

## WHY PREVENTION FIRST?

The Ohio Prevention First Act was originally introduced in 2006 to increase access to birth control and honest, comprehensive sex education in Ohio. This proactive and commonsense proposal will reduce the number of unintended pregnancies and improve the health of women and families in Ohio.

Studies and real life experiences show that in order to reduce the unintended pregnancy rate we need to increase access to the information and services that allow people to make responsible decisions.

With Governor Strickland and pro-choice leadership in the Ohio House, we have an extraordinary opportunity to make sure that women and men in our state have better access to honest and medically accurate sex education and family planning services. Ohio's anti-choice minority is small but vocal and our state legislators need to hear from the majority of Ohioans who believe that our families deserve access to birth control and honest, medically accurate sex education.



## LOBBY DAY DETAILS

Prevention First Lobby Day gives citizen activists the unique opportunity to:

- Find out about the lack of access to reproductive health care and comprehensive sex education in our state and how it impacts real people
- Learn about the Ohio Prevention First Act and other pro-choice legislation and how these bills will improve access to contraceptives and comprehensive sex education
- Hear from Connie Schultz and other leading voices on these issues
- Become a trained citizen lobbyist with skills to lobby their elected officials
- Personally meet with their legislators to discuss their position on these important issues

## WHY COME TO LOBBY DAY?

Now more than ever our elected officials need to hear our voices and our stories in the Ohio Statehouse. On April 22nd we need your voice to join with the hundreds of other voices of proactive and pro-choice Ohioans to push for this common-ground, common-sense proposal and to improve the health of women and families in Ohio. This exciting day will teach you everything you need to know about lobbying your elected officials and sharing your personal reasons why this issue is so important for your family and members of your community. After the training you, along with a group of others from your area, will actually talk to your legislators about this important issue.

## REGISTER FOR LOBBY DAY!

Please complete and mail this form with payment to Freedom of Choice Ohio, 92 Jefferson Ave, Columbus, OH 43215.

Your registration fee includes lunch and all materials. A limited number of scholarships are available; please call 614.221.2594 for more information.

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Home Address: \_\_\_\_\_  
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City/State/Zip: \_\_\_\_\_

Email: \_\_\_\_\_

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

- Early Bird:** \$15.00 (please respond by April 1st)
- Standard:** \$20.00
- Student:** \$10.00

Please note any dietary restrictions or special needs:

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- I need a ride.
- I cannot attend but enclosed is my contribution to Lobby Day.

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Lobby Day Distinguished Speaker...

# Connie Schultz

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Connie Schultz is a nationally syndicated columnist for The Plain Dealer and Creators Syndicate. She won the 2005 Pulitzer Prize for Commentary

for columns that judges praised for providing “a voice for the underdog and the underprivileged.”

Also in 2005, Schultz won the Scripps Howard National Journalism Award for Commentary and the National Headliner Award for Commentary. She was a 2003 Pulitzer Prize finalist in feature writing for her series, “The Burden of Innocence,” which chronicled the ordeal of Michael Green, who was imprisoned for 13 years for a rape he did not commit. The week after her series ran, the real rapist turned himself in after reading her stories. The series won the Robert F. Kennedy Award for Social Justice Reporting and the National Headliner Award’s Best of Show.

Schultz is the author of two books published by Random House: “Life Happens – And Other Unavoidable Truths,” a collection of essays, and “... and His Lovely Wife,” a memoir about her husband Sherrod Brown’s successful 2006 race for the U.S. Senate.



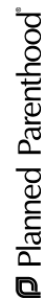
## FREEDOM OF CHOICE OHIO PREVENTION FIRST LOBBY DAY

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 22, 2009

YWCA DOWNTOWN  
65 S. FOURTH STREET  
COLUMBUS OH 43215

9:30AM-4:30PM

FOCO  
92 Jefferson Ave.  
Columbus, OH 43215



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