Erie abortion facility reopens with new doctor

ABORTIONIST HAS CRIMINAL RECORD

American Women’s Services of Erie began doing abortions once again on Friday, April 7. This was the first time abortions were done in Erie since April 2005, when the license of the previous AWS abortionist, Harvey Brookman, was suspended by the PA Board of Medicine.

The new abortionist is Stephen Paul Regec, MD, PA medical license MD020553E. Dr. Regec had been practicing medicine as an Ob/Gyn in the DuBois-Clearfield-St. Marys area in affiliation with the DuBois Regional Medical Center and Adagio Health, Inc.

Regec is no longer affiliated with Adagio Health, Inc. or the DuBois Regional Medical Center. Regec’s affiliation with DRMC was abruptly severed last year. A photograph of Regec can still be found on the DRMC website at www.drmc.org/phys/regec.jpg. His name, however, does not appear in the website’s “Physician Directory.” (The picture was located using the “images” option of the Google search engine, not by directly browsing the DRMC website.)

In 1991, Regec pleaded guilty to three misdemeanor violations of the Controlled Substance, Drug, Device, and Cosmetic Act: one violation of Distribution by a Practitioner to a Drug Dependent Person and two violations of Refusal or Failure to Keep or Furnish Records.

On November 19, 1991, Regec was sentenced on his guilty pleas to a total of $10,000 in fines plus the costs of prosecution and incarceration for 12 to 24 months. Regec’s jail sentence was suspended, and he was placed on criminal probation for 24 months under the supervision of the Clearfield County Probation Department.

Regec’s criminal conviction led to further disciplinary action by the PA Board of Medicine. On January 1, 1992, his license to practice medicine in Pennsylvania was suspended for four months and privileges to prescribe DEA Schedule II and III drugs (drugs with a high potential for abuse) were suspended for 15 years. After the four-month suspension of his medical license, Regec was placed on probation for an additional 20 months.

Anyone with additional information or questions about Erie’s latest abortionist is encouraged to contact People for Life.

Despite his previous legal and professional problems, there are indications that this doctor, who is 58 years old, is new to the abortion industry. One can only wonder, with a certain amount of sadness, what stresses or disillusionments with life might drive a medical professional to resort to killing unborn babies on a wholesale, commercial scale so late in his career.

CARNATION PROJECT WORK SCHEDULE

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At the Jean & Ed Hammer Residence 2816 Florida Ave., Erie – (814)456-0376

Mother’s Day Carnation Project helpers needed

The Mother’s Day Carnation Project is People for Life’s most important annual fundraising effort. It is a really big project that requires a lot of volunteers.

If you can help, please call Ed or Jean Hammer, our carnation project coordinators, at 456-0376. Feel free to call anytime, including evenings until 11:00 PM and weekends. If no one answers, please leave your name and phone number, and someone will return your call.

Volunteers were in especially short supply last year. We really, really need more help this year – especially with the American Women’s Services abortion facility back on-line and requiring more of our day-to-day attention.

Some of the carnation work is already in progress, and it will be getting a lot busier as Mother’s Day approaches.

Please look over the Carnation Project Work Schedule and set aside some time to do some pro-life volunteering.

There are plenty of opportunities for students to earn service hours while contributing to an extremely important cause.

If your church is not yet a Carnation Project sponsor, talk with your pastor about getting the church involved and offer to be in charge. People for Life will be happy to work with you to make sure everything runs smoothly. This is an enjoyable and satisfying project. The carnations practically sell themselves!

Churches typically make the carnations available for a suggested donation of $1.00 each, $5.00 a half-dozen, and $10.00 a dozen. Additional donations towards the educational work of People for Life are gratefully accepted.

