

Don't let politics trump  
medicine:

Protecting abortion access  
in South Dakota

# Learning Objectives

- Discuss the impact of abortion prohibition on women's health
- Describe the current challenges facing evidence-based reproductive health policy
- Consider the role of physicians in moderating extremist health policy

# The South Dakota Abortion Ban

- Banned all abortions at all gestational ages for all women except to prevent death of mother
- Class 5 felony for physicians
- No penalties for pregnant women
- Emergency contraception specifically allowed
- Based on conclusions of SD Task Force to Study Abortion

# Political Landscape of South Dakota



# Very Conservative State

- Voters predominately Republican
- Pragmatic, non-ideological, libertarian
- Both state houses overwhelmingly Republican and tend toward very conservative
- National legislative slate predominately Democratic
- Governor is very conservative, Catholic, Republican (favors incremental abolition of abortion)

# Abortion Access in SD

- Elective Abortions up to 12 weeks at single clinic in Sioux Falls
- Fewest abortions in nation (805 in 2005)
- State directed counseling requirement
- 24 hour waiting period
- Mandatory parental notification
- Public funding only for life endangerment
- Environment of intimidation for providers

# SD Task Force to Study Abortion directed to study:

- The practice of abortion since its legalization
- The body of knowledge about development and behavior of the *unborn child*
- The societal, economic, and ethical impact and effects
- The degree to which abortion decisions are voluntary and informed
- Effects on health of mother and subsequent life
- Relationship of woman and *unborn child*
- Workable method to waive right to relationship with the *child*?
- Pain experience of *unborn child*
- Need for protection of rights of women
- Interest of state or mother or child to justify law changes

# Legislative Findings

- “...as a matter of scientific fact that abortion terminates the life of a whole, separate, unique, living human being.”
- “...pregnant women contemplating termination are...most often under stress and pressures from...other persons.”
- “there exists a special need for the protection of rights of...pregnant women. p. 6



# Task Force Report

- Fatally flawed in structure and procedure
- 2/3 members anti-abortion ideologues
- Report authored with no input from minority
- Only anti-abortion testimony included
- Dissenting testimony dismissed as not credible
- Essentially a litany of anti-abortion propaganda
- Several members walk out in public protest

# Regarding ACOG (Practice Bulletin #26:)

- “ACOG inexplicably states ‘...the medical literature...clearly demonstrates no credible negative impact...with surgical abortion.’ ACOG does not provide credible support...and we fear that political considerations...has (sic) interfered with the ability of some to provide objective study of...the health of women.”

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# Abortion Ban Impact on Women's Health

- No exceptions for rape or incest victims
- No exceptions for health complications
  - Cancer patients
  - Heart complications
  - PPRROM patients
- No exceptions for lethal anomalies
  - Anencephaly, trisomy fetuses
- Limited access becomes *no* access
  - Self-abortions

# My Political Initiation (or SD Politics 101)

- Task Force testimony
- House State Affairs Committee testimony
- Senate State Affairs Committee testimony
- Opinion column in local newspaper
- Co Chair SD Campaign for Healthy Families

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#### World

Violence in Iraq leaves 54 dead Tuesday, prompting the U.S. to deploy more troops to combat insurgents.

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#### Odd news

### Brothels ask for butt-ban opt-out

SYDNEY, Australia (AP) — Brothel owners in the southern state of Victoria have called for an exemption to a new ban on smoking in the workplace, saying customers like to light up after sex.

The Australian Adult Entertainment Industry has written to Victoria's health minister arguing that new laws banning smoking in bars and brothels could push prostitution back into the streets, according to a report in the Sunday Herald Sun newspaper.

"People smoke when they drink, and people smoke when they fornicate," association representative William Albon said. "These smoking

# Abortion-law challenge filed

## About 38,000 signatures were submitted Tuesday

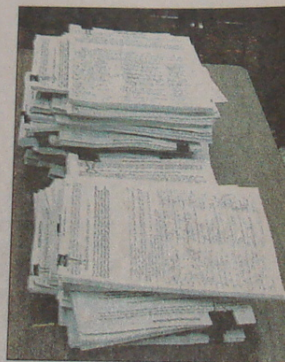
By Kevin Woster  
Journal Staff Writer

The battle over South Dakota's controversial near-total ban on abortion is now a full-fledged political campaign after the announcement Tuesday that abortion-rights forces had gathered enough petition signatures to refer the issue to a public vote.

In news conferences in Rapid City and other towns, officials for the South Dakota Campaign for Healthy Families said 1,200 volunteers had collected 37,846 signatures calling for a repeal of the new abortion restrictions in HB1215. They needed 16,728 valid signatures to refer the bill, which was approved overwhelmingly by the 2006 South Dakota Legislature and signed by Gov. Mike Rounds in March.

Sherry Bea Smith, a nurse from Deadwood, and Dr. Marvin Buehner, a Rapid City physician specializing in women's reproductive health, spoke for the campaign against HB1215 during a morning news conference at the Rapid City Public Library.

They said the abortion ban, which allows exceptions only when necessary to save a pregnant woman's life, is extreme legislation that doesn't



Dirk Lammers/AP

Piles of petitions are shown Tuesday during a news conference in Sioux Falls.

endum vote.

