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## “Truth:

### *The New Agenda for Peace and Security”*

Our “Practical Pathways to Peace” series continues at 700 Hartford Turnpike on Monday, July 16, at 7:30 p.m. Please join us in welcoming back Eugene B. Kogan, who will present both why and how truth is vital for the survival of our democracy, for the sustainability of our domestic and foreign policies, and for the progress of peace, security and stability in the world. He will leave us with tools that we as citizens can use to bring truth back into the political life of our country.

A Senior Political Analyst with Americans for Informed Democracy (aidemocracy.org), Eugene’s research interests include U.S. foreign policy, Congress, international security, and nuclear proliferation in North East Asia. In May of this year, Eugene was presented the Pi Sigma Alpha Award and delivered the 2007 Pi Sigma Alpha Lecture (on congressional war powers) at Quinnipiac University. (Pi Sigma Alpha is the U.S. National Political Science Honor Society.) From February to May, he was a Maimonides Jewish Leaders Fellow at Yale University, studying the Jewish way of leadership. After he last visited us in 2005, he worked as Deputy

## Calendar of Events

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are held at USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden, CT. RSVP for dinners at [humanism.meetup.com](http://humanism.meetup.com).

### JULY, 2007

Sat., 7	Humanist Conversations, CANCELLED	
Mon., 9	Social Dinner at Pasta Fair, 262 Boston Post Road, Orange. (203) 799-9601 for directions.	7:00 p.m.
Mon., 16	Monthly meeting	7:30 p.m.
	<b>Main program:</b> Eugene Kogan “Truth: The New Agenda for Peace and Security”	8:00 p.m.
Thu., 26	Hartford-Area Dinner at Mediza Mediterranean Restaurant, 35B Lasalle Road, West Hartford. (860) 233-3370.	6:45 p.m.
Sun., 29	Board meeting	2:30 p.m.

### AUGUST, 2007

Sat., 4	Humanist Conversations: TBA	2:30 p.m.
Mon., 6	Social Dinner at Pasta Fair, 262 Boston Post Road, Orange. (203) 799-9601 for directions.	7:00 p.m.
Sat. 11	Potluck picnic at Bill & Kathy Lyon’s home: 120 Dudleytown Road, Cornwall, CT	11:00 a.m. - 4:00 p.m.
including:	<b>Book Group:</b> Chapter 6 of <i>The Varieties of Scientific Experience</i> by Carl Sagan	12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m.
Mon., 20	Monthly meeting	7:30 p.m.
	<b>Main program:</b> Panel on National Conventions	8:00 p.m.
Sun., 26	Board meeting	2:30 p.m.
Thu., 30	Hartford-Area Dinner: Location TBA.	6:45 p.m.

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Editor of *Millennium: Journal of International Studies* in the Department of International Relations at the London School of Economics and Political Science. This fall, he will be entering Brandeis University as a Ph.D. student in political science.

We’ll begin with refreshments and conversation at 7:30 p.m. Followed by Eugene’s presentation at 8:00 at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden on Monday, July 16. There will be time for questions and comments at the end. Please bring a friend!

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# August Book Discussion & Potluck

Join us on Saturday, August 11, for a picnic and discussion at the lovely home of Bill and Kathy Lyon from 11:00 a.m. until around 4:00 p.m. The Lyons will provide meat for the grill and soft drinks. Feel free to bring a side dish, beverage and/or lawn chair.

From 12:30 p.m. - 1:30 p.m. we will discuss a chapter of the book, *The Varieties of Scientific Experience*, which is a collection of lectures given by Carl Sagan. Our discussion will focus on Chapter 6, "The God Hypothesis," pages 147-168 and the Q&A for this lecture which is on pages 234-244.

**Directions** to 120 Dudleytown Road in Cornwall, Connecticut, from the New Haven area. Route 8 north to exit 38 (Thomaston). Turn left off the ramp. Turn left onto 254 toward Litchfield. Turn left at the end of 254 onto 118. Turn right onto Route 63 before Litchfield center. Turn left onto Route 4 at the rotary in Goshen. Stay on Route 4 when it turns left. Watch for a sign for Cornwall Village. Turn left onto Pine Street (directly opposite Route 125). At the end of Pine St. turn left onto Valley Road. After 2 miles, continue on Valley Road past the second street on the left (Everest Hill Rd.). Go over a small metal bridge and take the right fork onto Dudleytown Road. The road turns to dirt about half-way up the mile-long hill. At the end there's a metal gate, beyond which is a dirt path. The driveway is on the right. #120 is painted on the telephone pole. Call the Lyons at (860) 672-0550 if you get lost.

## Food, Glorious Food!

Could you help us provide food for some very needy families who live in the Newhall District of New Haven? When you attend one of our meetings it would be very much appreciated if you could bring one or two items of groceries or a small check. The kinds of food that are needed include peanut butter, rice, beans, pasta, oatmeal, coffee, and canned tuna, soup, tomato sauce, fruits, and vegetables. In the summer the Unitarian Society has a very limited program, so my food box doesn't fill up. I would greatly appreciate your help.

*--June Schafer, HAC president, and Chair of the USNH Task Force on Poverty and Economic Justice*

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