Other churches prefer different approaches. Some, for instance, take orders from members of their congregations ahead of time. Others buy an exact number of carnations.
Carnations
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carnations and give one to each mother.
Churches are welcome to tailor the project to
best suit their particular needs.
Carnations will be available to purchase
together the Mother’s Day weekend at
2816 Florida Ave., Erie. Remember, all proceeds benefit the lifesaving work of
People for Life.
Local residents respond to
abortion facility reopening
Public demonstrations accompanied
American Women’s Services’ first abortion
sessions on Friday, April 7 and Saturday,
April 8. The demonstrations were fairly
well-attended on both days. Approximately
200 phone calls were made and 800 e-mails
were sent on April 6 to encourage concerned
citizens to come out to the demonstrations.
The number of demonstrators present
when the abortionist arrived on Saturday
morning was quite impressive, thanks in
large part to a big group of young men from
St. Mark Seminary, the minor seminary of
the Erie Catholic Diocese.
People for Life’s Alternative Choices for
Women office, just across the hall from the
abortion facility, was open late Friday
afternoon and early Saturday morning to
provide information about local pregnancy
support services and alternatives to abortion.
Several of our most experienced office
staffers enthusiastically made themselves
available on short notice and graciously
devoted portions of the weekend to the pro-
life cause, keeping our ACW office open and
ready to provide assistance.
ACW will continue to “work overtime”
whenever abortions are taking place.
Demonstrations: Help Needed
American Women’s Services of Erie is
currently doing abortions each Friday (late
afternoon and evening) and Saturday
(morning and early afternoon). This pattern
is expected to continue.
Abortion is the murder of an innocent
human being and the victimization of
pregnant woman. It is only natural, then,
that peaceful and orderly demonstrations are
being held on the public sidewalks outside
the abortion facility every Friday from 3:00
PM to 6:00 PM and every Saturday from
8:30 AM to 11:30 AM. This schedule will
remain in effect as long as AWS continues to
do abortions during these times.
It takes at least five or six people to
maintain a noticeable pro-life presence and
to provide pro-life literature near the two
main entrances to the Professional Building
parking lot. Unfortunately, even this modest
number has proven difficult to maintain
during scheduled demonstration times.
Please consider dedicating one morning
or afternoon per month or just one hour per
month to the demonstrations.
AWS is located in the 1611 Peach Street
Professional Building. Participants should
meet on the State Street side of the building.

Please do not park or walk in the
Professional Building parking lot. We stay
entirely off the Professional Building
property before, during, and after every
demonstration.

Sharing the pro-life message
A new educational presentation about
abortion was unveiled last fall by People for
Life. Since then, we have been privileged to
share the presentation with a number of
audiences: St. James School (grades 7 & 8),
St. John the Baptist-Holy Rosary School
(grades 8), St. Lawrence Church (Albion)
religious education program (grades 9-12),
Crawford County Citizens for Life, St.
Andrew School (grades 7 & 8), Meadville
Area Catholic religious education program
(grades 11, 10, and 9 on three successive
Sundays), Mercyhurst High School (grade
11), St. Joseph / Bread of Life religious
education program (grades 9 & 10), St.
Andrew confirmation class (grade 11), and
First Christian Church (Meadville).
The presentation is divided into five
segments: (1) Fetal Development, how we
all began; (2) Abortion; (3) Laws and
Pending Legislation; (4) Abortions in Erie;
and (5) Activism.
To schedule a free presentation
tailored for your school (public or private),
church, or other organization, call
(814)882-1333 and ask for Tim or
Marielle.
Lending Library Additions
Take advantage of People for Life’s free
lending library and take home any of these
recently acquired educational materials:
A Life That Matters: The Legacy of Terri
Schiaivo - A Lesson for Us All (Book) By
Terri’s Family: Mary and Robert Schindler,
Bobby Schindler, Suzanne Schindler
Vitadamo.
Harder Truth (VHS, 8 minutes)
“Warning: Abortion is an act of violence
which kills a baby, and this video
graphically depicts that reality. Harder
Truth is intended for audiences 7th grade and
up. Audiences should be given prior
warning as to its graphic content. This video
contains no spoken narration. It is scored
exclusively with instrumental music to
ensure that people who choose to look away
will not even hear anything they do not want
to hear.”
Hard Truth (DVD, 9 minutes) Earlier
version of Harder Truth (above).
Victims and Victors (Book) By David C.
Reardon, Julie Makimaa, and Amy Sobie
“192 women reveal the seldom heard truth:
most pregnant sexual assault victims don’t
want abortions. Among those who do abort,
avoiding has only aggravated their suffering.
This is the largest, most comprehensive
study ever published on this issue.”
In the Womb (DVD, 100 minutes) As seen
on the National Geographic Channel “From
the moment of conception, every human
embryo embarks on an incredible nine-
month journey of development. Now,
cutting-edge technology makes it possible
for us to open a window into the hidden
world of the fetus and explore each trimester
in amazing new detail. Revolutionary 3-D
and 4-D ultrasound imagery sheds light on
the delicate, dark world of a fetus as never
before and follows a rare fetoscope
operation, performed in utero with the hope
of correcting life threatening complications
before birth.”

