

# CHRISTIAN COALITION OF PINELLAS COUNTY

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**Next meeting:** This Saturday, **March 3**, 2007A.C., Panera Bread, Bardmoor Shopping Center, corner of Bryan Dairy and Starkey Road (Keane Road to North County people, or Park Street in St Pete), beginning at **10:00a.m.**

**Special Speaker:** **Nancy Bostock** (Mrs. Craig) currently Vice Chairman, of the Pinellas County School Board will be a very special guest once again to update, and share on what's happening in our Public Schools. Nancy Bostock graduated Phi Beta Kappa, from the Univ. of Fl., (current National Champions in both Football and Basketball) and has a Masters from USF. She is a FL native, a Clearwater High School graduate, and former Pinellas School classroom teacher.

The Pinellas School Board oversees approximately 159,000 students and 19,000 full and part time employees, making it the largest employer in the county.

We are the 7th largest public school system in FL and 23rd largest in the nation. Dr. Clayton Wilcox is our Superintendent of Schools. The average cost per student is \$7,000. The monies to run all this comes 45% from the state, 47% from local sources including local taxes, 3% from the Federal government, etc. Salaries represent 86.5% of the total budget.

Each year they serve approximately 9,400,000 lunches and 2,600,000 breakfasts.

They operate 700 home-to-school routes daily. transporting 43,000 students more than 70,000 miles.

Nancy will address subjects such as an update on the current court-mandated bussing and it's future, the hot potato, F-Cat, alt. education centers, adult evening high schools, exceptional schools, tech. schools, etc.; subjects she knows well.

Nancy, is an outstanding school board member, active in Junior League, Mom's Club, R' Club, Head Start, Guardian ad Litem program, a volunteer at her children's schools, and a fine friend to CCPCFL .

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## THINKING RIGHT, MARCH 2007

The Largo Commission has listened to the voice of the people of Largo, not the bused in homosexual activists from around the Southeast and voted to fire Steve Stanton who has not been up front with the City Commission, other administrative Officials in Largo or the voting public by hiding his therapy and other preparations for a sex change surgical procedure. If Stanton and Mayor Pat Gerard had carried the vote, Steve would have begun wearing dresses to work, answered to the name of Susie and confused each and every citizen, employee and visitor to Largo by demanding entry to the women's restrooms while still biologically a male and other concessions that the city can ill afford to make. Local Church Leaders, Pastors, and concerned citizens presented the Biblical values and facts before the commission and with Mayor Gerard and Commissioner Rodney Woods voting to retain the manager, five Commissioners followed the path of Godly values and common sense. Psalm 53 says we are not to fear, but stand firm on the Biblical values provided by our Sovereign God and we will win the victory.

It is not yet clear whether Stanton will appeal the decision, go to court, or retreat into the secrecy he has followed over the past years while endeavoring to get Largo to pass legislation that favor the homosexual movement. Those efforts failed, this effort failed, and Largo continues to answer to its citizens, not activists from out of town.

Those that stand by Conservative values have won, at least his round, but battles loom ahead. Pray for wisdom on the part of Conservative Leaders in Congress as Legislation is proposed in the United States House of Representatives favoring homosexuals by making opposition to their gender-twisting lifestyle a Federal Hate Crime. Call your Representative and urge him or her to vote no on H.R. 254.

Let's not wring our heads, filled with apprehension, just act as God leads and expect to win the battle. Our sovereign God will triumph and our worry and dread will be for naught. Our God rules!

*I'm Vance and I'm thinking Right*

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February Meeting: Our Speaker Mr. Sol Pitchon has been President and CEO of the Pregnancy Center of Pinellas County since 1999. As a Jewish-Christian, whose parents are holocaust survivors, Sol feels it a privilege and his destiny to work in the holocaust of abortion in the pregnancy cen6ter movement.

Sol, his Board of directors, and all the staff now look forward to the soon opening of 'Breath of Life Women's Health Services and Birth Center' in order to provide a continuum of care and discipleship for women and their families soon.

In 1985, a small core of dedicated people passionate about saving preserving lives, and motivated by the love of Jesus Christ began the Pregnancy Center of Pinellas county, which has become one of the most effective in the nation. While the goal has stayed the same, everything else has evolving and growing. From a part-time director working with volunteers in a small 700 square foot office, the Pregnancy Center has blossomed to 3 beautiful locations , with a 17 member staff, fifty peer counselors, and the loving support of hundreds of volunteers that help our expanding work.

