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## Strip Bars Closing

Over 100 Ohio Strip Bars Have Closed!

Progress.

At least 100 strip bars have closed their doors in approximately five years, according to reports from sexually oriented businesses. Again, according to their own reports, there are about 75 strip bars left in Ohio—and the majority of them remain open in areas where the Community Defense Act (CDA) is *not* being enforced. Though the law is in effect, some officials are waiting to enforce it until remaining lawsuits are settled.

CDA Review.

Five years ago Citizens for Community Values (CCV) realized there was a serious problem in Ohio. Ohio harbored a record number of sexually oriented businesses which included strip bars, massage parlors and pornography stores. These businesses operated with little or no regulatory laws.



100 Strip Bars Closed!

Local communities attempted to regulate the sexually oriented businesses, but the owners bullied and threatened villages, townships and cities with lawsuits. With little money to defend themselves, many of the communities backed down, let the businesses operate as they pleased and eventually witnessed the negative effects disclosed in

the U.S. Supreme Court case *Renton v. Playtime Inc* (1986): increased crime, decreased property values and urban blight.

In response to pleas from elected officials and citizens statewide, CCV drafted CDA which requires all sexually oriented businesses to close at midnight and prohibits touching between the strippers and patrons. (Dancers earned significant tips performing lap dances that often resulted in prostitution.) With help from our statewide networking efforts, CCV collected over 220,000 signatures and submitted CDA to the Ohio legislature for consideration. The legislature passed CDA by a 75 percent majority and the law went into effect in 2007.

The CDA Effect.

Now those who pander sex are up against an opponent—the State of Ohio—who can match them dollar for dollar. Their lawyers will face expert attorneys who know the laws regulating sexually oriented businesses. CCV's attorney, Scott Bergthold, defends CDA alongside the state attorneys. He holds a respected position as the most competent attorney in the nation to deal with zoning, licensing and regulating sexually oriented businesses.

The sex industries that filed suit in the Northern District of the Ohio Federal Court have lost every challenge to CDA to date. The last hearing was on October 13, 2010, before the Federal Sixth Circuit Court of Appeals in Cincinnati, and it did not go well for lawyers representing the sexually oriented businesses. CCV was in the Sixth Circuit court room and watched Scott Bergthold present an outstanding case. We expect another—and final—win.

Looking Ahead.

When the 6th Circuit hands down its decision soon, we believe more sex businesses will close. The closing of more than one hundred sex businesses in Ohio is a remarkable accomplishment. Men, women, marriages and families have been saved from ruin. The work is not done—as the Internet and mobile devices increase pornography's hold—but CCV wishes to thank its donors, volunteers and elected officials who help make Ohio a better place to live.



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# Momentum

*Momentum* is the enabling word behind our 2011 theme, *Turning a Moment into a Movement*. A fumble in a football game can become the momentum needed to move the ball from one team to the other. Or a presidential election can create the momentum needed to move the energy from the election into the realization of an agenda.

After a winning election in 2008, it didn't take long for our President's liberal agenda of government health care takeover, homosexuals in the military and record-high spending to cause a fumble that transferred the political momentum to conservatives.

That momentum carried through to November 2, 2010, when Obama's liberal agenda—supported by Nancy Pelosi and other House members—were dealt a stunning defeat. Our Ohio House and former Governor Strickland also felt the blow.

In the past, conservative voters have elected conservative candidates, and then promptly disengaged from the civic arena. We encourage everyone to stay engaged and to watch closely what our leaders are doing. Politicians do not necessarily vote the will of the people—they vote the will of those who communicate with them and express their views.

We were pleased to hear many winning candidates



**THE MOMENT:** November 2, 2010 election.

**THE MOVEMENT:** To stop in 2011 and 2012 the anti-family policies of 2009 and 2010 that resulted from President Obama's and former Governor Strickland's agendas.

campaign on a conservative platform—but they must be held accountable for their promises.

That's where YOU and CCV work as a team.

Every elected official at the national and state level will be judged, not only by their records, but by their newest actions and statements in committee hearings and behind the scenes. CCV will do the work of watching the elected leaders—your job will be to respond to our Calls to Action, be registered to vote, encourage others to register to vote and continue our efforts to elect people who believe the family is worth defending.

## Networking Ohio

### CCV's 88 County Campaign

CCV began an aggressive, time-consuming campaign to build a network across Ohio in 2005 that would engage all 88 counties. Since then, CCV has traveled to 40 counties to host Town Hall meetings and private meetings with volunteers who want to impact their county and state.

This campaign began as a result of the 2004 election when Ohio delivered the presidency to George W. Bush. Though Bush lost five of the six major Ohio cities, he won the election. Losing even three of the major cities usually spells defeat. It was rural Ohio, not the major cities, that pushed Bush over the top, indicating that every county—despite its size—made an impact.

Ohio's influence spans nationwide. It has a strong record, in fact, of voting for the winning presidential

candidate. Since Abraham Lincoln's presidency, Ohio has voted for the president all but four times. It last voted for a losing candidate over fifty years ago, when John F. Kennedy was elected in 1960.

