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Erika Harold -- Miss America 2003

Erika Harold says her faith is at the core of who she is, “I want to communicate to young people... there is a God who loves them and cares for them very much.” A courageous leader, Erika told The Daily Illini newspaper, “I am pro-life,” and The News-Gazette, “Sometimes you take flak for what you say, but if you really want to see teen pregnancy rates decline and violence decrease you have to stand up for what you believe in.”

Miss America’s statement on saving sex

Before being crowned Miss America, Erika Harold, promoted abstinence education at a Congressional Hearing on April 23, 2002. Following are excerpts from her statement:

Ever since I can remember, I’ve had a commitment to abstinence. I was fortunate enough to have been raised by two loving parents who encouraged me to set high standards, to value myself and to save myself for marriage. But I grew up knowing that I was lucky and that not every young person had the love and support that I did. I saw many of my peers use sex to try to find that love and acceptance.

But instead of being able to fill that void, many of them became teen parents, contracted diseases and had their hearts broken.

I knew that I had to take action. As Gandhi once said, “You must become the change you wish to see in the world.” So when the time came to select a platform for the Miss Illinois pageant, my conscience compelled me to choose abstinence.

I was invited to speak to young women at a correctional facility... many of them thanked me for coming. They said that they knew they had made some poor choices in the past and appreciated hearing how they could make better choices in the future. One young woman even spoke of her desire to possibly speak about abstinence to other young people.

I also organized an essay and poster contest for middle school students, giving them the opportunity to express their views on the benefits of abstinence... One young woman wrote about her friend who had a child at the age of 14 and, by the age of 16, had contracted HIV. She said that she wished she had come to her school earlier, because she thought she might have been able to help save her friend’s life. As I read that essay, I promised myself that I would never let fear or self-doubt prevent me from doing what my conscience dictates.

Cover Girl tells Senate, “I paid for my abortion my whole life”

by Steven Ertel
September 24, 2002

Washington, DC — “Cover Girl” and actress Jennifer O’Neill shared the painful memories of her abortion with more than sixty-five House and Senate staff members at a Capitol Hill briefing Monday afternoon.

“I had the abortion and paid for it all my life until I healed and am now able to help other women,” O’Neill tearfully told the audience. In an effort to overcome the emotional despair, O’Neill turned to shock therapy. Unable to cure her depression, she set her sights towards Heaven and eventually came to her present-day Christian faith. Now, she finds solace in the forgiveness God provides.

Like O’Neill, some 43 percent of women who have reached the age of 45 have had an abortion — approximately 25 million women total. However, women who have abortions don’t celebrate the decision and the truth rarely makes it past immediate family and close confidants.

“If it’s such a good idea, why is it shrouded in secrecy,” O’Neill asked the audience.

O’Neill urged the passage of laws that would make information about the emotional and physical complications following an abortion available to women prior to her abortion decision. “I was told a lie from the pit of hell — that my baby was just a blob of tissue.”

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Roe v. Wade based on Lies: Former “Pro-choice” leaders work to ban abortion

Dr. Bernard Nathanson was a co-founder of NARAL, one of the largest pro-abortion organizations in America. He also coined the phrase “pro-choice.” Norma McCorvey is the “Roe” of the Roe v. Wade Supreme Court case that legalized abortion on January 22, 1973. Sandra Cano is the “Doe” of the 1973 Doe v. Bolton case. Today, all three are pro-life advocates and they are working together to overturn Roe v. Wade.

The Man Who Invented “Pro-choice” is now Pro-life

By J.T. Finn

Dr. Bernard Nathanson was one of the original founders of the National Abortion and Reproductive Rights Association, or NARAL, the pro-abortion group that spends tens of millions of dollars every election year to block pro-life judges and legislation. Dr. Nathanson presided over 60,000 abortions, and he was one of the pioneering forces to legalize abortion on demand in the early 1970s through Roe v. Wade.

He also invented many of the slogans the abortion movement still uses, such as “pro-choice,” “reproductive rights,” “freedom of choice” and “a woman’s right to choose.”

Nathanson admits lying about how many women died from illegal abortions to gain sympathy for the pro-abortion cause. “The statistics that we gave to the American public about illegal abortions annually, that we fabricated regarding the number of women dying from illegal abortions, all of these matters were pure fabrication and still persist to this very day.”

He began showing these tapes across the country. From these tapes that show what actually happens to a baby during an abortion, Nathanson produced, The Silent Scream. “Everyone was up in arms because The Silent Scream represented an enormous threat to the abortion forces... For the first time, we had the technology, and they had nothing.”

