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IRTL Book Sale Begins March 25

March 25-30, 2009

DES MOINES – Who doesn't love a great deal on a book? Or a movie? Or a music CD? Or a puzzle or game? We have it all at the Iowa Right to Life Spring Book Sale, which begins, Wednesday, March 25.

IRTL Book Sale March 25-30, 2009

Closed Sunday

**KJJY/ 7 Flags Event Center
2100 NW 100th Street
Clive, IA**

Hours:

**March 25 (Premier Night):
4 PM-9 PM:**

\$5 Admission—Premier Night only (Age 17 and under are free)

March 26: 9 AM-9 PM

March 27: 9 AM-9 PM

March 28: 9 AM-9 PM

March 30: 9 AM-6 PM

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Prayer for Life Packs Capitol

DES MOINES – The Prayer for Life at the Capitol in Des Moines was a huge success. Over 300 people showed up to hear Rep. Steve King and also Sonja Bates, sister of WHO Talk Host Jan Mickelson.

“If you're 36 years old or younger, look at the people standing next to you.” said King, “There between you is the ghost of a missing one-third of your generation because of abortion.”

King also urged Iowans to contact their representatives about the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA) and “ask them to oppose it with every fiber of their legislative being.”

Bates moved the crowd to tears with her testimony of how two abortions almost led her to ruin. She talked about the isolation she felt after the abortion. Friends told her to just forget about her pain, but she couldn't. Bates also talked about the Post-Abortion Bible Study Group she runs in California, where she lives and asked pro-lifers to continue to embrace women hurt by abortion.

Thank you to all the other sponsors; Iowan's For LIFE, Iowa Family Policy Center, Catholic Conference, Iowa Christian Alliance, Knights of Columbus and Des Moines RTL.” said Kim Lehman, President of Iowa Right to Life, “We all work hard, but this event recognizes what we can do when we put it in God's hands.”



Pro-Lifers fill the Capitol Rotunda in Des Moines.



Iowans await the beginning of the Prayer for Life.



Congressman Steve King fires up the crowd.

40 Days For Life Director Shawn Carney Keynote Speaker for IRTL Spring Dinner April 30th



While still in college, Shawn recruited and trained dozens of new pro-life volunteers, mobilized a community-wide door-to-door pro-life outreach that reached 25,000 households in three weeks.

In 2007 Shawn co-founded 40 Days for Life and helped spread it nationally to over 200 cities in 47 states and five countries including England, Ireland, Canada, Brazil, and Peru.

Shawn's leadership has put him as a regular media spokesperson on pro-life issues. His work has been featured on ABC and CBS television stations, National Catholic Radio, The Christian Post, National Catholic Reg-

ister, Our Sunday Visitor, Catholic Answers, Salem Radio, Relevant Radio, EWTN Radio, and Focus on the Family. Shawn has a strong track record for helping pro-life organizations raise record amounts at banquets and other fundraising events.

Shawn is also the executive producer and host of the new exciting television series, being HUMAN. This powerful show airs on the world's largest Christian media outlet, Eternal Word Television Network (EWTN) which airs in 128 million homes.

**April 30th Blank Park Zoo
To Attend Call: 515-244-1012
More Information at:
www.iowaRTL.org (events)**

DES MOINES—Shawn Carney is one of the youngest and most inspirational speakers in America today!

Shawn has motivated thousands of people across America through his inspiring presentations.

Loeb sack Attacks Life—Sponsors FOCA!

DES MOINES—Congressman Dave Loebsack is the only IA co-sponsor of the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA), an extreme radical pro-abortion piece of legislation. FOCA would overturn all state and federal pro-life laws.

Loeb sack is a darling of the National Abortion Rights Action League, (NARAL), who gave him a 100 per-

cent pro-abortion voting score.



Abortion industry backers, unprepared for the overwhelming reaction from pro-lifers, have been trying to spread false information about FOCA, by saying that it will not overturn pro-life laws. *Time* magazine, in a Feb. 19, 2009, article, even went so far as to call it a "mythical abortion bill" and say FOCA doesn't exist. **WRONG!**

The bill states that any state and federal laws, policies, practice, ordinances, regulation, administrative order, that interfere with a woman's right to abortion will be repealed. Obama has promised to sign it if passes the House and Senate. There are two ways you can help stop it:

1) Sign Iowa Right to Life's Online Petition to Stop FOCA at: **www.iowaRTL.org** (click on Hot Topics) Also to see bill: **NRLC.org**

Pro-Life News Briefs

Obama to Fund Abortions Overseas

WASHINGTON D.C.—In the midst of economic distress and a new trillion dollar deficit in the U.S., President Barack Obama has still found money to buy abortions overseas.

Just 72-hours after he took office, Obama signed an executive order reversing the Mexico City Policy, which banned federal funds from fi-

nancing abortions overseas.

Clinic Owner Charged for Throwing Out Live Infant

MIAMI, FL—A Miami abortion clinic owner was arrested Tuesday, March 3 for throwing away an infant born alive during a botched abortion, according to the *Sun-Sentinel*.

