

The Good News, and How to Spread It

Join us on Monday, June 19 at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden at 7:30 p.m.

Every April the adjunct faculty of the Humanist Institute holds its annual colloquium to discuss a timely topic of particular significance to Humanists. Usually the results have been collected in a book. This year's theme was "Humanist Education." The gathering assembled Humanist perspectives on the most urgent problems facing our society in this arena, and suggested ways of dealing with them. David Schafer will report the highlights of this meeting, where he was a participant, as he has been for several years. He will first present his impressions of the colloquium as a whole and some of the diverse approaches of the other faculty to this broad topic, following with an outline of some thoughts on the subject of his title (above). David considers education to be of paramount importance to all Humanists, and believes this talk will be of particular interest to this audience, especially since in it he will be preoccupied with Humanist education in the dual contexts of religion in American society and the worldwide community.

Calendar of Events **JUNE, 2006** Sat., 3 Humanist Conversations: The movie: 2:30 p.m. Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price. Dinner at Pasta Fair, 262 Boston Post Road, Mon., 5 7:00 p.m. Orange. RSVP at humanism.meetup.com. (203) 799-9601 for directions. Sun., 18 Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, 2:30 p.m. Hamden Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Mon., 19 7:30 p.m. Turnpike, Hamden Coffee and conversation 7:30 p.m. Main program: Dr. David Schafer on "The 8:00 p.m. Good News and How to Spread It" Dinner at Café Biaggio, 379 E. Main St., Wed., 28 7:00 p.m. Waterbury. (203) 757-1865 for directions. **JULY, 2006** Sat., 1 Picnic at the Raffords' home in Middlebury 12-4 p.m. Dinner at Pasta Fair, 262 Boston Post Road, Mon., 3 7:00 p.m. Orange. RSVP at humanism.meetup.com. (203) 799-9601 for directions. Sat., 8 Humanist Conversations: TBA 2:30 p.m. Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Mon., 17 7:30 p.m. Turnpike, Hamden Coffee and conversation 7:30 p.m. Main program: Ghana 8:00 p.m. Sun., 23 Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, 2:30 p.m. Hamden Dinner at Lisboa, 19 Lafayette St., Waterbury. Wed., 26 7:00 p.m. (203) 754-0789 for directions. WWW.CTHUMANIST.ORG

We'll meet at 7:30 p.m. at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden. After a half-hour of conversation and refreshments David will begin his talk at 8:00 and leave plenty of time for your questions and comments. Come with a friend and join the discussion!

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Conversations: Wal-Mart

Join us at 2:30 p.m. on Saturday, June 3, at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden. We will view the Robert Greenwald movie Wal-Mart: The High Cost of Low Price. Following the movie, we will have a short discussion. Refreshments will be served.

Picnic on July 1

Join us for our annual picnic on Saturday, July 1st from 12 to 4 p.m., rain or shine, at the lovely home of Dr. Bob and Ms. Joan Rafford at 57 Clearview Knoll Road in Middlebury.

Bring a chair and something to share! (Don't bother with the chair if it's raining.) The Raffords will provide hot dogs (regular and vegetarian), soft drinks and beer.

Directions from the New Haven area: Take Rt. 8 north to I-84 and go west to Exit 17. From the exit go straight ahead (west) on Rt. 64 to the stoplight...

Directions from the Stamford area: Take Rt. 7 north to I-84 and go east to Exit 17. At the exit turn left onto Rt. 63, go straight to the stoplight (Rt. 64), and turn left again onto Rt. 64...

...From the junction of Rt. 64 with Rt. 63: Head west on Rt. 64 less than one mile, passing through one more stoplight. If you pass a gas station you have gone too far. On the right, look for Tzepos Law Firm sign. At that sign, turn right onto Clearview Knoll Road and drive to the top of the hill. Number 57 is the last house on the left. Park in the driveway or on the street.

Telephone (203) 758-9798 if you need more directions.

Book Group: The Kidnapping of Edgardo Mortara

The next HAC book discussion will be on Sunday, September 10, 3:30 p.m. until 5:30 p.m. at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden. The book we will be reading is The Kidnapping of Edgardo Mortara by historian David I. Kertzer. Copies are available in Connecticut public libraries as well as in book stores and online.

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