

# END OF LIFE CHOICES ★ ARIZONA

## Fifth Freedom Foundation NEWSLETTER

END OF LIFE CHOICES SEEKS TO  
LEGALIZE ALL THE OPTIONS  
FOR A DIGNIFIED DEATH,  
INCLUDING VOLUNTARY  
PHYSICIAN-AID-IN-DYING FOR  
ALL MENTALLY COMPETENT,  
CRITICALLY ILL PEOPLE.

Winter 2004

The Statewide Chapter of End-of-Life Choices (formerly Hemlock Society)

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## Westover to Succeed Wettstein as President

Effective March 1, **John Westover** will assume the presidency of the Fifth Freedom Foundation, taking over for the retiring **Earl Wettstein**. **Vickie Fischer** will continue as President of the Board of End of Life Choices-Arizona.



*John Westover*

Westover accepted the job on the condition that the workload be limited. Most of the workload that Wettstein did will be handled by our new Executive Director, **John Abraham**. Westover's primary tasks will be overseeing Abraham's work, and officiating at two annual Board meetings.

Wettstein, who created the plan to form the state organization in 1996-97, will continue as a member of both Boards. ■

## John Abraham Named Executive Director!!!

**John Abraham**, a long-time member of the state and local death with dignity movement, has been selected to be the Executive Director of the Fifth Freedom Foundation. He will also perform specific assignments for End of Life Choices-Arizona.

Abraham is a retired Episcopal minister. One of his assignments was as a Senior Associate at St. Philips in the Hills, 1992-95. He received his Master of Divinity from the Virginia Theological Seminary in Alexandria, VA in 1973. He has a broad variety of experience in education, management, and marketing. He is most recently a Certified Thanatologist (CT), which means he is an expert on death and dying.

John, most famously, has spoken to God on his cell phone during Health Committee meetings before the state legislature when attending our "marches" on the state capitol. God has always taken his calls and says she is on our side.

In years past, Abraham served as



*John Abraham*

the president of the Tucson chapter. He has also spoken at chapter meetings, performed as the Advocate in Wettstein's 20-minute playlet "How to Be a Very Good Advocate", and organized "stuffing parties" to assemble our annual fund-raising mailings.

He has been hired for one year. His salary of \$25,000 has been approved and funded by the Board of Directors of the national End of Life Choices organization in Denver.

Abraham has already met with the national staff in Denver and has their solid support. He made the trip with **John Westover**, our new state president. Their stated membership goal is a 15% increased membership. If the hiring of our Executive Director proves successful, Denver sees it as a model program for the nation. ■

# Arizona Stars This Fall!

★ **LINDA LOPEZ**

*Tucson State Representative*  
for you know ...

★ **DAVID BRANDT-ERICHSEN**

*Tucson*

for creating an entirely new communications system for all our members on the internet!

★ **RUTHE STEINBERG**

*Tucson*

for her continuing telephone counseling of members on our 800 line, even when she was recovering from a major operation.

★ **THE TRANSITION TASK FORCE**

headed by

**WALTER URBACH**

*Sun City West*

and assisted by

**DAVID BRANDT-ERICHSEN, BEATRICE FERRANTE, GENE GIERMANN, ELAINE LANGSNER, and STAN & RUTHE STEINBERG,**

all of whom helped select our Executive Director.

★ **JACK LANDER**

*Sun Lakes*

for developing a tremendous body of research which he presented at the November state meeting in Scottsdale.

★ **SEVERY PARTRIDGE**

*Flagstaff*

for working so darned hard to build her chapter up there and to keep coming with interesting programs.

★ **JACK BALDWIN**

*Sedona*

for helping Severy.

★ **RON MARTIN**

*Yuma*

for working to revitalize his chapter.

★ **BILLIE STOCKL**

*Sierra Vista*

for getting her programs planned and scheduled already for the year ahead.

★ **JOHN ABRAHAM, STANLEY STEINBERG, JOANNE DAY WETTSTEIN, GILLIAN WETTSTEIN, BETH SMITH, CONNIE MILLS, RUTHE STEINBERG, JEAN OSBORNE, EARL WETTSTEIN, DAVID BRANDT-ERICHSEN, SUE ALLEY, MARY DAGIEL, JOHN KAUR, KAREN TYNER, KATHERINE BORN, HERB SCHAPIRO, DAVE CARLSON, VALERIE MCDONOUGH, RAYLEEN BOWERSOX, AND LENORE MARTIN**

*Tucson Chapter Members*  
for "stuffing" the Annual Fundraising Mailing.

