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MCCL MARCH FOR LIFE | 46TH ANNIVERSARY

STAND WITH THE INNOCENT

Speak out against the injustice

TUESDAY, JAN. 22—NOON

BY BILL POEHLER

THERE IS NO MORE INNOCENT HUMAN BEING than an unborn child—yet more than two dozen are aborted every day in Minnesota. These daily acts of injustice against unborn babies also encompass their mothers, who are injured emotionally, spiritually, and sometimes physically.

Will you stand with the innocent on Jan. 22?

The 2019 MCCL March for Life will be our 46th annual commemoration of Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton, the tragic 1973 Supreme Court decisions that imposed abortion on demand nationwide. **The MCCL March for Life is the largest annual gathering of pro-life Minnesota citizens every year to oppose the abortion industry's assault on unborn babies and their mothers.**

638,000 abortions in MN

Many lives have been saved from abortion over the last 46 years, but the killing of unborn children is still legal. More than 10,000 unborn babies are killed by abortion in Minnesota every year.

Will you commit one hour to speak against this gross injustice?

“We must continue to declare that the violence of abortion is unjust, unbearable, intolerable and unthinkable,” explains MCCL President Leo LaLonde. **“Your voice is vitally important as we gather to cry out against this violation of human rights!”**

Invite officials

Urge your legislators to attend the MCCL March for Life on Tuesday, Jan. 22. They need to witness the pro-life movement's call to make the protection of human life a top legislative priority in 2019.

The march will begin at noon on the Capitol grounds in St. Paul. A short program will follow at 12:30 p.m. (In case of severe weather, check the MCCL website on Jan. 22 for updates on the March.)

We need marshals to direct people and assist with the event. If you can help us on Jan. 22, please contact the MCCL State Office at 612-825-6831.

Come and march—for justice, for human rights, for life! **MCCL**

Election results create obstacles for pro-life legislation

But the Minnesota Senate maintains pro-life majority; congressional delegation stays evenly balanced

BY PAUL STARK

THE ELECTION LAST MONTH didn't go as well as pro-lifers had hoped.

Minnesota results will pose challenge

Here in Minnesota, Tim Walz, who supports abortion, won the race for governor. And in the Minnesota House, pro-lifers lost the majority. That will make passing new pro-life legislation difficult.

In the Minnesota Senate, however, pro-lifer Jeff Howe won a special election, ensuring that the Senate will continue to have a pro-life majority and pro-life leadership. That majority should be able to prevent passage of any abortion-expanding or otherwise anti-life legislation.

Congressional seats flip

In Minnesota's U.S. House races, two supporters of abortion, Angie Craig and Dean Phillips, defeated pro-life incumbents in the 2nd and 3rd Congressional Districts, respectively. **But pro-lifers Jim Hagedorn and Pete Stauber won election in the 1st and 8th Districts, flipping both seats to the pro-life side.**

In addition, pro-life Reps. Tom Emmer and Collin Peterson won reelection.

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PRESIDENT'S MESSAGE



After 46 years, the March still really matters

BY LEO LALONDE

WHEN THE SUPREME COURT handed down its Roe v. Wade and Doe v. Bolton decisions on Jan. 22, 1973, we were horrified. Unborn children were stripped of legal protection. They could now be killed for any reason.

One year later, on the anniversary of those decisions, MCCL held its first March for Life at the state Capitol in St. Paul. We called for the overturning of that unconstitutional decision. We called for a restoration of protection for vulnerable human beings who are yet to be born.

We've been going back to the Capitol every year since. It's been 46 consecutive years. And we're going to keep going back for as long as it takes.

We have made a difference

Some people think about how much time has passed and feel discouraged. They feel like nothing has changed. But that's not true.

Abortion numbers have dropped significantly since their peak. **The number of unborn children killed increased dramatically in the years after abortion was legalized, but we've since seen a general downward trajectory.**

The multi-pronged work of MCCL and the pro-life movement has made a real and lifesaving difference. Pregnant women in need have been helped. Hearts and minds have been changed. And although the Supreme Court's decisions still require legalized abortion, **modest pro-life laws have been enacted that have helped reduce abortions and save lives.**

So our efforts have made things better for unborn children and their mothers. But Roe v. Wade is still in place. Unborn children are still denied their most basic right—the right not to be killed—under our laws. They are still killed on an industrial scale. **Abortion is still an injustice unlike anything else in American society today.**

And so we will keep marching.

