

The Eye on Abortion

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OUR COUNTRYS' CONFUSED LAWS

Dear Pro-life Friends,

Can an unborn "blob of tissue" have a national identity? According to a recent Associated Press (AP) article, it can. Myrna Dick entered the United States from Mexico illegally several years ago and married a Dallas, Texas man. While her request for citizenship was in progress, she returned to Mexico in order to visit an ailing relative.



As she made an effort to cross the border and reenter the United States, immigration officials captured her. A Missouri judge ruled that Dick could stay in the country because she was pregnant. The judge ruled that her unborn child, Zachary, was an American citizen, and because he couldn't be deported, neither could she.



In February, immigration officials won their case to deport Dick for life, after Zachary's birth, separating her from her husband and her son, who is now 17 months old.



Believe it or not, pro-aborts, who often call unborn children "blobs of tissue," find themselves siding with Dick, who is pro-life.

"First a judge declares there is some right of personhood attached to this fetus," said Pamela Sumners, director of NARAL's Missouri affiliate, told the AP. "Then the courts deprive this child of his mother once it's been born by deporting her. This is insane public policy."



AMERICA: MAKE UP YOUR MIND

It astounds me how a "non-person" can suddenly be seen as an American! Our laws are very inconsistent when it comes to protection for the lives of the unborn.



For instance, if a mother decides she does *not* want her child to live, she can legally go into an abortion clinic and have her child painfully dismembered. This is what we Americans call "freedom of choice." After all, it's "her body, her choice," right? Women's bodies are seen as an unwilling incubator in this instance, and who are we to force her to do the right thing for the child and allow him to live when the mother doesn't want him anyway? I'm sure you've heard the expression, "Keep your laws off of my body!"

The law dictates to us what we can and cannot do with our bodies all of the time. It is against the law to prostitute one's self (in most states), or to run down the street naked! We are even told that we have to go to a specific room in which to relieve our bladders (yes, restrooms)! Aside from that, the baby is *inside* the mother's body, but it is *not* her body.

On the other hand, if a mother chooses to *keep* her unborn child, she is subjected to all kinds of laws on her body that not many would complain about. If she does drugs while she is pregnant, she could face jail time for *endangering her child*. Doesn't abortion endanger the life of a child?

There are many laws set in place to protect the unborn. Consider the "Unborn Victims of Violence Act," that President Bush signed into law, which defines a violent attack on a pregnant woman as two distinct crimes: one against the woman herself, and the other against her unborn child. If someone murders a pregnant woman, he will be charged with two murders, not one.

A woman is not allowed to perform an "at home" abortion...she has to go to a specific place in which to kill her child. She is *forced* to pay the "professionals" to handle it, or else face jail time.

Then, if the "professionals" botch the job and the child is born alive, there is the "Born Alive Infants Protection Act," which President Bush also signed, that comes into effect. This act states that if a child is indeed born *alive* during an abortion procedure, the abortionist is then required to try to *save* the life of the baby that he just attempted to kill, because now it is *outside* the womb, and therefore is seen as a person with rights.

See what I mean by inconsistent?

The life of an unborn child is completely dependent on his mother's desire to keep him alive. If she decides she doesn't want him, he has no rights and she can have him aborted. If she decides she wants to keep the child, then he suddenly has human rights that he wouldn't have had otherwise, such as the right to grow in a healthy manner and be protected from harm.

I applaud the laws that are in place that protect the life of the unborn. They are good and right. But don't the "unwanted" unborn also deserve the same protection? It is time that abortion is seen for what it is. A selfish act that takes innocent life. Abortion should, and God-willing, will become illegal one day, and unborn children could have the protection they so desperately need.

IN OTHER NEWS-UNIVERSITY PROFESSOR GOES BERZERK

Dr. Sally Jacobsen, a British literature professor at Northern Kentucky University, recently encouraged her students to vandalize a pro-life display, which was put up by the Northern Right to Life student group on campus.



The display was a memorial of 400 crosses, representing the 47 million babies who have been killed through abortion since Roe V. Wade was passed in 1973.

Not only did Jacobson encourage her students to wreck the display, but she joined them in the destructive episode (see photo on right).



Jacobson plead no comment when asked if she was present during the escapade, but when it came out that reporters from the student newspaper caught Jacobson on camera destroying a sign that accompanied the pro-life display she fessed up.

In a lame attempt to defend her actions, Jacobson told the Cincinnati Enquirer that she was upset by the pro-life display, which she labeled a "slap in the face" to women who might be considering "the agonizing and very private decision to have an abortion."

"I did, outside of class during the break, invite students to express their freedom-of-speech rights to destroy the display if they wished to," Jacobsen said.

Pulling up the crosses was similar to citizens taking down Nazi displays on Fountain Square, she said.

"Any violence perpetrated against that silly display was minor compared to how I felt when I saw it. Some of my students felt the same way, just outraged," Jacobsen said.

After Dr. Jacobson and NKU students destroyed the display, members of the Northern Right to Life group decided to put new crosses up in their place and camp out overnight to make sure they weren't vandalized again.



The student group is pressing charges with local police. David Tobergte, an administrative sergeant with the University Police said those involved could face felony theft charges and the students involved could also face university sanctions regarding the incident.

NKU has suspended Jacobson and she will officially retire at the end of the school year. Other professors have taken over her classes for the remainder of the semester.

Apparently, vandalizing pro-life displays on college campuses is catching on. Jill Stanek reported the following incidents in a recent article.

In March, vandals at Baylor University stole 3,500 pink and blue flags from a pro-life display during the night, replacing a sign that said, "In loving memory of 3,500 children aborted daily in the United States," with a sign stating, "Abortion saves 7,000 adult lives every day."

Also in March, Harvard University pro-aborts repeatedly defaced or stole pro-life posters on campus portraying the growth of embryo "Elena." A college newspaper editorial condemned the posters, stating they "misrepresent[ed] the pro-choice members of this campus as bloodthirsty baby killers."

Two weeks ago, vandals at Princeton University destroyed 347 pink and blue flags representing students from the Class of 2010 who "didn't make it" because they were aborted, as a sign stated at the pro-life display. The pro-aborts replaced the flags with coat hangers and signs saying, "347 rusty coat hangers were saved from mangling and mutilation," and "Support smaller class sizes: support abortion."

It is no surprise that the pro-abortion camp is getting restless as they see a change in the tide of public opinion across the nation. We are making progress...slowly and surely. Current polls show that a majority of Americans are pro-life, which wasn't the case a while back. Please pray that one day, with the help of the Lord, abortion will *finally* become illegal in our country.

For the sake of unborn babies and the glory of God,

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"Blessed is he who considers the helpless; the Lord will deliver him in time of trouble." Psalm 41:1