

A prolife educational organization that promotes the sanctity of life from conception to natural death. The right to life is a fundamental human right upon which all other rights depend. We uphold this value without fear and proclaim this principle to the people of Canada.

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#### **Volunteer Opportunities**

If you are over 18 and have a strong desire to protect the unborn and vulnerable, we need you. We need advice from a fundraiser on how to expand our donor base.

If you are a student at Wilfred Laurier University and want to start a pro-life group, call the Office at 519-746-5433 or email jane@ kwrtl.ca

#### KW RIGHT TO LIFE

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#### From the President - Jane Richard

(baby in background is 28 weeks gestation)

The split in the prolife movement. Over Christmas all the prolife offices in Ontario received a document from the Alliance For Life Ontario President speaking on behalf of some of the Educational groups in Ontario. The document also represented the National Campaign Life Coalition along with Ontario CLC who try to encourage prolife people to run for political office. It was stated that they would not support any gestational law to protect preborn babies. (gestational meaning a certain stage of pregnancy) That would drastically cut their support for candidates seeking office as most prolife people would be in favour of a gestational law to protect unborn children seeing it as better than no law. To illustrate: There are two children drowning. Only one is within your reach. Would you let them both drown because you can only save one? Those who agree with a gestational law are certainly not blind to the inalienable right to life of all preborn children at any stage. Neither are the 'protection for all stages or nothing' supporters blind to the later term abortions that have occurred in the last 26 years since the abortion law was struck down leaving no protection at any stage before birth.

We may be far away from a law that recognizes the humanity of the preborn at any stage before birth and therefore any other abortion protection law such as sex selection, abortion funding and even informed consent. After all, why does it matter if the preborn baby is not a human being? A Gestational law is the best hope to begin recognizing the humanity of the preborn or the passing of any other protection law for both child and mother.

Campaign life Coalition and Alliance for Life Ontario were slow to promote Motion 312 in 2012 to determine a preborn's humanity but did so under pressure from their supporters. KW Right to Life experienced a deliberate push back by the above groups early on during the time of the Stephen Woodworth Motion 312 when they refused to work in a united fashion with all the prolife groups across Canada to support it through advertising. One representative from CLC said to me that Motion 312 is "just another motion". CLC and AFL ON were concerned that down the road a gestational law might be possible. AFL ON held workshops to promote their position. By their actions they missed the point. The outcome of the success of Motion 312 would have resulted only on an investigation of an outdated law, nothing further.

Earlier and more effort from CLC and AFL to support the motion and certainly a more united effort with all the groups across Canada may have changed the outcome of the motion that did not pass.

The most fundamental issue to strive toward is legally recognizing the personhood of the preborn. We should all agree on that. Beyond that, what would be faster, a gestational law or a law to protect all stages 'all or nothing? Life Canada, (National Educational Organization) Priests for Life, 'We Need a Law' and many local prolife organizations like KW Right to Life would support a gestational law to expedite protection of many thousands of unborn babies. The incremental approach can work as a conduit to eventual protection for all stages of preborn life. Disunity in the pro-life movement serves only to delay progress and weaken resolve. We are continuously faced with plenty of opposition from pro-abortion minded people. United we stand. Divided we falter.

#### **Coming Events**

Annual Walk for Life Fundraiser Saturday May 3rd, 2014 (See a poster and pledge form p. 3 & 4)

Annual <u>bus trip to Ottawa March for Life</u> May 8th, 2014 (Bus seats \$60—Bus leaves at 6:00am. From behind Burger King Fairway Rd. and Wilson Ave. Back by 11:00pm. Book a seat early. Call 519.746.5433 or jane@kwrtl.ca

Annual Dessert & Coffee June 5th, 2014 at Club Willowells 6:00pm. 40 Blue Springs Drive, Wat.

Volunteer Appreciation, AGM, Speaker (to be determined) Good will offering. Everyone welcome.

