

On Eagles Wings



“They that wait upon the Lord shall renew their strength: they shall mount up with wings as eagles, they shall run, and not be weary; and they shall walk and not faint.”

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From the President's Desk

Dear friends,

We began our new year by launching an informative website for Indiana Eagle Forum. Along with fresh information about our group, we also feature a page on ***Elections and Voting*** which tells you everything you need to know about the upcoming elections, including dates and the offices to be filled at the national, state and local levels. Listed are deadlines that tell you when you need to register to vote and/or apply for an absentee ballot. You can download the applications for each from our website.

We also provide links to the national Eagle Forum, RNC for Life, EdWatch, Thomas, and the Indiana General Assembly. It is at this link that you can get information about the current session, bills and resolutions, and interim study committees. When they are in session you can watch the action live.

Please visit our ***Hot Topics*** to learn about the issues, both local and national that are important to our family and country.

Our web address is: www.indianaeagleforum.org. I hope you will find this to be a helpful resource.

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FREE TRADE IN DANGEROUS DRUGS

by Phyllis Schlafly

Several months ago when the news broke about poisonous pet food and lead-laden toys from China, I asked my local pharmacy to give me a letter stating it is not selling me any prescription drugs imported from China. The reply was, "We don't buy any drugs from China."

I said, "I know you don't, but I want you to check with your suppliers and verify that they don't buy from China." That request was met by thunderous silence.

Now we know why. The Government Accountability Office (GAO) reported that 80 percent of the drug substances used by U.S. manufacturers to produce prescription drugs is imported. The majority come from Communist China.

That means most of our medicines and medical products are manufactured in thousands of unregulated, unsupervised plants run by managers who have no moral code that imposes an obligation to use ingredients that are safe in preference to those that are cheaper but poi-

sonous or at least dangerous. As Walter Cronkite would say, that's the way it is.

One of China's largest pharmaceutical companies that export to the United States, Shanghai Hualian, has just been exposed to have marketed contaminated leukemia drugs that paralyzed or otherwise harmed 200 Chinese cancer patients. This is the latest in a string of tainted medicines. Manufacturers who have such little regard for the safety of their own countrymen are not likely to care about the safety of American patients.

Like so many scandals, the problem is not merely the crime but the cover-up of violations; the company refuses to tell what drugs it has exported to the United States. Chinese government authorities have arrested the CEO; maybe he will face the same fate as China's top drug safety official who was executed last year, but that doesn't solve the problem.

We do know that Shanghai is the sole supplier to the United States of the abortion pill, mifepristone, known as RU-486. Our FDA had previously concealed the source of RU-486, and its U.S. distributor, Danco Laboratories, does not list a street address on its website or return press calls.

Criticism of the FDA is mounting along with demands that the agency be given huge emergency injections of taxpayers' money to do a better job of inspecting imports. But the GAO investigation leads us to believe it is unlikely that the FDA could protect us from contaminated Chinese drugs even if it had ten times its current budget.

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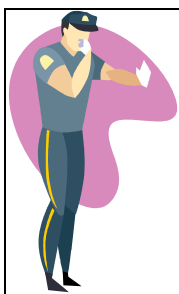
EAGLE FORUM PRIORITIES FOR THE 110TH CONGRESS

Government

1. Confirm only judges who meet the standard of the Republican Platform: "judges who respect traditional family values and the sanctity of innocent human life."
2. Defend traditional marriage by enforcing the Defense of Marriage Act, removing jurisdiction from the federal courts to decide whether DOMA is constitutional, and supporting a constitutional amendment.
3. Pass legislation to prevent federal lawsuits against the:
 - Acknowledgment of God in public places and state marriage laws upholding traditional marriage (H.R. 300)
 - Pledge of Allegiance (H.R. 699)
 - DOMA (H.R. 724)
 - Ten Commandments, National Motto
 - Boy Scouts
4. Pass legislation to prevent ACLU from collecting attorney's fees for challenging the public expression of religion (like H. R. 2679 in the 109th Congress).

Border Security

1. Defeat amnesty for illegal aliens, including amnesty disguised as a "guest-worker" program.
2. Pass the SAVE Act (H.R. 4088), which increases border agents and detention beds, requires mandatory employer verification and information sharing between DHS and the SSA.
3. Defeat any attempt to extend H-1B, L1, or Section 245(i) visas.
4. Pass English as our official language, also require the prohibition of foreign language ballots.
5. Abolish the Diversity Visa Lottery Immigrant Program.
6. Defeat "totalization": the plan to put illegal aliens into our Social Security system.
7. Deny visas to aliens from countries listed on the State Department's list of "state sponsors of terrorism."