★ **PAUL SACHS**

*Sun City West*

for being the new Treasurer of End of Life Choices-Arizona.

★ **JOHN WESTOVER**

*Tucson*

for accepting the Presidency of The Fifth Freedom Foundation for 2004-05.

★ **DR. MONTE DUVAL**

*Phoenix*

for his continuing dedication to helping us get a pain relief advance directive in Arizona.

★ **GENE GIERMANN**

*Prescott*

for continuing to be involved, despite health issues.

★ **FRITZ HARDT**

*Casa Grande*

and

★ **LAURETTA RAPP**

*Peoria*

for their great service as past Board members.

★ **HERB SCHAPIRO**

*Tucson*

for selling books for us at the state conference last Fall.

★ **MELODY WEBER**

*Tucson*

for keeping us informed on foreign laws.

★ **THOSE OF YOU WHO HAVE HELPED AND WE DO NOT KNOW ABOUT IT**

*Thank You!*



*Tucson "Stuffing Party" for Annual Fundraiser; (L to R) Jean Osborne, Sue Alley, John Abraham, Mary Dagiel.*

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**MESA** - New leaders needed.

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John Abraham (520) 409-2101

## Upcoming Chapter Meetings

*(All meetings are free. Please bring your friends)*

### Tucson

- ❑ Open Board Meeting - You are invited to see what gives. Saturday, March 6th, 10A, McCormick Place I Community Center, just west of the corner of Ft. Lowell and Columbus. At the McCormick Place I sign, turn south into the neighborhood, and the community center is dead ahead (as we like to say). Come tell the Tucson Board what's on your mind.
- ❑ "Organ Donation—Is It For You?" Saturday, March 13, 10AM, Unitarian Church, 4325 E. 22nd St.
- ❑ Annual Meeting. May 15, 10A, location to be announced.

### Yuma

- ❑ Membership Drive Meeting! March 13, 10A. Bring 3 Guests and win a prize! Meeting Room, Yuma Community Food Bank, 2325 S. Engler Ave., Yuma 85365. Contact Ron Martin with any questions or ideas.

### Green Valley

- ❑ General Membership Meeting. February 21, 10A (with coffee& yummys at 9:30A), Madera Room at La Posada. Come hear **Dr. Don Pederson** (retired) "*A Doctor Talks About Medical Choices!*"

### Sierra Vista

- ❑ Cochise County Chapter Meeting. June 26, 10:15 11:30AM, Mona Bishop Room of the Sierra Vista Public Library, 2600 E. Tacoma St., Sierra Vista. **Guest speaker to be determined.**
- ❑ Informal Chapter Meeting. August 28, 11AM–1PM, Billie's, 3305 East Mohawk Dr., Sierra Vista. Our last informal meeting was a finger food luncheon/potluck and it was a great success. *Let's do it again!* **Please RSVP** to (520) 803-9285 or [bstockl@cox.net](mailto:bstockl@cox.net) **no later than Aug. 25** to ensure seating is available for all.

### HELEN CHAZANOF

Green Valley  
1923–2004

*She did so much for Caring Friends  
and the state organization.*

# National Leader Coming to a Podium Near You!!!

**T**he immediate past president of our national organization, **Fred Richardson**, will tour Arizona this Spring, reaching the members of all 10 chapters. His message is "How You Can Help Get a Pain Relief Advance Directive Law Passed!" Fred is a passionate and dramatic speaker. He will be accompanied by **John Abraham**, our new Executive Director.

Fred is the man who created the idea of the Patient Comfort & Control Act, a new law, which this Spring we will be the first state to present to it's legislature. Don't miss hearing him at one of these sites.

The schedule is as follows:

## Tuesday, April 6

7-8:30P **Sun Lakes** Chapter Meeting, United Methodist Church, 9248 Riggs Road (from I-10, take the Riggs Road exit east and just past the first traffic light, on your left)

## Wednesday, April 7

10A **Scottsdale**, Mustang Library  
2:30P **Sun Cities** Chapter, U/U Church, 17540 N. Avenue of the Arts in Surprise (just north of Bell Road between SC and SCW) behind the West Valley Art Museum.

