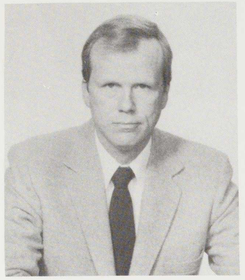

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## Publisher's Column

# Making "Your Magazine" Even Better

I recently had the opportunity to meet with a number of rescue leaders from around the country and was surprised to hear of all the rescue activity taking place nation-wide. Generally, I consider myself to be well informed when it comes to rescue activity. Yet, there were dozens of recent rescues that I had not heard about and many new rescue communities that had done many rescues about which I had no information.

Needless to say, we can't rely on the secular news media to report on rescue activities nationally. We consider ourselves fortunate when they bother to report on local news.

This is where you can make a big difference. Where the pro-abortion media has failed in reporting rescues, you can at least inform the several thousands of readers of *The Advocate* by sending local rescue news stories to our office for publication.

Our office receives dozens of letters from readers who find the stories and information in *The Advocate* to be an inspiration. For many of our readers *The Advocate* is the only real source of regular, consistent and reliable information concerning rescues.

Your input in the form of news articles, pictures and editorials can really make a difference. When a rescue takes place in your community be sure you have someone to get the story down on paper (contact our office at (503) 257-7023 for a list of suggested guidelines for articles). And don't forget photos, black and white or color (a picture is worth a thousand words).

A special thanks to the many of you who are already sending in information. *The Advocate* wouldn't be the same without you.

Serving Him For Life,

Andrew

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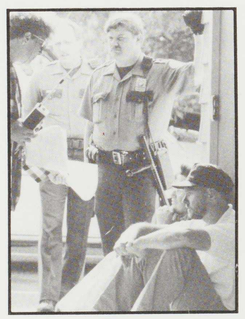

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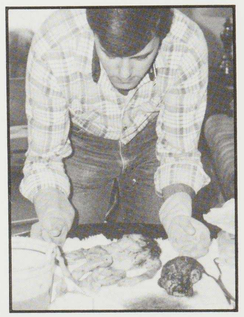

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# Pro-Life Summit '90: Prisoners Of Conscience Tortured In Houston Jails

*by Gordon Ohlhausen*

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Prayer supporters outside Planned Parenthood while rescuers are inside.

**Houston, TX**— Summit '90, an international pro-life call to prayer, education and action ran from July 8-11 in Houston, Texas, coinciding with the Economic Summit of world leaders. The four day schedule of activities was best summed up by one rescue leader who described it as "the most stimulating, both spiritually and educationally, of any national event I ever attended."

The summit opened with the erection of 4,400 crosses and Stars of David to commemorate the daily carnage of abortion in America. The service was officiated by Rev. Wallace Henley, pastor of the Encourager Church in Houston. The Cemetery of the Innocents was purposely placed across the street from Rice University, site of the Economic Summit, so that the visiting heads of state could witness the loss in terms of human lives in this country on a daily basis. The Cemetery remained in place for four days and offered, in the words of one of the thousands of visitors, a "place of prayer to focus on the babies and mothers lost to abortion profiteers."

Photo: Patrick Lee

Mother and child at Planned Parenthood for silent vigil.

On July 10 the Second Annual Rescue America Convention was held at the University of St. Thomas and it featured 22 speakers covering virtually every area of interest to the pro-life community. Some of the nationally-known speakers were: Joan Andrews, Christy Anne Collins, Rev. Jerry Horn, Joseph Scheidler, and Don Treshman.

That evening over 1,200 people attended a Rescue Rally at the Evangelistic Temple which was moderated by Michelle Herzog. Principal rally speakers were Penny Lea (Life Ministries of Florida), Rev. Ed Martin (Executive Director of Rescue America) and Bishop Austin Vaughan (Vicar General of Orange County, NY).

The intense pro-life program of the summit concluded with a rescue mission scheduled for Wednesday, July 11. On that morning it was learned that events over the prior three days had exerted sufficient pressure on the abortion industry and all abortion mills in Houston were closed for the day!

Planned Parenthood opened at 5:30 am and purposely admitted three mothers so they could have their babies killed and make a "press statement" that they "did abortions as planned."

However, after the death of these three babies, Planned Parenthood and the rest of the Houston-area abortion industry ceased to operate and all 20 abortion mills were closed for the day. A media event was carried out as Planned Parenthood used its NOW deathscorts to create the appearance of "escorting" a mother past the pro-life pickets set up at their doors. Rescuer Thomas Burke was arrested at this site when it appeared that a deathscort was bringing a


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