

I don't believe there has ever been a time in our Nation's history when so many important decisions were being considered at the same time: decisions about marriage, about the integrity of our borders, about the role of government, about what is being taught in our public schools, about the freedom of religion, and so much more. These are issues that can change who we are as Americans. America is exceptional, not because our people are any better than any one else, but because our systems and our institutions are founded on better principles –Christian principles. If this foundation is removed there will be no telling what America will look like in fifty years. The fight for the soul of our nation is now. We are so grateful to everyone who has done their part, and for those who have not yet stepped up to the plate I say, *"Now is the time. Pray like it all depends on God and work like it all depends on you."* The children of the next generation are counting on us. We're doing what we can, but it will take all of us working together if we are to pass on to the next generation this **"One Nation Under God."**

NURSES STAND FOR LIFE

-Josh Eingier

NEW YORK (WABC) -- A hospital on Long Island issued an apology Wednesday for disciplining nurses who refused to participate in an abortion. Nassau University Medical Center now says the nurses did nothing wrong when they said they morally opposed taking part. It's been the hottest of hot button issues for years. The dust, is now only settling after a fight over abortion between Nassau University Medical Center and the union representing its nurses. "Quite frankly, it's even difficult for me to talk about, cause it's not a good issue," said Jerry Laricchiuta, the President of CSEA Local 830.

Laricchiuta sees a lot of discipline cases cross his desk. This one is especially sensitive. Nine of his members were suspended by NUMC, for refusing to take part in an abortion. "We are here to protect our workers rights, and our members have the right to object to perform an abortion if they so choose," explained Laricchiuta.

At the root of this case, is a heartbreaking story. A pregnant woman checked herself in when her water broke at just 14 weeks. A fetus isn't viable outside the womb until 16 weeks. Doctors said the baby simply would not survive. So, instead of waiting days for the mother to give birth, they recommended an abortion, and she agreed.

But in labor and delivery, nine nurses on duty refused to assist because the baby still had a heartbeat, and the mother's life was not in jeopardy. Still, the hospital suspended them all.

"It was clear that management had the wrong set of facts," said NUMC CEO, Arthur Gianelli. Weeks later, Gianelli admitted, it was all a management mix-up. Nursing managers had thought the mother was in danger when she really was not. Once the union stepped in, the hospital reversed the suspension. Gianelli also personally apologized to all nine nurses while promising a full review.

"I made the determination that these disciplines were not in order, we rescinded the disciplines and apologized directly to the nurses because I felt they were owed that, quite frankly," said Gianelli.

SENATE REJECTS "BATHROOM BILL"

By the narrowest of margins (12-11), the New York State Senate Judiciary Committee voted to reject a bill known as the Gender Expression Non-Discrimination Act (GENDA or the "Bathroom Bill").

This piece of legislation (S2406 Duane) would open all public accommodations, including restrooms, high school locker rooms, health clubs, dorm rooms and other single sex residential facilities (like homeless and family violence shelters) to both biological genders, dependent upon whether or not an individual chooses to identify his or herself as the opposite sex (i.e. cross-dressers or transvestites).

New Yorkers for Constitutional Freedoms' (NYCF) Executive Director, Rev. Jason J. McGuire, made the following comments: "As a pro-life, Christian organization, NYCF upholds the inherent value and worth of all people - including persons who identify as transgendered. However, there is simply no need to provide special rights and protections to individuals who choose to dress or identify themselves as members of the opposite sex."

The radical gay movement will be back. They will keep on coming until they destroy every sexual boundary or die trying. That's why we must elect pro-marriage state legislators. We must make it a point to have them declare publicly where they stand on traditional marriage.

INSANITY IN THE CITY

In New York City last week there was a funny little story about officials offering same-sex couples "faux weddings" at city hall. The city spent \$12.3 million renovating the hall to make civil wedding more attractive to couples without any religious foundation. And so, in the interests of the almighty dollar, they were hoping to lure same-sex couples into spending money to celebrate non-legal pseudo-weddings on city property. Weird, huh? Even many gay-rights groups don't really like the idea.

There's reality and then there's fantasy. And the reality is that to make a marriage you need a man who is committed to a woman and the children their bodies make together (and vice versa). To make a marriage you need a husband and wife.

Some truths don't change; some fantasies cannot come true.