## Thursday, April 8

10A **Sedona**, (Flagstaff members invited to carpool in) at The Unity of Sedona Church

## Thursday, April 8

2:30-4P **Prescott** - Main Library, 3rd floor. Gene says "From the town square, go left, turn left at the next stop light, go one block and it's on your right."

## Friday, April 9

**Yuma**, time and place to be announced

## Saturday, April 10

10A **Green Valley**, place to be announced  
2P **Tucson**, place to be announced

## Sunday, April 11

1-3P **Sierra Vista** Chapter Meeting, Cochise Community College, Room 313

## Monday, April 12

Fred returns to his home in Maine, totally exhausted.

Fred and John will be hosted as much as possible by local chapter leaders and Board members. If a chapter needs money to rent an adequate place to speak, the state organization is here to help. **Our traditional Screaming Yellow Postcard will be sent out announcing all the meetings on one card.**



*Fred Richardson,  
Immediate Past National President*



## PLEASE CHECK YOUR NEAREST CHAPTER...

You are automatically a local chapter member (in addition to nat'l and state) in these communities.

- ☐ Phoenix/Scottsdale/Tempe   ☐ Tucson   ☐ Green Valley
- ☐ Sun Cities/Glendale/Peoria/Cave Creek/Carefree   ☐ Sedona
- ☐ Sierra Vista/Tombstone   ☐ Sun Lakes
- ☐ Prescott   ☐ Yuma   ☐ Flagstaff
- ☐ I WOULD LIKE TO HELP START A CHAPTER IN \_\_\_\_\_.

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Questions? Call our statewide answering service: 1-877-535-3600

**Our website is <http://www.choicesarizona.org> ■ Our email is [info@choicesarizona.org](mailto:info@choicesarizona.org)**

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## President's Corner

*Earl Wettstein*  
State Chapter President

I leave this position with a great sense of having done something significant with my life. I am going to devote myself now to being a painter, and although I enjoy it immensely, I am sure I will not get the sense of accomplishment that I have gotten from founding this state organization.

It has been a wonderful experience to see how we are helping people learn about their options at the ends of their lives. I see people on oxygen, gasping for every breath, who study every word we say for clues as to how they can make their last days better days. I have seen people with canes and in walkers who are grateful that we are there to teach them the best ways to deal with death.

There are some laughs on occasion. But mostly our members are very serious. They have lived good lives, and now they want to know how to have a good death. And we have brought that information to thousands of people across Arizona since starting AzDD in 1996-97.

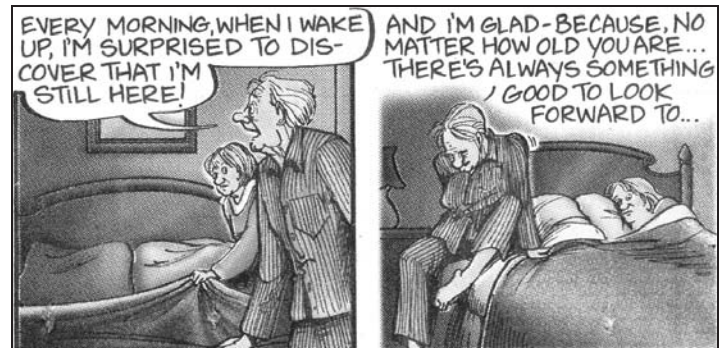
I have visited ladies in gorgeous homes in gated communities who are dying of painful diseases. And I have visited elderly men dying of cancer in a mobile home 6 feet from his neighbor. They all face what we all will face, and they want our help. And they are all entitled to our knowledge and our advice and our guidance to that good death.

It has been most gratifying to have helped open the chapters around the state that have made this possible. We

have traveled to many towns with our information programs; towns too small to sustain a chapter, but where they have national members who need our counsel. We have spoken at meetings to as few as four people and as many as 150 people. And they come up afterwards and thank us for our help.

