

The Pictures You Saw Were Real

Dear Editor,

John Divinski's column (Seaway News, Friday, July 18th, 2003) regarding his disapproval of the graphic photographs that the Pro-Life group displayed in Cornwall recently misses the point in that he seems to argue that Pro-Life can argue against abortion, however they should not use the only effective tool at their disposal, the graphic truth depicting the reality of an aborted fetus.

I would argue that the war in Vietnam would have continued long past 1975 had not the graphic pictures of dismembered and burnt Vietnamese civilians, and American soldiers been displayed by the

press throughout America. Those pictures, and TV news coverage of the same, led to protests throughout the United States, protests which surely ended the war.

Those horrendous pictures were used by the peace movement as a tool to end the war by displaying the true horrendous impact of the war on human beings. The end justified the means.

The same is true with Pro-Life's use of pictures of real, aborted, third trimester children. Hopefully the graphic reality of near fully developed children being aborted will stir the same outrage as the pictures of a child with her skin peeled off as a result of American bomb-

ing.

We have simply lost control of abortion. Catch phrases like Pro-Choice have dulled our senses to the reality of the act of abortion. Abortion was never meant to be used as birth control, nor was it meant to end a child's life when that child was old enough to survive outside the womb.

However graphic or repugnant the truth is John, it is the truth. The pictures you saw were real. They were the actual bodies of aborted children. We simply have to end the carnage that is the aborted end of countless thousands of children's lives.

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