

FAMILY BULLETIN ALERT

Faith, Freedom & Citizenship Class

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OUR CONSTITUTION--- LEARN IT

"Few subjects are as important to the future of America as a thorough understanding and appreciation of the U.S. Constitution by every school student. It is not enough to simply praise the document as one of the foundations of our nation. It is essential that students learn why and how the Constitution governs the structure and function of government. It is crucial that students learn that government is empowered by the consent of the governed, not the other way around. They must learn that this power is transmitted to the government through the election process and that they, individually, bear the responsibility to choose candidates who reflect their views. They must learn that freedom in America is the reason why the nation has prospered. Freedom is neither granted nor guaranteed by the government. Government can only limit freedom. Freedom is granted by the Creator and guaranteed by responsible individuals who hold their government accountable. A thorough knowledge and appreciation of the U.S. Constitution is the first step toward becoming a responsible citizen. The next step is to act continually on that knowledge, to keep government within the limits of power to which the people consent." -- Henry Lamb in the Federalist.

Comment: It seems like many of our leaders in Congress and the Judiciary should take a remedial course in our Constitution. Ed.

Bible Class in Schools

...A Texas school board has voted unanimously to add a Bible class to its high school curriculum. Hundreds of people packed the school board meeting in Odessa, most of them supporting the move. More than 6,000 Odessa residents had signed a petition calling for a Bible class, but others warned of possible lawsuits. Barring any hurdles, the class could be added to the high school

curriculum in 2006 and taught as a history or literature course. In Frankenmuth, Michigan, a similar proposal led to a year-long controversy before the school board voted in January not to offer such a course.

Comment: I sure would like to see Bible classes in Virginia Beach and across the Nation. What an original idea, teach morality. Ed.

Family Planning Bill in Philippines Paving Way for Legalized Abortion

One of the most populous Catholic countries in the world is set to significantly liberalize its laws on family planning and "reproductive health" services, stopping just short of outright legalization of abortion. The proposed legislation, which is likely to pass within months, sets in place a "comprehensive national policy" that discriminates against families with more than two children and requires the Catholic Church to provide sex education in schools and to pay for the sterilizations of its employees.

The sexual fundamentalists have their bead drawn right on the good people of the Philippines. This largely Catholic country has offended the sensibilities of the UN radicals because they have a fertility rate not much above replacement. They also don't allow abortion. Pray for the Philippines. From C-FAM.

Comment: The other side is not giving up, we must fight harder. Ed.

Pornographers Set To Go After Children With Cell Phones

Playboy hopes to make their porn available to the 170 million cell phone subscribers throughout North America. No doubt scores of other pornographers will follow Playboy's lead. An independent study by IDC revealed that 33.2% of cell phone users in America, more than 55 million, are between the ages of 5 and 19.

Pornographers are going after our children at a younger and younger age. Contact the Federal Communications Commission and ask them to set heavy fines for pornographers who send their porn to our children. From AFA Action Alert.

"What is it that affectionate parents require of their Children; for all their care, anxiety, and toil on their accounts? Only that they would be wise and virtuous, Benevolent and kind." -- Abigail Adams

WHO'S IN CHARGE HERE?

"More than 40 years ago, Ronald Reagan delivered a televised address called 'A Time for Choosing' about the ideological choices Americans faced in the 1964 presidential election between Lyndon Johnson and Barry Goldwater. ... Republicans and the nation are now faced with another time for choosing in the matter of confirming judges to the federal bench. ... If Republicans squander this unique opportunity to repair our broken legal system, they no longer deserve to be in charge of government." --Cal Thomas

The Secretary-General

"One should not invest excessive hope in any secretary-general. The UN Charter describes the secretary-general as the UN's 'chief administrative officer.' He is not the president of the world. He is not a diplomat for all seasons. He is not Mr. Friend of the Earth. And most definitely of all, he is not commander in chief of the World Federalist Army. He is the chief administrative officer. Nothing less than that, to be sure, but, with even greater certainty, nothing more." --John Bolton, nominee for the US representative to the UN.

"A patriot must always be ready to defend his country against its government." --Edward Abbey

Stop the CAFTA & FTAA

I selected a few paragraphs from a report I received on why we should defeat CAFTA & FTAA. Remember it is not about "Free Trade" but about a new power structure. CAFTA is 5 additional countries all from Central America. FTAA will be all 32 countries, except Cuba, in the Western Hemisphere. One more giant step to World Government. In the report when you see "Insiders", read all those communists, PC Elite, and other socialist types that want to take down the US and install a One World Government. Editor.