I feel I have done my share. I feel I have done all I can do. But there is much more to be done—in raising money, in building a state staff, in getting an Arizona/Oregon bill passed, and in building even more town chapters and memberships.

The team that is now in place to carry on this work is knowledgeable and experienced, and have the momentum to do a terrific job. I leave my presidency with the belief that your organization is in very good hands, and will continue to grow and improve. Thanks for believing in me and for giving me the opportunity to serve. It has been my pleasure. ■



### **YES, I want to join End of Life Choices!**

I understand this automatically includes state membership privileges in End of Life Choices-Arizona, the Fifth Freedom Foundation, and most local chapters as well! Make check payable to Fifth Freedom Foundation.

#### **ANNUAL CONTRIBUTION**

☐ \$35 Single   ☐ \$43 Couple   ☐ Single Life Member \$350   ☐ Couple Life Member \$430

☐ You folks are doing a great job! Here's an extra \$\_\_\_\_\_ contribution to help the cause.

This is a yearly membership, renewable annually. Please send my newsletters (national and state) to:

Name \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Phone \_\_\_\_\_ Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

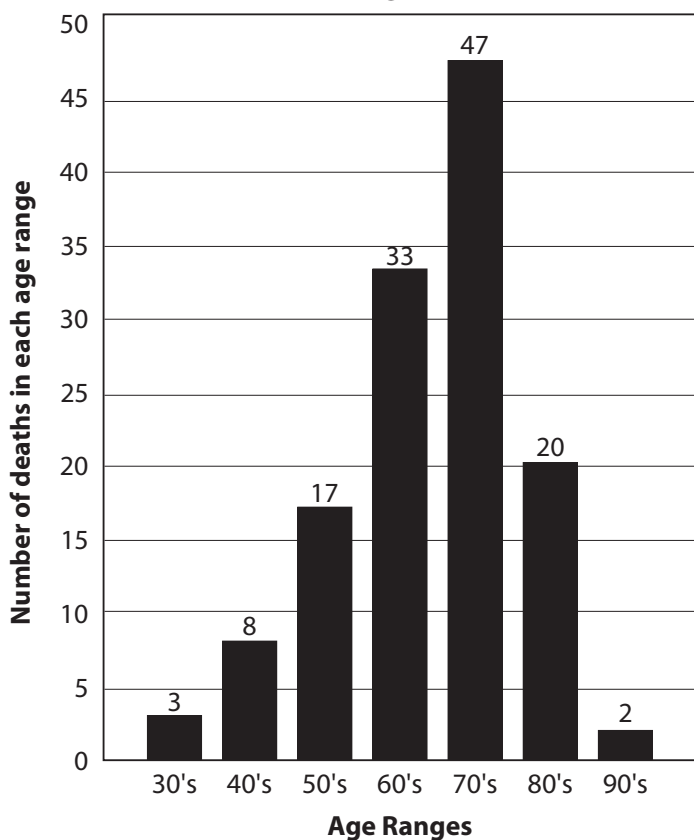
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# Caring Friends Death Statistics Since Inception

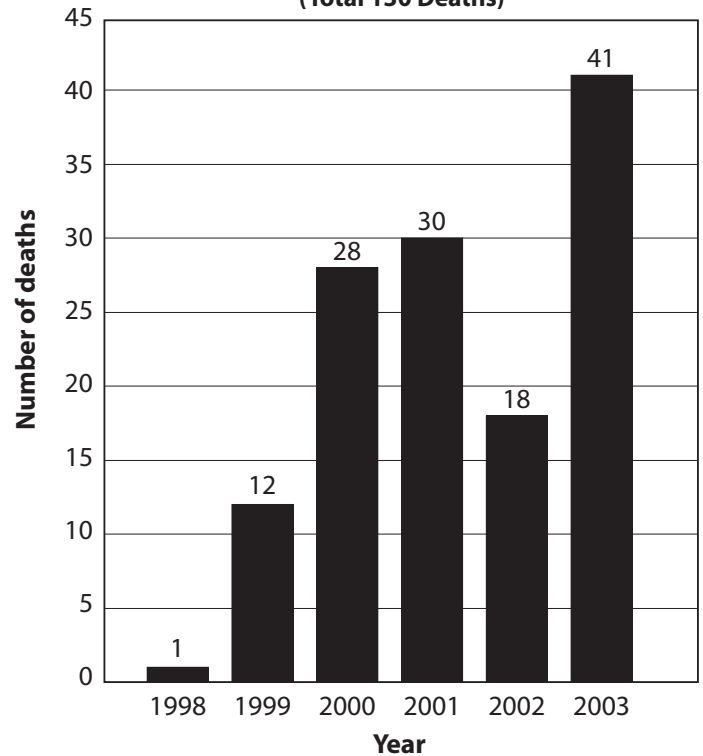
Since Faye Girsh created Caring Friends in 1998, there have been 130 “events” guided by a trained caring friend.

