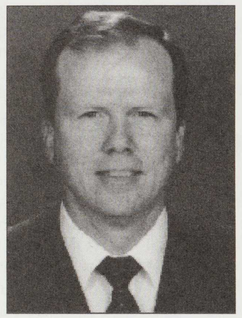
Those Kids are Everywhere!

This summer, movie theaters across the country are releasing a film about a young mischievous cartoon character who always seems to be getting the best of his neighbor, Mr. Wilson. Anyone who has grown up in America has heard of the exploits of *Dennis the Menace*.



Dennis is essentially a good kid but manages, on a somewhat regular basis, to get himself into hot water with the man who lives next door. Dennis doesn't always intend to do the damage that gets done, but somehow his presence on the block always creates a stir at the Wilson home.

But what can you do to this sweet little blond-haired boy? Sure, sometimes Mr. Wilson would like to throttle the kid but he can't do that. It would be child abuse. And besides it's hard to get too steamed up towards a child whose intentions are good. Kids, in general, seem to be able to get away with murder when their hearts are right.

For over 20 years now the abortion industry have had a corner on the murder market, so it seems high-time that they have a little competition in the public relations field.

The cover story of this issue features "Youth for America" and their recent series of rescues that have taken place in many cities of this country. Unlike Dennis the Menace, the kids of Youth for America don't always go "scot-free" after a rescue. But, like Dennis, they seem to be getting the attention of the media and creating havoc for the abortionists wherever they show up.

Under the able direction of Bryan Longworth, these survivors of abortion have grown into a formidable force in the battle for the lives of their fallen schoolmates.

Throughout history there have been many examples of children playing a vital part in a war effort. During the 1700s and 1800s it was common to use young boys as runners to carry ammunition from the powder room to the guns on war ships. Since the gun decks often had less than four feet of head room, young boys were enlisted to carry the black powder and supplies back and forth. It was more efficient because they didn't have to stoop over and were able to run full-speed to their destination.

During W.W.II in Norway, young boys and girls, on many occasions, carried supplies to the front line atop their sleds. In Corrie ten Boom's book, *The Hiding Place*, she writes that the entire family of her brother, which included young children, was involved in the rescue effort to save Jews from Nazi extermination.

It's no wonder that young children are willing and able to fight in the abortion wars today. Nonetheless, they have their detractors. From both sides of the abortion debate accusations of brainwashing and child-abuse are hurled. But these kids keep rescuing. Undaunted by separation from their parents, abuse from police and pro-abortion forces, young children from Youth for America are moving ahead—determined to save lives and stop abortion in their land.

That it is necessary for children to even need to consider rescue is an indictment of those of us who, as able bodied adults, have left the fray in search of "safer" arenas of battle. God grant us all the wisdom of the young prophet Daniel and the courage of the young shepherd boy David, who met their enemies head on and refused to back down when they knew that what they were fighting for was good and right.

Serving Him for Life,

Andrew Burnett

Killing Justified?

Many have now condemned the killing of Dr. Gunn, a Florida abortionist, but regrettably much of the criticism is empty, if not just plain hypocritical. Only a pacifist who objects to abortion, execution and the just war theory could rightly criticize the killer of Dr. Gunn. The rest of the crowd are hypocrites. Even the words of some pro-life advocates lacked honesty and were less than genuine. Michael Griffin could evoke the just war theory and point to 20 years of non-violent action that has not brought abortion to an end, and a government more determined than ever to defend abortion. Certainly a dead abortionist can't do abortions.

If violence is to be prevented, those who are non-violent must find moral action against abortion that is louder and clearer than the actions of the Pensacola shooter. Otherwise the civil war has begun.

Andrew Sullivan
Omaha, NE

I think it is important for pro-life people to not blindly condemn the killing of Dr. Gunn, the abortionist.

Remember Phinehas. He murdered a man and a woman right in front of everyone, and God said that he was a hero whose action spared Israel of further plague.

And remember what happened to King Saul. Samuel took the kingdom away from him for refusing to kill the baby killer.

Mark Goodell
Richmond, VA

Sign me up!

We congratulate you on your outstanding magazine. We wish to subscribe.

Will the D & X article be reprinted?

We think your efforts in Detroit were particularly brilliant and are anxiously awaiting a follow-up report.

Mr. and Mrs. J.F. Krynock
Pittsburgh, PA

Recently, I was introduced to your magazine, and found it exceptional. The quality and depth of the information was impressive. You are on the cutting edge of pro-life work.

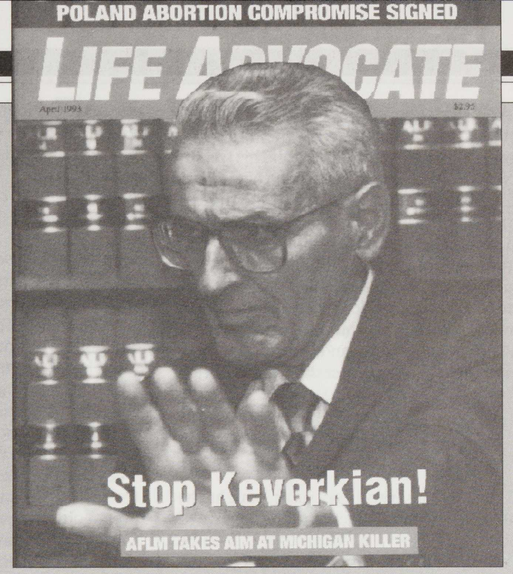
We need to receive your publication on a regular basis to stay abreast of what is going on in the abortion industry and in the pro-life community.