PROMOTING THE SANCTITY OF LIFE, FROM CONCEPTION TO NATURAL DEATH



**Audrey Gianna Tobias** September 24, 2013 -**September 24, 2013** 

Audrey Tobias blessed our lives on Tuesday, September 24, 2013 and after two short hours, went to be with our Heavenly Father. Although her life outside the womb was brief, her journey with us began much earlier from the moment of her conception. We valued every moment we had with her and treasured each of the glimpses we had of her inside the womb via ultrasound. We fondly remembered her waving to us; playing 'peek-a-boo'; watching and feeling her movements and seeing and hearing the sound of her tiny heartbeat. As her mommy's belly grew with her inside, so did the love we had for her. We thank the Lord for blessing our lives with Audrey, for gifting us with our own little saint in heaven and we look forward to being united with her in eternity. Left to cherish her memory are her parents Anthony and Shari (nee Shari Reitzel), her siblings Kassandra, Nathaniel, Kayla, Jonah, Seth, Carolyn and Lucas; grandparents Carole and Louis Reitzel and Maria Tobias. We would like to thank all of our family and friends for journeying with us over the months of the pregnancy. We are truly humbled and extremely grateful for the tremendous outpouring of prayers, love and support you showered upon us. †

When I joined KWRTL, my son, Tom, who is very pro-life commented that no matter how worthy a cause, the general public is not focused on issues about abortion unless it impacts them directly. In May of 2013 Stephen Woodward spoke at The Walk for Life and said that many MPs whom he spoke to during the tabling and voting on Motion 312 stated that they did not disagree with his Motion, they just didn't think it was an important issue of the day. The Motion dealt with the humanity of a baby in the womb, not abortion directly, but demonstrates the general malaise about the value society places on life.

Since that time I've been on a mission to discover WHY there is such apathy about abortion. While recognizing the usual suspects of many distractions and demands on our lives, WE WANT TO HEAR WHAT YOU THINK. SO, IT'S OFFICIAL: KWRTL IS HOLDING A CONTEST, WITH A \$250 WINNER FOR THE BEST ESSAY ON "THE REASON FOR APATHY ON THE ISSUE OF ABORTION".

The contest is open to anyone 16 years old and over. For a chance to win, submit your essay of at least 1000 words to the KWRTL office by April 30th, 2014. Nancy Menard KW RTL Treasurer



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#### Timothy P. Schmaltz Sculpture of an Angel Mourning

The loss of an aborted baby is gripping and allows one to place a card, letter or flowers in the empty crib \$60 Email jane@kwrtl.ca Or call 519.746.5433



#### Dear Friends of KW Right to Life,

We have been blessed with an opportunity to work on a proposed project with Boris Malagurski, a Serbian-Canadian film director, producer, screenwriter and activist. He is interested in creating a documentary exposing the truth on abortion. He is currently working on another project, but will be available here the end of next year. In the meantime, we are looking for anyone interested in helping out, planning, gathering, organizing information. Email Aleksandra Govedarica at alexq.rtl@hotmail.com.





### **Membership Form**



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Individual or Family Membership	\$	30.00
Senior Citizen or Student Membership	\$	25.00
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A receipt will be issued for income tax purposes for all amounts.

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Add your email address to our list for timely notices and events.

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☐ Specific Events

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35th Annual Walk for Life • Saturday, May 3, 2014 Purpose: To further the aims of the Right To Life Association

by: promoting greater respect for all human life through

educational programs.

# 10:00 a.m. Registration

Historic St. Paul's 137 Queen St. S.

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Reminder: 1. Pledges are to be collected by the walker, preferably prior to the event.

2. Please provide complete names and address, including Postal Code, for Tax Receipts.

**TOTAL PLEDGED** 

3. Income Tax Receipts will be issued at year end for donations of \$10.00 or more, if reques

## KW Right to Life 35th Annual Walk for Life Saturday May 3rd, 2014

Registration: 10:00am Historic St. Paul's 137 Queen St. S. Kit.



#### Walk begins at 10:30am (about 4 km)

- From Historic St. Pauls turn Right on Queen St. Then Left on King St. Follow King St. W. • Cross the Street at Victoria St.- Stay on King St.
- to Kitchener City Hall for a 15 min. break Continue to King St. E. then Right on Eby St. • Right on Charles St.- Finally Left on Church St. to Historic St. Pauls

#### Prizes - Draws—Good Food Meet Old and New Friends

Every \$50. pledged receives a chance for a \$150. gift certificate from McPhails (Sponsor Sheet inside)





#### Please check below to see when your membership expires.



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