Smith said the successful petition drive showed deep support for the campaign's goal of overturning HB1215, a measure aimed at bringing a direct challenge to the abortion rights declared by the U.S. Supreme Court in the 1973 Roe v. Wade decision.

"Unfortunately, South Dakotans are being dragged into this expensive battle that does not reflect the values of



Kevin Woster/Journal staff

Sherry Bea Smith, right, and Dr. Marvin Buehner announce that the South Dakota Campaign for Healthy Families gathered 37,846 signatures — more than twice the 16,728 needed to refer the abortion ban, HB1215, to a vote in November. Secretary of State Chris Nelson's office must validate the signatures for the measure to be on the ballot.

# Physician Action

- Physicians for Reproductive Choice and Health
- American College of Obstetricians and Gynecologists
- South Dakota State Medical Association (AMA)
- Public rallies, radio and television advertising, editorials
- News media interviews

# Foes fire up abortion fight

## Tribal leader rallies for abortion clinic on reservation

By Bill Harlan  
Journal Staff Writer

Oglala Sioux Tribe President Cecelia Fire Thunder says a clinic on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation could provide abortions if South Dakota's new abortion ban goes into effect.

"We're working on it," Fire Thunder said in a telephone interview Friday. "This is a free-choice issue. If I were in that situation, I'd want somewhere to go where I'd be taken care of."

The new South Dakota law bans all abortions except to save the life of the mother — with no exceptions for rape or incest.

Fire Thunder said the state law would not apply to the reservation. "We're a sovereign nation," she said.

The new law is set to go into effect July 1, but a court challenge almost certainly will delay it, and opponents of the law are already gathering signatures to put it on the ballot in November.



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**Fire Thunder**



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Don Polovich/Journal staff

# Doctors group supports ban

By Ryan Woodard  
Journal Staff Writer

RAPID CITY — Just over a week after a group of South Dakota doctors specializing in women's reproductive health urged voters to reject Referred Law 6, another group of doctors has formed a group supporting the controversial measure.

Referred Law 6 is an issue on the Nov. 7 ballot that, if passed, would ban nearly all abortions in South Dakota ex-

cept those required to save a woman's life.

On Thursday night, a group of South Dakota doctors announced that it has formed to formally support the measure, calling themselves South Dakota Physicians for Life.

"Our group, the South Dakota Physicians for Life, is a very new group," Dr. Ann Church of Spearfish said. "We come from all parts of the state, from our biggest cities

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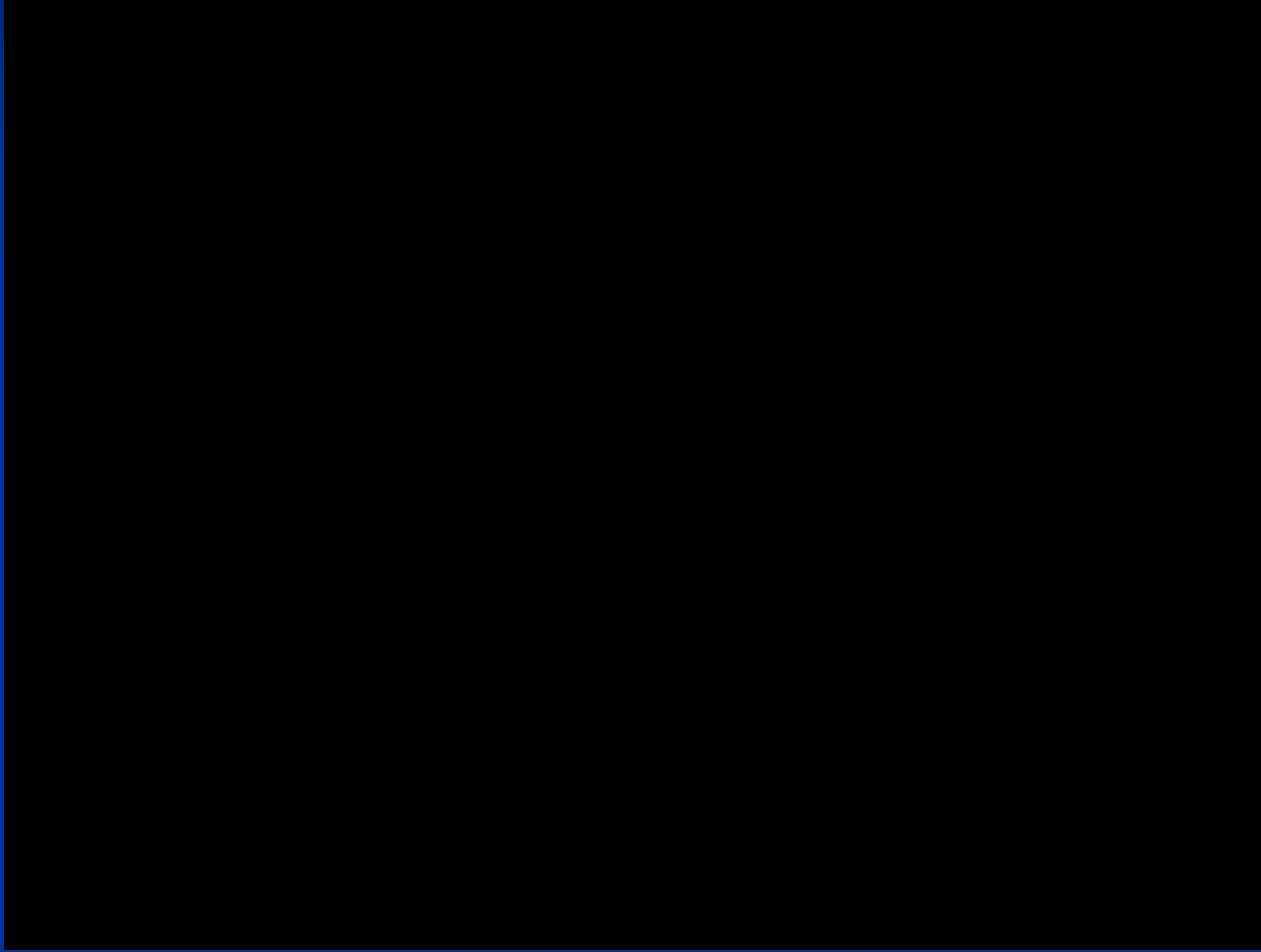
Dr. Ann Church of Spearfish spoke at the Physicians For Life news conference Thursday in Rapid City. The group formed to endorse the proposed abortion ban, Referred Law 6, on the Nov. 7 ballot. Behind Church are, from left, Dr. Don Van Etten, Dr. Al Kelts, Dr. Dan Franz, Dr. Mark Ballard and Dr. Don Oliver.