Pro-Life Prayer Breakfast
Many thanks to the approximately 650
people who attended the 28th Annual Pro-
Life Prayer Breakfast this past January!
Thanks as well to the many churches that
promoted it, the clergy and government
officials who attended, the many businesses
and organizational sponsors who supported
the breakfast financially, and the dozens of
volunteers who worked so hard to get
everything ready!
We were honored to have Erie’s new
mayor, Joe Sinnott, and Erie County’s new
Executive, Mark DeVecchio at the head
table, as well as three state representatives,
Teresa Forcier, Matthew Good, and Curt
Sonney, and a representative of Allegheny
County State Rep. Mike Turzai. We were
also honored to read a letter from U.S.
Congressman Phil English and to present a
videotaped greeting from U.S. Senator Rick
Santorum.
State Rep. John Evans, unable to attend
due to another commitment, sent a member
of his staff as his official representative.
Keynote speaker Bobby Schindler
delivered a speech that was both
inspirational and motivational. Bobby
proved once again to be the gracious
gentleman and moving pro-life spokesman
that we have known him to be for the past
several years.
An excellent DVD of the entire breakfast
program is available. It is truly a work
of art, professionally produced by Greg
Schlueter’s ID Video Productions. Borrow a
copy from People for Life’s free audio-
visual library, or get one to keep or pass
along to someone for a suggested donation
of $10.00.

New Phone Line & Number
Alternative Choices for Women, our
office in the 1611 Peach Street Professional
Building (Suite 321) finally has its very own
phone number: (814)464-0266. Call
between the hours of 9 and 5, Monday
through Friday to speak to a member of our
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New Phone
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office staff.

One of our very dedicated ACW staff members has generously pledged $30 a month to cover the cost of the new phone.

The office had been depending on personal cell phones and the occasional use of the landlord’s phone lines and fax machine. When our neighbors in the abortion facility across the hall returned a few weeks ago, we decided it was finally time for a communications upgrade. Now, with a larger staff and expanded hours in response to the abortion facility, the new telephone line is a tremendous blessing.

The office staff will now be able to handle a much larger share of the hundreds of phone calls that precede such events as the Mother’s Day Carnation Project, the Pro-Life Prayer Breakfast, and major public demonstrations.

New Computer for ACW

A very generous person—who wishes to remain anonymous—recently donated a brand new Acer computer and an Epson color printer to People for Life for use in our Alternative Choices for Women office. The new equipment is already enhancing the productivity of our very talented staff, and enhancing our fax, e-mail, and print communications abilities. Thank you, Donor!

CareNet Billboards

People for Life, as a long-term customer of Lamar Advertising, has made arrangements to supply Lamar with 24 very attractive CareNet crisis pregnancy billboards for use in the Erie area.

