

# Right to Life League

# Life and Times

*The Right to Life League of Southern California is an education and service organization dedicated to the support and protection of innocent human life from conception to natural death.*

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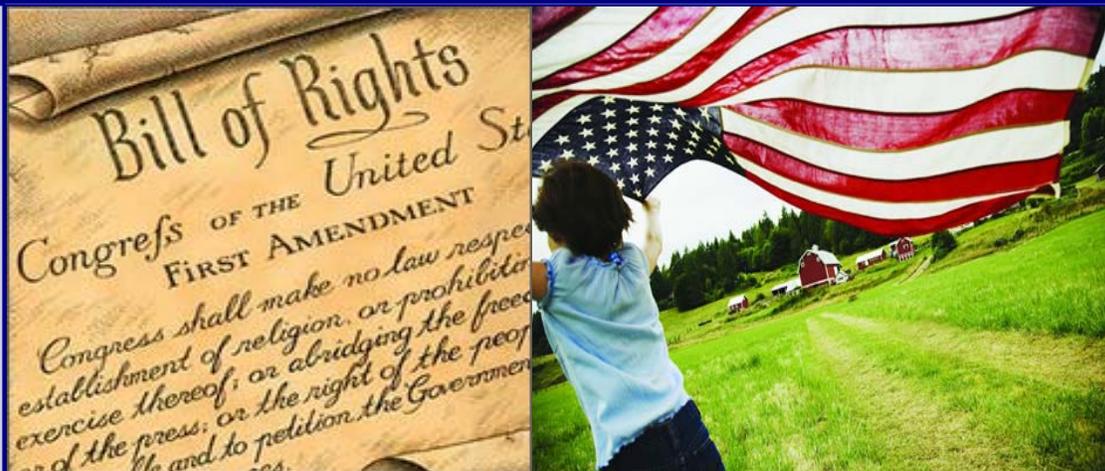
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**On June 8, 2012, the League took an active stand for religious liberty at the Los Angeles Stand Up Rally in Pershing Square. We were blessed to be one of several concerned citizens to speak out against the government's right to mandate financial funding for abortions by the American people. The turnout in California as a whole ranked second in the nation, and this does not include the countless people who were present in spirit, interceding from afar for the good of our country.**

**Although the Supreme Court upheld the HHS Mandate as a tax in a startling 5-4 vote a few weeks after this event, numerous organizations are filing lawsuits and working to build up voter registration and awareness over the summer months. It is clear that forcing Catholic churches and institutions to fund abortion, abortifacient drugs, and sterilizations poses a concern for most Americans. Once the government interferes with the liberties of one religion or institution, it is certain that the liberties of other groups will be taken away as well. The Supreme Court ruling has shown us that the burden lies on the American people to take a stand against this attack on freedom of conscience and the greatest way to do this is at the polls.**

**"On November 6, 2012, we will elect a President, a Congress and many other public officials. It is our task now to expand the base of people we can influence and to make it clear once again that no issue matters more than life itself."**

**-Fr. Frank Pavone, Priests for Life**

**To learn more about practical steps we can take, we invite you to visit: [www.StandUpForReligiousFreedom.com/voters/](http://www.StandUpForReligiousFreedom.com/voters/), a nonpartisan site that provides information on how you can help educate registered voters on the issues and increase voter registration in your area. Let us not delay and miss the chance to take a stand for our country for the good of all fellow Americans. Please contact us at [media@rtlsc.org](mailto:media@rtlsc.org) for more information.**

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JANUARY 19, 2013

YOUTH RALLY  
FOR LIFE

## JACOB & MATTHEW BAND

Speakers and Skits, Entertainment and more at  
Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels Plaza  
555 West Temple Street, Los Angeles, CA 90012  
SAVE THE DATE!

