#### **KW Right to Life**

# **News & Views**

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Promoting the Sanctity of all Human Life

From Conception to Natural Death

## **Conscientious Objectors Should Be Protected**



Stephen Woodworth spoke the evening of May 15th at Kit. City Hall with several other speakers. Available on https://youtu.be/RvKPUPlgys

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Ontario Legislative
Assembly
We urge you to immediately introduce an amendment to recently enacted
Bill 84 (Medical Assistance in Dying Statute Law
Amendment Act, 2017) to include a provision for the freedom of conscience gua

To: All Members of the

Amendment Act, 2017) to include a provision for the freedom of conscience guaranteed by the Universal Declaration of Human Rights, which states in Article 18 "Everyone has the right to freedom of thought, conscience and religion..."

These were not just empty words but a sturdy foundation for civilized democracy, purchased with blood. It is outrageous to now cast the aside these ideals!

It is not illegal for any citizen to refuse to materially cooperate in procedures to end the life of any human being. It is a violation of citizens' basic freedoms for any governing authority to punish honourable men and women for following their conscience by limiting them or excluding them from full participation in our public medical system, as the College of Physicians and Surgeons proposes to do.

Even during wartime, a time of national crisis when Canada's existence as a nation was threatened and citizens were conscripted into the armed forces. Canadians have been free to claim non -lethal service with conscientious objector status. The freedom to adopt standards of conscience at odds with those of governing authorities is an important component of the freedoms enjoyed in Canada. We are dismayed to find any Canadian citizen being punished by a college of physicians and surgeons for peaceful conscientious objection simply because that conscientious objection dissents from the views of another social group.

True secular equality demands that no social group may impose its standards of conscience upon another or suppress the free conscientious objections of those whose views differ from their own. The honourable men and women who serve us in the medical profession should be free to conclude that materially cooperating in taking the life of any human being violates their

conscience and free to conscientiously object to such cooperation.

You need not agree with any specific view about assisted suicide to champion the freedom of conscience for which our forebears sacrificed and fought. That freedom is an important bulwark of democracy because individual conscience permits a focus of loyalty capable of challenging the otherwise supreme

power of civil authorities.

Imposing barriers to the practice of their livelihood against honourable men and women simply because their beliefs don't meet with the approval of some other social group contradicts Canadians' hard-won freedom of conscience. Please champion freedom by moving that Bill 84 be amended to guarantee the freedom of medical professionals to conscientiously object to materially cooperating in procedures to end the life of any human being. The Democracy Defence Initiative,

Stephen C. Woodworth (519) 404-4062 www.democracydefence.ca

#### **Education 2016**

In 2016 with the help of our Board of Directors and over 150 volunteers we have responded to the following:

429 Requests for Resources, 32 Speaking Engagements, Media Interviews & displays 35 Calls for Pregnancy Counseling. We enjoyed success discussing better options than abortion with distress calls from women looking for abortion solutions to their unplanned pregnancy. Calls are down from prior years from 125 as we changed our heading in the Yellow Pages. That has affected the number of our referrals to pregnancy agencies in southern Ontario. We refer some clients locally to: Birthright, Pregnancy Resource Centre, Marillac Place, Monica House and beyond. That number is down of late.

**Publications:** 3 Issues of **News & Views,** Periodicals, letters and articles in the media, on our Web-site **kwrtl.ca** and 4 **Facebook** pages.

We educate through Advertising produced in 2016:

4 **documentaries** and several productions, over **20,000** postcards, pamphlets, videos, events on facebook, web-site and mailings.

Fundraisers: Walk for
Life, Christmas campaign,
and 5 bazaars, special project appeals to businesses
and individuals, Membership Drive in churches.
Books, pins, CDs and prolife
articles are sold at every
event. Dinnerin support the
Euthanasia Prevention Coaliton with Alex Schadenberg





Person' cards were distributed in KW 2016

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## Summary

of KW RTL

**Activities** 

In 2016

### **Support for Pro-Life Initiatives 2016**

Supported 11 pro-life groups including: Students for Life U of W, Wilfrid Laurier Students, National Campus Life Network (Symposium costs), KW Prayer Vigil, 40 Days for Life and Choice Chain. Wilfrid Laurier University group Lifelinks and Canadian Centre for Bioethical Reform, The Euthanasia Prevention Coalition and CLC.

Sponsored internship for student at CCBR and a university grad. who is now working for NCLN and secondary school students trip cost to the March for Life Ottawa.