Giving up is not an option

We *have* to keep marching. If we care about equality, and if we care about justice, and if we care about human rights, then giving up is not an option.

If we give up, then equal protection of the rights of all human beings under the law simply won't happen. **It will never happen unless we work to make it happen.**

So I invite you to join me and thousands of other pro-life Minnesotans at the Capitol on Jan. 22. The March for Life sends a message that we will never accept the killing of unborn children. We will never stop caring about them. Either our society will fully respect them and our laws will protect them, or we will just keep coming until they do.

When we March for Life we tell the truth about the dignity of unborn human life and about the injustice of abortion. When we March for Life we show love for mother and child. When we March for Life we say to the world that we will never, ever give up.

I hope to see you there! **MCCL**

EXEC. DIRECTOR'S REPORT



Join us in our lifesaving mission

BY SCOTT FISCHBACH

MCCL HAS A STORY TO TELL, a battle to fight and lives to save. If you are not yet a member I hope you will engage with us in this monumental mission.

The story

Our story is the pro-life message. Human life was once protected in this country. Unborn children were safe in the womb, and the elderly and infirm were given the care they needed and allowed to live out their lives in dignity.

Everything changed with the U.S. Supreme Court's 1973 Roe v. Wade decision. **We were told that only some human lives are worthy of protection, and that others could be legally killed by abortion.** Since then, advocates of that view of life have sought to also apply it to newborns, disabled persons, the very sick and the elderly. Many more lives are at risk.

The battle

MCCL has been fully engaged in the defense of human life for 50 years — well before the Roe ruling. **We are a growing group of pro-life citizens who recognize we can be more effective together than individually.** MCCL has become the largest and most effective pro-life organization in Minnesota.

We approach the battle for life on three fronts:

- **We educate people** about the critical need to protect innocent human life from abortion, infanticide and euthanasia.
- **We work to pass legislation** that extends legal protections to innocent human life.
- **We support pro-life candidates** through our political action committee, understanding that pro-life laws require pro-life officials to pass them.

The mission: Save lives

MCCL has been extremely effective in defending life through education, legislation and political action. Thanks to our efforts, many laws are in place — including Parental Notification, Woman's Right to Know and Positive Alternatives (see mccl.org for details) — that are saving lives.

We need to continue all of these efforts. **Actually, we need to expand them—because lives are literally at stake each and every day.** But we can't do any of this without the support of grassroots pro-life Minnesotans like you.

How you can support us

If you want to partner with us in this effort, a simple donation is all that's needed. We have two main funds: a 501(c)(3) Education Fund and a 501(c)(4) General Fund. Education Fund donations are used for exclusively educational activities (non-legislative) and may be deducted on income taxes. Donations to the General Fund are applied more broadly and are not tax deductible.

Whether or not you are already an MCCL member, I invite you to give today. **We need your support to do what we do and make the difference that we make. And we need to do so much more.**

MCCL gets nothing from the government. We depend entirely on you. Thank you for your shared commitment to defending the lives of innocent human beings who cannot speak for themselves. **MCCL**

STUDENT DAY 2019: MAKE PLANS FOR YOUR STUDENT TO ATTEND



MCCL'S 2019 STUDENT DAY at the Capitol is coming on March 4 and March 14. Students may pick either day to attend.

The event is a unique opportunity for students in grades 7-12 to learn about and participate in the political process at the state Capitol in St. Paul. The day begins with sessions in which students learn about pro-life issues. In the afternoon, most students are able to meet with their own legislators and lobby them to support pro-life legislation. The students may also tour the Capitol and hear from pro-life elected officials.

Learn more and register online at mccl.org/studentday or by contacting MCCL. **MCCL**

Pro-life teens: Express yourself!



IF YOU ARE A TEENAGER who likes to write, here's an opportunity to express your pro-life beliefs to a potentially huge audience. **National Right to Life has a contest for you!**

The National Right to Life 2019 Pro-Life Essay Contest is open to students in grades 7-12 who want to use their writing skills to make a

difference in protecting life. The topic is, "Why are you pro-life?"