Since 1999 the United Students for Abstinence (U.S.A.) program has been speaking to students on healthy relationships and encouraging them to save sex for marriage. U.S.A. is supported by classroom teachers, funded by the Florida Department if Health, and approved by the Pinellas County School Board.

March 26,2007 'The 18th Annual More2Life Golf Classic' tournament at the beautiful Bayou Golf Club in Largo. Call 545-8292 ext. 237 for registration and more information.

Join the annual 'Walk for Life' the Saturday before Mothers Day. 545-8100.

The New 'Birthing Center" on East Bay Drive will be open in the next few weeks. Congratulations!

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The Pregnancy Center of Pinellas is doing wonderful work saving lives of the unborn, as well as teaching young adults that sex is a wonderful gift of God designed for joy in marriage; sex outside of marriage has the possibility of STD's, unwanted pregnancies which in turn set you up for heartbreak and abortion in your effort to escape the responsibility of your actions. Christian Coalition of Pinellas salutes Pregnancy Center of Pinellas for their fine work. We thank God for you and your continued success. Thank you Sol for blessing our meeting.

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# David's Law—"Hate Crimes" Legislation to be Introduced in U.S. House



***"While other hate-crimes bills have been introduced this year, Conyers' legislation is expected to be the primary one to be considered and voted on." – Citizen Link***

Amanda Banks/AH (Feb. 22nd, 2007)

According to an alert by *Citizen Link*, a new bill *H.R. 254*, otherwise known as *David's Law*, has been referred to the House Committee on the Judiciary and is expected to be introduced soon in the House of Representatives, to be voted on.

The proposed legislation, introduced by Rep. John Conyers of Michigan, deals with hate crimes relating to sexual preference and gender, in addition to national origin, race, color and religion.

The concern over the bill is that it essentially creates a new class of U.S. citizens—defined by such terms as "sexual orientation" and "gender identity"—giving them civil rights protective status on par with race, and religion. To find out whether your legislator supports or is opposed to this bill, and for information on action you can take, follow the link below.

Source: [Citizen Link](#)

**APRIL MEETING: Dr. John K. Giotis, of New Jersey**, Educator and long time friend plans to be one of the speakers at our April 7 monthly meeting. You probably recognize his name from the many articles published in Newsletters and on our website: [ccpcfl.org](http://ccpcfl.org) Thank you John.

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## Help make English our official language

Recently, **the mayor of Nashville** vetoed a bill that would have made English the city's official language. He called the measure "unconstitutional, unnecessary, and mean-spirited."

**U.S. Senate Majority Leader Harry Reid even called a bill to make English our official language "racist." He doesn't understand that common language, not "diversity," makes our country strong**

A Zogby poll last year showed that **84% say English should be the official language of government. It is time for liberal members of Congress to quit playing politics with the future of all children -- U.S. and Immigrant**--and follow the lead of 28 states which have made English their official language. Failure for Congress to act will establish a major obstacle for immigrant children as they try to move up in our society. The poll also showed that 77% of Hispanics support English as our official language.

Without a common language, citizens cannot communicate with each other. **Any child growing up in America without knowing English is at a distinct disadvantage.** At a time when our society is becoming more fragmented, we need an official, common language. Diverse cultures, different backgrounds and varied traditions enrich our culture. But for the nation to thrive, we must have a common language.

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**When some claim that President Bush shouldn't have started this war, check the following facts:**