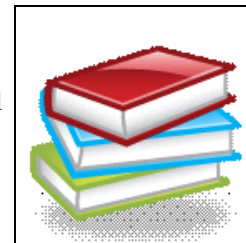
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2. Defeat the Freedom of Choice Act (FOCA), H.R. 1964 and S. 1173. This bill would effectively nullify all restrictions and regulations on abortion at all levels of government (federal, state, and local).
3. Pass the Title X Abortion Provider Prohibition Act (H.R. 4133), introduced by Mike Pence (R-IN), which would prohibit family planning grants from being awarded to any entity that performs abortions, i.e.


- Planned Parenthood.
4. Deny federal funding for embryonic stem cell research.
 5. Ensure that the Republican Party Platform retains its current pro-life plank. .

Education

1. Pass the Parental Rights Empowerment Act (PREP), S. 2365, which requires schools to obtain the affirmative, informed, written consent of the parent before requesting or conveying information to the child on matters related to sex or sexuality.
2. Deny federal funding for the creation or implementation of universal mental health screening programs.
3. Deny federal funding to schools that permit non-medical personnel to prescribe or require giving Ritalin to minors, or that retaliate against parents who refuse to give psychotropic drugs to their children.
4. Enforce the Protection of Pupil Rights Amendment (PPRA) to protect students from outrages like those upheld in *Fields v. Palmdale School District*.



Foreign Policy and National Defense

1. Defeat ratification of the Law of the Sea Treaty.
2. Prohibit all funding for the Security and Prosperity Partnership (SPP), grants to promote the economic integration of North America, and/or the admission of Mexican trucks to U.S. roads.
3. To achieve a level playing field, renegotiate trade agreements that discriminate against U.S. products and jobs.
4. Reject the World Trade Organization (WTO) decision to punish the U.S. for our law against internet gambling.
5. Reject all United Nations treaties and all executive-branch efforts to implement unratified treaties..
6. Cut-off U.S. contributions to the United Nations Fund for Population Assistance (UNFPA). 



Health and Life

1. Defend and maintain all pro-life appropriations riders, including: Mexico City Policy, Kemp-Kasten Law, PEPFAR funding, the Helms Amendment, the Hyde Provision (Domestic Abortion Funding Ban), the Hyde/Weldon Conscience Provision (Abortion Non-Discrimination), the Dickey/Wicker (Embryo Destructive Research Funding Ban), the Needle exchange program federal funding ban.

RACISM ALIVE AND WELL AT PLANNED PARENTHOOD

Washington Update by Family Research Council 2/28/08

A shocking set of recordings was released this week that could prove disastrous for Planned Parenthood's ties with the African-American community. Lila Rose, a pro-life student and reporter at UCLA, launched an undercover investigation aimed at exposing the racism of the nation's largest abortion merchant. With the help of an actor, she contacted Planned Parenthood clinics in seven states, inquiring if they would be willing to accept a donation earmarked for the abortion of black babies. The results were jaw-dropping.

Rose was appalled to discover that every last clinic agreed. Not one employee objected or questioned the request, even when the actor insisted that the purpose was to "lower the number of black people" in America. When the caller phoned an Ohio branch, he was told that Planned Parenthood "will accept the money for whatever reason."

Actor: ...I really faced trouble with affirmative action, and I don't want my kids to be disadvantaged against black kids.

Planned Parenthood: Yes, absolutely.

Actor: And we don't, you know, we just think the less black kids out there the better.

Planned Parenthood: (Laughs) Understandable, understandable... This is the first time I've had a donor call and make this kind of request, so I'm excited and want to make sure I don't

Students at UCLA are so infuriated by the investigation that they are petitioning the university to cut all affiliation with Planned Parenthood. What few people realize is that the organization has a history of racism that has been ingrained since Planned Parenthood's earliest days, when founder Margaret

Sanger advocated negative eugenics and spoke to a woman's branch of the KKK (Margaret Sanger, *An Autobiography*, 1938, p. 336-367). However, as is customary for Planned Parenthood, the organization has managed for decades to cover its tracks—and the facts. That task has just been made monumentally more difficult. Abortion has taken the innocent lives of over 14 million black children—a national tragedy that has begun uniting and mobilizing African-Americans across party, state, and financial lines.

Today, FRC hosted a press conference to kick off the National Black Pro-Life Gathering in Washington, D.C. which drew pastors, parents, leaders, and activists from across America to commemorate Black History Month by calling on abortion merchants like Planned Parenthood to stop preying on their community. As these abortion clinics continue to demonstrate that blood money is not colorblind, we call on Congress to defund and disavow Planned Parenthood. Taxpayers should not be forced to spend over \$300 million on an organization whose scruples are for sale, even to those who seek racial genocide.