Dr. Nathanson is currently working to overturn Roe v. Wade with Norma McCorvey, Sandra Cano and the Center for Reclaiming America.

The Woman Behind Roe v. Wade

Norma McCorvey was the “Roe” of Roe v. Wade, the Supreme Court case that legalized abortion on demand. Ironically, she never had an abortion. Her story began in 1965 when she found herself pregnant and on the streets. Feeling desperate, she sought an abortion, but could not get one because of strong pro-life laws in her home state of Texas.

She found help in the person of Sarah Weddington, an ambitious young attorney who used Norma’s case for her own political goals.

The RAPE Lie

To garner sympathy, Norma told people she was raped. “The public had certain misgivings about abortion in the early seventies, but there was much greater acceptance of abortion in cases of rape, so even though I wasn’t really raped, I thought saying so would garner greater public support,” she explained in her book, Won By Love. “This means that the abortion case that destroyed every state law protecting the unborn was based on a lie.”

Ultimately, Roe v. Wade was heard by the U.S. Supreme Court, and in January 1973, the highest court in the land reversed not just the laws banning abortion in Texas, but in all 50 states.

Reversing Roe

Twenty-five years later, Norma had an amazing conversion. Today she’s a pro-life leader speaking against abortion and working to overturn Roe v. Wade with Operation Outcry, the Center For Reclaiming America and the Texas Justice Foundation. They’re seeking to collect one million affidavits from women testifying about how they have been hurt by abortion.

“We want to take these petitions to the Supreme Court, to show the Justices that women are being marred and scarred by abortion... We want to overturn Roe v. Wade, which would make my whole life complete,” said Norma.

“Doe” legalized late-term abortions through all 9 months

Sandra Cano is the “Mary Doe” of the 1973 Doe v. Bolton Supreme Court case — a companion case to Roe v. Wade. Cano’s name was used against her will by attorney Marjorie Pitts Haines to legalize late-term abortions. Haines apparently tricked Cano into signing an abortion affidavit when she was signing other documents to regain custody of her children.

Sandra Cano never sought, had, or even believed in abortion, yet her name is the only one listed as a plaintiff in the class action suit that became known as Doe v. Bolton. The Doe case defined “health” of the mother regarding abortion to include “all factors — physical, emotional, psychological, familial and the woman’s age — relevant to the well-being of the patient.” Because of this broad definition of “health,” the Court, in effect permitted abortion-on-demand, including partial-birth abortions, for any of these “health” reasons through all 9 months of pregnancy.

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Regarding abortion, A.C. says: “Anytime the topic of abortion comes up, I try to be encouraging to keep the child or support a decision in preserving that life... After seeing pictures of aborted babies, A.C. said: “That has left an impression in my mind, seeing aborted babies and the various ways that abortions are conducted. I can’t put it into words what that has done. Obviously it’s a cold reality. Those are impressions you should share with people. Some people need the hard truth to wake up.”

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NBA’s “Iron Man,” A.C. Green

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Sandra Cano, Dr. Bernard Nathanson and Norma McCorvey are now working together to overturn Roe v. Wade and outlaw abortion.

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Celebs say abortion hurts women, that Roe v. Wade was the wrong choice

January 22, 2005 was the 32nd anniversary of the landmark Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision that legalized abortion in all 50 states. Since 1973, the U.S. government reports that more than 42 million abortions were performed on some 27 million women. It’s estimated that approximately 43 percent of women who’ve reached the age of 45 have had an abortion.

Has abortion been good for America? For women? For babies?

Did abortion "liberate" women and free them from "male oppression?" Did it give them "control" over their bodies and lives as some feminists promised? Or, has abortion hurt women, bringing them pain, shame, guilt and regrets?

Of 260 women surveyed by post abortion syndrome expert, Dr. David Reardon, Ph.D, 28 percent told him they attempted suicide because of grief they felt over their abortions. (See www.afterabortion.org)

Former "Cover Girl" model and actress, Jennifer O'Neill, can testify to the pain. She says, "I had the abortion and paid for it all my life."

Star Raider, author and radio talk show host, says her four abortions led to promiscuous, destructive relationships. "I used abortion as birth control. Abortion destroys self-worth and dignity."

Many women suffering from post abortion syndrome are beginning to warn other women.

