

FAMILY BULLETIN ALERT

Faith, Freedom & Citizenship Class

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PATRIOT PETITION

Please sign a citizen petition to exonerate U.S. Army Lt. Col. Allen B. West. Col. West was indicted last week on criminal assault charges for the psychological intimidation tactic he used to acquire vital intelligence from a captured enemy combatant in Iraq -- intelligence that saved the lives of American soldiers facing imminent attack. We are asking Defense Secretary Donald Rumsfeld to seek a quick resolution to this grossly misguided criminal prosecution.

To support Lt. Col. West,

Link to -- <http://PatriotPetitions.US/colwest>

(If you don't have Web access, please send a blank e-mail to: <sign-colwest@PatriotPetitions.US> Each e-mail sent to this address will be counted as one signature for the petition.)
Comment: This is PC correctness gone nuts. We need to call our Congressman and both our Senators and protest the Army's action in this case. Support our troops against misguided leaders. Ed.

An Historic Day for Life

President Bush signed the the partial-birth abortion ban into law. During the conversation the president made clear that he is a man of pro-life principle. The view of the American people on this issue has been clear for years and Washington is beginning to catch up with public opinion.

Today signifies a turning point in the debate over abortion. There are several pieces of legislation still awaiting action in Congress which would place further restrictions on abortions and which the majority of Americans support -- from the Unborn Victims of Violence Act, also known as "Laci and Conner's Law," to the Informed Choice Act, which would allow federal dollars to be used to place ultra-sound equipment in pregnancy resource centers around the country.

What should outrage Americans is that as the pro-abortion lobby realizes it is losing support for its 'abortion on demand' agenda, it is already doing an end run around the public by finding activist liberal judges to do their bidding. In fact, this afternoon a court in Nebraska has already placed an injunction on the partial-birth abortion ban. *From the Family Research Council. 11/5/03.*

Comment: Seems to me we should now write to our elected representatives and thank them. They need to know we watch the votes and appreciate their leadership. Ed.

***"By trying we can easily learn to endure adversity -- another man's I mean."
--Mark Twain***

Court Stays Out of Ten Commandments Fight

By ANNE GEARAN, Associated Press Writer
Headline from AP and the local Virginian Pilot newspaper.

WASHINGTON (AP) -- The Supreme Court refused Monday to enter the long-running fight over an enormous monument depicting the Ten Commandments and the renegade judge who wants to put it back on display in an Alabama courthouse.

The court quietly rejected appeals from suspended Alabama Chief Justice Roy Moore, who had argued the monument properly acknowledges "God as the source of the community morality so essential to a self-governing society."

Comment: Note the supercharged words, "enormous", "renegade judge" and "suspended." This is blatant bias. Note the same story below. Ed.

From the Family Research Council (FRC), a Christian news source...

Supreme Court Refuses to Hear Ten Commandments Case

By Tony Perkins, FRC

The Supreme Court today refused to review the Alabama Supreme Court's decision to remove a Ten Commandments monument from the rotunda of the Alabama State Courthouse. While the Court gave no reason for its decision not to hear Judge Roy Moore's appeal, one thing is clear, the battle over the rightful place of the Ten Commandments in the public square is far from over.

Comment: This is a good article. It would be nice if we could just get the news straight without such a liberal bias. Write to the local paper and complain, if enough of us do write... well hope springs eternal. Ed.

SNEAKY BILLS PENDING THAT COULD HARM US

I took the liberty of listing 3 bills we should oppose now before they become law. It was a big mistake for the Bush Administration to rejoin UNESCO. But we need to move on to the next fight. So write letters on these bills even though the elected are going home for the Christmas holidays soon. Ed.

1. Oppose All Amnesty Legislation for Illegal Immigrants!

Key facts: Many bills now in Congress are designed to grant

amnesty to various classes of illegal immigrants. None of them refer explicitly to "amnesty" - that would be bad politics. Since support is growing in Congress to pass these bills, we must intensify our efforts to defeat all "amnesty" bills. For more information see "The Immigration Conspiracy" in the October *Bulletin* and "Rewarding Lawlessness" by William Norman Grigg in the November 3rd *TNA*. Both of these articles are also available at www.thenewamerican.com/focus/ftaa.