Paula Cullen, R.N.
Crisis Pregnancy Center
Spokane, WA

I just received my first issue of *Life Advocate* magazine and I want to let you know how much I enjoyed it. I found it informative, uplifting and so interesting that I could not put it down. What an encouragement to see what other pro-lifers are doing around the nation and to read the stories that you will not find in the newspapers. I will be looking forward to further issues.

Deidre Sisco
Winter Park, FL

Responding to April's *Life Advocate*



Kevorkian busters: pro and con

If I ever (God forbid) reach the point where I have a terminal disease with excruciating pain beyond the effect of medication, I pray a Jack Kevorkian comes along.

Answer this: God heals miraculously and through doctors/medicines, so — why can he not call a saint home through another person? No one I know would let a dog writhe in the throes of unbearable pain - why another human being?

I'm not with you on this one, guys.

Dick Colbeth
Portland, OR

I especially appreciated your strong ACTION against Kevorkian and in favor of severely disabled people's right to our respect, love and care.

The medically dependent, inarticulate, impaired bedridden adult is less attractive to us than the unborn child. The child seems to us a spark of sheer grace: so translucent and pink, veined like a butterfly's wing in the fiber optic pictures, so frisky and full of spunk in the sonograms, so like our own young hopes. The infirm adult seems more like a grim reminder: opaque, misshapen, stiff, like our own fears of disability, senility, death...

So to defend the disabled adult requires even more faith, more hope, more love. Only God knows why these people need to live. But it's God who calls us to this task.

Juli Loesch-Wiley
Johnson City, TN

Ann and I feel that you are spreading yourself too thin by your involvement in "Anti-Kevorkianism."

Preborn babies have no advocate, whereas old folks (by that I mean grown-ups) have many advocates if they so choose.

Also, yours isn't the only organization in the battle. Some others are better able to handle euthanasia. We're supporting you because of your advocacy of preborn babies.

John Kramer
Gold Beach, OR

Politics not the Answer

I respect Randall Terry, but I have some problems with the article he wrote in your April issue.

What Terry is saying is that we should get back to being a society built on the laws of God. I have no qualms with this, but I do with the way he would bring this about.

Politics is simply not the answer. There are Christians who are being called into the political arena, and this is fine. We should work to support them. As Christians, though, our primary effort should go toward rebuilding the church, being salt and light. If we put the emphasis here, then under that banner we can go forth and get involved in whatever God is calling us to.

The church is despised by most of society, and rightly so. We have fallen down on the job, but the way back up is not through politics. It is through loving the Lord our God with all our hearts, minds, and souls, and our neighbor (which includes our enemy) as ourselves.

Psalm 127:1 says, "Unless the Lord builds the house, they labor in vain who build it."

Terry mentions three politicians and implies they are "lying, cheating, greedy adulterers, lazy, rebellious idolaters." This is a judgment on individuals, and Scripture tells us that no good can come from this, but even more important is the fact that before we condemn the worldly politicians, let's take a look at the church. We have lied, cheated, been greedy and unfaithful, lazy, rebellious, and sought after the same gods the world has. We need to repent, and that's where the emphasis needs to be.

My problem with Terry is his emphasis on the political area as being the answer. We do need to be involved in government and politics, but if we think this is going to solve society's ills, we are sadly mistaken. Let's get our own house in order. Then society will be impacted and changed.

Mary V. Nelson
St. Louis, MO

Stop Games and Compromise

The front cover of the April *Life Advocate* mentioned the recent enactment of a "compromise" on abortion in Poland. Inside, the article explored the compromise between the pro-death and pro-life forces in Poland that protected some preborn babies, but allowed those babies conceived in rape or incest, or handicapped babies, to be legally executed.

Unfortunately, the preborn in Poland are still not recognized as persons under the law. How can they when certain babies can be killed simply because of the circumstances surrounding their conception or a special physical or mental need? Abortion is now more regulated in Poland, but the preborn are not persons.

The American pro-life movement must take notice of this situation. With a pro-death president, Supreme Court, and Congress, we must realize that political compromise with the lives of innocent babies has gotten us nowhere. Instead, our open willingness to sacrifice certain special babies in order to simply "take what we can get" has set us back several years in our struggle to see all of God's children protected.

As the only voice these babies have, we must be a strong voice for all babies threatened by abortion. Do we believe our own rhetoric? Abortion is the murder of defenseless babies. Their lives cannot be viewed as "just another political issue." Let's stop the political games and compromise and get back to our God-given principles.

Greg Chesmore
Madison, WI