

Anti-abortion demonstration causes controversy

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On Monday Clackamas Community College's pro-life club "CCC Students For Life" set up a demonstration in the lawn in front of the Bill Brod Community Center. Signs sticking out of the lawn read "Cemetery of innocents" along with 330 bright pink flags with the face of a baby featured on them, each one representing 10 babies that will be aborted each day.

This display can be found disturbing, but the CCC Students For Life president Simeon Wakefield said he felt this was a necessary display for students to see. "What made us want to do this today is that there is 3,300 babies that get aborted each day," Wakefield said. "We're trying to raise awareness and show respect for the lives that have been lost like any cemetery would do."

Abortion is a very controversial topic where both sides have very strong opinions. Often the discussion leads to situations of sexual assault. "That's a really, really hard question," Wakefield said. "The way that I stand is that if someone's alive, there is never really a legitimate reason to take that life from them. We should, in a modern society, be able to come up with alternative solutions to taking a life to make

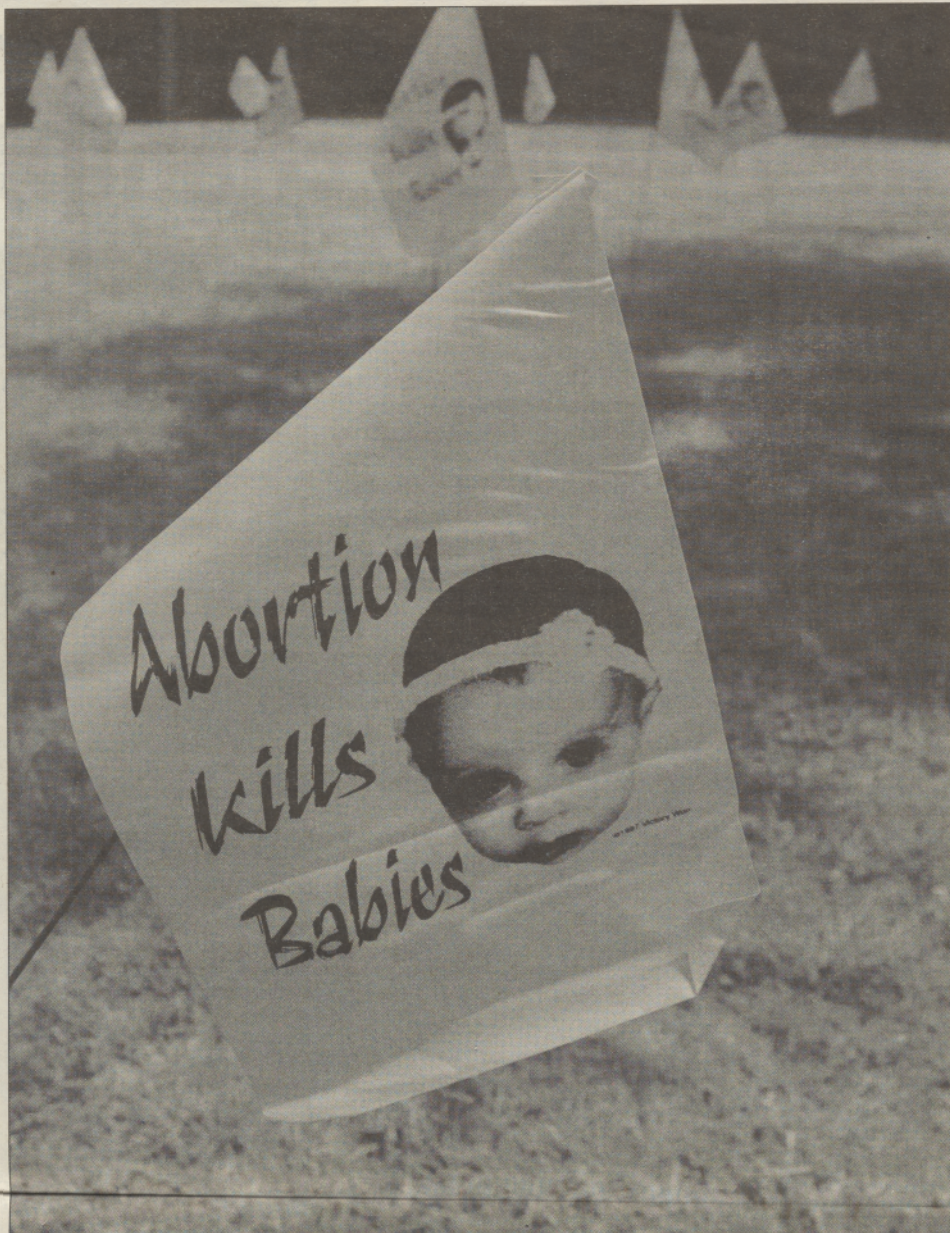
someone feel better."

Most students had no idea what the display was about when they originally walked past it, and the ones that did had very differing opinions on the subject. "I'm really against abortion, life is life. Even if it was accidental, you knew the consequences of having unsafe sex," CCC student Madeline Szabo said.

Student Nicholas Hadley had a different opinion. "I think people should keep to their own opinions and not put it in everybody's face." Though CCC Students For Life have vocal opposition, there is no club to represent the pro-choice student body.

On May, 13th PCC Sylvania and PCC Rock Creek had similar demonstrations on their campus. PCC's paper 'The Bridge' reported that Rock Creek's Students For Life had set up a 'memorial wall' which featured names of aborted fetuses etched into the wall. Sylvania's display stirred up more controversy. "Survivors of the Abortion Holocaust" (SAH) set up very graphic pictures of aborted fetuses and bloody tissue and were asked to move due to discomfort.

Despite all students' rights to free speech on campus, a demonstration like this can very easily spark a lot of controversy. The discomfort brought on by this club's expression of their right to freedom of speech was not for everyone.



The grass-covered courtyard in front of the Community Center was covered in 330 flags and was referred to as the "Cemetery of innocents." Each flag represented 10 babies aborted each day.

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In a time when colleges across the nation are constantly enhancing their facilities to state-of-the-art status, Clackamas Community College has

we're doing really fast stuff, we make sure we stay out of certain areas. Maybe we have to run in lanes three and out. There's definitely some things we don't do on our track that on other tracks you can do."

One concern for coaches is the fact the bond doesn't actually say JFL provide help for the athletic facilities. "I haven't seen it on the list of improvements to be made," college spokeswoman Janet Paulson said.