NO-FAULT DIVORCE ON THE MOVE

Currently, a married couple seeking a divorce in New York must have grounds, meaning one partner (the plaintiff) must accuse the other partner (the defendant) of one of the following:

- Cruel and inhuman treatment (Domestic Relations Law §170.1)
- Abandonment for a continuous period of one year or more (DRL §170.2)
- Imprisonment for more than three years subsequent to the marriage (DRL §170.3) Adultery (DRL §170.4)
- Conversion of a separation judgment (DRL §170.5)
- Conversion of a written and acknowledged separation agreement after living separate and apart for more than one year (DRL §170.6)

This bill would add a seventh ground: *"The relationship between husband and wife has broken down irretrievably for a period of at least six months, provided that one party has so stated under oath."*

This is, in fact, "no-fault divorce."

Any divorce, regardless if it occurred under fault or no-fault laws, is one of life's most painful experiences. It signifies the failure of a dream—a dream of intimacy, of family, of security, of meaning. The consequences of divorce can therefore be severe, not only economically, but particularly physically, emotionally and psychologically.

It would seem logical, therefore, that with the massive increases in divorce rates, the rate of children involved in divorce, and the social consequences of the divorce epidemic, that the Legislature would be looking for ways to strengthen marriages, not make divorces easier to obtain.

PRESIDENT OBAMA SPEAKS

President Obama spoke to the nation from the Oval office about the Gulf Oil spill, but rather than address the issue, he used the crisis to promote the need to advance his radical left-wing agenda, Cap-and-Trade legislation. It seems like he is doing everything possible to destroy all those institutions and systems that have made America great. Apparently, he wants us to be like the other nations of the world. As if the oil spill didn't do enough damage, he ordered a moratorium on oil drilling that has put many more Americans out of work. It seems to me that he is missing no opportunity to make a wrong decision. He obviously must be either way in above his pay grade, or he is a Trojan Horse for a Socialist totalitarian regime. It must necessarily be one or the other. Instead of bringing a nation together, "Under God" he is advancing policies that further divide. As the left becomes more emboldened by the complicity of the present administration it will continue to force its standard of morality, unless responsible citizens rise up and challenge them at the voting booth in November. We must take our country back for the sake of the next generation.

AMERICA BLESS GOD!

See the Words to a brand new congregational hymn for the 4th of July. Visit www.americablessgod.org, and click on link for words to the song.

PORT CHESTER SUCCUMBS TO P.C.

In Port Chester, NY the Constitution surrendered to political correctness and situational ethics. Will this be any way to run a country?

Apparently, a conclusion was reached about the situation in Port Chester concerning the underrepresentation of Hispanics in local government. So the one man-one vote principle, which has been part of the bedrock of our form of government was changed to allow each person can have *six* votes, thus insuring the desired outcome. That is nothing less than court sanctioned election rigging, and it must be challenged and overturned or it will be the beginning of the end of the best, most stable, and most consistent political system in the world.

DIVERSITY HAS ITS LIMITS

A pro-family organization claims the Parent Teachers Association has again rejected its request to exhibit at the National PTA convention.

The group Parents and Friends of Ex-Gays & Gays (PFOX) says the PTA allows homosexual-rights groups to exhibit at its convention, but denies PFOX the same opportunity because it does not comply with the PTA's diversity and inclusion policy. PFOX executive director Regina Griggs questions the PTA's definition of diversity.

She asks: "Who could be more diverse than a group [with] parents and friends who have homosexual children, who also have ex-gay children, ex-gay friends, [and] who merely want to let you know that change is possible -- that there is hope for people with unwanted same-sex attractions?"

COMEDY OR BIGOTRY?

Coalition Against Religious Bigotry (CARB) was formed in response to **JC**, the Comedy Central animated series in development that has been billed as a situation comedy about God and his son, Jesus.

Tim Winter is president of the Parents Television Council (PTC), which is a member of CARB. He suggests that the show goes too far. "What we have here is not just an attempt to develop comedy [or] to allow folks of faith to have a chuckle at some of the stereotypes that arise from time to time," Winter contends. "I think folks of any faith [or] any culture can have a good laugh from time to time at some of the stereotypes that arise. [But] this is an assault; this is an attack on faith."

He encourages concerned viewers to contact advertisers, cable companies, lawmakers and bureaucrats so that "public voices" will come together and say, "Thus far and no farther."

Another of the CARB members -- the American Family Association -- has launched an online petition aimed at Comedy Central and its parent company, Viacom. AFA says unless concerned individuals voice their concern, the network "is set to blaspheme two-thirds of the Trinity on a weekly basis."