

## SHCC Updates Newsletter - June 18, 2013

### **We're Incorporated!**

We're now officially recognized by the State of West Virginia as a Non-profit Organization!

In case you're wondering, we do still plan to also seek federal tax-exempt status, but the great amount of work involved in that process necessitates our putting it on the back burner for now.

### **Great picnic!**

Thanks to everyone who came to the picnic on Saturday! We had a great turnout---and great food! We plan to schedule another one in mid to late July, hopefully with a more level picnic area to allow for more games (and less Frisbees thrown over the hill!).

### **SHCC Website**

This SHCC website is continually growing more complete and functional as we make progress with it. Please keep checking back for new information!

### **Facebook and Meetup**

We have an active group on Facebook--here's the link:

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/groups/charlestonshcc/>

We also created a new group on Meetup.com, largely for the purpose of reaching new members; here's the link: <http://www.meetup.com/Charleston-Secular-Humanist-Community-Center-Inc/>

### **Group Communication**

Not all of us use Facebook and Meetup, so our goal is to make our website and email address our primary means of group communication.

If anyone (for example, sub-group leaders) would like to contact everyone about SHCC events and business, let us know and we can help facilitate it through the email or website.

Also, if any of you have any ideas for the SHCC that you'd like to share with us, you can contact us at this email address, which all the officers (Alicia, Anna, Jason, and Dave) can access.

### **Up-and-Coming Sub-groups and Programs**

Three sub-groups and programs are already in the planning process:

- 1) Mentoring Program for people leaving an organized religion (see website for more information): waiting for interested mentees!
  - 2) Debate Group (headed up by Alysson): in the process of scheduling the first meeting (in July?) to discuss topics, meeting times, procedures, etc.
  - 3) Community Response Group (headed up by John): planning details and procedures
- We also have several more sub-groups in the initial talking-about stages: Community Service Group, Nature Walk Group, Intramural Sports Group, and Nursing Home Visiting Group.

### **Stay Tuned for Future Events!**

Our next monthly gathering in mid to late July will be scheduled soon, along with sub-group events and Startup Team meetings. Stay tuned!