

AMERICANS UNITED FOR THE SEPARATION OF CHURCH AND STATE: SOUTH PINELLAS CHAPTER (CHAPTER 60)

FEBRUARY EVENTS - 2009

February 9: Newly elected Pinellas School Board member, **Nina Hayden**, will address a general meeting of the membership **on issues of education and the separation of church and state.**

In a November interview with St. Petersburg Times reporter, Donna Winchester, Ms. Hayden spoke about her views about the separation of church and state. "Obviously, it's (the teaching of intelligent design) an issue of separation of church and state and bringing faith-based principles into the public school system. Our country was founded by individuals who had religious beliefs, but they also looked at when government should not support religion. Intelligent design has its place in faith-based organizations, not in our public school system. I stand pretty firm on that issue."

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Harold Brockus Fellowship Hall at Good Samaritan Church. 6085 Park Boulevard, Pinellas Park, Florida

February 24: Americans United executive director, **Barry Lynn**, will present a public address on **"Will the New Administration in Washington Save the Separation of Church and State?"**

Time: 7:00 p.m.

Place: Good Samaritan Church. 6085 Park Boulevard, Pinellas Park, Florida

From the AU website: "As Barack Obama assumes the presidency, Americans United for Separation of Church and State has prepared a list of nine religious liberty issues that merit special attention from the White House. Called '9 in '09,' this campaign seeks to repair the damage that occurred to the wall of separation between church and state during the Bush administration."

This presentation is co-sponsored by The West Central Cluster of Unitarian Universalist Congregations, The Good Samaritan Church, and the Pinellas chapter of the American Civil Liberties Union.

Both events are free and open to the public.

Please see AU, Chapter 60 Website for details and directions to the church:

<http://www.americansunitedspinellas.org>