

FREELY SPEAKING

Space Coast Freethought Association

October 2009

Upcoming Events

Sunday, October 4

SCFA Monthly Meeting

Location: Melbourne Public Library, 540 E. Fee Ave.
small conference room right of reference desk

Time: 1:30-3:30

Sunday, October 11

Adopt-a-Road

Location: Stack Blvd. and Palm Bay Rd., west parking lot near Amscot shopping center

Time: 10:00a.m.

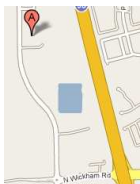


Saturday, October 17

Freethought Day at Disney

Location: Magic Kingdom

Time: all day, planned meeting times to gather - wear lime green
freethoughtdayatdisney.org



Sunday, October 18

Meetup Eat-Up

Location: Chili's, Viera (I95-Viera exit, W on Wickham, N on Lake Andrew)

Time: 1:30pm



November 6 - 8

Freedom From Religion Ntnl. Conv.

Location: Seattle, WA

Speakers: Ron Reagan, Ursula K. LeGuin, Barry Kosmin, & sociologist Phil Zuckerman. ffrf.org

Sunday, November 1

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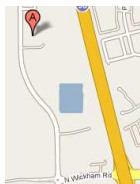
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Sunday, November 8

Adopt-a-Road

Location: Stack Blvd. and Palm Bay Rd., west parking lot near Amscot shopping center

Time: 10:00a.m.



Sunday, November 15

Meetup Eat-Up

Location: Chili's, Viera (I95-Viera exit, W on Wickham, N on Lake Andrew)

Time: 1:30pm

Space Coast Freethought Association

(SCFA) is a nonprofit community of reason-based individuals organized to facilitate social interaction, promote the non-theistic, rationalist viewpoint as a valid contribution to public discourse, reinforce the First Amendment guarantee of separation between government and religion through education and activism, and work in coalition with like-minded organizations where joint action is needed to achieve these goals.

SCFA Board of Directors

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SCFA Adopts Science Class



We have recently adopted the 5th grade Science Resource Room at Sabal Elementary on Wickham Rd. This school is in a low income area and scores lower than all other schools in the region in science. We would like to raise \$2,000 for their science improvements. Donations can be made at meetings or online at spacecoastfreethought.org/donate. What better way is there to encourage critical thinking than by teaching science?

So far we have raised \$150!

Flying Spaghetti Monster popular choice for Halloween



Church-State Update

A Report on Church-State Legal Issues Affecting Brevard County Citizens

National

Supreme Court will hear arguments in Mohave Cross case on October 7 (9/29)

'Park officials agreed and the courts got involved. Congress forbade the Park Service from using any funds to remove the display. A district judge agreed with [Frank] Buono that he had standing to bring his complaint and that the cross violated constitutional standards. The U.S. Court of Appeals for the 9th Circuit affirmed the decision. Then Congress declared the site a national memorial, and proposed to cure any constitutional problems by transferring one acre on which the cross stands to the VFW in exchange for five acres owned elsewhere in the preserve by the Sandozes. But Buono and the ACLU went to court again, and the courts agreed that such a plan would not resolve the constitutionality question. The deal "would leave a little donut hole of land with a cross in the midst of a vast federal preserve," the appeals court said. While the fighting has gone on, the cross has remained in place. But to comply with the court's ruling, it was covered first by a tarpaulin bag and now by the plywood box.' – Washington Post

Florida

"Personhood" Amendment introduced, would appear on 2010 ballot (9/14)

'Redefining when human life begins is the centerpiece of proposed state constitutional amendment. [...] On [September 11], the American Life League Introduced the "Personhood Amendment" in Tallahassee. The league says the amendment will change Florida's constitution to recognize [...] that a person is created at the beginning of biological development of a human being, essentially defining a newly formed embryo as a person.' – ABC Action News (Tampa)

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