Win cash, get published

The Junior Essay Contest is for grades 7-9; the Senior Essay Contest is for grades 10-12. Winning essays will be published in NRL News and the 2019 NRL Convention Handbook. There are also cash prizes!

Minnesota's Mara Cobb placed first in the 2016 senior division. **You could be Minnesota's next winner!**

Essays must be 300-500 words in length; send a print copy by U.S. mail, postmarked by Jan. 23, 2019. Essays must be your own work. **For all the details and submission requirements**, visit the NRLC website at www.nrlc.org/site/students/essaycontest. **MCCL**

You doubled your gift to MCCL!



MCCL IS DOUBLING UP on thanks for a successful giving day. Pro-lifers across the state participated in our 24-hour fundraising challenge on Nov. 15, our special day of giving to the MCCL Education Fund. All gifts were matched!

We are truly grateful to everyone who made

this possible by your generosity. **Thank you for strengthening MCCL's education programs!**

Missed Give to the Max Day?

Participate in the season of giving—for Life!

- Visit www.mccl.org/donate to make your year-end, tax-deductible gift.
- Add MCCL to your Christmas gift list.
- Call Jan Ochsner at 320-492-4510 to discuss giving options.

Thank you for your faithful support! **MCCL**

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2. To foster and increase protection of the right to life of mother and child.
3. To inform the public on abortion and related subjects.
4. To foster high standards of medical care in the state of Minnesota.
5. To promote and encourage assistance in the care and rearing of children with birth defects.
6. To promote enlightened care and assistance to mother and child in crisis pregnancies.
7. To cause to be published and to distribute treatises, articles, addresses, reports and other publications on any or all subjects related to those above.

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tion. That keeps Minnesota's congressional delegation evenly balanced (four members of the House who are pro-life and four who are not). Overall, however, pro-lifers will now comprise a minority in the U.S. House, making the passage of federal pro-life legislation more difficult.

Amy Klobuchar defeated a pro-life challenger to win re-election to the U.S. Senate. And in Minnesota's special election Senate race, pro-lifer Karin Housley lost to Tina Smith, a former Planned Parenthood executive. **Nationwide, the Senate**

results were much better. Pro-lifers gained seats in the U.S. Senate and hold a majority.

Thank you!

Every election brings new challenges and new opportunities. MCCL will continue our work to secure protection for innocent human life.

Thanks to all who supported and voted for pro-life candidates in 2018. We appreciate your commitment to making a difference for those who need protection. **MCCL**

23 years ago: Court decision forces Minnesota taxpayers to fund abortion

BY PAUL STARK

THE U.S. SUPREME COURT'S *Roe v. Wade* and *Doe v. Bolton* decisions in 1973 made abortion legal across the United States. But a 1995 court ruling here in Minnesota went even further.

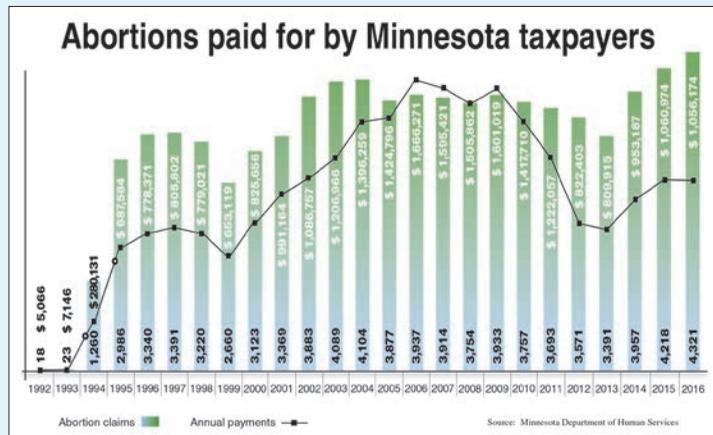
Lawsuit leads to abortion funding

It started in 1993. That's when an abortion advocacy group filed a lawsuit challenging Minnesota's ban on taxpayer funding of abortion.

