

Endless Mountains Pennsylvanians
for **Human Life**
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Upcoming Events

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| November 7 | Election Day |
| November 9 7:30PM | EMPfHL Meeting
S&S Memorial Hospital
Main Board Room |
| December 14 7:30PM | EMPfHL Meeting
S&S Memorial Hospital
Main Board Room |
| January 11, 2007 7:30PM | EMPfHL Meeting
S&S Memorial Hospital
Main Board Room |
| February 8, 2007 7:30PM | EMPfHL Meeting
S&S Memorial Hospital
Main Board Room |
| March 8, 2007 7:30PM | EMPfHL Meeting
S&S Memorial Hospital
Main Board Room |

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Welcome!

Endless Mountains Pennsylvanians for Human Life is a local chapter of the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation. Our primary task is to keep you informed regarding local issues, but when significant issues (such as the upcoming election) warrant, we'll also provide information to help you make informed decisions.

Provide Feedback Via Our Web Site

Let us know what you think! The contact page on our web site (www.empfhl.org/contact.html) provides feedback forms that you can use to contact any of our officers, be added to (or taken off) our mailing list, provide feedback, or submit news items for future newsletters.

Our job is to educate the public regarding life issues and to do anything we can to promote the pro-life agenda. If you have an event scheduled and you would like us to distribute literature or provide a pro-life speaker, we'd be more than happy to help.

Attend Our Meetings

Our local chapter meets on the second Monday of every month, in the Main Board Room of Soldiers and Sailors Hospital in Wellsboro, at 7:30PM. The meetings are always open to the public, so if you want to just drop by and "check us out" you are always welcome.

Permission to Copy

Our organization exists for the purpose of distributing information of importance to the pro-life cause, so feel free to copy the information in our newsletter and distribute it in any way you can. Help us get the word out!

Ms. Magazine and the Abortion Debate

This summer, *Ms. Magazine* asked its readers to sign a petition that read as follows: "I have had an abortion. I publicly join the millions of women in the United States who have had an abortion in demanding a repeal of laws that restrict women's reproductive freedom."

In response, Julia Gorin, (www.juliagorin.com) a contributing editor of [JewishWorldReview.com](http://www.JewishWorldReview.com), wrote a fascinating article for [OpinionJournal.com](http://www.OpinionJournal.com) describing a chain of *non*-abortions and how they affected her life. The full article can be found at <http://www.opinionjournal.com/extra/?id=110008802>. Here are some excerpts:

"Like most Soviet-era fetuses conceived in Russia by couples who were already parents, I was scheduled for abortion as a matter of course. In a society where abortion was the only form of birth control, it wasn't uncommon to meet women who had double-digit abortion counts ...

"Coincidentally, both my husband and I were to be the third abortions, each of us having had two siblings who weren't so lucky ...

"My father was another abortion-to-be. In 1941, my then 17-year-old aunt Dina barely managed to convince my grandparents that the invading Germans meant to kill Jews and that the family needed to evacuate from Odessa ... Dina's 2-year-old brother didn't survive the journey to Uzbekistan. Shunning the idea of any "replacements," Grandma didn't think twice before setting out for an abortion when she became pregnant at 42. But through very insistent implorations, her Uzbek landlady talked her out of it. That fetus went on to become a world-class violinist...

It's All In How You Say It

As the debate over stem cell research continues, be on your guard when you hear news about advances in the process. A recent edition of the *New England Journal of Medicine* reported on a study of a new treatment for heart attack victims. This treatment uses stem cells harvested from the patients' own bone marrow, not from embryos.

First, excerpts from the Los Angeles Times report:

Researchers reported that they improved cardiac function in heart attack patients months, years — and even decades — after the patients suffered their attacks. The article goes on to describe how the infusion of stem cells *taken from the patient's own bone marrow* boosted cardiac pumping efficiency by 7 percent in three months — a modest gain, but still an improvement for a chronic condition.

In one case, a patient who had suffered a heart attack 30 years earlier showed an 11 percent improvement after the treatment. The German researchers also found signs that patients can continue to improve with repeated stem-cell treatments.

Now, the same study, as reported by the Associated Press:

Giving heart attack survivors stem cells from their own bone marrow did little to repair their damaged hearts, according to the three best studies to date of this controversial therapy.

The modest results suggest more study is needed and, some scientists say, demonstrate the need to lift political limits on using cells from embryos, which offer more promise for turning into heart-repairing tissue.

Note how the AP report chooses to inject a political agenda into what should be an informative article on a medical advance.

"Soon after arriving in Israel, a family friend named Zoya discovered she was pregnant with a second child and went in for the abortion routine. She was dumbfounded to encounter the following whispered line of questioning from the admitting nurse: "Do you not have a roof over your head?" There was a roof. "Do you not have enough food on the table?" There was plenty of food. Then an altogether alien concept to Zoya: "So why kill it?"

"I was shocked," Zoya recalled. "No one had ever told me I was killing anything. I'd never thought of it as a person. As soon as someone told me I was killing something, I didn't even consider it. I left." Much like my grandmother, today Zoya is the mother of a master violinist.

"Rather than debate what it is we're killing, we should consider what we may be saving — for our sakes as much as for "its" own. When you choose to abort, you alter the course of history.

"We don't have a crystal ball, but there's someone who does, and there is a reason for every stork He sends along ... For all the reluctant mothers-to-be out there, you should know that when you're having even a momentary second thought, someone you can't see is whispering in your ear. Fortunately for my husband's and my families, on the third occasion our parents listened.

PA Election Voter Guide Enclosed

Included with this issue of our newsletter is a copy of the Pro-life Voter's Guide, published by the Pennsylvania Pro-Life Federation. (www.paprolife.org) If you would like free copies of this guide to distribute, please contact us at 570-662-0246 as soon as possible.