

Christian Education Awareness Network (CEANet)
Presents
CEANet Host Visit to:



Alliance for the Separation of School and State Conference

November 20-22, 2004

At the Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.

Why Did I Go to SepCon 2004?

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My reasons for attending the November 20-to-22, Alliance for the Separation of School and State's 2004 conference in Washington, D.C., vary. As the host of the Christian Education Awareness Network (CEANet), I have established quite a few "E-relationships" over the years with such folks as Dan Smithwick of the [Nehemiah Institute](#), E. Ray Moore, Jr., director of [Exodus Mandate](#), Pat Marcum, of [The Old Schoolhouse Magazine](#), and of course, the former [Marshall Fritz](#). I've also come across other superior movers and shakers of important ideas such as Joseph Farah, CEO of [WorldNetDaily.com](#), Denise Kanter of [Considering Homeschooling](#), and Bruce Shortt, author of [The Harsh Truth About Public Schools](#).

Over the past seven years, formation, growth and operation of the Christian e-newsletter network has allowed me to serve most of the above-named intellectual freedom advocates by providing them topic-related articles, essays, other related resources. SepCon 2004 for me was a culmination of this entire information gathering, sorting and sharing experience. Quite a few of the people I have come to know over the years, would be at this conference.

My attendance at this unparalleled gathering allowed me the honor and privilege of meeting and talking in person with some of my intellectual and spiritual heroes. SepCon

2004 was time well-spent acquainting myself with these wonderful folks, soaking up their presentations and harvesting related handouts and other materials to share with the CEANet network once I returned home.

On the last day of the conference I chaired a "Volunteer Action" roundtable presentation which dealt with "Starting an E-newsletter" without losing your shirt. Notes for this presentation are available at the [CEANet web site](#) (pdf file). I also took a few photographs of some of the conference presenters and attendees a few of which are available below.

To sum up this whole extraordinary experience, SepCon 2004 allowed me to draw upon the expertise and experience of others, meet key people I may never meet again in person, and share what I have learned with the 200-member Christian Education Awareness Network (CEANet).

Find out more detailed information about this important event by reading Cathy Duffy's "Get the Kids Out!" article ==> "[GET THE KIDS OUT !](#)" ([PDF file](#))

A Few Photos from Conference



Front Lobby, Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.



Front Exterior, Omni Shoreham Hotel, Washington, D.C.



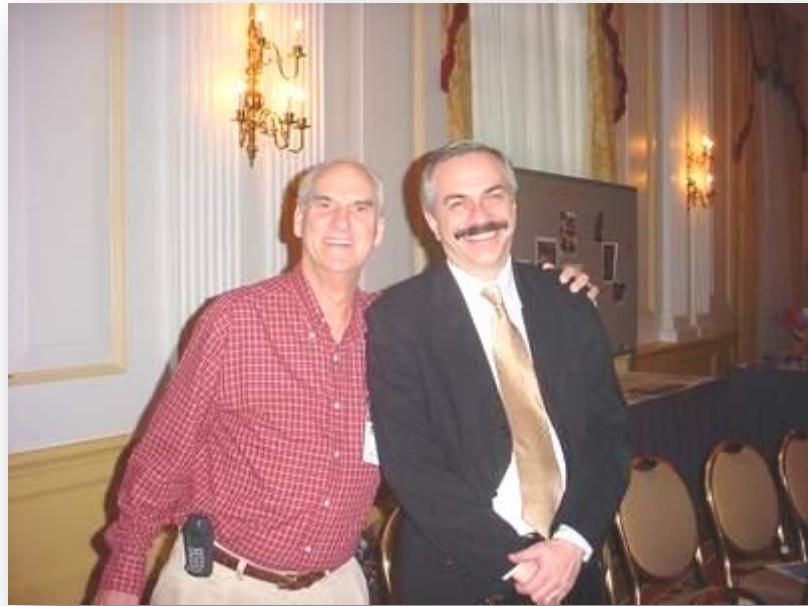
SepCon 2004 Lectern Setup



Author, Speaker, [Samuel Blumenfeld](#)



[Cathy Duffy](#) speaking with James Atherton



Pat Marcum, (2004) homeschool supply representative,
and Joseph Farah of WorldNetDaily.com



Rev. E. Ray Moore, Jr., ([Exodus Mandate](http://ExodusMandate.com)), and James Atherton



Marshal Fritz, Founder and President of the original
[Separation of School and State Alliance](#),
Samual Blumenfeld, and Author and Speaker [John Taylor Gatto](#)



Denise Kanter of [Considering Homeschooling](#) with video film crew



L to R, Author, [William F. Cox](#), Jr, Dan Smithwick of the [Nehemiah Institute](#) and Rev. E Ray Moore, Jr., of [Exodus Mandate](#)



[Wiley Drake Live](#) Radio Broadcaster



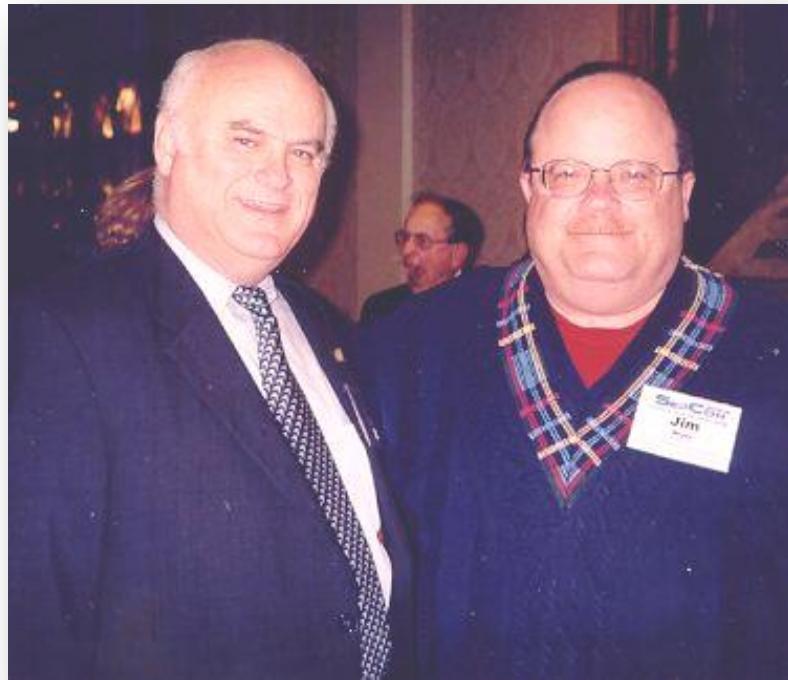
Author and Founder of [Summit Ministries](#), David Noebel and His Wife



Michael Farris ([HSLDA](#)), Tim Lahaye and His Wife, Beverly



[Starting an E-Newsletter](#) Round Table Conducted by your Host



Rev. E Ray Moore ([Exodus Mandate](#)), Jr., with Your Host



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