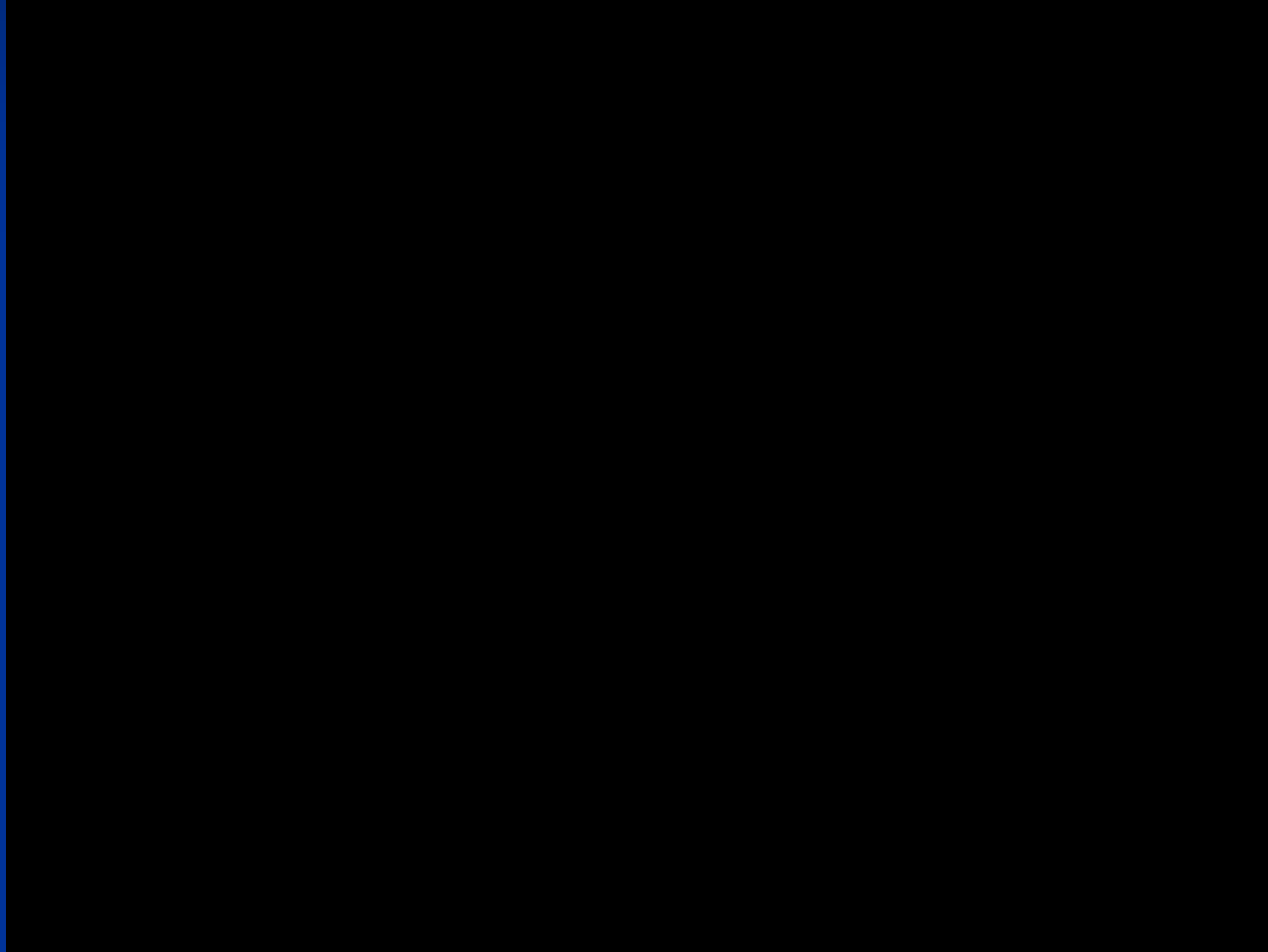
# Vote NO on 6 Campaign

- Consistent message of moderation:  
*It just goes too far!*
- Heavy reliance on television
- Coordinated efforts by Healthy Families, Planned Parenthood, PRCH, ACOG
- Print media; Op-Ed and interviews
- Radio ads and interviews
- Public forums and demonstrations

