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## ONE HUNDRED YEARS FROM NOW

It will not matter  
what kind of car I drove,  
what kind of house I lived in,  
how much money I had  
in my bank account, nor  
what my clothes looked like.  
But the world may be  
a little better  
because I was important  
in the life of a child.

— Margaret Fishback Powers

## COMMENTARY FROM THE EDITOR

DAUNEEN DOLCE

There are several items that need to be addressed that are very important, so please read this carefully, and ask yourself if you are prepared to do all that you can to help the pro-life movement take those steps that will save human lives.

### REGISTERED TO VOTE

As petitions come into the State Office, I look to see if the signer is registered to vote, and it astounds me how many are either not registered or are not registered at the address where they reside. The petition is asking for a law to be created in our New Mexico, yet the person signing may not be able to vote for the person who can help get the law passed. This is like saying, "I want to cook a great meal, but my hands are tied behind me."

You must register or change your registration address before October 10, 2006 to be able to vote in the General Election on November 5, 2006. When you vote, you hire legislators to work for you; without your vote you cannot help them. To register, look in your telephone book and find the county clerk's office under county government pages, or, if you need assistance, e-mail our office at [info@rtlnm.org](mailto:info@rtlnm.org) or call 505-881-4563. One vote can win an election, and it may be yours.

### VOLUNTEERING

In the last *Viva Life*, I told you I would be seeking your help in either volunteering for your local chapter or the State. The Right To Life Committee of New Mexico works with a volunteer force. There are only three paid employees; only one is full time. When we don't have enough volunteers to help chapters or the State, then activities are limited. Since most activities deal with education, the people of New Mexico suffer from lack of knowledge and thus hurt the pro-life movement.

For those getting the newsletter, if you live where there is a chapter, you will receive a form showing the activities of that chapter. Please carefully consider if you can give some time to one of the many options listed.

For those who reside where there is not a chapter, you will get a volunteer form that involves State activities. You will notice that there is a place to start a chapter. I truly hope that some of you will consider that important volunteer activity. We must have activities to educate the people in your area.

For those who get this newsletter by e-mail, if you live where there is a chapter, please fill in your county on the proper line and e-mail back. If you reside where there is no chapter, e-mail the State form back.

I have been a volunteer as well as paid staff for RTLNCNM. I still volunteer as PAC chairman. I can only tell you that when you do something to save innocent lives, your life changes; your life has more meaning, and so do you. We all have been given the gift of life, we all live in a great country, and we must return these gifts by helping to save others. Everyone who cares about life can find some time to ensure that others have life, as well as to protect our own families and our own lives. So think carefully; if you don't help, who will?

## VOTING FOR PRO-LIFE CANDIDATES

The following points have been made by Fr. Frank Pavone from Priests for Life on voting with a clear conscience. The points he makes are not "Catholic" or even designated for those who have religious beliefs. They do have to do with morality, which defined means "relating to the principles of right and wrong". His points are valid, and all voters should consider them carefully.

1. **Vote.** The first step to vote with a clear conscience is to make sure you actually vote. The Catechism of the Catholic Church says, "*Submission to authority and co-responsibility for the common good make it morally obligatory...to exercise the right to vote*".

To make sure you are on the road to fulfilling that duty, you need to keep a few things in mind:

Make sure you are properly registered to vote. If you have moved, change your registration to reflect your present address.

Think ahead, and if you are going to be out of town on Election Day because of work, vacation, family responsibilities, school, military service, or some other reason, get an absentee ballot (from your county clerk) well in advance and fill it out and mail it in during the time allotted. Likewise, if you are homebound or in a nursing facility and will not be able to get to the polls, don't let that make you lose your vote! Obtain an absentee ballot right away.

Some states allow early voting (New Mexico is one). This means that even if you are going to be out of town on Election Day, you can vote within a specific period of time before Election Day (October 21 - November 4). This can help you in case unforeseen obstacles arise on Election Day, like illness, car trouble, bad weather, or

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## Voting for Pro-Life Candidates...*(cont. from pg. 1)*

unexpected obligations.

Bring your voting decisions to great consideration. Seek wisdom and guidance, clarity and strength as you consider the candidates in the light of the principles explained here. Look for the freedom to do the right thing in the voting booth.