We are very pleased to see that the case load is increasing, which indicates a greater awareness and belief in the program (the case load was down in 2002 due to staff changes and new management procedures being instituted). We hope this upward trend continues. ➡

**MEMBER AGE RANGES AT TIME OF DEATH**  
from Nov. 15, 1998 through Dec. 31, 2003 (Total 130)



**NUMBER OF CARING FRIENDS DEATHS PER YEAR**  
from Nov. 15, 1998 through Dec. 31, 2003  
(Total 130 Deaths)



Most of patients (48%) were cancer victims. Neurological diseases were (35%) second. Other causes accounted for 17% of the cases.

We were concerned there for a while when the number of Caring Friends “Events” declined in 2002, but that was a result of staff changes and management re-structuring. According to the new Caring Friend's management team, there were 41 cases reported in 2003, which we see as a good sign. Caring Friends is working, the word is spreading, and we are guiding more people to have the death experience they want.



# National Choices Board Makes Four Big Changes in Denver!

Where do I start?

Well, maybe with (1) the decision to dissolve the Caring Friends Board of Directors (after 6 months existence). This ended my career as a national Board member, so I flew home a day earlier than planned.

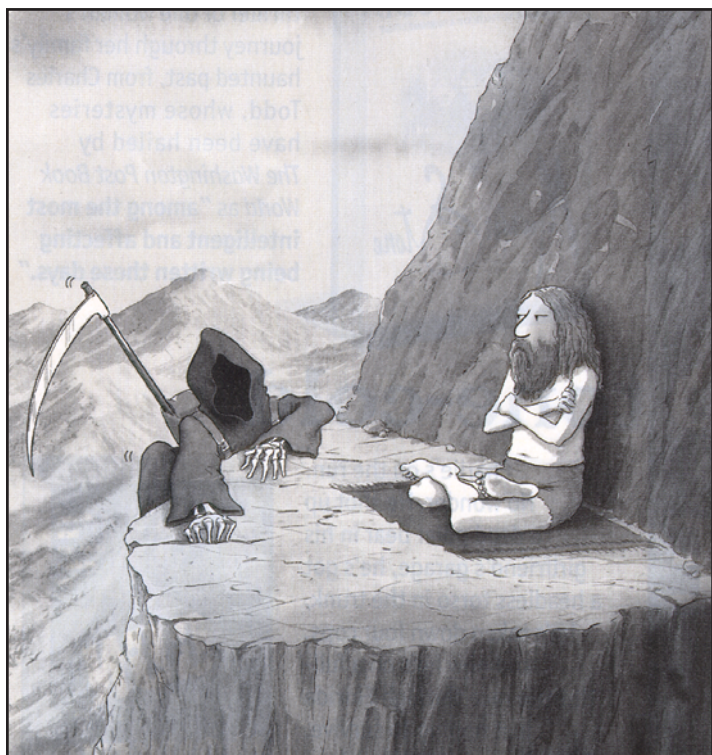
Then there was (2) the decision to completely change the Caring Friend's entrance requirements. It used to read "Caring Friends is open to members with progressive, irreversible, or terminal diseases." The new wording is "Caring Friends informs and advises members, on an individual basis, on options at end of life, including hastening the dying process."

And then the EOL Choices Board voted (3) to NOT allow chapters to demonstrate the "How To" method at chapter meetings.

And finally,(4) the decision to no longer show or sell **Derek Humphry's** video on how to use helium and the plastic bag technology. This decision was made because the video is "dated" (it can be shown if there is a Caring Friend present to explain).

Whether these are good changes or not, time will reveal.