The 88 County Campaign, motivated by these statistics, is still growing today. We already have volunteers and supporters in many counties. Our plan is to continue to build that network. Before the summer of 2012, we will visit every county, meet with volunteers and work on a plan for their county.

If you wish to learn more about the campaign and how you can help in your county, check the box "YES, contact me when you come to my county" on the enclosed card. You could help with research, elections, meetings and communications. As we have done in other counties, we will be looking for a County Coordinator to coordinate the efforts in your county.

Together we will continue to make a difference.

**MOVEMENT:** Organized action by people working toward a goal.—Webster's New World Dictionary

# Turning a Moment into a Movement

David Barton to Address CCV's Spring Partnership Banquet

Our guests at the Spring Partnership Banquet on Monday, April 25, will welcome David Barton, founder and president of Wallbuilders as their keynote speaker.

We want to make the most of the election victories from last November. The biggest inhibitors? Apathy. Indifference. Disinterest. Lethargy.

If you are one of the two thousand people who heard David Barton speak at our Ohio rallies last fall, you know that he reflects the refreshing opposite of those lifeless nouns. He understands the importance of Turning a Moment into a Movement and has devoted his life to studying and disseminating the truth about our country's

Godly foundation. David Barton is a regular speaker on national television and to crowds throughout the country. We are privileged to have him back in Cincinnati.

We hope that you and your friends are among our guests for the evening, when we'll once again gather at Xavier University's Cintas Center. Go to [www.ccv.org](http://www.ccv.org) or call (513) 733-5775 for more information or to register.



David Barton

**"America will never be destroyed from the outside. If we falter and lose our freedoms, it will be because we destroyed ourselves."**

**-Abraham Lincoln**



**According to a report by the Center for Disease Control,** men who adopt the homosexual lifestyle put themselves at an increased risk for life's most dreaded diseases.

The research concerning these men shows:

- As of 2010, the number who are currently infected with HIV is over a half million, and over half of them are unaware of their HIV status.
- They are 44 times more likely than other men to have an HIV diagnosis and 1 in 5 is already infected with HIV.
- They account for more than half (29,000) of all new HIV infections in the U.S. each year.
- They account for 64 percent of all new syphilis cases and 15 to 25 percent of Hepatitis B.
- They are 17 times more likely to develop anal cancer.

These numbers are completely out of proportion with the rest of society.

It's unfortunate that, while the homosexual activists are fighting for a society that protects and endorses their unnatural lifestyle, they are significantly destroying the quality and length of their own lives. Whether or not you have a strong moral argument against this lifestyle, you can't ignore the numbers. The homosexual activists are pushing a deadly lifestyle into your schools, businesses, churches and government.

*Information gathered from the Center for Disease Control, primarily from <http://www.cdc.gov/nchhstp/newsroom/docs/FastFacts-MSM-FINAL508COMP.pdf>.*



# CONVERGENCE

**CONVERGENCE: Uniting Leaders to Combat Sexual Exploitation in the Mobile Age.**  
April 13-14, 2011, Baltimore, Maryland.

The National Coalition for the Protection of Children & Families (recently changed to pureHOPE) and the Religious Alliance Against Pornography (RAAP) are co-sponsoring a Summit to focus on pornography, the delivery system of mobile devices and its impact on human sex trafficking in the United States.

They plan to bring together leaders from diverse professions, backgrounds, and interest areas, including leaders in

industry, technology, education, faith communities, government, and those directly involved in the battle against pornography and in restoring victims of sex trafficking.

If you would like to attend, please visit [www.convergencesummit.net](http://www.convergencesummit.net) or call (513) 521-6227 for registration information.

## Good News. Kinda.

Marriott Hotels recently announced they will stop selling hard-core pornography in their newer hotel rooms. Many want to praise Marriott. Phil Burress, president of CCV who has led the fight against hotel pornography for more than 10 years says, "Wait a minute—they got out of the business for the wrong reason." Marriott didn't acknowledge that pornography is immoral, bad or harmful—they announced they are changing their business platform.

"To praise Marriott for getting out of pornography business would be like praising a man who stopped beating his wife because his fist was hurting," said Burress. It is a step in the right direction. By all means, support an establishment if it refuses to sell hard-core pornography. But remember, many years ago Omni Hotels got out of the business of selling hard-core pornography for moral reasons—Marriott did not.



To read more about what others have to say and how Omni has profited from getting out of the hard-core pornography business, go to [www.ccv.org](http://www.ccv.org) and read: Porn-Free Luxury Hotel Profits from Moral Decision.



## Take Action

- ✓ **Join the CCV prayer network** - Check the box on the enclosed card and return to CCV.
- ✓ **Join the 88 County Campaign** - Check the box on the enclosed card and return to CCV.
- ✓ **Help eliminate offensive outdoor billboard advertising.** See [www.ccv.org](http://www.ccv.org) for more information.
- ✓ **Mark your calendar for our 28th annual Spring Partnership Banquet on April 25.** Consider hosting a table! Don't forget to register at [www.ccv.org](http://www.ccv.org) or (513) 733-5775.
- ✓ **Visit our webpage** each week to stay updated on current events in Ohio.

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