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About the town



PLW expands billboard campaign

Pro-Life Waco now has four billboards in prime locations:

- Franklin Ave. between 15th & 16th streets.
- 17th Street at the railroad overpass.
- 18th Street between Waco Drive & Columbus Avenue.
- Sun Valley Road in Hewitt.

Our newest billboard on Franklin Avenue is shown below. The message is not at all subtle. "Life begins at conception" is in pink and blue. The Planned Parenthood part of the billboard is yellow and black. We will continue to shine the light on what Planned Parenthood of Central Texas is doing to our community.

Life begins at conception and ends at Planned Parenthood.

1,214 pre-babies killed by PPCT in 2005. Message from Pro-Life Waco (254-644-0407)

Thanks to Bill McBride, we have secured a tremendous billboard location at the highest elevation of the 17th Street overpass. This is a one-way street heading toward downtown Waco—a route frequently traveled by mothers on their way to the Planned Parenthood abortuary. The billboard below is displayed right at eye level. You cannot miss it. Check it out. The English translation is "I regret my abortion. Please consider adoption."



We also have the message above on 18th Street—another direct path to the Planned Parenthood abortuary.

Finally, the "I regret my abortion" billboard in English is in Hewitt on Sun Valley Road.

Our hope and prayer is that abortion-minded mothers will see these billboards and embrace life for their children—and physical and spiritual health for themselves. Furthermore, we hope these billboards will help promote traditional Christian sexual morality that would eliminate the occasion to even think about abortion.

Our rental fees for the four billboards are close to \$900 per month. Without a doubt, we need your financial support to maintain these life-saving messages in our community. Regarding contributions, there is good news. As the next article indicates, **your contributions to Pro-Life Waco are tax deductible.**



Department of the Treasury
Internal Revenue Service

Pro-Life Waco receives 501c3 nonprofit status

At last! After well over a year of communications with the Internal Revenue Service, Pro-Life Waco has been designated for 501c3 tax exempt status.

There will be several benefits from this IRS designation for the outreach of Pro-Life Waco. The big one is that your contributions to Pro-Life Waco can now be included as a tax deduction in your federal personal income tax return. In fact, contributions back to August 2005 are deductible. This is the date of our initial application for 501c3 status.

So, it is not too late to send a tax deductible check to Pro-Life Waco for you 2006 tax return.

All donations go fully into pro-life action. The total amount of salaries and office expenses for Pro-Life Waco continues to be **Z-E-R-O**.

Your support is vital and will be appreciated—but not publicized in any way.

PPCT celebrates with wine & cheese and then gives girls Plan B abortifacient

They call it a "Holiday Wine and Cheese Celebration." The event took place on the afternoon of December 7.

Each December, Planned Parenthood of Central Texas invites those who support their agenda—sexual promiscuity, abortion, and infertility—to a celebration of the harm they have brought to our community.

Members of the Waco pro-life community assembled in the public right-of-way to greet the Planned Parenthood supporters.

We were also at the PP "clinic" the following day when PPCT held its "Free EC" day, which was strongly promoted by the *Waco Tribune Herald*. This crass business promotion obviously seeks to lure girls into PP's devastating sphere of influence.

Mama Rosa Pisciotta passes to her Lord on November 11



Rose Lee Pisciotta holding John, her favorite son, in 1944.

by John Pisciotta

Rose Lee Pisciotta was a treasure to me and so many other relatives and friends.

She lived all her 94 years in the farming community of Vineland, Colorado (near Pueblo). She lived 73 years in our family home—the backdrop for this picture. She was predeceased in 1987 by her soul mate and help mate Fred Pisciotta.

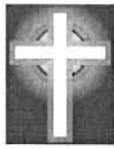
Mama Rosa was an important part of the pro-life movement in Waco. Pro-Life Waco held its first "Second Sunday Gathering" in September of 2000. These events include a meal during the noon hour, followed by a pro-life educational and action planning meeting. The key to success has been that on most Sundays the meal has featured Italian pasta and meatballs from Rose Lee Pisciotta's recipes. Mother taught me how to prepare the meal and consulted with me by telephone when questions arose.

Our next Second Sunday Gathering will be January 14. Thanks to Mama Rosa, I will again serve "the meal." Attendance over the last six years has tripled from 25 to near 75.

Rose Lee had not been in decline. In fact, she remained mentally and spiritually strong to the end. While mother was limited physically, she continued to provide loving friendship, wise counsel, and fervent prayer.

Rose Lee experienced a very serious fall on November 7 and passed away peacefully on November 11. Her desire was to happily live out her life in our family home. God granted mother this wish.

