

President John F. Kennedy said in the excerpt of one of his speeches what we in the pro-life movement must remember to guide our actions.

Excerpts from the Inaugural Address by John F. Kennedy:

"Let every nation know, whether it wishes us well or ill, that we shall pay any price, bear any burden, meet any hardship, support any friend, oppose any foe to assure the survival and success of liberty.

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CELEBRATING THE DECLARATION OF INDEPENDENCE

As we ready ourselves for the picnics, family gatherings, fireworks, and a day of fun in celebration of our country's independence, take a moment

Celebrating the Declaration of Independence...*(continued from pg. 1)*

"The energy, the faith, the devotion which we bring to this endeavor will light our country and all who serve it, and the glow from that fire can truly light the world.

"And so, my fellow Americans, ask not what your country can do for you, ask what you can do for your country. My fellow citizens of the world, ask not what America will do for you, what together we can do for the freedom of man."

The Declaration of Independence moved a nation. May it move you to do more for those who cannot do for themselves. The time will come when you are the one who will not be able to do what you could do years before. We hope we have raised a generation that will follow our example, that will do all it can to help those who cannot help themselves.

Have a wonderful 4th of July remembering the heroes who had the foresight to carry out this philosophy and truths throughout our nation's history. May the heroes of today persist to protect the unborn, the handicapped, the chronically ill, and the elderly.

JUNE 6 PRIMARIES WRAP-UP

As in most elections, you win some and you lose some. It would appear that we won with most of our endorsed or recommended candidates.

STATE CANDIDATES: We only had one recommended candidate for Public Regulation Commission 4, and he lost.

HOUSE CANDIDATES: There were nine recommended or endorsed candidates for House seats. Five of them won.

1. Manuel Herrera in House District 39
2. Thomas Anderson in House District 29
3. Nora Espinosa in House District 59
4. Keith Gardner in House District 66
5. Richard Berry in House District 20

The added good news is that Manuel Herrera, Keith Gardner, and Richard Berry have no one opposing them in the General Election, so they remain or become our pro-life legislators.

There were a few losses that had a pro-life win although they were not endorsed. W.C. "Dub" Williams in House District 56 and Justine Fox-Young in House District 30 have voted pro-life in the past.

U.S. Senate: Not being a Federal PAC, we made no endorsements in this category. Allan McCullough won and indicated in the questionnaire sent out by the National Right To Life PAC that he is pro-life.

MOVING ON TO THE GENERAL ELECTION

There will be many more contests between the Republican and Democrat parties in the General Election on November 7, 2006.

State level: The offices for Governor, Lt. Governor, Secretary of State, State Auditor, State Treasurer, Attorney General, and Commissioner of Public Lands all have contests. One Supreme Court and three Judges of the Court of Appeals will have retention votes. Attempts will be made to clarify their positions with questions they can legally answer.

State House of Representatives: The following districts have contests: Dist. 1, Dist. 2, Dist. 6, Dist. 7, Dist. 8, Dist. 14, Dist. 15, Dist. 16, Dist. 18, Dist. 22, Dist. 23, Dist. 24, Dist. 28, Dist. 29, Dist. 30, Dist. 31, Dist. 32, Dist. 35, Dist. 36, Dist. 37, Dist. 44, Dist. 53, Dist. 54, Dist. 56, Dist. 58,

Dist. 59, Dist. 60, Dist. 61.

This will be far bigger than the Primary with many endorsements or recommendations, which means thousands of letters to the people in our files who reside in those districts. Hopefully we will have enough money to cover the costs.

House Districts with no contest that have their representatives in place for 2007.

