

## Central National Bank in Waco terminates support for Planned Parenthood

On January 24, 2011, Central National Bank in Waco communicated that it is severing its longtime relationship with Planned Parenthood Waco. Pro-Life Waco continues its successful campaigns to separate Planned Parenthood from its for-profit and non-profit supporters. The focus is those organizations which sponsor and underwrite the **Nobody's Fool** sex promotion conference that takes place in Waco each summer.

The name of Central National Bank has for years appeared as an underwriter on the promotional flyer of **Nobody's Fool**. Pro-Life Waco convinced CNB to break its relationship with Planned Parenthood through personal visits with executives, e-mail and snail mail communications, a Facebook group devoted to the controversy, and periodic demonstrations in the public right-of-way in front of bank offices. The demonstration signs displayed the message "Central National Bank supports Planned Parenthood. Anything goes sex. 15,000+ abortions." Demonstrators also offered information on the yearly abortion record of Planned Parenthood in Waco and flyers on how Planned Parenthood at all levels promotes sexual promiscuity.



The challenge to Central National Bank seemed an uphill battle because all members of the Board of Directors are firmly entrenched in the Planned Parenthood camp. One board member, Bernard Rapoport, donated \$192,000 in one year to Planned Parenthood Waco. The Waco abortion facility bears the name of this wife. Another board member is the father of the executive director of Planned Parenthood Waco.

The final event leading to divorce was a visit with bank officials from a customer who is a respected member of the Waco legal community. A bank official subsequently responded with an email message stating in part "We are not going to support them [Planned Parenthood Waco] financially or otherwise in the future."

In 2004, Pro-Life Waco launched a boycott of Girl Scout cookies sales because of the local affiliate's longstanding alliance with Planned Parenthood Waco. The result of the boycott was the local Girl Scout affiliate severed all ties to Planned Parenthood.

We are more capable of challenging the corporate allies of Planned Parenthood than we think!