Requiescat in pace Rose Lee Pisciotta.



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Bishop Gregory Aymond Will Celebrate 5th Annual Respect Life Mass in Waco



Friday, January 12, 2007

In recognition of the passing of 34 years since the Roe Supreme Court decision.

St. Mary's Catholic Church in Waco

14th Street & Washington Avenue

Sponsored by Office of Pro-Life Activities of the Diocese of Austin

Mass at 7 p.m.

Reception with Bishop Aymond follows at the parish hall at 15th & Columbus.

All are welcome to celebrate the Gospel of Life and to thank Bishop Aymond for all he does to promote the sanctity of life.

Fundraising Banquet for Our Lady of the Angels Maternity Shelter

Friday, January 19, 2007

Bell County Expo Center in Belton

(The shelter is located in Temple and serves McLennan and other Central Texas counties.)

**6:00 p.m. Reception & Silent Auction
7:15 to 9 p.m. Dinner & Program**

Guest Speaker: **Most Reverend Gregory Aymond, Bishop of Austin.**

Tickets for this important annual event are sold in advance \$40 (\$300 for table of 8). Make checks to Our Lady of the Angels St. Luke's Church c/o Irene de la Rosa 2807 Oakdale, Temple, TX 76502 For information—254-773-1561

Planned Parenthood sets 2007 Nobody's Fool for July 25

We usually have a hard time finding out this date in order to make our preparations for PP's conference for the promotion of teen promiscuity. However, the Fall/Winter issue of the PP Waco newsletter has arrived and contains the date.

Mark your calendar. The Christian pro-life community will not be silent.

Komen Race for Cure is March 31

2007 will sure be interesting. More later.

TAL to hold Texas Roe event

ROE Hurts Women

The TEXAS Rally for Life in Austin
Saturday, January 27, 2007

Wow! On the steps to the Texas Capitol, you will be able to hear Father Frank Pavone of Priests for Life and Pastor Rick Scarborough of Vision American.

Father Frank spoke at the Waco Pro-Life banquet on October 6. His message was fantastic. Everyone should get a dose of Father Frank's pro-life encouragement at least once a year.

Participants will gather in Austin at Republic Square, 4th & Guadalupe at 1 p.m. for the march up Congress Avenue to the Capitol for the Rally from 2-3 p.m.

We plan to car-pool or van-pool from Waco. Contact John Pisciotta if you are interested in going to this event organized by Joe Pojman and the Texas Alliance for Life. 254-644-0407 or john_pisciotta@prolifewaco.org



**1st Sunday
Life Chains
will
continue
in 2007**

Jan. 7 • Feb. 4 • Mar. 4

Monthly Life Chains will take place 2-3 p.m. at the intersection of Valley Mills Drive and Waco Drive. We will meet to distribute signs in the parking lot of the newly-constructed buildings near Whataburger.

**Ecumenical Second Sunday
Pro-Life Gathering**
Lunch Served Throughout Noon Hour
Pro-life video, guest speakers & planning 1-2 p.m.
Meal is just \$3 for adults.

Jan. 14 • Feb. 11 • Mar. 11

Since we began these luncheon/meetings in September of 2000, using Rose Lee Pisciotta recipes, the pro-life movement has grown in numbers and impact. (Need I mention Girl Scout cookies?) Let's join together in friendship, good (mostly Italian) food, and bold discipleship to make 2007 a year that we will always remember and the purveyors of the culture of promiscuity and death will want to forget.

We **w-e-l-c-o-m-e** newcomers. No one is pressured into any particular involvement.

We have a special play area for children.

Pro-Life on Cable TV

Defending Life on EWTN

Fridays/9 pm, Wed./4 am, Sat./1:30 am

Gospel of Life on SkyAngel,

Thursdays/7:30 am & Sat./6:30 pm

Faces of Abortion on SkyAngel,

Mondays/10:30 pm & Fridays/6:30 am

The first two series are hosted by Father Frank Pavone. The typical show has a guest interview for 20 minutes followed by a 10-minute segment on some suggested action in pro-life ministry.

Faces of Abortion features testimonies and interviews of women who have experienced the physical, emotional, and spiritual trauma of abortion. The SkyAngel channel is only available with the DishNetwork cable system. However, you can watch several of these shows on your computer in streaming video. Go to: <http://www.operationoutcry.org/pages.asp?paged=27773>

Letters to the Editor:

Let's do even better in 2007

You were phenomenal in 2006. 53 pro-life letters to the editor were printed in the *Waco Trib* alone! Let's continue to use our pens and keyboards in 2007. Our messages are very powerful.

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