- Dist. 3 (San Juan) Paul Bandy
- Dist. 4 (San Juan) Rep. Ray Begaye
- Dist. 5 (McKinley/San Juan) Rep. Irvin Harrison
- Dist. 9 (McKinley/San Juan) Rep. Patricia Lundstrom
- Dist. 10 (Bernalillo/Valencia) Rep. 'Kiki' Saavedra
- Dist. 11 (Bernalillo) Rep. Rick Miera
- Dist. 12 (Bernalillo) Rep. Ernest Chavez
- Dist. 13 (Bernalillo) Rep. Dan Silva
- Dist. 17 (Bernalillo) Rep. Edward Sandoval
- Dist. 19 (Bernalillo) Rep. Sheryl Stapelton
- Dist. 20 (Bernalillo) Richard Berry
- Dist. 21 (Bernalillo) Rep. Mimi Stewart
- Dist. 25 (Bernalillo) Rep. Danice Picraux
- Dist. 26 (Bernalillo) Rep. Al Park
- Dist. 27 (Bernalillo) Rep. Lorenzo Larranaga
- Dist. 33 (Dona Ana) Rep. Joni Gutierrez
- Dist. 34 (Dona Ana) Rep. Mary Helen Garcia
- Dist. 38 (Grant, Hidalgo & Sierra) Rep. Dianne Hamilton
- Dist. 39 (Grant/Hidalgo) Rep. Manuel Herrera
- Dist. 40 (Mora, Rio Arriba, San Miguel, Santa Fe, and Taos) Rep. Nick Salazar
- Dist. 41 (Rio Arriba, Sandoval, and Taos) Rep. Debbie Rodella
- Dist. 42 (Taos) Rep. Roberto Gonzales
- Dist. 43 (Los Alamos, Sandoval, and Santa Fe) Rep. Jeannette Wallace
- Dist. 45 (Santa Fe) Rep. Jim Trujillo
- Dist. 46 (Santa Fe) Rep. Ben Lujan
- Dist. 47 (Santa Fe) Rep. Peter Wirth
- Dist. 48 (Santa Fe) Rep. "Lucky Varela
- Dist. 49 (Catron, Socorro, and Valencia) Rep. Don Tripp
- Dist. 50 (Bernalillo, Santa Fe, and Tarrant) Rep. Rhonda King
- Dist. 51 (Otero) Rep. Gloria Vaughn
- Dist. 52 (Dona Ana) Joseph Cervantes
- Dist. 54 (Eddy) Rep. John Heaton
- Dist. 57 (Chaves, Lincoln, and Otero) Rep. Dan Foley
- Dist. 62 (Lea) Rep. Donald Bratton
- Dist. 63 (Curry, DeBaca, Guadalupe, and Roosevelt) Rep. Jose Campos II
- Dist. 64 (Curry) Rep. Anna Crook
- Dist. 65 (Bernalillo, McKinley, Rio Arriba, and Sandoval) Rep. James Madalena
- Dist. 66 (Chaves, Eddy, Lea, and Roosevelt) Rep. Keith Gardner
- Dist. 67 (Curry, Harding, Quay, Roosevelt, San Miguel, and Union) Rep. Brian Moore
- Dist. 68 (Colfax, Guadalupe, Mora, San Miguel, and Taos) Rep. Hector Balderas
- Dist. 69 (Cibola, McKinley, and San Juan) Rep. Ken Martinez
- Dist. 70 (San Miguel/Tarrant) Rep. Richard Vigil

As you can see, we didn't make a lot of change in a lot of areas. As we get closer to November, we will let you know who needs letters or communication with regards to legislation we will support in the 2007 legislative session.

With the existing group, there are 18 pro-life legislators, 18 pro-abortion legislators, and three unknown, so the contested districts can have a real impact on the legislative

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session. Once we do our endorsements (by August), we must all work to get the pro-life candidates elected (even if they are not in your district). If we can get the House to be a majority of pro-life legislators, we can get Parental Notification and Woman's Right to Know passed, as well as other legislation.

The opportunity is here. Let's get ready to make this happen.

EMILY'S LIST – DON'T BE FOOLED

by Karen Cross, NRL Political Director

EMILY'S List. Sounds kind of nice, like, let's have a cup of tea. *Don't be fooled.*

EMILY'S List is a political action committee that raises massive amounts of money for female Democratic candidates who support abortion on demand, including partial-birth abortion, and who want abortion subsidized with your tax dollars.

EMILY'S List is currently the best funded PAC in the country. It has raised nearly \$20 million and spent \$17.5 million as of May 2006. Its candidates can also expect to receive upwards of hundreds of thousands of dollars from other groups as a result of an endorsement by EMILY'S List.

On May 11, 2006, EMILY'S List hosted a luncheon featuring its endorsed candidates for the United States House and Senate. This year, EMILY'S List boasts more candidates than it has had in decades. At least a dozen will likely be involved in head-to-head races with our pro-life candidates in the November 7 general elections.

While the mission of EMILY'S List is to elect pro-abortion Democratic women to Congress, it was clear during this recent luncheon that it is intentionally steering away from the subject of abortion. If what it said last month holds true, it will attack pro-life candidates less on the issue of abortion than on foreign policy or domestic policy issues – or any other issue. It doesn't matter - as long as it is not the issue of abortion, which is a loser for EMILY'S List.