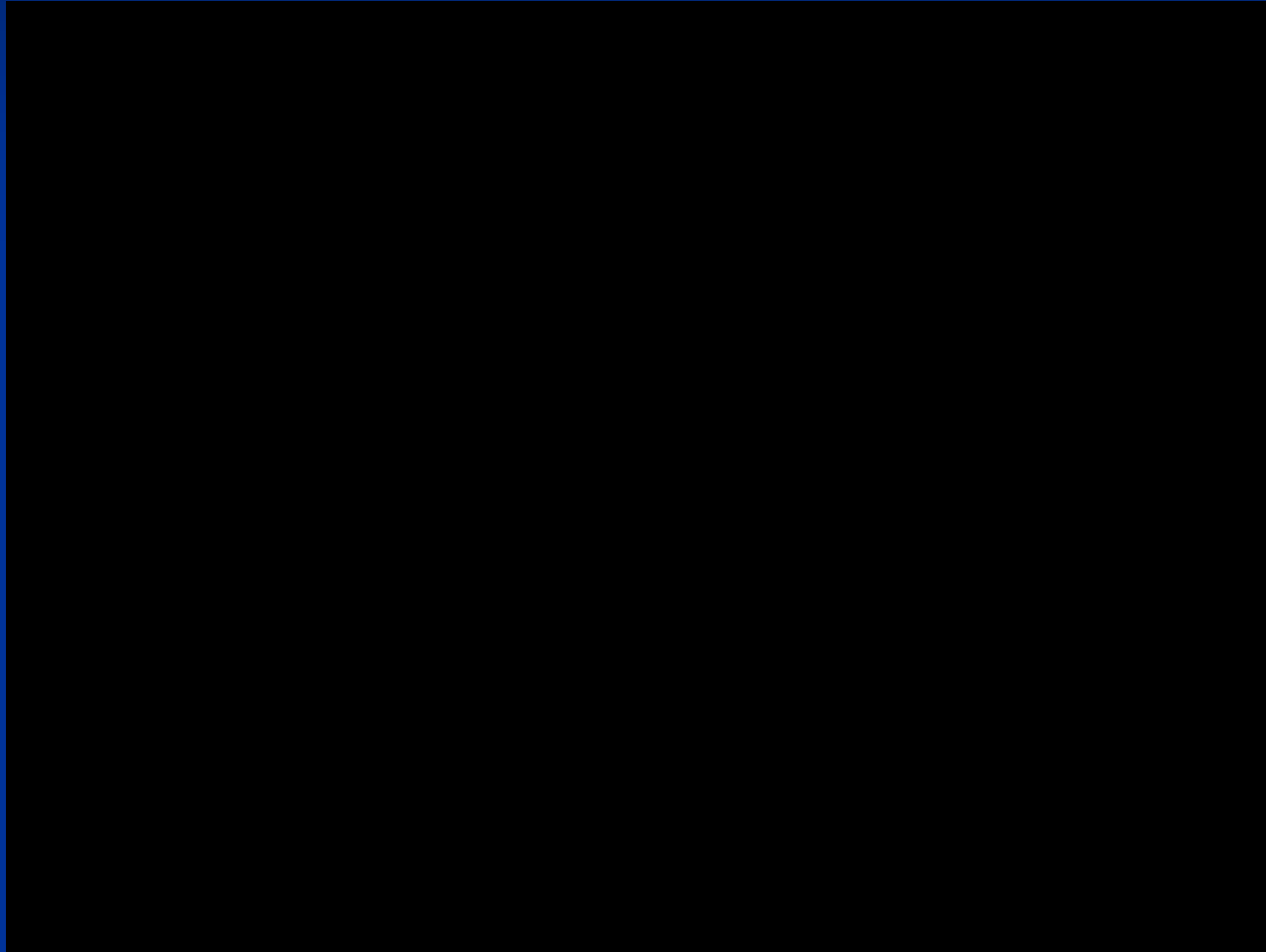
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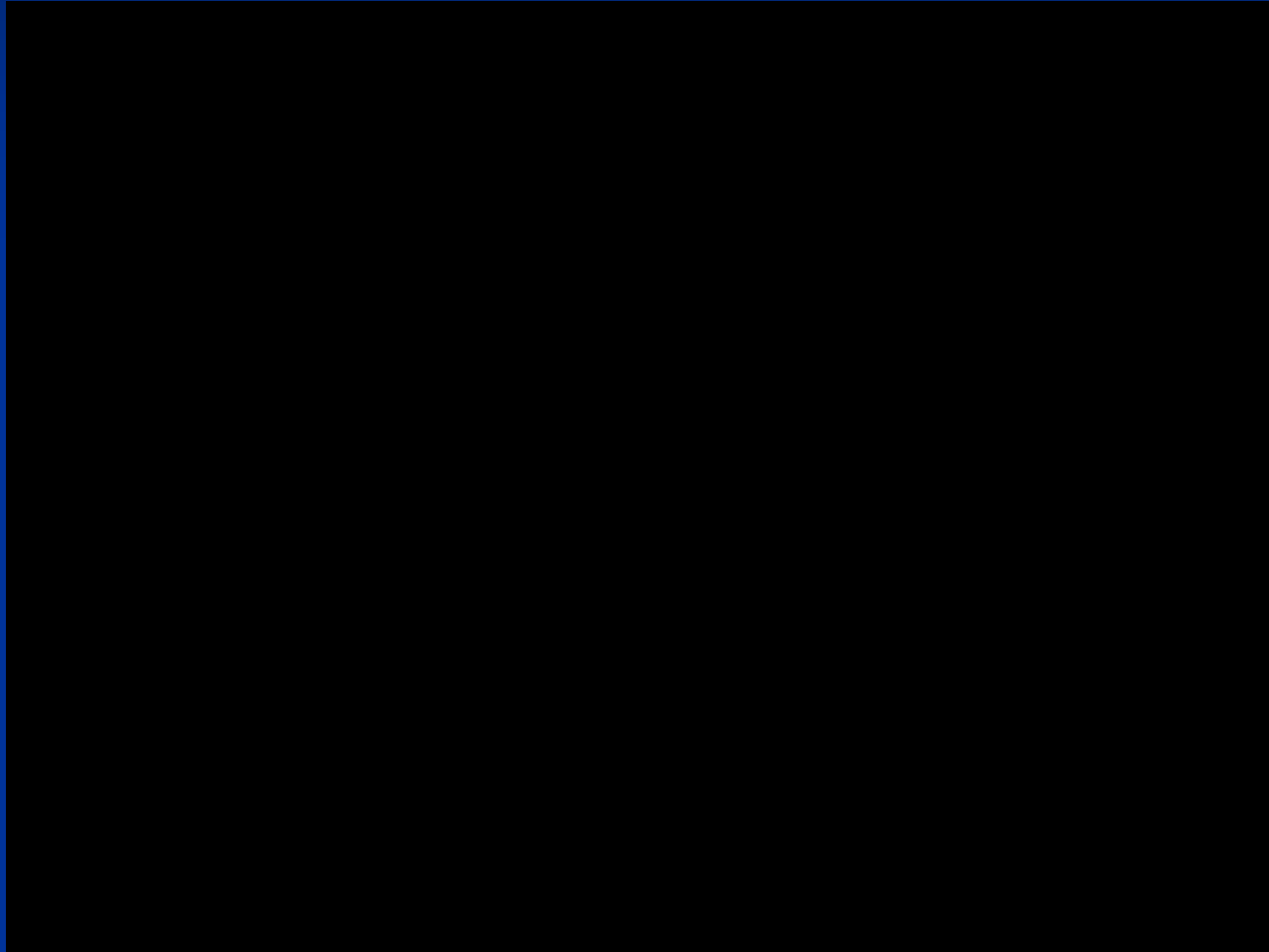
# Vote No on 6



