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ASHS Affiliate

Elections & Party

Treat yourself to some humanist holiday spirit: come to the annual Solstice Party on Monday December 17! We'll have food and drink and merry making. So plan to come and celebrate the holiday season!

Shall we be treated to our favorite *Ode to the Tilt*? Can you name the author of some humanist quotations? Shall we all sing-along to PDQ Bach? Come and find out what others have written, and who will win the write-a-poem contest! (What will the prizes be this year?) You can even buy the 2002 Council for Secular Humanism calendar!

Wild Notes will be back to play holiday tunes. And one of the dancers will demonstrate some easy steps so everyone who desires can participate.

Be prepared for a sumptuous table! Everyone is invited to contribute to the pot luck.

We will once again have a silent auction. Proceeds will go into the program budget.

What can you do to help the silent auction be successful? You could donate items. What can you donate? New or used (in good condition) CDs, videos, and books; homemade crafts; baked goods; a service you can provide; any other unique items.

What doesn't go well at a silent auction? Used shoes and clothing; LPs or 78s.

Calendar of Events

DECEMBER

Mon., 17	Annual meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	7:30 p.m.
	Coffee, conversation	7:30 p.m.
	Elections and Solstice Party	8:00 p.m.

JANUARY, 2002

Fri., 11	Conversations, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike Bill Goward — <i>Energy Sources for the New Century</i>	7:30 p.m.
Thu., 17	Dinner at MisFitz Inn, 57 Oak Tree Rd. Southbury	7:00 p.m.
Mon., 21	Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	7:30 p.m.
	Coffee, conversation and Al Rader — <i>Why I Am A Humanist</i>	7:30 p.m.
	Main program. Walter Wells, <i>Girls will be Boys</i>	8:00 p.m.
Sun., 27	Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	2:00 p.m.

FEBRUARY, 2002

Fri., 8	Conversations, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	7:30 p.m.
Mon., 18	Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	7:30 p.m.
	Coffee, conversation and Cynthia Harvey — <i>Why I Am A Humanist</i>	7:30 p.m.
	Main program. Panel Discussion — <i>Civil Liberties and the War On Terrorism</i>	8:00 p.m.
Sun., 24	Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	2:00 p.m.

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How do you donate? Just bring your silent auction item(s) to be put out on the table with a bidding sheet, which will be provided for you.

Bid on items—bid early and bid often; and bid high.

Join us at 7:30 p.m. on Monday, December 17 at the Unitarian Society of New Haven, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden. We'll start with the pot luck and conversation followed by our annual elections at 8:00 and the rest of the party!

Mystic/Noank Discussion Series

The next meeting of the humanist discussion group is scheduled for Saturday January 5 at 10:15 am. at the Mystic Noank Library.

The topic had not been decided when we went to press.

For more information and directions phone George Marcus at (860) 572-9188 or e-mail gminnoank@worldnet.att.net.

Dine at MisFitz

Our first social dinner of the year will be held in Southbury at MisFitz Thursday, January 17 at 7:00 p.m. Feel free to park anywhere on the street except at the liquor store. Please RSVP to Carol Stone (e-mail editor@cthumanist.org or phone (203) 264-8546) by Tuesday, January 8.

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Humanist Conversations

Join us at the Unitarian Society of New Haven (700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden), and enjoy a lively conversation!

The next three conversations will take place on Fridays — January 11, February 8 and March 8. The events will begin at 7:30 p.m.

On January 11 Bill Goward will pass out literature and lead the discussion: *Energy Sources for the New Century*.

The cost for the pizza is around \$5 per person, so bring your appetite and bring your thoughts on the future of energy!

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Respectfully submitted, the Nominating Committee: Helene Goward, Joan Rafford, June Schafer.

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