Even many pro-abortion candidates recognize that being pro-life gives a candidate a clear advantage among voters who cast their vote based on a candidate's stand on abortion, so they are reluctant to openly discuss the issue. They know that since 1980 every pro-life presidential candidate has shown a significant net gain among voters who place primary emphasis on abortion in deciding for whom they will vote.

Pro-lifers understand that pro-life legislation saves lives. In order to pass protective pro-life legislation, pro-life candidates must prevail in November.

According to its web site, EMILY'S List "is ready to take back Congress in 2006" with its pro-abortion candidates. If that happens, pro-life legislation would be blocked, and pro-life judges would have little chance of being confirmed.

National Right To Life PAC will not allow pro-abortion candidates to hide behind other issues. Together with pro-lifers across America, we will work tirelessly to expose the true positions of candidates on life.

Fortunately, pro-life voters are passionate, dedicated people whose purpose is to end the tragedy of abortion. To do so, we must make sure that pro-abortion candidates like those endorsed by EMILY'S List do not prevail this November.

On May 23, with the help of National Right To Life PAC and scores of pro-life volunteers in Idaho's first congressional district, Bill Sali, a pro-life candidate, prevailed. He defeated

Sheila Sorenson, a pro-abortion Republican, who was the forerunner in the race just weeks out. As they always do, grassroots pro-lifers realized what was at stake in this race. In a year of formidable challenges for the cause of life, fortunately our pro-life candidates have *you*.



Kate Michelman, center, former president of NARAL Pro-Choice America, speaks at a Capitol news conference on abortion rights Wednesday with NM Attorney General Patricia Madrid, left, and Lt. Gov. Diane Denish.

Post note: Patricia Madrid is on EMILY'S LIST and is running against Cong. Heather Wilson.

A NEW CHAPTER IN ACTION

In April, the directors of recently formed Lincoln County Right To Life voted as their first fund-raiser to distribute a red rose to each mother that attended St. Eleanor Church in Ruidoso on Mother's Day May 12, 2006.

It is a tradition at the church that a small congratulatory gift is awarded to each mother at the end of the service on Mother's Day. The pastor agreed that LCRTL would be allowed to distribute the roses and also announce that donations would be accepted in a jar outside the church. Board director Denise Harris made the announcement, and Fr. Al Galvin gave a brief talk about Right To Life activities. The table outside was attended by several members of LCRTL and offered pro-life literature, a sheet explaining RTLNCM's mission, and membership forms.

The fundraiser was a success raising over \$300. Director Sylvia Townsend donated the flowers, so the money raised will now be used to support chapter activities.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD'S INTRUSION IN OUR SOCIETY AND ELSEWHERE

Planned Parenthood has woven its tentacles throughout our society maintaining its agenda that its founder Margaret Sanger proposed only now it has the support of our government, both federal and state, big businesses, and sadly, even organizations that have an agenda to help mankind.

Planned Parenthood clinics offer contraceptives to adults and minors. Many provide abortions. It is a profit making business. The latest report provided June 1, 2006 gives proof of this information.

INCOME: (dollars in millions)	
Clinic	\$346.8
Government grants and contracts	\$272.7
(tax payer dollars)	
Private contributions and bequests	\$215.8
Guttamacher Institute	\$ 6.3
Other	\$ 40.4
TOTAL INCOME:	\$882 million
EXPENSES (dollars in millions)	
Medical services	\$520.8

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Sexuality education	\$ 45.4
Public policy	\$ 41.2
Services to affiliates	\$ 26.3
U.S. family planning	\$ 25.2
International family planning	\$ 8.2
Management and general	\$ 96.8
Fundraising	\$ 41.9
Payments to related organizations	\$ 2.9
Guttmacher Institute	\$ 10.3
TOTAL EXPENSES:	\$819 million
PROFIT:	\$63 million

Planned Parenthood received \$272.7 million from the government for "family planning and education". If you combine sex education and U.S. family planning, that number only comes to \$70.6 million. Even if "public policy" - an undefined entity - was included, that would bring their expenditures to \$111.8 million. What are they using our tax payer dollars for?

Planned Parenthood has sold over a million dollars worth of "Morning After" pills.

Under "Other," you may be interested to know how your money is given to Planned Parenthood by business and organizations that support Planned Parenthood.