# Yes for Life



# Vote No on 6



# Chicago Tribune

## In S. Dakota, abortion the issue

Referendum on ban roils low-key state

By Judy Peres  
Tribune staff reporter

SIoux FALLS, S.D. — It takes spunk for Katie Andert to sit in the middle of the Commons, day after day, behind a table festooned with signs demanding "Vote No on 6: Repeal the Abortion Ban."

South Dakota is a distinctly

conservative state, and the vast majority of its residents will tell you they are "pro-life."

They'll also tell you South Dakotans prize politeness and eschew confrontation. Andert's booth on the Augustana College campus is a bit too in-your-face for most folks.

But Andert, a 21-year-old psychology major, is part of a campaign to overturn the nation's toughest anti-abortion law in a statewide referendum Nov. 7. The outcome of the

campaign, which dominates the pre-election landscape in South Dakota, could help determine the future of abortion rights nationwide.

Supporters of the state's near-total ban on abortion hope to use it to overturn Roe vs. Wade, the 1973 Supreme Court decision that established a woman's constitutional right to terminate a pregnancy. Other states are poised to enact similar laws if this vote succeeds. If it is upheld, Planned Parenthood, which

runs the only abortion clinic in South Dakota, has said it will sue to block it on grounds it is unconstitutional.

"If they strike down Roe, all abortion is at risk in this country," said Eleanor Smeal, president of the Feminist Majority Foundation and publisher of Ms. Magazine. "We estimate about 30 states would ban it."

South Dakota's law criminalizes all abortions except those "intended to prevent the death of a pregnant mother." It makes no exception for rape or



Would you support a law that bans all abortions except those

necessary to save a woman's life? Take our online poll at [chicagotribune.com/abort](http://chicagotribune.com/abort)

incest, or for cases in which the woman's health is at risk.

Dr. Marvin Buehner, an obstetrician in Rapid City, says the law would tie his hands when treating patients with

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serious medical complications.

Buehner recounted the case of a 38-year-old woman who was diagnosed with rectal cancer at the same time her 13-week pregnancy was confirmed.

"The oncologist recommended radiation to the pelvis and immediate chemotherapy, which would have been fatal to the fetus," he said.

