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SPEAKERS FOR WEST VIRGINIANS FOR LIFE

Rebekah Berg was born in Morgantown, WV. She was raised with Christian and pro-life values, and she worked as a part-time office assistant in the West Virginians for Life office. After high school, Rebekah moved away to a small Christian college in Missouri. During her freshman year, she was date raped. When she discovered she was pregnant, she chose life and decided to keep the baby. As a single mom she completed her degree at West Virginia University in exercise physiology with an emphasis in Aquatic Therapy. She is married and the proud mother of five children.

Topic: Personal testimony demonstrating that the case for the right to life is superior to abortion in cases of rape

Mary Anne Buchanan, West Virginians for Life (WVFL) Program Director and Political Action Committee (PAC) Treasurer, graduated from Penn State University with a B.A. in Speech Communications. After an 8-year career as a radio announcer in the 1980's for WPQR in Uniontown, PA and then WVAQ and WAJR in Morgantown, she opted to be a full-time mother and homemaker until 2005 when she rejoined the workforce. Among her responsibilities are the editorship of the organization's quarterly newspaper LIFE MATTERS and coordinating fundraising events for WVFL. She has been involved with her local Monongalia County Chapter of West Virginians for Life since 1985 and has served as secretary, treasurer and president at various times during those thirty-one years. Named WVFL's 2009 Angel of the Year, Mary Anne is also head of the Church and Society Ministry at Covenant Evangelical Methodist Church in Morgantown. She resides in the Laurel Point area of Morgantown with her husband, retired attorney and former pro-life Delegate Mike Buchanan, and they are the proud parents of adult children Kaitlin (married in July) and Aaron, who joined the workforce in August as a newly graduated optometrist in the Beckley and Lewisburg areas.

Topics: Personal testimony about her own abortion and how to be an overcomer
How to Save Babies with Social Media

Lacey Evans is a 2010 graduate of Marshall University with a degree in Secondary Education. She attended the National Right to Life Academy in the summer of 2009 along with nine other college-age students. At the Academy, she received in-depth training on the issues and strategy of the pro-life movement. She has given pro-life presentations at West Virginians for Life Conventions and at youth events. She is currently the president of Tucker County Right to Life and serves on the Board of West Virginians for Life. She is employed as a substitute teacher in Tucker County and works as a leader with the Young Life group in that area. She serves as a board member for the new youth center in Parsons, WV. Having married Josh Evans in July 2016, the former Lacey Dent is now Lacey Evans.

Topics: Legal and legislative issues relating to abortion and euthanasia
Planned Parenthood
The Living Will
Damage caused to women, men and families following abortion

Wanda Franz, Ph.D., is a developmental psychologist and professor emerita of child development at West Virginia University in Morgantown, WV. Dr. Franz served as a consultant to the Department of Health and Human Services' Office of Adolescent Pregnancy Programs. She has co-authored a textbook on early child development and has written chapters for a number of books on fetal development, post-abortion syndrome and abortion decision-making in adolescents. She has served as president of West Virginians for Life from 1975 to 1990 and president of National Right to Life Committee from 1991 to 2011. She has spoken on abortion and euthanasia nationally and in numerous international setting, including at the United Nations NGO (non-governmental organizations) conferences. She is currently serving as President of West Virginians for Life.

Topics: Legal and legislative issues relating to abortion and euthanasia
Fetal development and fetal pain
Adolescent abortion and parents' right to know
Damage caused to women, men and families following abortion

Mary Hencke Tillman, J.D. is a 1976 graduate of University of Maryland, College Park in Speech Pathology and a 1981 graduate of University of Maryland School of Law. She practiced law until the birth of her third child when she elected to stay home with her children, eventually homeschooling six. She has been active in the right to life movement for 25 years, first becoming involved in testifying against a liberal pro-abortion bill in Maryland. She has served on the Board of Life Choice Pregnancy Resource Center in Clarksburg, WV and currently is Vice President of WVFL. She resides in Lost Creek with Mike, her husband of 34 years, who is the CEO of United Hospital Center.

Topics: End of Life Issues
Living Will