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Check Dates for This Year's Life Chain in Canada

The Life Chain is held simultaneously in Canada and the United States every Autumn as a witness to the hidden victims of abortion. Participants spend one hour in silent prayer and public witness along busy roadways in a reminder to the public of the reality of abortion. The event is usually held on the first Sunday of October. Since Canada's Thanksgiving falls on the same weekend this year, many Canadian communities will be holding the event one week earlier, on September 30. Some areas have decided to hold the event on Oct. 7 in solidarity with U.S. participants, or have chosen an alternate date. Contact your local pro-life group to find out when the event will be held in your area or go to: www.lifechain.net. The Life Chain is a powerful witness to the reality of abortion in our country. Please consider participating if at all possible.

Health Effects of Abortion Highlighted in National Post

The *National Post* published a column Sept. 13 outlining current research on the effects of abortion on women's health. Written by Andrea Mrozek of the Institute of Marriage and Family Canada, the column highlights the work of pro-choice psychologist David Fergusson and psychologist Priscilla Coleman. Recent studies by both researchers—conducted independently—found that women who had abortions were significantly more likely to develop subsequent mental health disorders and were subject to increased rates of panic attacks, substance abuse and suicide, compared to women who had not had abortions. Ms. Mrozek pointed out that Canada has largely ignored current research on health problems following abortion. To read the article go to: <http://www.canada.com/nationalpost/news/archives/index.html>

Bill to Raise Age of Sexual Consent in Canada Dies as Parliament Prorogues

A bill to raise the age of sexual consent in Canada to 16 from the current age of 14 died when Parliament was prorogued Sept. 4. Bill C-22 had passed the House of Commons in May and was headed for the Senate. The measure was designed to protect young teens from adult sexual predators—Canada's low age of consent has increasingly been linked to sexual abuse involving adult males who travel to Canada to exploit young teens. RCMP Staff Sgt. Mike Frizzell, with the National Child Exploitation Coordination Centre, told the House of Commons standing committee on justice that Canada's low age of consent makes Canadian children a particularly popular target for international online predators. "Because the age of consent is 14, we often see 13-year-olds being targeted. Offenders will invest months grooming 13-year-olds, waiting for them to turn 14, when they can legally have sex with them." Frizzell said in a presentation to the Committee on March 22, 2007.



UK Permits Human/Animal Embryo Hybrids for Research

Britain's Human Fertilization and Embryology Authority has approved the creation of human/animal hybrid embryos for research, the first country in the world to do so. In a controversial decision released early in September, the Authority stated that there was "no fundamental reason" why such research should not take place. The HFEA decision will permit scientists to take an animal egg, usually obtained from a cow or rabbit, remove most of the animal DNA and replace it with human DNA. The egg would then be allowed to develop for up to two weeks before being destroyed and the stem cells harvested for research.

Register Now for 2007 National Pro-Life Conference in Moncton, N.B!

Moncton Right to Life is hosting the 2007 national conference October 25 to 27, 2007 at the Crowne Plaza Hotel in downtown Moncton, New Brunswick. LifeCanada will be holding its Eighth Annual General Meeting from 3:00 – 4:30 pm on Thursday October 25, 2007.

The 13 top speakers include:

- Rev. John Ensor, Baptist minister from Miami Fla, leader of a crisis pregnancy center initiative with HeartBeat International.
- Stephanie Gray, executive director, Canadian Center for Bio-Ethical Reform
- Mary Ann Kuharski, president of PROLIFE Across America, an organization known for posting positive pro-life messages on billboards across the U.S.
- Dr. Clem Persaud, professor of microbiology (retired)
- Dennis Savoie, deputy leader of the worldwide Knights of Columbus.

For more information or to download a registration form please visit the LifeCanada website:
www.lifecanada.org

Pre-Authorized Giving Plan

LifeCanada is now able to accept pre-authorized monthly donations. This is a tremendous option for LifeCanada because it allows us to schedule our educational pro-life activities since we know in advance how much support is coming in each month. It is also easy for our supporters since they just complete a form, send in one cheque and then the pre-authorized amount is automatically deducted from their bank account. Donors maintain control of their donations by simply contacting us by phone, email or letter to let us know if they wish to make changes or cancel the plan.

If you would like to donate ten, twenty, fifty dollars or any other amount to LifeCanada each month, please contact us and we will send you the necessary form to complete.

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We are actively seeking sponsors/advertisers for our newly-designed website (www.lifecanada.org) and for our bi-monthly newsletter. We do not have a charitable tax number but these ads can certainly be a business expense as you promote your business to our supporters.

Our rates for this project are reasonable. A business card ad in LifeCanada News will cost \$125 per issue or \$600 for the full year. Your sponsorship ad on our website will be posted for a year for a cost of \$500. We see this as a great opportunity to build a pro-life network across the country and help to secure LifeCanada's financial base.



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