The lawsuit led to a 1994 decision by a Hennepin County District Court judge, who ruled that women have a "privacy right" to abortion under the Minnesota Constitution—and that the right to equal protection entails that the government, which pays for prenatal care for low-income women, must also pay for abortions for low-income women.

The Minnesota Supreme Court then upheld and broadened that ruling in its *Doe v. Gomez* decision on Dec. 15, 1995.

According to *Doe v. Gomez*, the Minnesota Constitution, like the U.S. Constitution according to *Roe v. Wade*, requires legalized abortion. But *Doe* also requires public funding of abortion for women receiving state assistance—something not required at the national level under *Roe*.



Devastating results

Doe, then, was a genuinely extreme (and constitutionally groundless) decision. The results of that ruling have been horrific.

In 2016, taxpayers bankrolled a record-high 4,321 abortions at a cost of \$1.056 million, according to the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Since the *Doe* decision, taxpayers have reimbursed abortion practitioners close to \$25 million for nearly 82,000 abortion procedure claims.

Taxpayer funding gives the abortion industry an easy revenue stream by allowing it to offer "free" abortions to economically vulnerable women. It keeps the number of abortions higher than it would otherwise be. **Women, children, and taxpayers all pay a price.**

In 2011 and 2017, MCCL helped pass legislation that would challenge the *Doe* decision by prohibiting taxpayer funding of abortion, but both bills were vetoed by the governor. **MCCL**

PLANNED PARENTHOOD: Abortion. Money. Politics. Scandal.

BY PAUL STARK

This text is excerpted from a new MCCL brochure about Planned Parenthood. You can find the full brochure online at mccl.org/resources, or you may call or email MCCL to order copies.

PLANNED PARENTHOOD portrays itself as an indispensable provider of women's health care. But what do the facts tell us?

Year after year, Planned Parenthood makes hundreds of millions of dollars by performing hundreds of thousands of abortions while providing fewer and fewer non-abortion services. It vigorously seeks to defeat public policies that would limit abortion in any way. And it is heavily subsidized by American taxpayers.

Here's what everyone needs to know about Planned Parenthood.

Planned Parenthood nationwide

The Planned Parenthood Federation of America (PPFA) performed 321,384 abortions in 2016, according to the group's 2016-2017 annual report. That makes Planned Parenthood, by far, the leading practitioner of abortion in the United States.

In recent years, the annual abortion total at Planned Parenthood has remained fairly stable (ranging from about 320,000 to 334,000) even as overall abortions in the country have dropped significantly. **Most of Planned Parenthood's other services, by contrast, have consistently declined.** Contraceptive services have dropped 30 percent since 2009. Cancer screenings (mostly manual breast exams and pap tests) have dropped 64 percent. "Prenatal services" (which were always very rare) have plummeted 81 percent. "Total services" provided by Planned Parenthood are down 15 percent.

Among the three pregnancy-related services Planned Parenthood provides women who are already pregnant (abortion, adoption referral, prenatal services), abortion accounts for 97 percent. For every one adoption referral, Planned Parenthood performs 83 abortions. The group is 41 times more likely to perform an abortion than to provide any prenatal care.

Planned Parenthood took in a record \$1.46 billion in revenue during the fiscal year ending June 30, 2017. **That's an increase of more than \$100 million over the previous year and a 39 percent rise since 2009**—even as

the organization has provided fewer services to fewer clients. During just the last five years, Planned Parenthood's revenue has exceeded its expenses by \$420 million.

Planned Parenthood in Minnesota

Planned Parenthood Minnesota, North Dakota, South Dakota (PPMNS), the regional PPFA affiliate, operates Minnesota's largest abortion facility in St. Paul. (PPMNS recently joined with another affiliate to become Planned Parenthood North Central States.) The center performed a record-high 6,234 abortions in 2017, according to the Minnesota Department of Health—more than three times that of the state's next highest practitioner.

Contrary to state and national abortion trends, abortions at PPMNS have consistently gone up. **As the overall state abortion total decreased 26 percent from 2007 to 2017, Planned Parenthood increased its abortions by 59 percent.** In 2007, Planned Parenthood performed 28 percent of Minnesota abortions; 10 years later, it performed 61 percent.