Buehner said the woman



AP photo for the Tribune by Dave Eggen  
Augustana College students Katie Andert (left) and Judie Marshall staff a voter registration booth on campus Thursday.

then that child will have a chance to live."

Unruh runs a support group for "postabortive"

Neither side in the abortion campaign will say how much money has been raised. They acknowledge that donations are coming in from outsiders as well as from South Dakotans.

VoteYesForLife.com's signs seem to be everywhere. The Campaign for Healthy Families said distribution of its lawn signs would start this weekend. But some supporters of abortion rights believe most people who share their views are in the closet.

### Shops eschew 'Vote No' signs

"You don't see any businesses with 'Vote No' signs in their windows," said John Thies, 22, who works at a record store in Sioux Falls. "This is a conservative community. If you hold different views, you're not going to advertise them for fear people

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# REVERSING ROE

Pro-lifers are scared that South Dakota's abortion ban will hurt their cause; to pro-choicers it looks like the beginning of the end. So will the ban survive? *Cynthia Gorney* reports

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*Buford* on the prince of pastry

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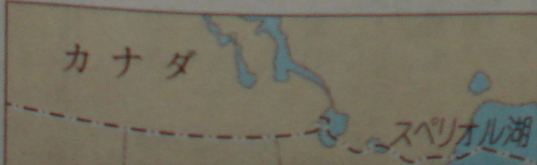
### 離散家族再会へ 赤十字会談提案

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# Gay marriage, abortion 'the same issue'

## Speakers rally against social issues

By Ryan Woodard  
Journal Staff Writer

RAPID CITY — The South Dakota Family Policy Council managed to almost fill South Canyon Baptist Church for a rally Monday in favor of banning gay marriage and abortion.

About 750 people attended the Protecting Life and Marriage rally Monday night, which featured keynote speaker Alan Keyes, a former Republican candidate for president and a staunch opponent of abortion and homosexuality.

He called abortion and homosexual marriage "one and the same issue."

"Abortion does at the physical level what homosexual marriage does at the institutional level," he said, explaining that both go against what God intended.

Keyes, who was preceded by former Houston pastor Rick Scarborough and Pastor Laurence White of Our Savior Lutheran Church in Houston, talked about numerous issues but focused mainly on the upcoming issues of Referred Law 6, which would ban almost all abortions in the state, and Amendment C, which would ban gay marriages, civil unions and "quasi-marital" relationships.

He said the court's ruling in *Roe v. Wade*, the 1973 U.S. Supreme Court decision which affirmed women's right to have abortions, was unconstitutional.

"When the court touched the issue, they violated the constitution," he said.

Scarborough talked extensively about the abortion and gay marriage issues, comparing at

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Jim Holland/Journal staff

Dr. Alan Keyes gestures while addressing the Protecting Life and Marriage rally Monday at South Canyon Baptist Church in Rapid City. About 750 people turned out to hear the message supporting the abortion ban and a ban of gay marriage and civil unions on the Nov. 7 ballot.

## Towns reduce use of water

By Steve Miller  
Journal Staff Writer

Residents of Deadwood and Lead were asked to severely curtail their water use Monday after a logger accidentally broke a water line leading into the treatment plant for the two Northern Hills towns.

Crews were still scrambling to fix the 24-inch intake line in remote country west of Lead as of 5 p.m. Monday, according to J.R. Raysor, public works director for Deadwood. The intake runs into the Lead-Deadwood Sanitary District's treatment plant in Lead. Both cities buy their water from the district.

Raysor said he hoped a temporary fix could be in place Monday night, so the 4,500 permanent residents of the two towns, plus the thousands of visitors to Deadwood, could have water today. He said that on a busy day Deadwood's population swells to 10,000.

"Right now, we're operating only on the water that was already in the system," Raysor said Monday afternoon. "Our system was about half-full when this happened. Typically, that would get us through the day and into this evening."

Deadwood and Lead city officials urged residents to save as much water as possible. If ignored, treated water could run out, they said.

Raysor said local residents and businesses were cooperating. One local car wash shut down.

At Saloon No. 10 in Deadwood, the kitchen crew planned to thaw meat and fish more slowly in the refrigerator rather than by running water over it for a couple of hours, general

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# Good morning

## Remember

### Time to fall back

Turn your clocks back one hour to standard time at 2 a.m. Sunday.



Daylight-saving time ended early today. Did you turn your clocks back one hour?

## State



South Dakota comparative quarter will... Nov. 13 at Mount... National



Photo illustration

Sarah Duex and Glenda Kolkman show their competing yard signs on the ban on most abortions proposed in Referred Law 6. The next-door neighbors on Clark Street in south-central Rapid

City reflect the statewide split over the issue facing voters on the Nov. 7 general-election ballot.

# Referred Law 6 splits state, neighbors

Editor's note: This is another in a series of stories... "It's totally about... supporters — most notably Planned

# Hunting season open on big ca

Game, Fish & changes some of rules from 2005.

By Ryan Woodard  
Journal Staff Writer

A South Dakota & Parks official wa at how quickly the mountain lion sea but he will be just if the second one longer.

