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## ***Bring a Chair and Something to Share!***

The Raffords' friend is doing well. This picnic *will* take place on June 4, rain or shine.

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

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

## ***Calendar of Events***

### **JUNE, 2005**

Sat., 4	Annual picnic at the Raffords' home, 57 Clearview Knoll, Middlebury.	12 noon
Wed., 15	Dinner at Contrassegno, Route 10, Hamden. RSVP at <a href="http://humanism.meetup.com">humanism.meetup.com</a>	7:00 p.m.
Sat., 18	Humanist Conversations: Addressing the Concerns Behind the Push to Mix Science and "Intelligent Design"	2:30 p.m.
Sun., 19	Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden	2:30 p.m.
Wed., 29	Dinner at Lisboa, 19 Lafayette St., Waterbury. (203) 754-0789	7:00 p.m.

### **JULY, 2005**

Sat., 2	Humanist Conversations: TBA (probably Independence Day related).	2:30 p.m.
Sat., 9	Book discussion at the USNH library: George Lakoff's <i>Don't think of an Elephant</i>	3:30 p.m.
Mon., 11	Dinner at Pasta Fair, 262 Boston Post Road, Orange. RSVP at <a href="http://humanism.meetup.com">humanism.meetup.com</a>	7:00 p.m.
Mon., 18	Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden Coffee and conversation	7:30 p.m.
	Main program: TBA	8:00 p.m.
Sun., 24	Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden	2:30 p.m.
Wed., 27	Dinner at Lisboa, 19 Lafayette St., Waterbury. (203) 754-0789	7:00 p.m.

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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.

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# Conversations

Join us in the library at 2:30 p.m. on June 18 at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden. We will view two short videos and discuss how humanists can address the concerns of those who are comforted by including so-called intelligent design in the science curriculum. Refreshments will be served.

# Book Discussion

Join us on Saturday, July 9, 2005 at 3:30 p.m. at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden when we will discuss George Lakoff's new book, *Don't think of an Elephant: Know Your Values and Frame the Debate—The Essential Guide for Progressives*.

George Lakoff is a cognitive linguist who has been Professor of Linguistics at the University of California at Berkeley since 1972. His other books include such titles as *Metaphors We Live By* (with Mark Johnson) and *Women, Fire and Dangerous Things: What Categories Reveal About the Mind*. He understands how conservatives have used language to dominate politics. In *Don't Think of an Elephant* he explains how to beat the conservatives at their own game.

"I learned a lot from Lakoff. You will too." - *George Soros*

As usual, refreshments will be served.

# Dinners

Please join us for an Italian dinner at Contrassegno, 4137 Whitney Avenue, Hamden, on Wednesday, June 15 at 7:00 p.m. Also, please plan to join us Wednesday, June 29 at 7:00 p.m. when we will again enjoy another authentic Portugese meal at Lisboa Restaurante, 19 Lafayette Street in Waterbury. Please RSVP for these events via [humanism.meetup.com](http://humanism.meetup.com) or by email to [editor@cthumanist.org](mailto:editor@cthumanist.org).

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