

VOICES

SPECIAL EDITION
75TH ANNIVERSARY!

JANUARY 2010

- 1916** Margaret Sanger, with her sister and two other women, opens the first birth control clinic in Brooklyn. The clinic is shut down by the authorities after 10 days.
- 1935** Maternal Health Center opens January 25. Dr. James Howard & volunteers staff the center on Friday evenings. In our first year we serve 100 clients and our budget is \$500, all donated by our founders.
- War Years** The clinic moves to Dr. Margaret Crofton's office. A \$10,000 fund drive purchases new equipment and an office is established at 120 S. Duke St. York.
- 1953** Lady Rama Rau of India, Chair of the International Planned Parenthood Federation, speaks about world population control to an audience of 200. York is one of only four cities in her 35 city tour permitting her complete freedom of speech.
- 1955** The Maternal Health Center changes its name to the Planned Parenthood Committee of York County and becomes affiliated with the Planned Parenthood Federation of America.
- 1958** The Gazette & Daily launches a yearlong editorial campaign on our behalf, raising awareness & acceptance of family planning in the community.
- 1961** Oral Contraceptives are approved by the FDA.
- 1965** In *Griswold v. Connecticut*, state laws prohibiting the use of contraceptives by married couples are overturned.
- 1970** Our York health center moves to the rear of the VNA on East Market Street, which we quickly outgrow.
- 1970** Title X, the nation's family planning funding, is signed into law by President Nixon.
- 1970's** Satellite clinics are established in Red Lion and Hanover. PPCP hires its first full-time educator.
- 1972** In *Eisenstadt v. Baird*, contraceptives are ruled legal to be dispensed to single women.
- 1973** *Roe v. Wade* decision legalizes abortion.
- 1974** We purchase 710 S. George St for our new health center, hire our first full-time physician and serve 3,600 clients.
- 1975** We change our name to Planned Parenthood of Central PA (PPCP).
- 1976** Client numbers double to 7,200 and the budget reaches \$283,000.
- 1992** *PPSP v. Casey* reaffirms the right to abortion, but allows restrictions unless they constitute an "undue burden" on the woman.
- 1993** After a two-year search for a physician, the York site offers first trimester abortion services. We receive an Affiliate Excellence Award for clinical expansion, offering nine new services in five years.

- 1996** We become a test affiliate for the efficacy and safety of the abortion pill as an alternative to surgical abortion.
- 1998** Colposcopy, a diagnostic tool for women with abnormal paps, is offered.
- 1999** The Family Planning Agency of Adams County becomes our fourth health center. Our budget reaches \$2 million.
- 2001** Our Community Affairs Department is split into two full-time departments, Development and Public Affairs. We increase our affiliate area by adding Franklin & Fulton Counties.
- 2003** Family Health Services of South Central PA becomes our fifth health center in Chambersburg.
- 2003** Capital Campaign is launched & successfully raises \$1 million to finance remodel of York health center & administration office.
- 2007** US Supreme Court upholds ban on late-term abortions.
- 2007** We join Better Health, which is a consortium of PA, NJ, DE Planned Parenthood affiliates created for resource pooling & added clout.
- 2008** PPFA endorses a pro-choice presidential candidate for the first time ever.
- 2009** President Obama repeals the Global Gag rule.
- 2010** We reach our 75th anniversary, serve four counties, operate five health centers with a budget of \$2,959,534 and 34 employees, and average over 30,000 client visits annually.

Since 1916, America's family planning movement has been in the forefront of the battle for women's liberation. During this time, women established their right to make their own decisions about when or whether to bear children. This right, for which women have had to fight, is now accepted and cherished as a fundamental liberty and the change in people's hearts and minds has been so profound that it is difficult to remember that only a short time ago those who fought for reproductive freedom went to jail. By gaining the right to control their fertility, women vastly improved their own health conditions and those of their children. Maternal and infant death rates have plummeted. Contraception, once obtainable only on the black market, is now affordable and accessible to most Americans.

Planned Parenthood of Central PA's (PPCP's) 75 year history mirrors the national movement. In 1935, Mrs. Susan Smith Etnier helped establish York's first family planning clinic. The Maternal Health Center, a cold water flat, heated by a pot-belly stove, was open three hours a week on Friday evenings, staffed by Dr. Howard and volunteers. Only married women with at least five surviving children and receiving public welfare could be prescribed birth control. Our budget that first year was \$500 and we served one hundred clients.