The Right to Life League will host a Youth Rally for Life on Saturday, January 19, 2013, marking the 40th Anniversary of *Roe v. Wade*. This event will feature the Jacob & Matthew Band, a skit from our ELEV8 teen integrity team and much more before the Annual Requiem for the Unborn at the Cathedral of Our Lady of the Angels. We need your help in alerting campus ministers and youth group leaders in your area. Please contact us at (626) 398-6100 or [info@rtlsc.org](mailto:info@rtlsc.org) to have flyers and other event information sent out right away.

## League Staff Member participates with Survivors in a powerful public display at Venice Beach boardwalk

On Monday, June 25, 2012, a League staff member participated with Survivors of Abortion Holocaust in a powerful public display against abortion at Venice Beach boardwalk. As a group of teen and young adult activists "died" in unison, they were covered by red cloths to symbolize the millions of lives lost to abortion since 1973, when abortion was made legal in the U.S. This is just one way that Survivors take the pro-life message to the streets and public square. Other events will take place over the summer, so stay posted! For details, visit: [www.survivors.la](http://www.survivors.la)



The  
Right  
to *Life*  
League  
of Southern California

ANNUAL BENEFIT DINNER

THURSDAY, OCTOBER 25, 2012  
AT

THE CENTER AT CATHEDRAL PLAZA  
CATHEDRAL OF OUR LADY OF THE ANGELS  
555 W TEMPLE STREET  
LOS ANGELES, CA 90012



The line-up and more information  
will be available soon at  
[www.walk4LIFEsocial.com](http://www.walk4LIFEsocial.com)



International ProLife  
Youth Conference  
November 10-12, 2012

Visit: [www.survivors.la](http://www.survivors.la)

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## Top Ten List of pro-life actions for youth during the Roe v Wade 40th Summer

*Adapted from: <http://www.standtrue.com/prolifesumerlist/>*

**#1 Pro-life Internship or Training.** You can see a list of internships at <http://studentsforlife.org/internships>. Local pro-life training is available in the Los Angeles area. Email [CatherineC@FootSoldiersForLife.org](mailto:CatherineC@FootSoldiersForLife.org) for more info.

**#2 Start a youth prayer group at your local abortion clinic.** If you and your friends can organize trips to the lake, the beach, the mall or other places, why not organize a trip to pray at your local abortion clinic? Prayer is one of the most powerful tools we have and praying outside the very place where babies are being killed is one of the best ways to be a voice for life. For advice on starting a prayer group at an abortion clinic, email [media@rtlsc.org](mailto:media@rtlsc.org).

**#3 Wear pro-life t-shirts wherever you go this summer.** Why not be a walking billboard for LIFE this summer? Whether you are on vacation or just hanging out at the mall, you can be a voice for the babies. You can order cool pro-life shirts at <http://store.prolifeworld.com> or just make your own.

**#4 Hold a car wash or yard sale to support the life-saving work of the League.** Car washes and yard sales are great ways to fundraise. Donations can be by regular mail or electronically at [www.rtlsc.org](http://www.rtlsc.org).

**#5 Volunteer at your local pregnancy help center.** Call your local pregnancy center and ask if they have things that need to be done around the building. Many of them may need painting, yard work even just people to help answer phones or help clean up. For a list of different centers, visit our map finder at [www.rtlsc.org/life/Services/](http://www.rtlsc.org/life/Services/).

**#6 Host a diaper drive in your community.** Contact your local churches and ask if they can collect diapers for a few weeks this summer and then collect them all to be donated to your local pregnancy help center.

**#7 Literature distribution / public witnessing.** Pick a public event in your community and organize your friends to pass out pro-life literature at these events. Baseball games, concerts, fairs; these are all great places to be a witness. We can help get you free pro-life literature for your event. Simply email [info@rtlsc.org](mailto:info@rtlsc.org) or contact 626-398-6100.

**#8 Help promote the upcoming pro-life youth rally or event at your church.** Ask your pastor or youth minister to post information about the pro-life rally in the church bulletin and invite youth groups from all over to come.