Laws: Encouraged the establishment of a national Palliative care strategy in Canada and encouraged Personhood for the unborn-Supported the prevention of

the Euthanasia Law and Molly's Law. Travelled to the Defence of Democracy Initiative at Queen's Park with Stephen Woodworth and visited a local MP Office re: the euthanasia law. Defended freedom of speech and thought re: C-16 (Pronouns)—Bill 28 (mother, father removal) and Bill 129 the conscience amendment

#### Outreach 2016

March for Life bus trip to Ottawa, Walk for Life Sponsors, Christmas Card campaign to local businesses, churches and members, Prayer Vigils, 40 Days for Life, Life Chain Memorial, Choice Chain Spoke at: Emmanuel Bible College, Cross Culture Event, U of W and Secondary Schools. Spon-

sored Alveda King speech to 1500 students at St. Mary's High, Eastwood Collegiate, Resurrection High display, Spoke at U of W Women's Studies class. Class from W. Laurier visited RTL Office, women's groups and volunteer fairs. Guest speaker for Dessert & Coffee AGM, Pauline Witzel on NFP,

displays, advertising in local newspapers, several interviews with universities, Campaign Life Coalition, Worked with national and prov. projects

Alveda King, niece of Martin Luther King, a U.S. prolife champion and speaker with Jane Richard in front of 1500 students at St. Mary's High School Kit. June 2016





Walk 2017—Enjoying delicious Pizza and scrumptous desserts after the Walk.



#### Walk for Life 2017

Even in the rain on May 6, our annual Walk for Life fundraiser was generously supported by our membership.
Luncheon was kindly sponsored by Bill and Jenny Bernhardt and Nuerinberger & Scott Insur. Ltd. We were able to hand out lots of prizes through draws to the walkers thanks to Roseanne Sheridan, McPhails Cycle, Andrew

Caruk, Connie Hudder, Estella
Correia, Cecilia Caesar, Jane
Richard and Ruth Gmach.
The winner of McPhail's draw
\$150 was Mary Alice Zister.
Top pledges were: Jane Richard \$3443, Brendan Kavanaugh \$2650, Mary Alice Zizter \$1375 and Patricia Grundy
\$827. Youngest Walker was 3
months old, Ila Nyenhuis.
Total proceeds to date are

\$13,700 with a couple outstanding pledges to come.

We thank close to 50 who participated and all who pledged. Your gift will go far to help us reach our goals for this year i.e expand our advertising, promoting personhood, increase our social media influence and intensify prayer vigils with The Sisters Fraternity the Poor of Jesus Christ

#### **Palliative Care in Canada**

The Canadian Virtual Hospice (CVH) has a wealth of information on palliative care in Canada on their website: www.virtualhospice.ca.
Some options that they offer include the opportunity to directly "Ask a Professional", view an interactive map which shows any associations or programs in the country re-

lated to palliative care, and lists of resources available for personal research. The CVH website seeks to educate you and dispel any myths circulating about palliative care.

Regardless of the purpose of palliative care, the recent legalization of euthanasia threatens to change our perspective on end of life care.

Alex Schadenburg (EPC) says, "This will create a new type of social pressure" meaning that it will soon become a "public duty to die" once they become seriously ill. He urges people to write and tell their doctor they do not want to die by Euthanasia. For info. call EPC 1.885.675.8749

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truth that
intentionally
killing a human
being is always
wrong

Caring not killing Pamphlet available at the KW RTL office 519.746.5433

Compassionate CommunityCare.org

#### RISKS

haemorrhage,
incomplete abortion,
serious pain and
infection, death,
emotional difficulty
See MEDICAL ABORTION
VIDEO
abortionpillrisks.org
It may not be too late
Abortion Pill Reversal
1.877.558.0333

#### Chemical Abortion Pill RU-486 available at the Drug Store

The abortion pills in Canada called **Mifegymiso** are taken up to seven to nine weeks into a pregnancy with the intention of causing an end to the life of the preborn baby. It works by blocking progesterone receptors. Progesterone is the necessary hormone that nurtures and

supports a pregnancy. It is publicly funded now in Canada with a doctors prescription following an ultrasound. Along with bleeding, pain, nausea and cramping, some women report seeing the form of the baby when it passes. This is disturbing and is followed by a sense of loss

difficult to recover from.

She may need help.

Call KW RTL for HELP after an abortion. 519.746.5433.

And then there are doctors and pharmacists who do not want to prescribe or distribute the abortion pills. Do they have a choice?

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