- a. **FDR led us into World War II. Germany never attacked us ; Japan did. From 1941-1945, 450,000 lives were lost ... an average of 112,500 per year.**
- b. **Truman finished that war and started one in Korea. North Korea never attacked us From 1950-1953, 55,000 lives were lost ... an average of 18,334 per year.**
- c. **John F. Kennedy started the Vietnam conflict in 1962. Vietnam never attacked us.**
- d. **L.B. Johnson turned Vietnam into a quagmire. From 1965-1975, 58,000 lives were lost .. average of 5,800 per year.**
- e. **Clinton went to war in Bosnia without UN or French consent. Bosnia never attacked us. He was offered Osama bin Laden's head on a platter three times by Sudan and did nothing. Osama has attacked us on multiple occasions.**
- f. **In the years since terrorists attacked us , President Bush has liberated two countries, crushed the Taliban, crippled al-Qaida, put nuclear inspectors in Libya, Iran, and North Korea without firing a shot, and captured a terrorist who slaughtered 300,000 of his own people.**
- g. **The Democrats are complaining about how long the war is taking. But, It took less time to take Iraq than it took Janet Reno to take the Branch Davidian compound. That was a 51-day operation.**
- h. **When considering presidential candidates, remember the time that it took Hillary Clinton to find the Rose Law Firm billing records, and then, there they were after the statute of limitations had run out..**
- i. **It took less time for the 3rd Infantry Division and the Marines to destroy the Medina Republican Guard than it took Ted Kennedy to call the police after his Oldsmobile sank at Chappaquiddick**

j. It took less time to take Iraq than it took to count the votes in Florida in 2000!!!!

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k. Our Commander-In-Chief is doing a GREAT JOB! The Military morale is high!  
The biased media hopes we are too ignorant to realize the facts

l. But Wait . there's more! Some people still don't understand why military personnel do what they do for a living. This exchange between Senators John Glenn and Senator Howard Metzenbaum is worth reading. Not only is it a pretty impressive impromptu speech, but it's also a good example of one man's explanation of why men and women in the armed services do what they do for a living. The following is a typical, though sad, example of what a few who have never served in anything think of the military.

Senator Metzenbaum (speaking to Senator Glenn): "How can you run for Senate when you've never held a real job?"  
Senator Glenn (D-Ohio): "I served 23 years in the United States Marine Corps. I served through two wars. I flew 149 missions. My plane was hit by anti-aircraft fire on 12 different occasions. I was in the space program. It wasn't my checkbook, Howard; it was my life on the line. It was not a nine-to-five job, where I took time off to take the daily cash receipts to the bank."

"I ask you to go with me ... as I went the other day... to a veteran's hospital and look those men ... with their mangled bodies in the eye, and tell THEM they didn't hold a job! You go with me to the Space Program at NASA and go, as I have gone, to the widows and Orphans of Ed White, Gus Grissom and Roger Chaffee... and you look those kids in the eye and tell them that their DADS didn't hold a job.

You go with me on Memorial Day and you stand in Arlington National Cemetery, where I have more friends buried than I'd like to remember, and you watch those waving flags. You stand there, and you think about this nation, and you tell ME that those people didn't have a job?

What about you?" For those who don't remember . During W.W.II, Howard Metzenbaum was an attorney representing the Communist Party in the USA. At the time of this writing he was a United States Senator!

If you can read this, thank a teacher. If you are reading it in English thank a Veteran.

American Minute with Bill Federer [mail@AmericanMinute.com]

Subject: The Panama Canal

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Panama Canal Zone was acquired by the U.S. for ten million dollars on FEBRUARY 23, 1904. Planned by President McKinley, construction began under President Theodore Roosevelt. President Taft stated in his Address to Congress, December 6, 1912: "Our defense of the Panama Canal, together with our enormous world trade and our missionary outposts on the frontiers of civilization, require us to recognize our position as one of the foremost in the family of nations, and to clothe ourselves with sufficient naval power to give force to our reasonable demands, and to give weight to our influence in those directions of progress that a powerful Christian nation should advocate."

President Wilson, in his Thanksgiving Proclamation, October 23, 1913, stated:

"We have seen the practical completion of a great work at the Isthmus of Panama which not only exemplifies the nation's abundant capacity of its public servants but also promises the beginning of a new age...of co-operation and peace. Righteousness exalteth a nation' and 'peace on earth, good will towards men' furnish the only foundation upon which can be built the lasting achievements of the human spirit."

Just a few presidents back we gave our canal away. Can you name which or our presidents gave this very valuable property away on their watch?

Ronnie's note: Lot's happenings these days; sure would not to be part of the world today without Jesus Christ as Lord. If you do not know Jesus as Lord you are missing out on the best part of life, and beyond. We know heaven will be great, because, if you live your life with God, and are part of His royal Family, His promises make your life truly beautiful now, with heaven becoming an extension. Most of my life "I did it my way" and that's the dumbest ego trip one could be on. Now it's God's way. Call me if I can help. Ronnie