2. **Know the Candidates.** You can vote with a clear conscience if you *know for sure ahead of time where the candidates stand* on the issues.
3. **Reject the Disqualified.** Suppose a candidate came forward and said "I support terrorism." Would you say, "I disagree with you on terrorism, but what's your health care plan?" Of course not. Similarly, those who would permit the destruction of innocent life by abortion disqualify themselves for consideration. If a politician cannot respect the life of a little baby, how is he or she supposed to respect yours?
4. **Distinguish Policy from Principle.** Most disagreements between candidates and political platforms do not have to do with *principle* but rather with *policy*. For example, it is a basic principle that people have a right to the safety of their own lives and possessions. That's why we have to fight crime. We don't see candidates campaigning on opposite sides of that principle and some saying "Fight Crime" and the other defending "The Right to Crime." Instead, there is agreement on the principle but disagreement of *the best policies to implement the principle*. But when that policy dispute involves questioning whether people deserve that protection in the first place, *the policy is the principle*. To allow abortion, which is the killing of a human child in the womb, is to break the principle that every human life deserves protection.
5. **Weigh Other Issues Properly.** There are many other issues that have to be considered in elections, but *not all have equal weight*. Once voters have disqualified those candidates who violate fundamental principles, they need to look at the wide spectrum of issues affecting the proper care of human life and promotion of human dignity.

In particular, capital punishment and the waging of war are troubling to the consciences of many voters. Support for war and capital punishment do not automatically or necessarily violate fundamental moral principles; support for abortion and euthanasia always do. Therefore, supporting these latter policies is worse.
6. **If You Are a Christian, Keep Your Loyalty Focused on Jesus.** When you vote, you say something about where your loyalties are. There is nothing wrong with being loyal to a candidate or to a political party, but there is something very wrong if your loyalty to either is stronger than your loyalty to Jesus Christ. Ask yourself, "*Is there a position that my party can take that would prevent me from voting the party line?*" Framed in another way, the question is, "*Is my loyalty to the Christian faith stronger than my loyalty to any political party?*"

(Please note: This can apply to any other religious faith in asking these questions).
7. **Remember, the Party Matters.** Voting with a clear conscience also means that you consider how the outcome of the election in which you vote affects the balance of power. In other words, elections do not only put *individual candidates* into power; they put *political parties* into power. And it is not only the candidates who have positions. So do the parties.
8. **Distinguish "Choosing Evil" from "Limiting Evil."** What happens if two opposing candidates both support abor-

tion? Then just ask a simple question: *Which of the two candidates will do less harm to unborn children if elected?* This is not "choosing the lesser of two evils." We *may never choose evil*. But in the case described above, you would not be choosing evil. Why? *Because in choosing to limit an evil, you are choosing a good.*

9. **Support the Candidate with More Than Your Vote.** Additional supporting activities include donating to the campaign, volunteering for the campaign, handing out literature for the candidate, making phone calls and visits on the candidate's behalf, sending e-mails, using yard signs and bumper stickers. Elections, after all, are not contests between two candidates. They are contests between two teams, and it is the team that has more active members doing all these things that, in the end, will bring in the most votes.
10. **Mobilize as Many Other Voters as Possible!** Each of us has one vote, but each of us can mobilize hundreds of thousands of votes. As Election Day draws near, focus on the "low-hanging fruit." Remember, the numbers are what counts. You have a limited amount of time to try to garner as many votes as possible. It's much like going into an orange grove, with the goal of gathering as many oranges as you can in a limited amount of time. It doesn't make sense to expend time and energy climbing to the top of the trees to get the oranges there when you can get many more that are within arm's reach with much less time and energy. Reach for the low-hanging fruit.

So it is with elections. Rather than spend hours trying to convince one person to vote the right way, spend that time and energy reminding dozens of people – who are already in agreement with you on the issues – to get out and cast their vote. Don't go looking for the personal victory of catching the "hard to get" voter. Go catch the easier ones and bring the candidate to victory!

If you can take the day off on Election Day, do so. Spend the day contacting people by phone and email, reminding them to vote. Maybe a friend needs a ride to the polls or someone to watch the children while they go to vote. If you call a friend in the morning to remind him to vote, call him again later to verify that he did so.

*Having done all this, rejoice in a clear conscience, and trust the Lord to bring about the victory for a Culture of Life.*

## WHO ARE THE CANDIDATES NATIONAL RIGHT TO LIFE AND THE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE OF NEW MEXICO ARE SUPPORTING?