Earl Wettstein,  
Caring Friend Volunteer/  
Formal National Board Member



# Ila DeLuca's Speech at State Conference

"I believe that everything that needs to be said about the right to die has already been said, I also believe that we need to keep saying it—over and over again.

"Perhaps we need to simplify our message and emphasize the core of our values.

"This comes to mind when you look at our new name. The name says it all: 'End of Life Choices'. CHOICES. The law we propose is a permissive law. It forbids nothing and taxes no one. It can be taken advantage of ... or ignored. It enhances freedom.

"Our message is not about encouraging or assisting suicide. It is about letting each of us have the personal liberty to make a choice. It's about civil rights, and freedom. And it comes down to choice. It's as simple—and as American—as that."

*(Excerpted & edited)*

## Hooked on Aging

*Our writer tries to just say no to getting older*

BY RICHARD LIEBMANN-SMITH

It all started when I was a kid. Like most kids, I just couldn't wait to get older. I thought it was "cool" to "grow up." I can still remember my 10th birthday. Double digits! The big one-oh! My dad gave me a hundred dimes and a new bicycle. My mom made me a devil's-food cake with red candles. I was hooked.

And, of course, like so many age addicts, I was unable (or unwilling) to admit I had a problem. I kept telling myself I could handle it.

It's almost as if I'm biologically programmed to age (my parents suffered from the same problem, and ultimately it cost them their lives). Everyone I hang out with keeps getting older (even if some are in heavy denial). We rationalize, telling ourselves, hey, it's good for wine, it's good for cheese, it's good for prime beef. Why not for us?

In fact, though you'll seldom see it listed on a death certificate, compulsive aging is one of the major causes or mortality in this country. Age addiction can also take a tremendous toll on family life. I personally know of a man who had to divorce his wife because the poor woman simply could not—or would not—give up her aging habit.

I swore then and there that I was going to kick the habit. I know it's not going to be easy, but with patience, determination and support I'm sure I can lick this thing. I just have to take it one day at a time. ■



# Billie Stockl from Sierra Vista Joins State Fifth Freedom Board

Congratulations are in order to **Billie Stockl** from Sierra Vista.

First, she was named the new President of the Cochise County Chapter of End of Life Choices-Arizona. And then she was elected to the Fifth Freedom state board. In addition, Billie will serve as Secretary of the board.

In addition, Stockl is the Editor and Publisher of the Cochise Chapter's excellent newsletter.

Billie tells us she needs a few more local board members there, so you folks in S.V., help her out.

# Is Death a Disease?

*Never say die.*

Researchers are looking for an immortality pill right now. A New England study has shown that people who live to age 100 are on the average healthier for a greater portion of their lives than the younger elderly population. By that age, diabetes and cancer are rare because those predisposed to getting them have already died. These are the folks who have been blessed with "longevity genes" that are believed to reduce the risk of such diseases as arteriosclerosis.

U.S. life expectancy has risen from 47 years in 1900 to 77 in 2000—so we've added 30 years to our life expectancy in just 100 years.

A doctor named Hayflick discovered 40 years ago that population of human cells doubles about 40 to 60 times and then can no longer divide. Something turns off, and well, so do we.

Doctor Hayflick believes that the life span of even the healthiest elder will top out at 120 to 125 years. ■

# Arizona May Register Living Wills

**S**oon, Arizonans may be able to register their end of live wishes on the internet so that hospitals can look them up during medical admission.

Such a registry would hopefully eliminate a fiasco such as occurred in Florida with the still-comatose **Ms. Terri Schiavo** being kept alive against the wishes of her husband.

The idea for the bill originated in the Prescott Arizona Town Hall meeting last May, where our own **Dr. Monte DuVal** and **Earl Wettstein** participated.

The bill (HB2175) is being sponsored by Rep. **Deb Gullett**, R-Phoenix, who we met last January as Chair of the House Health Committee. Gullett says she sees little opposition as there are "a broad array of stakeholders" ("stakeholders" is legislative-speak for people who have something at stake).

We hope she's right. With this bill, we could all go to a hospital knowing they will be able to go to a computer and find the state of the art Advanced Directives we signed when we were well. Thank Debra if you have a chance.