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But the sea month later tha stricts the shoot

# Ministerial group urges 'No on 6'

By Mary Garrigan  
Journal Staff Writer

RAPID CITY — As yard signs opposing Referred Law 6 hit lawns statewide Tuesday, a dozen Rapid City area ministers joined a Pastors for Moral Choices news conference to show their opposition on religious grounds to the abortion ban as a "return to a regressive, discriminatory and dangerous way of life."

"We will be voting no on Referred Law 6, the law that would ban abortion, because it is neither just nor compassionate," the Rev. Marc Stewart said. Stewart is a United Church of Christ minister and spokesman for the pastors group.

Pastors for Moral Choices, a statewide group composed mostly of mainline Protestant ministers, exists to broaden the religious conversation on divisive social issues such as abortion and same-sex marriage, as well as social-justice issues of all kinds, Stewart said.

Ministers from Episcopal, Methodist, Presbyterian, UCC and Lutheran churches read from their denominations' positions on abortion rights. The national governing bodies of those five denominations have taken official positions that abortion should be legal and safe, something that may sur-

**'We will be voting no on Referred Law 6, the law that would ban abortion, because it is neither just nor compassionate.'**

— The Rev. Marc Stewart, United Church of Christ

abortion rights, Rosie Stoebner said, she is tired of being portrayed as pro-abortion.

"I'm pro-choice, but I'm not pro-abortion," Stoebner said. She is the wife of retired UCC minister Don Stoebner, an interim pastor at a Custer church.

Stoebner was among the ministers who donned clerical robes, stoles and collars to declare that Referred Law 6 restricts religious freedom.

Making abortion illegal would prohibit faithful people from living according to their religious laws, traditions and understandings, without the threat of criminal indictment, they said.

The Rev. Bruce Baum hosted the news conference at his church, Faith Lutheran, although he won't allow political yard signs or other campaign literature on church grounds.



Steve McEnroe/Journal staff

## Abortion ban group says signs vandalized

■ Police say defacing or stealing the placard is a public offense and could be punishable by a fine.

By Katie Brown  
Journal Staff Writer

RAPID CITY — An effort with the group supporting the passage of Referred Law 6, a ban on most abortions in South Dakota, says the group's yard signs are being attacked statewide.

Kimberly Martinez, secretary for VoteYesLife.com, said hundreds of her organization's supporting Referred Law 6 signs have been vandalized statewide. Referred Law 6 is the statewide ballot measure that would ban abortion in all instances except the life of a pregnant woman.

"It's very unfortunate," she said. "We've had signs that have been painted on, signs that have been lit on fire."

Some of the vandalized signs are reported to be stolen signs, but many are not.

"We encourage people to report them to the police," she said, adding that the organization's workers worked hard to try to replace the vandalized signs.

Capt. Ed Hoffman of Rapid City Police

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## Fall yard maintenance

Protect your lawn and home from weather and bugs, Page C1

### Good morning

#### Local

A group of parents wants a gym and classroom expansion at Rapid City Central High School. Page B1

#### Odd news

### Donation sparks family feud

COLUMBIA, S.C. (AP) —

This holiday season may be a little tense at Karen Floyd's home.

Floyd, who is running as a Republican for state superintendent of education, has learned that her stepmother donated \$100 to her Democratic challenger.

The stepmother, Jeannie Kanes, wrote Jim Rex's campaign a check last week. That donation prompted Floyd's father to send his daughter's campaign \$100.

"Husbands and wives don't always agree on everything," Bill Kanes said Tuesday from Houston, where the couple has a home. "This is one of those times."

Jeannie Kanes expressed dismay that her donation has become public. "If I had known this was going to happen, I wouldn't have done it," she said.

## Doctor slams ban; '6' hits the streets



## High bids

### Civic center bids overrun estimates by \$7 million

By Scott Aust  
Journal Staff Writer

RAPID CITY — City officials were a bit thunderstruck after learning Wednesday that the low bid on the Rushmore Plaza Civic Center expansion project came in more than \$7 million higher than estimates had predicted.

The civic center expansion project was bid in two parts. The Rapid City Council awarded the site-preparation bid to Gustafson Builders for \$1.45 million in May and broke ground in June.

Two bids to build the building were opened this week, with Gustafson Builders submitting the low bid of \$22.75 million, which is about \$7 million more than is available for the project from the Vision 2012 city sales-tax program.

About \$15 million was initially set aside in 2012 funds a

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'Will Rogers Follies' examines entertainer's legacy, Page D1

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Company drops out of Bush-backed plan, Page A3

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## Good morning

### Local

A botanist with the U.S. Forest Service says an amendment to the management plan for Black Hills National Forest will protect sensitive plants. **Page C1**

### Odd news

## Mayor refuses mouthy money

NASHVILLE, Tenn. (AP) — After Nashville motorist T. Allen Morgan got a speeding ticket in Coopertown, he tried to pay his ticket like a good citizen.

But he added a little note on his check that angered Mayor Danny Crosby. The mayor refused to accept the check, sparking the Tennessee Bureau of Investigation to launch an investigation Monday.

Crosby told Morgan that he had to either write another check that didn't have the words "for speed trap" written in bold letters or face the charges in traffic court.

At the request of District Attorney General John Carney, the TBI is investigating whether Crosby acted illegally by denying Morgan's payment, TBI spokeswoman Jennifer Johnson said.

