



AHA Chapter

THE NEWSLETTER OF

The HUMANIST ASSOCIATION of CONNECTICUT



UU Humanists Local Group

November 2022

November Monthly Meeting

**November 21, 6:30pm (Program at 7)
USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden
"Death Cafe" Presented by Ocean Phillips**



Ocean Phillips, PhD, MDiv, is a Humanist Chaplain and Spiritual Care Counselor.

They will tell us about their practice, Sacred Homecoming Journeys, providing compassionate care for the dying and their loved ones.

"In medieval times, dying people were seen as prophetic souls, voyagers and pilgrims valuable to the community in a number of ways, not least in the opportunity for those around them for service & spiritual growth."

--Sandol Stoddard, The Hospice Movement

Read more via this link:

<http://www.homecomingjourneys.com>

Ocean is a member of both HAC and USNH.

We will begin with coffee and light refreshments at 6:30pm, in the Children's Chapel. Bring a snack to share if you wish. Program begins at 7pm.

Though we are no longer checking vaccination cards, this is a Fully Vaccinated & Boosted Only event.

Masks are highly recommended whenever you are not eating or drinking.

Calendar of Events

RSVPs are welcome at [meetup.com/cthumanist/events](https://www.meetup.com/cthumanist/events). You can view the latest newsletter and calendar at www.cthumanist.org.

Note that most of our programs have resumed taking place in-person, though some may also have a virtual option. For all in-person events (whether at USNH or other locations), we request for Covid-19 purposes that you be fully vaccinated and wear an appropriate mask. Thank you for your cooperation.

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5 Saturday	Explorations (USNH) Topic: Luck	2:30pm
7 Mon.	Social Dinner (Zeneli, 138 Wooster St., New Haven)*	7pm
19 Saturday	Book Discussion (Wilson Library)* Book: "Woke Racism"	2:30pm
21 Mon	Monthly Meeting (USNH) "Death Cafe" w/ Ocean Phillips	7pm
27 Sunday	Board Meeting (Zoom) All members welcome	7pm

* Please note the location of this event, which may be different from similar events in the past.

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3 Saturday	Explorations (USNH)	2:30pm
5 Monday	Social Dinner (Location TBA)	7pm
17 Saturday	Book Discussion (Wilson Library)	2:30pm
19 Monday	Solstice Celebration (USNH)	6:30pm
25 Sunday	Annual Brunch (Pacific Buffet in Wallingford)	12pm

RENEW YOUR MEMBERSHIP: Calling all members (or member wannabes) who may have forgotten to pay your 2022 membership dues, please send a check to HAC Treasurer Nina Stein (see below)

OR

Come to one of our in-person events (see calendar) and give us cash or check.

We miss you when you're not with us!

Nina Stein
380 Hitchcock Road, #272
Waterbury, CT 06705

Please print and complete the attached membership form (see page 3 of this newsletter) with your updated contact information and enclose with your check. If you have any questions, or if you need any assistance re attending our programs via zoom, please contact us. We greatly value your participation in our supportive community!

**THANKS FOR RENEWING YOUR
MEMBERSHIP!**

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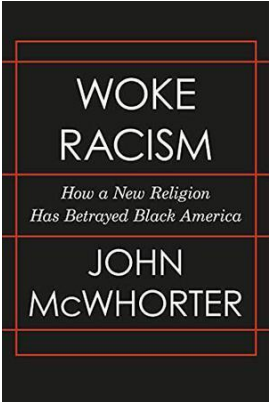
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Covid Protocol Reminder & Additional Programming Notes
* 4th Monday Discussion Dinners: the 4th Monday discussion dinners will be on hiatus until the warmer weather of spring, when we'll go back to dining outside.
* Revised COVID policy: We request that you be as fully vaccinated as possible and that you wear a mask when practical. We are now permitted to serve food and drink at events at USNH.

November Book Discussion
Saturday, November 19, 2:30pm
Wilson Branch Library, 303 Washington Ave., New Haven
Book: "Woke Racism" by John McWhorter
According to [linguist] John McWhorter... a well-meaning but pernicious form of antiracism has become, not a progressive ideology, but a religion...
In "Woke Racism," McWhorter reveals the workings of this new religion, from the original sin of "white privilege"... to the evangelical fervor of the "woke mob."
"Honest commentary about racial controversies is rare, and John McWhorter is a writer who can be counted on to provide it. Woke Racism is a heartfelt evisceration of the sloppy thinking that forms the foundation of so much social justice activism today." - Jason L. Riley, Wall Street Journal columnist



Please note we have moved Book Discussion to the Wilson Branch Library, 303 Washington Avenue in New Haven.

Humanist Explorations
Saturday, Nov. 5, 2:30pm
USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden
Image of a four-leaf clover
Now that we've discussed critical thinking, let's ask an unexpected question. Is there such a thing as LUCK?
We have returned to holding these in-person in the Social Hall at USNH. There's plenty of room for social distancing.

Note on Social Dinner
Because it's too cold to sit outside at Mamoun's, our usual location, our social dinner this month will be at Zeneli Pizzeria at 138 Wooster St. in New Haven. It has excellent pizza (even by New Haven's high standards!) as well as pasta and other choices. They have both parking and a heated outdoor tent.

SAVE THE DATE!
Monday, December 19, 6:30 PM
HAC ANNUAL MEETING & WINTER SOLSTICE CELEBRATION, with Potluck Supper. Event will be at USNH.
Live Musical Entertainment will be provided by Mickey Koth & Wild Notes!
Please bring a dish to share.
Image of Stonehenge at sunset
Image of Wild Notes album cover

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! Family \$50

! Newsletter Only \$10

! Our membership year is 1/1-12/31.

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! Humanist Association of Connecticut to: **Humanist Association of**

! **Connecticut, c/o 380 Hitchcock Road #272, Waterbury, CT 06705.**

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