CareNet is providing these billboards at no cost to either People for Life or Lamar. They will be displayed over the coming months in locations that are temporarily vacant (i.e., not currently filled with paid commercial advertising).

The billboards will present the same message as People for Life’s more permanent billboard on Peach Street just outside the American Women’s Services abortion facility. The new billboards, however, will feature redesigned graphic artwork that is even more attractive.

The heart and soul of People for Life’s advertising program remains the very strategically-placed Peach Street billboard. This 48-foot lighted billboard is located on the north side of the 1611 Peach Street Professional Building, which houses the abortion facility. The billboard can be clearly seen by prospective customers of the abortion facility as they enter the

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ELECTION OF OFFICERS

People for Life is scheduled for 7:30 PM, Monday, May 15, 2005. It will be held at the People for Life Main Office, 1625 West 26th St., Erie, PA. Everyone is welcome. Members whose dues are paid one month in advance of the meeting will be eligible to vote. The nominees are Tim Broderick for president, Jean Hammer for treasurer, David Halligan for secretary, Rose Ann Yadeski for first vice-president, Bob Theiss for second vice-president, and Dale Klobusnik for third vice-president. Additional nominations will be accepted from the floor with the permission of the nominee, who must be a current member of People for Life.

Pro-life candidates endorsed

The PA Pro-Life Federation PAC has endorsed the following Erie area candidates for the PA General Assembly (by House District):

1. Open Seat
2. Uncontested Seat
3. State Representative Matthew Good
4. State Representative Curt Sonney
5. State Representative John Evans
6. State Representative Teresa Forcier

(1) The 1st District has an open seat, and a very interesting race is in progress. Democratic candidates Patrick J. Harkins and Dennis Iaquinta responded to the PPLF PAC questionnaire and indicated pro-life positions. No response has been received from Democrat Michael Skrzypzak. Republican candidate Christine E. Pontoriero articulated a pro-life position during a meeting with People for Life president Tim Broderick. However, no response to the PPLF PAC questionnaire has been received from Pontoriero as of this writing. Republican Randy Brewer, who is in the race as a write-in candidate, did respond to the questionnaire, indicating a pro-life position. Brewer is widely known throughout the Erie area, particularly by talk-radio listeners, for his solid pro-life convictions.

(2) State Rep. John Evans has a solid pro-life voting record. He submitted pro-life responses to the PPLF PAC questionnaire. No response has been received from any of the other three candidates in this race. However, in a conversation with a People for Life member during a candidate forum in Meadville, one of the other Republican candidates, Carol Loll, reportedly declined to describe herself as “pro-life” and said that the permissibility of abortion should be decided on a case by case basis.

Waiting vs. Acting “It is impious to wait upon God to do that which simple justice could bring about.” — Vladimir Sergeevich Soloviev, noted Russian theologian

Activism “Anyone who misses [the] purpose of activism is a poor student of history.” — Joseph M. Scheidler. Closed - 99 Ways to Stop Abortion

Thanks to abortion... “Although Down Syndrome (Trisomy 21) is the most common chromosomal abnormality seen in live-born babies, numbers have fallen from 1 in every 600 births to 1 in 1000 in recent years, thanks to improved accuracy in prenatal testing.” — Lesley Regan, M.D., applauding the abortion of babies with imperfections.

Thoughts & Actions “A purely mental life may be destructive if it leads us to substitute thought for life and ideas for actions. The activity proper to man is not purely mental, because man is not just a disembodied mind. Our destiny is to live out what we think, because unless we live what we know, we do not even know it. It is only by making our knowledge part of ourselves, through action, that we enter into the reality that is signified by our concepts.” — Thomas Merton, Thoughts in Solitude

Billboards

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Professional Building. It also happens to be located along a very heavily-traveled Erie thoroughfare. Donations, large and small, to help with the monthly rental fee ($1400) are always greatly appreciated!

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