Contact: 1) Your representative and senators in opposition to all "amnesty" legislation, *period*.

2) Others in your sphere of influence to do the same.

2. Oppose the Climate Stewardship Act of 2003!

Key facts: Senators McCain (R-Ariz.) and Lieberman (D-Conn.) are pushing for a vote on their Climate Stewardship Act of 2003 (S. 139). This bill would enact federal regulations to limit emissions of so-called greenhouse gases based on the myth of global warming. For an excellent report on opposition in Congress to S. 139 that also exposes the global warming fraud, see "The Sky Is Falling! Or Is It?" in the September 8th *TNA* or at: <http://www.thenewamerican.com/focus/environment/index.htm>

Contact: 1) Your representative and senators in opposition to S. 139 or any other legislation to limit so called greenhouse gases based on the myth of global warming.

2) Others in your sphere of influence to do the same.

3. Withdraw Normal Trade Relations Status with China!

Key facts: Bernie Sanders (I-Vermont) has introduced H.R. 3228, a bill that would revoke our nation's permanent normal trade relations (PNTR) status with China as a way of counteracting the massive transfer of manufacturing jobs from the U.S. to China. This bill already has 49 cosponsors. For more information read "Exporting U.S. Jobs" by William Norman Grigg, in the September 22nd *TNA* or at

<http://www.thenewamerican.com/focus/jbs/index.htm>

Contact: 1) Your representative and senators in support of H.R. 3228 to revoke PNTR status with China in order to help save American jobs.

2) Others in your sphere of influence to do the same.

ACTION: Write one letter on each subject and fax/write or call your reps. Keep the heat on. Each of these bills will hurt the U.S. and should be defeated. Ed.

Write/Call Your Elected!

President George W. Bush; The White House; 1600 Pennsylvania Avenue NW; Washington, DC 20500, 202-456-4114

Sen. John W. Warner (R); 225 Russell Senate Office Building, Washington DC 20510, (202) 224-2023, 757-441-3079 in NorVa

Sen. George Allen (R); 204 Russell Senate Building,

Washington DC 20510, (202) 224-4024
Congressman Ed Schrock; 128 Canon HOB.,
Washington DC., 20515-4602; PO BOX 62996,
Va.Bch, VA 23466, 497-6859 or fax, 497-5474.

This Weekend Marks Prayer for the Persecuted Church

Christians around the world will take a moment to remember their brothers and sisters being persecuted for their faith. Millions of American churches this Sunday will reflect on and pray about the men, women and children across the globe who suffer because of their belief in Christ. Ed.

Lesson for the Week...

Compromise Doesn't Pay

Think about the times when, as a Christian trying to defend biblical virtues, you've gotten tired and felt like quitting. If we're honest, we'll admit we've all had those times. Times when we're tired of looking like the bad guy. Tired of feeling alone in the battle. Tired of fighting for principles others, including some fellow believers, don't care about-and even criticize us about.

Jeffrie Herrmann, the executive director of the South Florida Boy Scouts Council was trapped this way. Because he expressed similar sentiments when making a decision to cooperate with gay activists that recently cost his Council about a half million dollars.

Herrmann, a churchgoing citizen who passed out petitions opposing a gay-rights ordinance, bought a lie: that he had to appease homosexuals to prove he was reasonable. "We were trying to be good community citizens," he told *Citizen* at the time, and show "that we respect the values and dignity of other people even if you disagree with them." So he agreed to a two-year dialogue with gay activists mediated by the local United Way.

Fast forward two years; Herrmann learned that the Scouts would lose \$480,000 in United Way funding for programs that serve more than 4,000 children in low income areas.

Homosexual groups insisted that children with sexual questions be referred to them without their parents' knowledge. The groups also demanded that Scout leaders receive training that promoted the gay lifestyle. Herrmann refused, protesting that the measures represented "a blatant and vicious attack on family values." The national office backed his objection, but it was too late. His opponents had what they wanted-an opportunity to make a public example of the Scouts by punishing them for resisting the homosexual agenda. And they did so by withdrawing United Way funds children depended on. *Article by Candi Cushman in CITIZEN Oct. 2003*

ACTION: Be firm in your beliefs and NEVER, NEVER NEVER give up. Ed.

HAVE A GOOD WEEK, BE AN ACTIVIST.