However, Justice Richard Lowe, III issued a temporary restraining order, partially staying the suspension until a September 13 hearing. Lowe's ruling prohibits Schwarz from performing abortions, but it allows him to do other medical procedures.

DeBuono said that "allowing Dr. Schwarz to continue to practice endangers the health of New York women."

Schwarz, 65, is accused of making mistakes in abortions he performed on 11 patients between November 1994 and May 1995.

The accusations include performing an abortion on a 14-year-old girl without consent and giving her a general anesthesia knowing she had asthma. ■

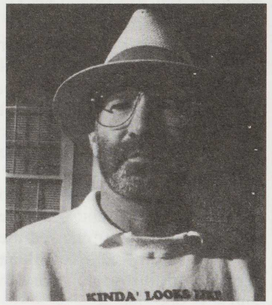
Nguyen Family

Baby Ryan celebrates first birthday

Vancouver, WA — Baby Ryan Nguyen, whom hospital officials in Spokane, Washington tried to kill last year, lives quite comfortably today — thank you very much.

Nguyen was born prematurely on October 27, 1994 and diagnosed as having kidney failure, brain damage, and partial paralysis. None of it was true, but hospital officials at Sacred Heart Hospital decided to stop treatment. Only after a court order was treatment resumed. An interstate helicopter flight to Emanuel Hospital in Portland, Oregon saved him from the "compassion" he had experienced at Sacred Heart.(Life Advocate, February 1995)

Nguyen eventually went home with his parents and is in generally good health today. His remaining medical problems may be associated with the removal of treatment experienced in his early life. ■



McMillan

McMillan charged under FACE

Jackson, MS — Roy McMillan protests and sidewalk counsels outside Jackson abortuaries at least three times a weeks. His style is abrasive. But he and his wife, former abortionist Dr. Beverly McMillan, have taken in more than their share of mothers who have changed their minds over the years.

His success spurred the U.S. Department of Justice to file a civil suit under the Freedom of Access to Clinic Entrances (FACE) Act against McMillan on August 17.

In the complaint, the Justice Department includes an incident where McMillan was alleged to have stepped in front of a car and caused it to swerve into a fence post. The charge had been filed as a criminal charge against McMillan back when it occurred, but a Mississippi judge threw it out when photographs of the incident taken for a New York newspaper showed that McMillan had merely been at the side of the vehicle.

Other claims are that clinic employees felt afraid of McMillan, a proponent of "justifiable force," and that he had at one time "pantomimed shooting them."

McMillan denies all these allegations.

"These people crush skulls and rip arms and legs off human beings for a living. I ask, do you think these people can be trusted with the truth?" McMillan responded. ■

What's wrong with this picture?

Non sequitur

The anti-child ZPG gives child rearing advice. (Submitted by Kirby Brant)

Don't disparage other's efforts

by Angie Bell

I'm writing because I believe it's time for me to speak out about something which has disturbed me greatly coming from certain elements within the pro-life movement. I'm speaking of those who would lay a guilt trip upon committed pro-lifers for every individual baby headed for abortion today. They disparage long-range strategy to bring about the eventual day when Roe v. Wade is no longer the law of the land. Such strategy includes efforts to reach post-natal hearts and minds, one at a time.

There are already many alive today who were born because of the pro-life movement (either by direct rescue, counseling at a crisis pregnancy center, or pre-pregnancy education by film or literature). However, as long as abortion is legal under Roe v. Wade, many preborn babies will die. Leave justice in the hands of God. Yes. Frightening. But pro-lifers have sounded the warning. The responsibility is on the other side.

Don't put the guilt on pro-lifers who have worked seriously to proclaim that abortion is wrong and have met with scorn, rejection, and stubborn denial along the way.

Have you ever learned, after the fact, that a neighbor, co-worker, or aquaintance has had an abortion, and you had been unaware of the pregnancy? I have. You think, "If she had only come to me, I could have talked to her and directed her to help for herself and the baby. She knew I'm pro-life, didn't she?" (Perhaps especially because she knew I'm pro-life, she would not consider talking to me.) But there's the privacy thing. And pressure for abortion comes from boyfriends, the peer group, and sometimes parents. How often have pro-lifers been hatefully told that "It's none of your business," and the people do what they are determined to do? Pro-lifers have been told by some of their leaders, "If you believe that abortion is murder, then act like it." For acting upon this belief, pro-lifers got the FACE law.

On November 24, 1963, millions of already stunned Americans went to church hoping for a word of encouragement and direction. From hundreds of pulpits, many of them heard that they shared the guilt for the violent murder of President Kennedy. After a while, many of them thought and talked and said, "Wait a minute. I would never have wanted or participated in such an evil and senseless thing. I am not responsible." We may never know the truth about who was behind the Jack Kennedy assassination. Putting guilt upon millions of ordinary American citizens was irresponsible and unjustified.

From the time that I understood the biology of conception, it was plainly obvious to me that a person's life began at conception and therefore the law's protection of human life rightly included the preborn. I did nothing toward changing the law to exclude those in the womb. From 1974, I have worked with the pro-life movement to educate, to maintain community pro-life resources for women in crisis, and to raise awareness through the means available under the First Amendment. I do not believe that I am responsible for one single abortion, and I will not talk or act as though I am responsible.

We have within the pro-life movement not only some who once had abortions, but such former abortion providers as Carol Everette and Beverly McMillan. Here, if we truly believe in a redemptive God, we must act like it. Such people should not have their past, God-forgiven sins dragged up. Each of us has needed God's grace for something. The cost to God for my redemption and that of an abortionist or the criminal on the cross was exactly the same.

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We also have people who were pro-life all along, but only recently became involved in doing anything. Remember Jesus' parable about the laborers who went to work at different times of the day and all received the same amount at the day's end.

There are some people who may say they don't like abortion, but still attend and contribute money to churches which belong to the Religious Coaliton for Abortion Rights, and who perhaps vote for politicians who are not pro-life or for whom life is not a priority. These people need to be shaken up in some way. They are "enablers" of the abortion culture.

Put the responsibility for abortion squarely where it belongs: on lawyers, judges, and lawmakers, on those who joined the "gold rush" to set up abortion businesses, and on the secular press and media who trumpeted legalized abortion as "progress" and "a woman's right." Meanwhile, remember that the Author of Life is still on the throne and may even now have a "Moses" out there, somewhere. And let's employ more of our most powerful weapon: prayer. ■

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