**NATIONAL RTL:** Since National RTL PAC is a federal PAC, and RTL CNM does not have a federal PAC, National is the one who decides who to support when there are federal candidates in New Mexico. In 2006, the following candidates are being supported by National Right To Life's Political Action Committee:

Congressional District 1	Rep. Heather Wilson
Congressional District 2	Rep. Steve Pearce
Congressional District 3	Dr. Ron Dolin
U.S. Senate	Dr. Allen McCullough

## THE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE OF NEW MEXICO'S ENDORSEMENTS OR RECOMMENDATIONS

Where there is a contest between Democrats and Republicans for a State House seat or for a state office position, there have been either endorsements or recommenda-

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## RTLCCNM Endorsement of Candidates...

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tions made, if possible. An endorsement means the candidate agrees with RTLCCNM on the issues. If running against an incumbent, that person is either pro-choice or did not answer our questionnaire. A recommendation means they agree on most of the issues, and whoever is running against them is either pro-choice or did not answer our questionnaire.

### STATE OFFICE POSITIONS ENDORSED

Attorney General  
Secretary of State

Jim Bibb  
Vickie Perea

### RECOMMENDED

State Treasurer  
Auditor  
Commissioner of Public Lands  
Public Regulation Commission  
District 2

Demesia Padilla  
Lorenzo Garcia  
Patrick Lyons

David King

### STATE HOUSE DISTRICTS ENDORSED

District 2  
District 7  
District 8  
District 14  
District 28  
District 29  
District 36  
District 37  
District 53  
District 54  
District 60  
District 61

James Strickler  
David Young  
Jackie Farnsworth  
Clara Pena  
Rep. Jimmie Hall  
Tom Anderson  
Isaac Chavez  
Scott Witt  
Rep. Terry Marquardt  
William Gray  
Jim Owens  
Shirley Tyler

### RECOMMENDED

District 6  
District 15  
District 16  
District 23  
District 24  
District 56  
District 58  
District 59

George Hanosh  
Teresa Zanetti  
Storm Field  
Eric Youngberg  
Rep. Janice Arnold-Jones  
Rep. W.C. Williams  
Rep. Candy Spence Ezzell  
Nora Espinosa

REGISTRATION DEADLINE IS OCTOBER 10, 2006!

## STATE BOARD OF DIRECTORS ELECTION

Since there were no contests in the districts from which the State board has directors, those who ran in those districts were voted in by acclamation, and mailing of a ballot to dues-paying members was not done in order to save money and time.

The following people will be the board of directors for the years 2007 to 2011:

Districts 1, 2, and 3 (Bernalillo and Torrance): Charlene Comba, Edward Haddad, Joan Herman and Cherry Lyle  
District 4 (Union, Quay, Harding, Debaca, Curry, and Roosevelt): Kenneth Tidmore

District 5 (Lea, Chaves, Otero, Eddy, and Lincoln): None

District 6 (Grant, Luna, Hidalgo, Sierra, and Dona Ana): Heather Hobbs and Joe German

District 7 (Guadalupe, Sandoval, Santa Fe, San Miguel, Mora, and Colfax): Larry Uhrich and Catherine Uhrich

District 8 (San Juan, Rio Arriba, Taos, and Los Alamos): Mary Early

District 9 (Valencia, McKinley, Cibola, Catron, and Socorro): None

At this point, a dues-paying member can be appointed by the current State board. After finding two directors for each district, we will then need an alternate for each district. If you are interested in representing your area on the State board, please contact Dauneen Dolce at 505-881-4563 or e-mail at [info@rtlccnm.org](mailto:info@rtlccnm.org)

## STATE OFFICER OF RTLCCNM

Elections of State officers will take place at the November Open Meeting. A candidate can run from the floor and be added to the ballot. The person must be a dues-paying member and fill out an application that show the person's qualifications. If interested, please call 505-881-4563.

At this point, we have the following people seeking the respective positions:

**PRESIDENT:** Betty Eichenseer. Betty is currently on the State board and is chapter president of Albuquerque RTL, coordinates the Isotopes concession stand, is on the State Fair Committee and the Media Committee. A long time pro-life worker, she wants RTLCCNM to continue to be the eyes and ears for New Mexicans regarding life issues.

**VICE PRESIDENT:** Dr. Frank Maldonado. Dr. Maldonado is the State's current Vice-President, is on the Lea County RTL chapter, and is an advisor to the Lincoln County RTL. He is also chairman of the Nominations Committee. He desires to help establish new chapters in the state, increase speaking engagements, and help increase membership. He wants a larger and more active presence at both the state and local levels.