But while Planned Parenthood's abortion numbers continue to rise, it provides fewer non-abortion services. **PPMNS's contraceptive services have dropped 28 percent since 2013, according to the organization's annual reports. PPMNS's number of HPV vaccines has fallen 51 percent. And its cancer screenings have plummeted 55 percent.**

In the year ending June 30, 2017, PPMNS generated revenue of more than \$47 million, including more than \$5 million from the government. The group benefits from Minnesota's policy of Medicaid-funded abortion, which allows Planned Parenthood to offer "free" (state-funded) abortions to low-income women. PPMNS billed Minnesota taxpayers a record-high \$521,596 for a record-high 2,322 abortions in 2016, according to the Minnesota Department of Human Services. Planned Parenthood has increased its tax-funded abortions by 168 percent since 2011.

Planned Parenthood doesn't deserve our support

Planned Parenthood is in the business of ending the lives of human beings before they are born. And it is a profitable business. **But it does not deserve our support or our tax dollars. MCCL**

MCCL 2018: The Year in Pictures

People educated, equipped and empowered—thanks to your support!



Senate President Michelle Fischbach welcomed students to the Senate chamber for Student Day at the Capitol.



President Leo LaLonde thanked our dedicated members at the MCCL 50th Anniversary in June.



Legislative Director Andrea Rau testified at a March hearing for the ultrasound bill.



Life Leadership Camp 2018 group photo!



The Capitol Rotunda was transformed by pro-lifers on Jan. 22 for the March for Life.



Howard Hutchins was honored at the Crosslake Fall Tour meeting for his many years of dedicated service to MCCL.



Sue Revering helped to prepare the Isanti Co. Fair MCCL booth.

8 simple ways you can help change hearts and minds in 2019

BY PAUL STARK

A NEW YEAR is a new beginning. We at MCCL want to use the new year to rejuvenate, strengthen, and expand our pro-life educational activities.

We want to *inform* more Minnesotans of the humanity of the unborn child, the brutal reality of abortion, and the practical resources and abortion alternatives that are available to pregnant women in need.

We want to *persuade* more Minnesotans that every human being counts and that both mother and child deserve our respect and protection.

We want to *motivate* more Minnesotans to live and vote pro-life and to partner with us as we work to make abortion unthinkable in our culture.

If you want to be part of this lifesaving mission, here are some simple ways you can join us to change hearts and minds in 2019:

- 1 Invite friends or family members to accompany you at the MCCL March for Life (Jan. 22) and MCCL Legislative Dinner (Feb. 26). These events are both informative and motivational.
- 2 Invite your own students or students you know to attend MCCL's Student Day at the Capitol (March 4 or March 14). This is a unique pro-life experience in government for students in grades 7-12.
- 3 Volunteer for a shift staffing MCCL's pro-life booth at your county fair or at the State Fair this summer. Your presence will help inform fairgoers about fetal development and abortion.
- 4 Invite high school students to participate in MCCL's Life Leadership Camp Aug.

4-7 in Paynesville. This pro-life summer camp trains and equips young people to be knowledgeable and effective pro-life leaders.

- 5 Invite MCCL to deliver a pro-life presentation to your church, school, or group.
- 6 Follow MCCL on social media and share our pro-life articles, graphics, and links with your own social network.
- 7 Order MCCL educational materials (such as brochures, fliers, and billboards) and share them with others.
- 8 Become a member of MCCL if you aren't already. Encourage others to do the same. Everything MCCL does is only possible with your faithful and generous support!

More information about all of these opportunities can be found online at mccl.org or by contacting MCCL. **MCCL**



A GIFT FOR LIFE

MCCL offers you the opportunity to honor loved ones by making contributions in another person's name to advance the cause of life. Your gift to MCCL's Tribute and Memorial Program will enable this organization to continue and/or expand vital endeavors on behalf of defenseless people. These include pro-life presentations in public and private schools, community awareness programs, and other proactive efforts to educate the public concerning crucial life issues.

MCCL uses these funds to uphold and advance the rights of unborn children and other defenseless persons. MCCL will continue to work until all vulnerable people are assured of their rightful protection as valuable human beings.