Carna Spinella of Seattle, WA says, "Having an abortion was the biggest, most tragic mistake of my life." Lisa Burroughs of Buena Park, CA says, "After abortion — the guilt, shame and loneliness is horrible." Cecilia Gomez of Tustin, CA adds that her abortions contributed to "extremely promiscuous and self-destructive" behavior. She says, "With each abortion, I became more and more depressed."

Numerous celebrities have seen how abortion hurts women. And although they’ve not had abortions themselves, they are now publicly opposing abortion and Roe v. Wade.

Actress Margaret Colin who appeared in Three Men and a Baby, and a Baby and Independence Day said, "pro-choice women just took over the idea of feminism in the 1960’s and said that you must end this child’s life." The true feminist heritage, she said, opposed abortion as a denial of femininity. Gone now, she said, is the feminist ideal of having "the right to bear your child and protect your child."

"It’s life. It’s fundamental," Colin said. "You should be born. You should be taken care of." Feminists for Life, a national pro-life women’s organization recently honored Colin and other female celebrities that they call "Remarkable Pro-Life Women."

Actress Patricia Heaton was another pro-life woman recognized by the organization. Receiving awards is nothing new for Heaton. When she accepted an Emmy for Outstanding Actress in a Comedy Series, she thanked her mother for "setting me out, because life is really amazing."

Known as Raymond’s wife on CBS’s Everybody Loves Raymond, Heaton defended motherhood in a debate on the Oxygen network.

A doctor on the program had told the audience that the “morning after” pill would allow women “the opportunity — instead of having babies every year — they could actually do something with their lives.” To which Heaton, a mother of four, responded, “Having and raising children is doing something with your life!... And I have to say that having your kids is one of the greatest things you can do.”

But defending life can sometimes be very difficult says another honoree, Kate Mulgrew star of the television series Star Trek: Voyager.

“I practiced my belief at great cost to myself,” the actress told the American Feminist, a publication of Feminists for Life. Mulgrew had become pregnant at an early age and decided to place her baby girl for adoption. They were reunited four years ago.

She said that though “adoption or abortion almost always promises the mother a legacy of shame and regret, I have to be frank about my experience, I survived it. Women often don’t believe that they can survive nine months of pregnancy and place the child with an adoptive family. Life is not always easy.”

But life should always be protected, she said. “Life is sacred to me on all levels. Abortion does not compute with my philosophy.”

Kate Mulgrew, captain on Star Trek: Voyager, placed her daughter for adoption at an early age.

Actress, Margaret Colin has appeared in Three Men and a Baby, the sci-fi blockbuster, Independence Day, and on TV in Chicago Hope, Now and Again and Madigan Men. A pro-life activist since the eighth grade, Margaret credits her parents with empowering her and her siblings to promote pro-life values.

At a Congressional Briefing in Washington DC on July 17, 2002, Margaret spoke about abortion. Following are excerpts:

“We marched here to support all women and to protest the violence against them, legislated by Roe v. Wade. And while many will remember the 40 million [aborted] American children that were never born, I want us to also remember the 25 million women and girls in America today who have personally experienced an abortion.”

“And we remember the women who have been rendered infertile or died from legal but lethal abortions... This is violence against women... This is the failure of our American society to help and protect women.”

“The 1970’s women’s movement robbed us of our political birthright by changing the feminist platform to support abortion... Abortion hasn’t fixed the litany of problems that women were promised would be resolved.” Colin encourages others to defend the unborn, “You have to be brave — the one who speaks out for a baby so she or he can come into this life.”

By Sue Cyr

Journalists are also speaking out against abortion. Columnist, Michelle Noline, born of Filipino immigrants, worked for the Seattle Times and now writes a twice-weekly column syndicated nationwide.

Michelle says: “For three decades, the pro-abortion lobby has succeeded in squelching doubts and dissent about the mass destruction of human lives — 40 million so far — in the name of choice. But the truth is seeping out. And according to an account in the pro-choice publication American Medical News, abortion clinic workers often wonder if the fetus feels pain... hearing haunting auditory hallucinations. Voices from the womb. This is the pro-abortion movement’s worst nightmare. Imagine the roar of 40 million tiny voices, all in unison... crying out: ’I want to live. I do not want to die.’

Pregnancy Hotlines: Free pregnancy tests and confidential counseling are available. See page 26 for toll-free numbers. Adapted from Feminists for Life Reveals Prominent Pro-Life Women, a National Catholic Register article by Joshua Mercer, along with quotes from www.feministsforlife.org and www.womendeservebetter.com.

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