**SECRETARY:** Connie Johnson. Connie is currently the State Secretary, is on the nominations committee, and volunteers for many different activities to help educate the public about life issues.

**TREASURER:** Verna Pochop. Verna has been the treasure for all three of RTLCCNM's organizations: C-4, (membership), C-3 (Educational Trust Fund), and the Political PAC Committee since the 1980s. She does the reporting to State and the record keeping for IRS. Her goals are to further educate people, to change hearts and minds, and to increase membership.

**NATIONAL DELEGATE:** Dauneen Dolce. Dauneen has been National Delegate since 1985 representing New Mexico on the National RTL board and working with National RTL on needs both at the national level and in New Mexico. She hopes to bring back to the state ideas and activities from National and all the other states on National RTL's board to strengthen New Mexico's pro-life positions.

## ISOTOPES – A GREAT SUCCESS



Thanks to the many volunteers who helped in the concession stand at the Isotopes games, we were able to raise a substantial amount of money to keep the organization operating. Special thanks go to John and Betty Eichenseer who spend the spring and the summer coordinating volunteers and being at the games and doing all the work that entails. This is one of the most demanding and long lasting jobs a volunteer can

do. Thank you, Eichenseers. If we had more volunteers, we could even have more food booths and raise more money. Volunteers work the games of their choice. When the call comes out next year, please consider this important and fun event.

was their first time receiving any information regarding abortion, infanticide, and/or euthanasia. Again, consider volunteering for this extremely worthwhile project in the future. You will find it very rewarding, as you too can learn while serving.

## Coming Events

### → SATURDAY, OCTOBER 28, 2006: TUPPERWARE FUNDRAISING PARTY

Held at the Knights of Columbus Hall at 2800 San Mateo Blvd NE where the State office is located from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. This is a good opportunity to purchase Christmas presents or other gifts while giving RTLCLNM 40% of the total retail sales (less applicable taxes). Enclosed is a catalogue. All orders must be postmarked by October 28, 2006 for RTLCLNM to benefit from the order. For those who receive the newsletter by email or those unable to attend, please go to

[www.my.tupperware.com/chilegirl](http://www.my.tupperware.com/chilegirl)

to see the catalogue. These online orders also must be posted by October 28, 2006. If unable to attend and without computer access, you can still place an order by stopping by the State office. Payment for Tupperware products can be made with Visa, MC, Discover, cash, personal check, or money order. Make checks payable to **Right To Life**.

Please help us while we are helping you. This is a winner for everyone!

If you have questions, please call 505-881-4563 and ask for Geneva or e-mail [info@rtlclnm.org](mailto:info@rtlclnm.org).

### → SATURDAY, NOVEMBER 18, 2006: OPEN HOUSE FOR MEMBERS AND DONORS OF THE RIGHT TO LIFE COMMITTEE OF NEW MEXICO

The Open House will begin at 1:00 p.m. and will last no more than two hours. For those who are members, you may vote for the State officers. A report on RTLCLNM's activities and getting input from our supporters is on the agenda. You will be able to visit our office and meet the board of directors. Come and be involved in the organization you have given time and money to. YOU are the Right To Life Committee of New Mexico.



## STEM CELL RESEARCH – STEM CELL CURES

As has been written in previous *Viva Life* articles, RTLCLNM supports the use of stem cells for medical purposes, as long as the stem cells are not taken from an embryo, which then causes that human life to die. There is no need to do this; furthermore, there has not been one cure ever established using embryonic stem cells, but there have been tumors and death from using these types of cells.

Every day there are articles about the use of stem cells from adult stem cells, placenta stem cells, umbilical cord stem cells, mice stem cells, or a person's own stem cells showing the great advancements in the medical world, all without causing the death of another.

The University of Kentucky has coaxed stem cells from adult mice to change into brain, heart, nerve, and pancreatic cells mimicking embryonic stem cells. Now "a lot of people report the presence of embryonic-like cells in adults," said Dr. Mariusz Ratjczak, leader of the research team and Director of the Stem-Cell Biology Program at the University of Kentucky at Louisville's James Graham Brown Cancer Center.

The University of Illinois says related discoveries have been announced by at least five other laboratories. The University of Illinois has identified a similar type of stem cell in human umbilical cord blood and described their findings in July at the annual meeting of the International Society of Stem Cell Research in Toronto.