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MCCL will send an acknowledgment card to the honored person or to the family of the deceased (without indicating the specific amount given) and a postcard to the donor to confirm receipt of the gift. Donors who wish to have their remembrances published in MCCL News need only to note a request for publication at the time of donation.

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PRO-LIFE 101: Gosnell's lethal challenge to abortion logic

BY PAUL STARK

IN KERMIT GOSNELL'S Philadelphia abortion facility, dubbed a "house of horrors" by investigators, patients were treated by untrained staff using infected instruments, severed baby feet were collected in jars, infant corpses were stored in the fridge alongside lunches, and multiple women died.

Even more outrageous? Gosnell delivered hundreds of babies alive and then killed them by "snipping" their necks. He was convicted of first-degree murder and other crimes and sentenced to life in prison in 2013.

The film *Gosnell: The Trial of America's Biggest Serial Killer* tells the true story of the investigation and trial. In one revealing courtroom scene, Gosnell's attorney cross-examines a late-term abortion practitioner who, unlike Gosnell, operates according to the rules.

This law-abiding doctor explains how she performs abortions: a lethal injection followed by dismemberment and removal of the body piece by piece—or, when the unborn child is larger, removal of the body intact after sucking out the brain to collapse the skull. If the child were (hypothetically) born alive, she says, she would provide "comfort care" and wait for the baby to die.

Are these legal, ordinary abortion procedures any better than Gosnell's approach of severing the spinal cord after delivery? That seemed to be the defense attorney's question to the jury.

It should also be directed to every abortion supporter.

What's the difference?

The conventional "pro-choice" position holds that killing a young member of our species is morally permissible *in utero* but not *ex utero*. The challenge posed by the case of Kermit Gosnell is whether there's actually a morally significant difference.

Could the relevant difference simply be the location of the human being? No. *Where* someone is clearly has no bearing on *what* she is or whether she matters. **A trip through the birth canal—like a trip across the border from Minnesota into Wisconsin—doesn't change an individual into something else.**

Could bodily autonomy account for the difference? Maybe a woman has a right to do what she wants with anything inside her own body. But autonomy, though important, must still respect the rights of others. "Mere ownership," writes pro-choice philosopher Mary Anne Warren, "does not give me the right to kill innocent people whom I find on my property." And so it is with pregnancy.

Most people don't think pregnant women should use their autonomy to ingest drugs that cause birth defects. **And if harming an unborn child is wrong, killing her by crushing**

and tearing her into pieces is even worse.

Could the developmental stage of the child be the difference? Maybe those killed while still in the womb haven't yet acquired characteristics that make them "persons" with a right to life.

But developmental stage doesn't always correlate with birth. Some of the babies Gosnell delivered alive and then killed are younger than other babies legally killed *in utero*. How can we shudder at the acts of Gosnell while authorizing the destruction of those older children?

In any case, though, development doesn't determine whether someone has a right to life. Older people are not more valuable than younger people. Smaller people don't have a lesser right to exist than bigger people. Teenagers, with their superior mental and physical ability, don't matter more than toddlers.

Some people point to a child's "non-viability" (the inability to survive apart from her mother) as a reason to think that she may be killed. But some conjoined twins are "non-viable" apart from the body of the other—and that doesn't mean we may kill them. **Dependence doesn't diminish a person's worth. And independence doesn't somehow confer human rights.**

The solution is equality

So what is the difference? Gosnell's killings were a grave injustice. Why isn't abortion also a grave injustice? *What's the difference?*

Many thinkers who support abortion acknowledge that there's no substantial moral difference. **"The pro-life groups are right about one thing: the location of the baby inside or outside the womb cannot make such a crucial moral difference,"** write Peter Singer and Helga Kuhse. "We cannot coherently hold that it is all right to kill a fetus a week before birth, but as soon as the baby is born everything must be done to keep it alive."

The two ethicists add: "The solution, however, is not to accept the pro-life view that the fetus ... [has] the same moral status as yours or mine. **The solution is the very opposite: to abandon the idea that all human life is of equal worth.**"

Singer, Kuhse, and a number of other prominent moral philosophers believe infanticide, like abortion, can be appropriate. They don't think that Gosnell's newborn victims count as "persons" who have human rights.