**#9 Hold a "Spare Change" drive this summer.** Get your friends to start collecting their change throughout the summer in piggy banks or jars to donate to your local pregnancy help center, maternity home or the League. You can get your parents or relatives to put a change bank at their office or in your church foyer to collect change.

**#10 Start a youth pro-life club at your church or in your community.** Host weekly meetings where you watch different pro-life videos and read pro-life literature. One of the best ways for you and your friends to be effective is to be educated. We can help you with educational resources for your club. Spend time at each meeting praying for the babies, the mothers and fathers and the abortion industry. Again, prayer is our most powerful tool.

**Bonus Item! #11 Get everyone you know who is 18 or will be 18 by election day to register to vote.** Check out [www.bemyvote.com](http://www.bemyvote.com) to find out how you can win cool prizes.





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Tara walked out of the restroom with her chin dropped low to the ground. She and her boyfriend Brett had already had a chat and decided that this is not the time for them to have a baby. She had plans to graduate from high school this year. Her boyfriend had graduated and was set to go to college. They both had plans for their future schooling, so they would not have time for a baby.

I listened patiently and then asked Tara if she would like to have an ultrasound. She said yes, walked into the clinic area and soon became tearful. When I asked her why she was crying, she said she knew it was wrong to have an abortion; but, she loved her boyfriend so much and did not want to lose him, and felt like she had no choice but to go along with his plan. I reminded her that she should not be coerced into doing something she did not want to do. We discussed ways to stand up for what she believed in, and I assured her that she should voice her own opinions. When I asked Tara if she wanted me to turn the screen for her to see, she became very emotional and needed some time before she could respond. Eventually, she said yes and then asked if her boyfriend could be called in to see screen. Her boyfriend came in and said, "What is it I'm going to see? It is not a baby yet." When he looked at the screen, though, he found an 8 week and 4 day old fetus with a heartbeat. He could see movement and even see the limbs and a backbone and ribcage! Tears ran down Tara's face as she looked up at her boyfriend and I could feel how much she was hoping that he would say he would take care of her and their baby. I handed them the scanned picture of their precious baby, a pair of booties and a booklet on fetal development with all the other necessary referrals and information and a time frame for a follow up call.



**8 Week Old Baby in Ultrasound**  
Source: [www.About.com](http://www.About.com)

When I next spoke with Tara, she said her parents were not happy with her and Brett at this stage but the two of them had made up their minds that they would parent their baby. She said, as they were talking and making their decision, she had held the scan picture of her baby close to her heart and held the soft booties to her face.

During our next follow-up call, Tara told me very proudly and very happily that she had started prenatal vitamins and had seen her doctor for prenatal care. Their bundle of joy, a gift from God, is a sweet, sweet little girl who has her daddy wrapped around her little finger. Daddy can't speak enough about her, and mommy, well, she is loving, caring, nurturing and so proud of her little girl. With the help of their parents, Tara and Brett are taking care of their baby girl and both are going to school. It is difficult for them but they say she is worth all the effort. We applaud and thank their parents for their support and Tara and Brett for making a decision for Life.

-Pregnancy Center Nurse

## From Our Executive Director,

*Anne Hennessy*

Dear Friends,

Thank you for your continued support and prayers that enable lives to be saved at our clinics. We are blessed to offer trainings to our PHCs so their clients can receive the best quality medical care and counseling available.

Our July Life Services Training was very well received. Staff members from our affiliated clinics were joined by many others from all over Southern California. Presentations included up-to-date information on the

topics of OSHA safety standards and on how to communicate most effectively with a client in crisis.

We thank all our Prayer Warriors, and invite them to submit their special intentions to [prayerbasket@rtlsc.org](mailto:prayerbasket@rtlsc.org), so we may pray for them. In this challenging time, please join us in praying for our nation, that God may restore it through our shared labors and sacrifices.

Blessings,  
Anne

