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Humanist Proselytizing in the Information Age

Join us on Monday, June 16 at 7:30 p.m. at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden when Dror Kahn will speak to us about ways Humanists can use the web (YouTube, aggregates, social networks, blogs, and search engines) to proselytize Humanism. Dror is a public service - communications media teacher and videographer and an alumnus of the Humanist Institute. Over the past few decades he has videotaped many Humanist events for airing on cable TV, including Rabbi Sherwin Wine giving an inspiring talk about Humanist Proselytizing.

To preview Dror's work, visit <http://www.kingkahnproductions.com/Humanism.htm>.

Join us with a friend at 7:30 p.m. at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden when we will begin with a half-hour of refreshments and conversation followed by Dror's presentation at 8:00!

Conversations

The Berkeley Institute of the Environment, part of the University of California at Berkeley, chose Lester Brown for their first annual Distinguished Lecture. We will watch and discuss this lecture, which is entitled, "Plan B: Rescuing a Planet Under stress and a Civilization." Join us on Saturday, June 14, at 2:30 p.m. at 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden for this event.

Calendar of Events

Unless otherwise noted, all programs are held at USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden, CT. RSVP for dinners at humanism.meetup.com.

JUNE, 2008

Mon., 2	Social Dinner at Pasta Fair, 262 Boston Post Road, Orange. (203) 799-9601 for directions.	7:00 p.m.
Sat., 14	Humanist Conversations: Lester Brown at Berkeley: Plan B.	2:30 p.m.
Mon., 16	Monthly meeting Main program: Dror Kahn: <i>Humanist Proselytizing in the Information Age</i>	7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Sun., 22	Board meeting	2:30 p.m.
Tue., 24	Hartford-Area Dinner at Lemongrass, 7 South Main Street, West Hartford. (860) 233-4405.	7:00 p.m.

JULY, 2008

Sat., 5	Annual rain or shine picnic at the Raffords' home in Middlebury.	12:00 noon
Mon., 7	Social Dinner at Pasta Fair, 262 Boston Post Road, Orange. (203) 799-9601 for directions.	7:00 p.m.
Sat., 12	Humanist Conversations: TBD	2:30 p.m.
Thu., 17	Waterbury-Area Dinner at Lisboa, 19 Lafayette St., Waterbury. (203) 754-0789 for directions	7:00 p.m.
Sat., 19	Book discussion: <i>The Devil's Disciple</i> by George Bernard Shaw	2:30 p.m.
Mon., 21	Monthly meeting Main program: TBD	7:30 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Sat., 26	Bible Reading Group	2:30 p.m.
Sun., 27	Board meeting	2:30 p.m.
Tue., 29	Hartford-Area Dinner at Lemongrass, 7 South Main Street, West Hartford. (860) 233-4405.	7:00 p.m.

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Book Discussion — *The Devil's Disciple*

The next book we will read is "The Devil's Disciple" by George Bernard Shaw. Lots of copies of this play and of collections of Shaw's works that include "The Devil's Disciple," are available at public libraries as well as at bookstores and online. We will meet to discuss this book on Saturday, July 19, from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. at USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden.

This play, set in the time of the American Revolution in New Hampshire, was Shaw's first major commercial success. Shaw's plays include lots of text that are not in the theatrical productions, making them at least as interesting to read as to watch. After reading the play, you may also want to view the film "The Devil's Disciple" starring Burt Lancaster, Kirk Douglas, and Laurence Olivier.

While the play "The Devil's Disciple" is available as a separate item, it is usually included in collections and it is in most of the collections of plays by George Bernard Shaw. We therefore recommend that you look for a collection of Shaw's plays and then make sure that "The Devil's Disciple" is included.

As always, feel free to invite a friend.

Bible Discussion Group, Part IV

The next meeting of the HAC Bible Discussion Group will be on Saturday, July 26, from 2:30 p.m. until 4:30 p.m. at USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike in Hamden.

For July 26, in "How to Read the Bible: A Guide to Scripture, Then and Now" by James L. Kugel, read the following:

Chapter 12. Joseph and His Brothers 176-197

Chapter 13. Moses in Egypt 198-216

Chapter 14. The Exodus 217-232

Chapter 15. A Covenant with God 233-249

In addition to discussing the reading materials, we will be watching another 15-minute video segment related to the Exodus and the Bible by noted Egyptologist John Romer.

See you on July 26. Feel free to invite a friend. Please go through the assigned reading materials.

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