Just recently we had the Susan G. Komen Foundation run to fight breast cancer. The "Race for Cure" is held all over the United States. Good hearted citizens give to this cause wanting a cure for breast cancer.

How sad that they don't know the link between breast cancer and abortion. More and more studies are showing how true this is. Yet the Susan G. Komen Foundation gave almost \$500,000 a year to Planned Parenthood, the leading abortion provider in our country. There are other ways we may be supporting Planned Parenthood. Listed below are some of the organizations or corporations who give money to Planned Parenthood. When known, how much is given is also listed.

American Express; Bank One Corp.; *The Buffett Foundation - \$4.8 million to 45 PP affiliates; Chase Manhattan Corp. Cleveland; H. Dodge Foundation - \$2,069,789; Corning Incorporated Foundation (Corning Glass Works) - \$2,972,008; Playboy Foundation (support for RU-486 research, manufacturer, and distribution); The Educational Foundation of America; Ford Foundation; Fortis, Inc.; William Gates Foundation - \$1,700,000 for the United Nations Population Fund (total giving: \$6,500,000); General Mills - \$23,000,048; Harvard University Community Gifts Campaign; The Hershey Foundation - \$21,762,076; Koret Foundation - \$25,000 a year; The Kresge Foundation - \$350,000 a year; Levi Strauss Foundation - \$12,183,990; Liz Claiborne & Art Ortenberg Foundation - \$10,000 a year; Loews Foundation - \$2,081,410; Andrew W. Mellon Foundation - \$450,000; Morgan Stanley Foundation - \$35,000; Polk Brothers Foundation - \$25,000 a year; Robert Wood Johnson Foundation - \$229,275,539; and The Rockefeller Foundation - \$146,970.

*Billionaire Warren Buffett single-handedly funded at least two-thirds of all costs associated with the first year's U.S. trials of RU-486. He has earmarked overpopulation as a priority for his foundation upon his death, and donated \$2 million to the New York-based Population Council to fund research in 1997.

There are many more. For a complete list look up

Planned Parenthood's web site, which then lists its donors

Meanwhile, Planned Parenthood is involved in politics and prepares itself for when Roe vs. Wade is overturned. They are targeting Hispanic teens and adults. Maybe that is why there are now more Hispanics having abortions in New Mexico than Anglos who long held that position.

PP is also pushing for "mandatory" sex education in all schools.

ENGLAND: AMERICA'S PACEMAKER

There have been several articles that show England's culture of death is going full force. This is sad and may be, as it has in the past, an indicator of what will be happening to the United States in the future.

The number of abortions in England has been growing. The reasons have also expanded. A recent article in the *Albuquerque Journal* showed that 20 babies had been killed in the advanced stages of gestation in England because scans showed they had a clubfoot. Clubfoot is a very treatable condition, as is cleft palate, and babies with extra digits or webbed fingers, to name other reasons babies were killed in England.

In years gone by, amniocentesis was used to "find" deformities, and many times the diagnosis was wrong! Now ultrasound can be used to ferret out the "imperfect". The United States does not have many abortions for eliminating the deformed, unless it is severe. However, that could be because many women didn't have the amniocentesis test. With ultrasound now in wide use, this could change.

Will we soon use ultrasound to eliminate a child because of its sex or eye color? Will we start creating "designer babies"? Sex selection abortions have been going on in the U.S. but in smaller numbers. In areas such as China and India, sex selection abortions are mainstream.

In a move to counter U.S. policy prohibiting taxpayer funding of groups that perform or promote abortions in other nations, England has announced it will spend \$5.3 million in public funds to support groups such as the Global Safe Abortion Fund created by Planned Parenthood Federation, Marie Stopes International, and UNFPA's funding of China's coercive population control program. Britain called on other nations to step up their abortion funding as well.

On President Bush's first day in office in 2000, all funding to such pro-abortion groups stopped. The Mexico City Policy, which forbids the use of taxpayer dollars for international abortions, was reinstated.

Britain has stepped up its euthanasia activities also. A new survey finds British doctors used euthanasia to kill nearly 3,000 patients in 2004. Another poll shows that British doctors do not want to see legalization of assisted suicide despite a campaign to do so. The euthanasia done was illegal, according to a BBC report. The survey of 857 doctors found that of the 584,791 deaths in the UK in 2004, 936 were by voluntary euthanasia (patient asked for it), and 1,930 involved the doctor killing the patient without the patient's consent.