Facts about U.S. Illegal Immigration:

Current US Population
300 Million

Number of immigrants entering the U.S. this year
1.1 Million

Census Bureau's Projection of U.S. Population in 2050 because of today's mass immigration
420 Million

Source: Federation for American Immigration Reform
Visit: www.fairus.org

Eagle Forum Praises GOP Leaders on Immigration Debate

by Suzanne Bibby

Washington, D.C.—Eagle Forum, the grassroots public policy organization founded by Phyllis Schlafly, praises the House Republican leadership for introducing a discharge petition to force a floor debate on the Secure America through Verification and Enforcement (SAVE) Act, H.R. 4088. The SAVE Act, sponsored by Rep. Heath Shuler (D-NC), requires a phased-in employer verification system called E-verify, as well as beefs up the border with additional technology and border patrol agents.

Although the bill is sponsored by a Democrat, Democratic leaders have been reluctant to bring the bill to the floor because its enforcement approach angers many of their open border supporters. The SAVE Act currently has 141 co-sponsors, including 48 Democrats. A discharge petition requires 218 signatures, a majority, to force the bill to the floor.

"House Republicans are making it clear that the illegal immigration status quo is not acceptable," said Eagle Forum Executive Director Jessica Echard. "The American people are tired of Congress either doing nothing or doing the wrong thing—amnesty."

"It's time for partisan fighting to end and for Congress to make enforcement of our immigration laws a priority," Echard continued. "I don't think most Americans care if a Democrat or a Republican does it or if it requires a discharge petition. They just want someone to stop illegal aliens from taking over their communities and their jobs. We have got to stop the jobs magnet for illegal aliens and the SAVE Act will do that."



Free Trade on Dangerous Drugs *by Phyllis Schlafly*

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Last year, the FDA inspected only 30 foreign drug manufacturing facilities. FDA computers estimate that the number of drug factories exporting drugs to the United States could be anywhere from 3,000 to 6,800, and the FDA has no idea how many have never been inspected.

The GAO reported that it would take 27 years to inspect every foreign plant that sends us medical devices such as pacemakers and defibrillators. Over the last six years, the FDA inspected only 64 of the 700 plants that produce medical devices.

Unlike domestic inspections, the FDA does not arrive unannounced at a foreign factory; the Chinese have the opportunity to prepare for the inspection. The FDA does not have its own translators but relies on translators provided by the Chinese.

The FDA inspects only about 7 percent of foreign establishments a year. The FDA admits that there are at least 2,133 foreign drug factories for which the FDA could not identify any previous inspection.

The FDA does not have a dedicated staff to conduct foreign inspections but relies on domestic inspectors to volunteer. U.S. inspectors must adhere to an itinerary (presumably arranged by the foreign government) so that multiple inspections can be made on the same trip, and an inspection cannot be extended if problems are discovered.

The entire process of registering facilities that manufacture drugs for export is subject to all kinds of manipulation. There is no system for checking current accuracy or identifying and correcting errors. The major problem is not the FDA but the multinationals' passion to make free trade a policy that not only locks us into trade agreements that discriminate against U.S. manufacturing and jobs, but even trumps U.S. health and safety standards.

NEWS AND NOTES

2nd District Court of Appeals Rules Home Schooling Illegal in California

"Parents do not have a constitutional right to home school their children," Justice H. Walter Croskey wrote in a Feb. 28 opinion for the 2nd District Court of Appeals. Prior to the ruling, parents filed paperwork to establish themselves as small, private schools; hired a credentialed tutor; or enrolled their child in an independent study program run by an established school while teaching the child at home. Now, to home school, a parent must have teaching credentials recognized by the state of California for the specific grade for each child taught. AP, 3-6-08.

Adult Stem Cells Produce Real Results

Doctors took stem cells from a patient's fatty tissue and developed a bone graft with his own cells to replace his upper jaw. Dr. Riitta Suuronen at Regea Institute for Regenerative Medicine says that similar procedures have been performed before, but this particular achievement was accomplished by differentiating a patient's own stem cells into bone tissue. This exciting breakthrough underscores that adult stem cells can be used like embryonic stem cells but without ethical objections connected with destroying embryonic life. Lifesite.net, 2-4-08.



U.S. Court of Federal Claims Recognizes Link Between Autism and Vaccinations

The U.S. Court of Federal Claims ruled in favor of a child alleged to have regressed into autism as a result of vaccinations. Critics of vaccinations want the mercury-based preservative thimerosal taken out of all vaccines and want the Center for Disease Control "to acknowledge that the current vaccine schedule is not safe for every child and, as with the administration of any medicine, individual risks and susceptibilities must be considered for each patient." Worldnetdaily.com, 2-29-08.



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