Throughout the years, thousands of dedicated volunteers and staff have collaborated with social service agencies and local clergy to expand our reach into the community, struggled with slow moving government bureaucracies and stood firmly against forces determined to undermine the advances made in the reproductive rights movement. We've held countless teas, coffee klatches, fashion shows, and fund drives to keep our doors open and preserve access to reproductive health care for women, men and teens, regardless of their ability to pay. Our annual budget now exceeds \$2.5 million and in FY '09 we served 10,784 clients in four counties.

We thank you, our individual donors, corporate sponsors, volunteers, staff and board members for 75 years of support and your commitment to ensuring our continued presence and success in our community for the next 75 years.



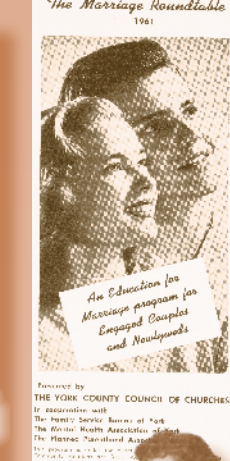
Lady Rama Rau Speaks here Thursday



"Planned children" help their moms with PP fund raiser



300 attend a PP fashion show featuring Connie Euler & Anne Campbell



Mrs. Jesse Chock serves coffee to new board members, Mrs. Charles Fackler, Mrs. J. Randolph Field & Mrs. Joseph Rosenmiller



Dr. Howard & Mrs. George Whiteley, Marion Dick, Dr. Crofton, & Mrs. Benjamin Eby are honored in 1965 for our 30th anniversary



Cecile Richards, PPFA CEO & Beth Gill-MacDonald PPCP Board Chair '07



1985-50th Anniversary Gerald Cook, Executive Director, Barbara Neiman, Diane Naylor, PPCP Board Chair, Michael Sanger, Margaret's grandson



We are honored to be Board Chair and CEO during PPCP's 75th year.

Below you will see a list of the distinguished women and men who have served as Board Chair over our agency's history. We thank the thousands of volunteers and staff who have contributed to the success of PPCP, each in their own way.



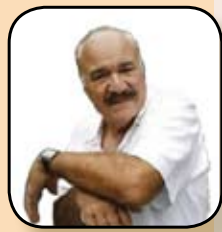
Paul Minnich, Board Chair Suellen Craig, President/CEO

PPCP BOARD CHAIRS 1935 - 2010

1935 - 1948	Mrs. Carey Etnier	1983 - 1985	Diane Naylor
1948 - 1953	Mrs. Charles Fackler	1985 - 1989	Judith V. Blakey
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1977 - 1979	Rev. Louis Underwood	2007 - 2009	Robin Rohrbaugh
1979 - 1981	Rabbi Irwin Goldenberg	2009 - 2011	Paul Minnich
1981 - 1983	Erda G. Erdos		

UPCOMING EVENTS:

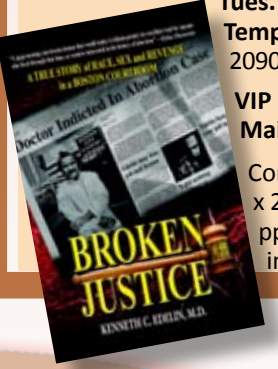
Help us kick off our **75th Anniversary** as we mark the **37th Anniversary** of the **Roe v. Wade Supreme Court decision!** Our special guest speaker is Dr. Kenneth Edelin, author of **BROKEN JUSTICE: A True Story of Race, Sex and Revenge in a Boston Courtroom**, documenting his manslaughter conviction for performing a legal abortion.



Tues. Jan 26, 2010, at Temple Beth Israel
2090 Hollywood Dr. York, PA.

VIP reception 6 - 7 p.m.
Main event 7 - 8:30 p.m.

Contact Betsy at 845.9683 x 213 or ppcpvol@ppfa.org for ticket information.



All The Kings Men, an all-female troupe dedicated to pushing boundaries and exploring the stereotypes of gender identity through comedic & dramatic storytelling set to music, will perform live! Check them out at www.atkm.com.

Saturday, Jan. 30, 2010 @ 7 PM
Tickets \$5 students, \$25 general admission
Benefits **THE CURVE**, PPCP's LGBTQ youth program
York College Performing Arts Center

Contact Betsy at 845.9683 x 213 or betsy.buckingham@ppfa.org for ticket information.



Our Vision: We seek a world in which all children are wanted and cared for; all people have equal rights and dignity; sexuality is expressed with honesty, equality and responsibility; and the decision to have children is private and voluntary.

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