One-third of the euthanasia deaths were the result of doctors treating the symptoms of a disease or injury, and just under a third involved doctors withholding treatment in cases when it supposedly was in the best interest of the patient. Both of those courses of action are legal in Britain. None of the doctors in the poll said they had been involved in assisted suicide, and just 2.6% of the physicians surveyed said it would be beneficial to change the law to allow it.

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England: America's Pacemaker...

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The British House of Lords defeated a bill that would have legalized assisted suicide. However the push continues. Len Doyal, ex-member of the British Medical Association ethics committee, says British law should go even further and allow involuntary euthanasia.

Will the course that Britain has taken be the course our nation follows? Let's hope not!

STEM CELLS – THE GOOD AND THE BAD

There are many universities and institutions that are involved in stem cell research including:

California Institutes for Regenerative Medicine www.cirm.ca.gov: It establishes grants and provides loans for stem cell research, research facilities, and other research opportunities at California universities and research institutes.

***Harvard Stem Cell Institute www.stemcell.harvard.edu:** Supports research into all aspect of stem cell biology with special emphasis on those areas with the greatest potential for improving human health.

Pittsburgh Development Center of Magee - Women's Research Institute ww.pdc.magee.edu Explores the molecular biology of cell function, including the potential of stem cells for treating human disease.

Sloan-Kettering Institute www.mskcc.org: Part of the Memorial Sloan-Kettering Cancer Center, the world's oldest and largest private institution devoted to patient care, education, and research into cancer, also studying stem cells.

Stanford University School of Medicine/Institute for Cancer/Stem Cell Biology and Medicine mednews.stanford.edu/stemcell-index.html: Explains Stanford's involvement and perspective on stem cell issues, with links to related sites.

Tulane University Center for Gene Therapy www.som.tulane.edu/gene_therapy: Prepares and distributes well-characterized marrow stromal cells (MSCs) derived from adult human and rodent bone marrow using standardized protocols.

University of California, San Francisco/Developmental and Stem Cell Biology Program stemcellfacts.ucsf.edu: Highlights of UCSF human embryonic stem cell research.

University of Minnesota www.stemcell.umn.edu: Stem Cell Institute works to enhance understanding of stem cells' potential to improve human and animal health.

University of Wisconsin/Embryonic Stem Cell Research www.news.wisc.edu/packages/stemcells: Scientists at UW-Madison were the first to successfully isolate and culture human embryonic stem cells.

***Harvard University has now decided to engage in human cloning for research purposes.**

Information provided by National Institutes of Health (NIH) stemcells.nih.gov/research/educResearch.asp.

When we send our children off to universities that are doing embryonic stem cell research (or cloning), we are aiding the university's efforts with our money. Yes, they do get grant money from corporations, but the research would not be able to continue if our money wasn't paying for and sustaining the institution.

Check on the school you are sending your child to, and make sure it is not doing anything unethical or immoral.

While Embryonic Stem Cell Research Flounders, Adult Stem Cells Advance by Steven Erteit, Life News.com Editor – April 23, 2006

While embryonic stem cell research flounders after an international scandal revealed years of supposed progress were fabricated by South Korean researchers, the use of adult stem cells continues to advance. The less controversial cells have already produced dozens of treatments for diseases and various conditions.

In the latest experiments involving adult stem cells, cardiologists at Rush Cardiac Catheterization Laboratory in Illinois and 15 other centers across the country are hoping that transplanted stem cells can regenerate damaged heart muscle in those who experience a first heart attack.

Researchers say this study may make it easier for patients to get stem cell treatments by not requiring the stem cell transplants be inserted in the site of the disease through catheterization open surgical procedures.

"A person who has had a single severe heart attack may survive but can be left with substantial damage to the heart muscle as a result of the blood supply to the heart muscle being cut off during the heart attack," Rush principal investigator cardiologist Dr. Gary Schaer explained.

"The damaged muscle inhibits the heart's overall ability to pump blood, leading to heart failure," he said.

He explained that mesenchymal stem cells (MSC) are found in the adult bone marrow and have the potential to develop into mature heart cells and new blood vessels. The MSC cells are derived from normal, healthy adult volunteer bone marrow donors and are not derived from killing a human embryo.

Schaer said the adult stem cells should not trigger any rejection issues from the patient's immune system in the way embryonic stem cells have been rejected in animal studies. As a result, the MSCs should eliminate the need for donor matching and recipient immune suppression.