Almost everyone else knows better. **The solution to the challenge of Kermit Gosnell is not to abandon human equality. The solution is to fully embrace it.**

Every child deserves better than that facility in Philadelphia. Every child deserves better than abortion. **MCCL**



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Many MCCL contributors also **choose to make a year-end cash gift to our ongoing work.**

EASY, EFFECTIVE GIVING
 There are many opportunities to contribute to MCCL's lifesaving work—and they're all easy for you. Contact your financial advisor for more information about year-end giving, or call the MCCL State Office at 612-825-6831. **MCCL**

MCCL LEGISLATIVE DINNER 2019:

Join us Feb. 26 and bring a friend!
 Evening brings together lawmakers and pro-life constituents

BY BILL POEHLER

YOU ARE WARMLY INVITED to MCCL's 2019 Legislative Dinner on Feb. 26 in St. Paul. The Dinner, which is held every other year at the start of the legislative biennium, **brings together state lawmakers and their pro-life constituents for an evening of pro-life fellowship and education, especially about legislative matters.**

There is no better opportunity to discuss with elected officials your concerns about protecting vulnerable persons through right-to-life public policy.

SPEAKER PLANNED
 The educational highlight of the evening is always our keynote speaker. Look for the speaker to be named in our January-February newsletter. **"Lawmakers and constituents always tell us about how much they learn from our keynote speakers,"** explains MCCL President

Leo LaLonde. "Our 2019 speaker will broaden your understanding and motivate you to greater involvement in saving lives. You won't want to miss it!"

INVITE OTHERS TO JOIN YOU

Please contact your state senator and representative and ask them to attend the MCCL Legislative Dinner in order to hear MCCL's agenda and to meet with their constituents. Invite your pro-life friends and family members to come as well.

The 2019 Legislative Dinner will be held Tuesday, Feb. 26, at the historic Landmark Center in downtown St. Paul (75 W. Fifth St.). The evening program will begin with a social hour at 6:00 p.m., followed by a served dinner at 7:00 p.m. in the Musser Cortile grand indoor courtyard.



REGISTER TODAY

The Dinner costs \$40 per person, and \$20 per student, for those who register by Feb. 14; after that date the cost is \$50. The deadline for registration is Feb. 21. **To secure your reservation, mail your check with the coupon to the right, register online at mccl.org/dinner, or contact the MCCL State Office at 612-825-6831 or mccl@mccl.org.**

You may pay for your reservation with a credit card online or over the phone. Dinner attire is recommended. **MCCL**

MCCL LEGISLATIVE DINNER 2019

Please reserve _____ places at the **MCCL Legislative Dinner on Feb. 26.**

I have enclosed my check for \$_____.
Cost for the dinner is \$50 per person (or \$40 if you register by Feb. 14)
 If you are making reservations for others, please list and attach their names and addresses to this form. Your table assignment and name tags will be available at the registration table.

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

CITY: _____ ZIP: _____

PHONE: _____

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Clip and mail with your check to:
**MCCL Inc., 4249 Nicollet Ave.
 Minneapolis, MN 55409**
 If you would like to register by phone and pay with a credit card, call MCCL at **612-825-6831.**





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- Make plans to attend the MCCL March for Life on Tuesday, Jan. 22, at noon** at the State Capitol in St. Paul. (See page 1.)
- Join MCCL today** if you are not already a member! Become a member by making a donation by mail (use enclosed envelope), online at www.mccl.org/donate or by calling us at 612-825-6831. Welcome!
- Make your reservations** for the 2019 MCCL Legislative Dinner on Feb. 26 in St. Paul. And invite others to join you! (See page 7.)
- Make a year-end donation** of stocks, bonds, mutual funds or other assets to the MCCL Education Fund to reduce your taxable income and support MCCL's educational efforts. (See page 7.)
- Tell young people, teachers and youth leaders about MCCL's Student Day at the Capitol** and encourage them to participate. (See page 3.)
- Encourage students in grades 7-12 to enter** the National Right to Life Pro-Life Essay Contest. Deadline is Jan. 23. (See page 3.)
- Plan to make a difference as a pro-life citizen in 2019.** See our list of ideas on page 5.
- Honor a loved one with a Tribute or Memorial** and help support MCCL's educational programs. (See page 6.)

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