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In September, Bethlehem/Easton Chapter lost two of its most faithful members, Kay Anne Mulligan and Donna Murphy. Both worked tirelessly on pro-life issues.

Using their own special talents, Donna, as a mother of ten, was the hostess for our meetings in Hellertown as well as Recording Secretary. She always found time to actively support all chapter activities.

Kay Anne, as Chapter President, developed and organized many projects, all designed to save the unborn. She chaired the local State Pro-Life Convention and organized buses to the March for Life. Kay Anne could be counted on to use her creative writing ability to let everyone know the error of their ways if they called themselves “pro-choice”.

May they enjoy eternal happiness with God and all the precious children they tried to protect.

PRO-LIFE on DEFENSE FOLLOWING PA ELECTION

“As a result of the November election, pro-abortion Democrats have won control of the Pennsylvania House of Representatives, and pro-abortion Attorney General Josh Shapiro will be assuming the Governor’s Office. The Republicans maintain control of the PA Senate.

The Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation expects an onslaught of pro-abortion bills and policies in the state legislature and in the Executive Branch. Our top legislative priority will be **to defend pregnancy care centers from legislative or administrative harm**. What this all means is that your voice is more important than ever! If you have not already done so, please join our email alert list at www.paprolife.org . That way, you will know immediately when you need to contact your state lawmakers about legislation likely to come up for a vote. During this period, it will be critical to ramp up our educational efforts to show the humanity of the preborn child, the harm that abortion causes women, and the key role pregnancy care centers play in assisting pregnant women and their families throughout the Commonwealth.”

Maria V. Gallagher, Legislative Director, Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation

DANGEROUS MEDICAL MISINFORMATION

MYTH: Abortion is an essential healthcare service.

FACT: The pro-abortion policies promoted by groups like the American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists (ACOG) do not align with the views of many in the medical community or the countless Americans across the country that support commonsense protections for women.

MYTH: Restrictions on abortion are an intrusion on the relationship between a doctor and a patient.

FACT: Most abortion providers have no previous relationship with the patients they see. It is not an intrusion for a physician to protect BOTH patients.

MYTH: Unrestricted abortion access is necessary for providing life-saving care for pregnant women.

FACT: Elective abortion is not lifesaving medical care. Ob/Gyn’s will still be able to offer lifesaving treatment.

MYTH: Women with ectopic pregnancies and miscarriages won’t receive care they need.

FACT: These circumstances are entirely different than an elective abortion, which purposefully ends the life of an unborn child.

MYTH: Maternal mortality will increase as a result of the Supreme Court’s ruling.

FACT: The data clearly shows that restricting abortion does not lead to an increase in maternal mortality.

MYTH: Placing restrictions on abortion will diminish care for women.

FACT: Abortion restrictions often improve safety for women. Provisions like ultrasound are beneficial.

MYTH: Abortion does not have a long term impact on a woman’s reproductive health.

FACT: Abortions increase a woman’s risk of preterm birth in a future pregnancy.

MYTH: Chemical abortions are a safe and convenient option for women.

FACT: The dangerous push in recent years to dispense abortion pills through the mail or without a doctor’s visit presents a grave threat to women’s health.

MYTH: Restricting access to abortion will have a negative impact on women’s mental health.

FACT: Numerous studies show women suffer from worse mental health outcomes after an abortion.

ABORTION BUSINESS INCREASES

In its 2020-2021 annual report, Planned Parenthood revealed an increase in abortions. All their other operations decreased. As the country's largest abortion provider, **383,460** children had their lives ended by the so called "parenthood" business.

They also announced an RV mobile abortion facility to travel closer to red states. The abortion RV will remain in Illinois, but travel to the borders of Missouri and Kentucky, which have enacted legal protections for unborn children.

The abortion provider said it would start providing surgical abortions inside the RV after a few months.

ABORTION PRESIDENT

In October, President Biden vowed to "restore Roe" as the first bill he would send to Congress, after the mid-term elections, to codify into federal law the so-called "right to abortion" for any reason, up to the moment of birth.

Biden hopes to sign the bill into law on January 22, 2023, the 50th anniversary of the now-defunct 1973 Supreme Court case known as Roe v. Wade.

DEMOCRATS MANIPULATED ABORTION ISSUE

Democrats attempted to divert attention from President Biden's miserable approval rating, high inflation, soaring gas prices and used abortion as a referendum on what they described as Republicans' "extreme" views. President Biden and the Democratic control in Washington were free of blame while they successfully "wove abortion" into all other issues.

Were the Republicans' alleged "extreme views" on abortion [in fact] extreme? It is the Democrats who embrace abortion throughout the entire pregnancy and do not even defend treating abortion survivors. Whose views are extreme?

Democrats spent nearly half a billion dollars on ads mentioning abortion, more than twice what they spent on the second-closest issue, crime. The barrage of ads were "lies, omissions and distortions". The messaging was to keep the conversation broad by casting Republicans as supporting a national ban on abortion, and avoid a discussion over the details about any limits. If they did, voters might catch on to what **pro-abortion Democrats really stand for: unlimited abortion paid for out of the taxpayer's pocket.**

NRL President Carol Tobias summed it up:

"Pro-abortion groups and their allies in Congress know they cannot win with the truth. We saw unprecedented attacks using fabrications and misrepresentations against pro-life candidates. Pro-abortion Democratic leaders and their allies know that when people learn the truth about abortion, they lose, so they had to hide behind deception and spin."

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The 2023 theme for the **50th annual March for Life** is: "Next Steps: Marching in a Post-Roe America."
The date of the March is **Friday, January 20, 2023.**

For bus transportation details contact: Americanpatriot@rcn.com or 484-259-7740.

Make your travel arrangements now and join this historic gathering.



CONTEST WINNERS: CONGRATULATIONS!



Jordan Merklin, a senior at Bethlehem Catholic HS, won the Senior Division of the 2022 PA Pro-Life Federation Essay Contest.

Emily Olsen, a sophomore at Notre Dame HS placed second in the Novice Division of the 2022 PA Pro-Life Federation Video Oratory Contest.

Note: To conserve space, the sources of the articles summarized are not documented in the Newsletter. We will provide that information on request.