German researchers publishing in *Nature* said sperm stem cells from adult mouse testis have the capacity to form other cells. And researchers at Mount Sinai School of Medicine in New York described promising cells in the adult mouse heart.

"Those are real solid confirmations," said Arthur Caplan, a nationally known bioethicist at the University of Pennsylvania. "That's exactly what you look for when you claim a breakthrough."

Dr. Rataczak's team, which is using federal grant money to further the research, is also gaining recognition and praise from the scientific community.

Using these types of cells may be years away for human treatment, but using a patient's own stem cells is being done today. The treatable conditions for these cells are:

## STATE FAIR – 2006



Another successful year at the State Fair has taken place. Many people came, learned, and are now more aware of pro-life issues than before stopping at our booth. It happened because many pro-life volunteers gave their time and energy to this annual activity.

The State Fair Committee created a very eye-catching booth. On a daily basis, Charlene Comba kept all in order. Geneva Trujillo did a great job scheduling for the Fair. The State

Fair booth gives us the opportunity to reach more people than all our other activities combined. For many visitors, this

## Research on Stem Cells...

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Ischemic Heart Disease (Coronary Artery Disease)  
Cardiomyopathy  
Heart Failure  
Severe Angina Pectoris

Using the body's own fat cells, smooth muscle has been created. Smooth muscle lines blood vessels and the intestinal tract. With the creation of these muscles, it is hoped that within the next two years scientists will be able to rebuild the urethra in women with urinary incontinence.

Stem cells in the bone marrow also show great promise. There was an article in the *Albuquerque Journal* (August 28) about a New Mexico woman who is using her own stem cells to fight myeloma, a blood cancer. Adult stem cells helped an Illinois woman who was suffering from a cancer of her immune system (Non-Hodgkin's lymphoma) to eradicate the cancer. After receiving the stem cells, the woman's bone marrow is now able to produce new, healthy blood on its own.

Every day the list grows longer and longer. Some are making effects today; some will be making their effects in a few years. The future is bright in using anything but embryonic stem cells. We must work with what does work without being destructive

## PLANNED PARENTHOOD – PUBLIC ENEMY # 1 FOR THE UNBORN

Planned Parenthood is the largest provider of abortions in the United States. In 2001-2002 it received \$240 million in government money, which is about 70% federal with state and local making up the rest of the amount. Title 10 accounts for 24% of government money. In its latest annual report, the amount given is \$272 million - \$190 from federal and \$83 million from state and local governments. Not all this money is used for abortions, but it is almost impossible to separate the activities, as they kill 250,000 babies a year. Idaho, Montana, Oklahoma, South Dakota, Utah, and West Virginia gave no money to Planned Parenthood.

Meanwhile, Planned Parenthood opposes Parental Involvement laws, Women's Right to Know laws, supported Plan B (which can cause an abortion), supports Partial Birth Abortion, opposes judges who believe the unborn has rights, provides sex education in many school districts (including Albuquerque), and supports abortion and sexual activities, such as oral sex.

Now OB/GYN residents at Yale's School of Medicine must undergo training in abortion procedures in a required residency program established by Planned Parenthood's Connecticut branch (PPC). Second year OB/GYN residents have to complete two four-week rotations with PPC for training in abortion techniques, such as vacuum suction, medical abortions, and other "family planning" services in a program entitled "Family Planning/Ambulatory Surgery".

Although the course is required in the residency curriculum, OB/GYN residents do not have to participate in any abortions if they sign a paper that states they believe abortion is against their "personal/religious" beliefs. However, residents cannot opt out of learning the theoretical applications of the program, including techniques related to still-birth, miscarriage, and complications from abortion. Students also cannot opt out of performing ultrasound on women intending to have abortions.

Planned Parenthood is the enemy of the unborn, but society should consider it as enemies of us all, as it does not respect life nor does it protect life. We are paying far more than our taxes to keep this organization in operation.

## EUTHANASIA

Most of us are very concerned about abortion and the 1.3 million babies that lose their lives each year, but often we don't think about euthanasia, the fast growing killer in our society. It is more illusive, but humans from the newborn to the elderly are now in harm's way.

**NEWBORNS:** Princeton University professor Peter Singer came under international condemnation when he announced he favors killing disabled babies via infanticide. Though he was blasted from both sides of the political spectrum, the so-called ethicist still holds to the position.

In an interview with an independent newspaper in England, Singer said he would definitely kill a disabled newborn baby "if that was in the best interests of the baby and of the family as a whole." Singer said he found it surprising that abortion advocates would disagree with his views. "Many people find this shocking, yet they support a woman's right to have an abortion," Singer said.