Belkis Gonzalez, 43, was charged with practicing medicine without a

license and tampering with evidence for the 2006 incident. Teen mother, Sycloria Williams, who was 23 weeks pregnant at the time of the abortion, said Gonzalez placed the live infant, a baby girl, in a plastic bio-hazard bag and threw her out.

Although an autopsy showed the baby took a breath and had air in her lungs, the cause of death as "extreme prematurity," according to the Florida Dept. of Health.

IRTL Offering New RU-486 Flyers

Help Us Get The Word Out!

DES MOINES—Iowa Right to Life is offering new flyers on the dangers of RU-486 / Medication Abortions.



Getting out the word is more urgent than ever with a new push by Planned Parenthood of Greater Iowa (PPGI) to increase their RU-486 business.

These Medication Abortions (sometimes also called “Chemical

Abortions”) are more profitable for PPGI, but more dangerous for women, because PPGI uses a cheaper combination of pills, against Food and Drug Administration (FDA) regulations.

PPGI also sends the woman away to have the abortion at home, which is also against FDA recommendations for RU-486/Medication Abortions. Not to mention, more traumatizing for the woman, who may actually see the dead baby.

It is especially important to get

these flyers to high school and college students who are prime targets for PPGI’s misinformation campaign.

Order RU-486 Flyers today!
Call 515-244-1012 or visit us online at www.iowaRTL.org

Ames Joins 40 Days

DES MOINES—Want to do something to change hearts and save babies, but just don’t what to do?

Grab your family and friends and join in the **40 Days for Life** Prayer Vigil outside abortion processing centers across Iowa. The popular prayer vigil began February 25 and it runs through April 5. Its not too late.

40 Days, which runs twice a year, during Lent and in the fall, is expanding in Iowa. A new group in Ames, will be outside the Planned Parenthood at 2530 Chamberlain Avenue in Ames.

There are also 40 Days groups in Des Moines, Bettendorf, Council

Pro-Life Clinic Opens in Iowa City



Organizers stand outside the new IC3 Clinic in Iowa City, which will open in April.

assessment and more.

IC3 was created to give women an alternative to the three abortion processing centers in the Iowa City area. It is in a very convenient location on Gilbert Street in Iowa City, just blocks from the Iowa City campus and in an area where many students reside.

The state-of-the-art 4D Ultrasound machine, worth \$130,000, was donated to the clinic.

Women who are denied the opportunity to see their ultrasounds at abortion processing centers, will have access to those images at IC3.

IC3 is located at 821 South Gilbert Street Iowa City, IA 52240.

For more information, visit: www.informedchoiceia.org or call: 319.337.0575.

IOWA CITY—Pregnant women in crisis in Iowa City will have a new place to turn, where they will not feel coerced into having an abortion.

The new Informed Choice of Iowa Clinic (IC3), which will open its doors in April, will offer Pregnancy Testing, 4D Ultrasounds, Early Prenatal Care, Adoption Referrals, as well as STD Testing and Treatment and Risk As-



Bluffs and Sioux City.

During the Fall 2008 40 Days for Life campaign, at least 614 babies were saved from the jaws of the abortion industry nationwide and at least three that we know of here in Des Moines.

In addition to praying for the mothers and their babies, please pray for the people working for the abortion industry — we know that many of them are hurting too and torn over their participation in abortions. Pray that they will leave the slaughter of the innocents behind and find more life-fulfilling work.

For more information, please visit: www.40daysforlife.com/iowa

Get Your Reservations Now!
Featuring Shawn Carney, Director of 40 Days for Life
to speak at the Pro-Life Spring Dinner
April 30, 2009 at Blank Park Zoo
Call 515-244-1012 or go on line www.iowaRTL.org

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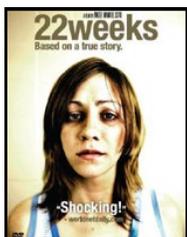
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NEW MATERIAL AVAILABLE AT THE March 25th BOOK SALE—Expanded Pro-Life Resources

DES MOINES—At the last book sale, a few people asked us for more pro-life resources that they could use for schools, parishes, other groups or to increase their own knowledge of life issues.

We have heeded the call with a



new, beefed-up supply of the latest and greatest. We have purchased from many sources new material, including the shocking new DVD, **22weeks**.

Based on a true story, **22weeks** is about a young girl, locked in the bathroom at an abortion clinic where her baby is born alive. This is a film about decisions and the echoes they

leave behind.

Who needs the Oscars? Stay home, pop popcorn and watch some life-affirming favorites!

In our selection are DVDs of **Bella**, the story of a soccer-star who loses everything and a waitress in a crisis situation and how one day changes everything for both of them. Starring impressive Eduardo Verastegui.



And **Amazing Grace**, the story of William Wilburforce's fight to end the slave trade in England. There was heavy chatter on the Internet in talk shows



about this movie's parallel to our current struggle to fight for the personhood of unborn babies.

Also in the new collection, are pro-life books, including:

Making Abortion Rare by David C. Reardon

The Jericho Plan by David C. Reardon

Forbidden Grief by Theresa Burke

The Gabriel Prayer Book by Deacon Roy Barkley

Atonement Child by Francine Rivers and much more...

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