**If our opposition had  
their way, you would  
have this choice:**

**"WHICH VEGETABLE  
WOULD YOU LIKE TO BE  
KEPT ALIVE AS?"**

# A Living Will to Disinherit Florida Governors and Others

Add this to your papers:

"I, \_\_\_\_\_,  
being of sound mind and body,  
unequivocally declare that in the event  
of a catastrophic injury, I do not wish  
to be kept alive indefinitely by artificial  
means.

I hereby instruct my loved ones and  
relatives to remove all life-support  
systems, once it has been determined  
that I have no chance of ever  
recovering."

Signed \_\_\_\_\_

Witness (someone not named in  
your Last Will) \_\_\_\_\_





# Where the Bodies Are Buried ...

Or, who to call if you need help running the state org.

- ❑ **Printer.** The printing company we have used for 7 years is PIP, 2575 East Broadway, Tucson 85716. 520-795-3546, FAX 795-3981. They are supporters of our cause and have always given us good prices.
- ❑ **Graphics designer.** The lady who has so brilliantly taken our words and made them look good on all our printings is Laura Munton at PIP (email: piptucson@aol.com). She has 90% of our past photos in her computer.
- ❑ **Data Base Management.** Digitgraph, John Kaur, 1350 West Chula Vista Road, Tucson, 85704 622-1006, FAX 742-0412
- ❑ **Legal Counsel.** Mrs. Kay Nelson at Slutes Sakrison, Tucson. 520-624-6691, extension 42. She has handled all our recent legal changes, has our records on file, and does it at near pro bono rates.
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# National Cuts Funds to Humphry

The national End of Life Choices Board has unanimously decided to stop funding **Derek Humphry's** NuTech research organization, at least for 2003/04. They cite "Legislative and Legal priorities in several states and the resources currently available to the organization" as their reasons. They also said, "End-of-Life Choices cannot make any financial commitment of this nature, with their attendant ramifications, until other organizational priorities are addressed."

The Hemlock Society (EOLC's predecessor) funded NuTech for several years in their search for a "peaceful pill" or for an alternative to helium.

## We May Be Back on National's "B" List

With **Fred Richardson** coming here April 6-11 to tour the state speaking, national seems to have taken us off their "No Chance" state list and advanced us to their "Maybe A Chance" state list.

Fred spoke brilliantly at our November state conference, and really seemed to like the energy of the 100+ delegates who attended. As a result, he has volunteered to come back and speak to all of our chapters.

We don't know exactly what this means, but our national Choices organization has said they will help finance the tour, so something has changed.

Last year, at the Boston Board meeting, we learned that Arizona had fallen off the "maybe" list, which means no funds, no help until your state legislature changes.

Richardson's tour is a good sign.

## Feds Back Off Case Against Tucson Pain Doctor

**Dr. Jeri Hassman**, who recently spoke to our Tucson chapter, has been released from 320 federal charge accusing her of improperly prescribing pain medications. Hassman did plead guilty to four counts of failing to report to law enforcement people four people who had obtained Oxy Contin and methadone by fraudulent means.

She continues to practice medicine. Her sentencing is scheduled for April 8. It is not expected that she will loose her license.

# Thank You for Your Generosity!!!

*Your gifts to our one-time-a-year Annual Request will go towards helping you and others have a good end of life experience. Thank you!*

## Platinum Donor Club

Helen Chazanof  
Vickie Fischer  
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(L to R) **John Westover** was the star, the national president, and the key speaker at the programs. **Vickie Fischer** was the enthusiastic greeter and heart of the campaign. **Earl Wettstein**, retired marketing man, was the planner and co-ordinator. **Jean Chittenden** was the sign-in person and all-around team supporter.

In this picture they are having dinner at Lake Havasu the night before they opened a chapter there.



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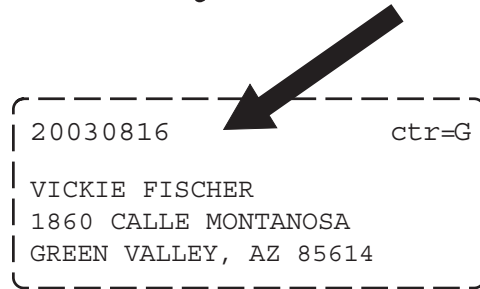
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