Meanwhile he claimed he had one point of common belief with pro-life advocates. "One point on which I agree with opponents of abortion is that, from the point of view of ethics rather than the law, there is no sharp distinction between the fetus and the newborn baby," Singer explained.

As he wrote in *Rethinking Life and Death*, "Human babies are not born self-aware or capable of grasping their lives over time. They are not persons. Hence their lives would seem to be no more worthy of protection than the life of a fetus."

**ADULTS:** There are many policies in hospitals, etc., that deny treatments to those who do not have "quality of life". This will be addressed in coming newsletters.

The main support for euthanasia comes from assisted suicide. People who may not even be terminally ill are being killed throughout the world and in our country. In Oregon, doctors can prescribe lethal prescriptions to patients. The patient does not have to have a mental evaluation, so depression is not addressed. The law in Oregon does not require reporting these deaths as such, so the number of 38 suicides in 2002 may well be under the actual amount. Reporting of complications is also not required and isn't done.

What reports that are made show the reasons given by patients who wanted to end their lives as:

Losing autonomy (84%),

Decreasing ability to participate in activities they enjoyed (84%), and

Losing control of bodily functions (47%).

Almost no one even mentioned pain, the argument most supported for passing the law.

Several unofficial reports of situations where the lethal drug did not kill the patient have surfaced. In one case, the patient had convulsions, vomited, and was disoriented and uncontrollable after taking the medication. The son-in-law put a pillow on the woman's head and sat on it until she smothered. The district attorney investigating the case reported that what the son-in-law did was not criminal. (He killed her; the medication didn't, so how can this be?)

Since 10-20% of assisted suicides in Holland fail to kill the patient, the practice there has been to then give a single lethal injection. Thus the doctor kills the patient, a new role for a doctor who is supposed to save lives.

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**Planned Parenthood...**

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The legal profession has also been corrupted with judges and district attorneys ignoring existing laws that do not allow anyone to help another kill himself or to kill the person themselves. There are killings in hospitals and hospices that go uninvestigated or when investigated and prosecuted get probation or very little time in jail. HMOs and government are not inclined to investigate, for terminal illness can be costly, and rapid death saves them considerable money.

As we grow older and the number of taxpayers at the bottom of the demographic pyramid is dwindling as our birthrate remains under replacement level, it will not be the terminally ill but the chronically ill and just being elderly that will make you vulnerable for non-treatment of your ills. In a few years we will have only two taxpayers to pay for social services and medical care for every one older person. Something will have to give, as there simply will not be enough taxes available to take adequate care of the aging generation. One expeditious answer to this bind is to find new ways to "empty hospital beds", such as rationing health care and pressuring the elderly to commit suicide. One wonders if one will be able to "trust" our physicians as we have done in the past or fear him/her as being an executioner.

**POST NOTE:** A new survey shows that doctors who engage in physician assisted suicide and euthanasia face numerous emotional and psychological problems. Dr. Kenneth Stevens, former professor and Chairman of the

Radiation Oncology department at Oregon Health & Science University (OHSU), surveyed articles in medical and public literature about doctors in Oregon and the Netherlands. Stevens concluded, "The emotional and psychological effects on the participating physician can be substantial. There is a large burden on conscience, tangled emotions, and a large psychological toll." The study, which appears in *Issues in Law & Medicine*, published by the National Legal Center for the Medically Dependent and Disabled, found that some doctors regretted their role in the killing of their patients. Others describe being profoundly adversely affected, being caught up in the patient's drive for assisted suicide, and having a sense of powerlessness and feeling isolated.

**COURAGE**

Courage is contagious.  
When a brave man takes a stand,  
the spines of others are stiffened.

— Rev. Billy Graham

**TRANSPLANT SAVES  
NEWBORN BABY AFTER  
MOM WOULDN'T  
CONSIDER ABORTION**

ST. LOUIS, MO: Jacob Gibbs has survived despite receiving a rare metabolic disorder of the liver from his mother, Keeley. Although doctors warned her that getting pregnant would be risky, Keeley had no thoughts about abortion once she found out she was carrying Jacob and that he inherited the disorder from her.

Source: Life News-4/21/06

**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 \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City/Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Wish to: (check one)

- Register to vote
- Re-register

I am a registered: (check one)

- Republican     Democrat
- Other

Signature Required

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