"As mayor of this city, if I accept that check from that gentleman, I'm admitting we run a speed trap, and that's a bald-faced lie," Crosby said Tuesday.

# Hundreds rally on abortion

## Speakers denounce HB1215

By Kevin Woster  
Journal Staff Writer

Opponents of South Dakota's nearly-total ban on abortion began what is expected to be a protest-filled political season early Thursday afternoon in downtown Rapid City, as speakers condemned the controversial HB1215 signed Monday by Gov. Mike Rounds as a step back in time for women's rights.

But as rally participants threatened legal action, a public referendum and an all-out campaign against politicians who supported the bill, an equally rambunctious group of counterdemonstrators sang songs, flashed anti-abortion signs and praised Rounds and the state Legislature for defending the unborn.

It was a sign of rallies and counter-rallies to come, as South Dakotans grapple with the vexing clash between defense of the unborn and the rights of the living.

Organizers of the protest against HB1215 — a legally fragile law that would allow



Don Polovich/Journal staff

The abortion-rights crowd gathered Thursday on the northwest and southwest corners of Ninth Street in front of the federal courthouse in Rapid City. The rally, organized by

Planned Parenthood, was one of a few dozen organized throughout the country.



## Lawsuit donations prompt questions

PIERRE (AP) — At least one state lawmaker worries that a

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## Two Gallants

California band that blends country and punk for a one-of-a-kind sound plays a return engagement this Wednesday in Rapid City, **Page D1**

### Good morning

### Local

Hot Springs City Council says the town was misled and that it should get \$125,000 back that it paid Wind Cave National Park. **Page C1**

### Odd news

### Bug eaters cut to front of line

GURNEE, Ill. (AP) — Why wait in line when you can eat a cockroach?

That's the question Six Flags Great Escape is asking thrill seekers during a Halloween-themed Fright Fest. The amusement park is asking customers to eat a live Madagascar hissing cockroach in exchange for unlimited line-jumping privileges.

The promotion, which has like County Health Department officials shaking their heads, starts Oct. 7.

Anyone who chows down an entire 2- to 3-inch horned

# Abortion protesters snarl rush-hour traffic

By Bill Harlan  
Journal Staff Writer

Two people were arrested Thursday during a rush-hour anti-abortion demonstration at the intersection of Mountain View Road and West Main Street.

### Rapid City

Abortion protester Mark Gabriel, 46, of Appleton, Wis., was handing out anti-abortion leaflets to passing motorists. He was arrested for "impeding traffic," Rapid City Police Sgt. Peter Ragnone said. Cybelle Claussen, 43, of Rapid City was arrested for disorderly conduct

### Inside

Abortion protesters removed from campus of School of Mines & Technology **Page C4**

after she scuffled with one of the demonstrators. Ragnone said Claussen was apparent-



Bill Harlan/Journal staff

## Wharton reinstates Central principal

Pat Jones was suspended Sept. 8.

By Andrea J. Cook  
Journal Staff Writer

Central High School principal Pat Jones is going back to work Monday. Superintendent Peter

Wharton announced late Thursday night that he had lifted Jones' suspension.

"The parties involved believe this is a fair and reasonable solution," Wharton said in a news release. "Bringing closure to this matter allows us an opportunity to move forward with optimism."



Pat Jones



tional information or evidence," Johnson said Thursday. "We are working on trying to get a reward offered, but I don't know if or when that will happen. The police have indicated that the chance of him having walked away is narrowing."

## More news

Tech students are trick-or-treating today to gather canned food for charity.

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## In brief

### Trial arguments start Monday

GILLETTE, Wyo. (AP) — Opening arguments were scheduled to start Monday in the case of a Gillette man accused of first-degree murder and conspiracy in the death of a teenager last year.

Kent Alan Proffit Sr. will stand trial in the death of Jeremy Forquer, 19. Prosecutors say Proffit ordered two other teenagers to kill Forquer to keep him from talking to police about a drug deal.

not available Thursday for comment.

time approximately eight



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Officers from the Spearfish Police Department stand guard Thursday at the entrance of a dormitory at Black Hills State University in response to a bomb threat uncovered by university officials.

## Bomb threat cancels classes at Black Hills State University

■ The Spearfish campus reopened Thursday night after a security check.

SPEARFISH — Black Hills State University cleared its campus Thursday afternoon after university officials received a bomb threat, but students and faculty were allowed to return later Thursday night.

The initial call to local police went out mid-morning Thursday. The BHSU campus was evacuated at 2 p.m. and remained closed into the late afternoon. On-campus classes were canceled

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# Abortion Ban Defeated!



- Voters reject Ban 56% to 44%
- Rejected nearly 3 to 1 in western SD

# Challenges to Evidence-based Health Policy

- New South Dakota legislation
- SD Task Force to Study Abortion Report largely debunked but poor data still voluminous
- Current Strategies
  - Build consensus on abortion reduction policies
  - Emergency contraception
  - Contraception equity
  - Comprehensive *evidence-based* sex education

# Role of Physicians in Moderating Health Policy

- Physician Organizations
  - American Medical Association
  - State Medical Associations
  - Professional Colleges and Associations
- Public and Professional Education
  - Public forums
  - Medical Grand Rounds
  - Mass media
  - Education of elected officials



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