Clearly, the Insiders are counting on the Bush administration to establish the FTAA. But the immediate battle is CAFTA - a stumbling block or steppingstone to the FTAA, depending on how you view it.

The Immediate Battle. It's no secret that CAFTA faces tough resistance in the House. Recall that the administration negotiated the CAFTA pact over a year ago, but postponed seeking congressional approval, knowing it would be easier to twist arms after the November elections. These efforts to make FTAA (and CAFTA) controversial can be crucial in helping congressmen stand up to pressures from the administration, party leaders, and the Establishment media. After all, if politicians know that their constituents aren't watching, what's to stop them from caving in?

Incredible Stakes. In a February interview, Spanish Foreign Minister Miguel Angel Moratinos enthusiastically championed the EU's major accomplishment - the destruction of national sovereignty. "We are witnessing the last remnants of national politics," said the Spanish official. Asked whether the EU would strip parliaments of power to set their own laws, he answered, "Absolutely."

The Insiders clearly expect that their regionalism strategy will finally eradicate free and independent nations, particularly the United States. If they should succeed, we will have no more say over our government than do Cubans or Chinese over theirs. The prospect of regional union is particularly frightening in the Western Hemisphere. Through the FTAA, we would be unifying not just with the poverty of the

nations to the south, but with the conditions responsible for that poverty - the corruption and the socialism. We would be uniting with tyrannical regimes, many of which are increasingly under the influence of Fidel Castro, Hugo Chavez, Lula da Silva, the Red Chinese, and the drug cartels.

Comment: Please write or call our Senators and Congressmen/women ask them to defeat and attempts to expand NAFTA (a disaster for our industry) into larger and more powerful so called "Free Trade" areas. Ed.

Senators Warner 411-3079 and Allen 518-1674. and Rep. Thelma Drake 495-6859.

War on Radical Islam

We must study the history in Europe for the last 30 years to see what is coming to the US. Check the next two articles. Ed.

...An authority on **radical Islam** is confident that the new pope recognizes the threat the Muslim religion poses for Europe. Robert Spencer of Jihad Watch believes Pope Benedict XVI sees the growing expansion of Islam throughout the European continent. "He has even spoken openly how the necessity for Europe to recover its Christian roots, if it truly wants to survive, which indicates that he has a clear understanding of the deep crisis that Europe is in," Spencer says. By all indications, he observes, the Roman Catholic pontiff will be an avid fighter against terrorism. The Jihad Watch spokesman notes that Benedict "has already, in his many writings before he became pope, taken a stronger line against the rapid encroachment of radical Islam in Europe than his predecessor ever did." At its current rate of expansion, many analysts predict that Europe will be dominated by Islamic ideals within a decade; Spencer says Pope Benedict has called upon the European nations to reconnect with the...

...Muslim authorities and fundamentalist extremists in several Islamic nations are coming down hard on Christians caught sharing their faith with Muslims. Associated Press reports that police in Saudi Arabia recently raided an underground church in suburban Riyadh and arrested 40 foreigners, including some children, for

proselytizing. It is illegal in modern Saudi Arabia to promote any religion other than Islam, and organized churches are illegal. Adherents of non-Islamic faiths there are generally allowed to practice their beliefs in private homes but may not proselytize or meet for organized worship or other religious observances. Those arrested could face prison or possible deportation. And in Malaysia, another Islamic nation that forbids proselytizing of Muslims, police have detained two U.S. citizens who allegedly were handing out Christian pamphlets near a mosque. A Malay official says the American men were taken into custody on charges of "disturbing the peace in a religious meeting..." From AGAPE PRESS at www.agapepress.org

Comment: We have two world wide threats facing the US of A today. Communism and Islam. Both threats will totally destroy our way of life. The Communists will at least keep us alive while Islam seeks to kill all of us Christian "infidels". Our choice is clear, save our Republic. Ed.

The Armed Citizen

Four men broke into an Indianapolis, Indiana, home and confronted the homeowner who fired at the intruders with a shotgun. One of the suspects was shot, and his accomplices took him to a local hospital where he later died. The remaining three men were arrested and charged with burglary and felony murder, according to Indianapolis Police Department spokesman Lt. Paul Ciesielski. (*The Indianapolis Star*, Indianapolis, IN, 01/29/04)

The President on Faith

Last night in his press conference the President explained to a reporter that his faith was a private thing and he shouldn't try to, basically, influence others. Wrong!

If Christians are to honor Christ's Great Commission of spreading the Gospel to all nations, they must engage in the political arena and governance if for no other reason than that the Gospel cannot flourish as well in the absence of political and religious liberty. Christians have a duty to be involved to promote liberty. Ed.