"The cells have the ability to expand or multiply under controlled conditions, and the expanded cells have the ability to develop into different types of cells in the appropriate environment," he explained. "One donation can produce billions of MSCs. The cells can be stored for years in a frozen state, ready to be used when they are needed."

Research has demonstrated that mesenchymal stem cells follow inflammatory signals or "home" to sites of injury in the body. Schaer says the stem cells know to go to the heart muscle in a patient who has had a recent heart attack.

Congestive heart failure is a common outcome for heart attack patients and the number one cause of disability in the United States.

PS: Other heart conditions that are treatable are: Coronary Artery Disease, Cardiomyopathy, Heart Failure and Severe Angina Pectoris

RESEARCHERS PROVE LUNG STEM CELLS EXIST

Scientists at Genomic Research Center of the Academia Sinica announced on June 13, 2006 that they had proved the existence of lung stem cells, which are an important target of infection for the SARS virus.

The results were published in one of this year's issues of the *Proceedings of the National Academy of Sciences*, which publishes reports on cutting-edge research from several different scientific disciplines.

The project is a joint effort of the Genomics Research Center and the Institute of Cellular Organismic Biology of

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Academia Sinica, the National Defense Medical Center, and Taipei Medical University.

John Yu, the leader of the research center, witnessed the massive outbreak of SARS in 2003. He noticed it took some time before SARS patients developed acute respiratory distress syndrome (ARDS). He then hypothesized that this could be related to a stem cell's regenerative cycle in repairing lung damage.

While researchers had speculated that there were adult stem cells in the lung responsible for producing cells for the respiratory system, it was Yu's team that tested and proved the hypothesis through the study of SARS-infected lung tissues.

The team noticed that only one unique cell population was infected by the SARS virus. They found that this specific group of cells had the characteristics of embryonic stem cells.

"They could also be the leftover 'embryonic' stem cells hidden in lungs," Yu said. The team concluded that infected lung stem cells account for the "continued deterioration of lung tissues and the apparent loss of capacity for lung repair in the later stage of infection." The center is now applying to patent the discovery.

Source: *Taipei Times*, June 14, 2006

**MAN WHO BOTCHED
ABORTIONS CAN'T
CHANGE HIS NAME,
JUDGE RULES**

White Plains, NY: A former abortion practitioner jailed for botched abortions can't change his name

because a judge is concerned the public will think he is a reputable doctor again. Abu Hayat was tagged as the "Butcher of Avenue A" in the early 1990s for several cases of botched abortion. The most infamous one involved a woman on whom he performed an incomplete abortion. Her daughter was born without a right arm. Hayat last year presented a request to change his name to Alba D. R. Wilobeyeee, but state Supreme Court Justice Nicholas Colabella sided with the state attorney's office and said the middle initials could confuse the public and mislead them into thinking he was a legitimate doctor. "This risk is of particular concern in this case, given that the petitioner was convicted of criminal conduct involving illegal abortions," Colabella wrote. In October 1991, Hayat attempted to perform a third-trimester abortion on Rosa Rodriguez, who was seven months pregnant at the time. On the second day of the abortion procedure, after complications had begun, Rodriguez gave birth to a baby girl, Ana Rosa Rodriguez. The baby was taken to a local hospital and was released in good medical health, except for her missing arm. Hayat also tried to frighten Rodriguez into paying \$1,500 for the abortion. He reportedly charged Rodriguez \$1,000 in cash, plus her passport, green card, and jewelry as collateral for the other \$500.

Note: Abortion can be done all 9 months in New York. However, the type of abortion Hayat used was not suitable for a third trimester abortion. Thus, it was an illegal abortion under those circumstances.

Information - *LifeNews* - 6/1/2005

**MEMBERSHIP
APPLICATION**

I understand that the Right To Life Committee of New Mexico (RTL CNM) is a non-sectarian, non-profit organization dedicated to the right to life of all innocent human beings from fertilization to natural death; that this organization takes a stand only on those issues that are directly related to abortion, infanticide and euthanasia.

I support the goals of RTL CNM, including a Human Life Amendment to the U.S. Constitution, and hereby make application for membership (renewal) as follows:

- Individual — \$20.00
- Corporate — \$40.00 - for business organizations
- Family — \$30.00
- NRL News Subscription (\$5.00 with paid membership)

Name _____

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