

SHCC Updates Newsletter - September 6, 2013

-----Upcoming Events-----

ASH Bash—Morgantown, WV--Saturday, September 7, 2013 (Tomorrow)

If you will be in Morgantown tomorrow, the Morgantown Atheists are hosting a statewide BBQ/Picnic/Potluck in Morgantown—the ASH Bash—for all Atheists, Skeptics and Humanists (or whatever you care to label yourself).

The picnic is from 12pm-5pm at Dorsey Knob State Park in Morgantown. You and all of your members are cordially invited!

As a major goal of the ASH Bash is for all the groups around West Virginia (and the surrounding areas) to meet each other, the Morgantown Atheists have cordially invited us to join them.

There are some from our group who are planning to go, so if you would like to go you can reply to this email and we can talk with you about coordinating plans as desired.

Small Discussion Group Meeting--Saturday, September 14, Time TBA @ (Private Location)

This new SHCC Sub-group may eventually be a book group, but for now is starting small. Each meeting will have a preplanned topic for discussion, with a designated facilitator and approximate time limit for the meeting. At each meeting the host/location, facilitator, and topic will be decided for the next meeting.

The RSVP list is limited for now to the first eight responders, to keep the discussion manageable.

For the first meeting, the topic is humanism, and the material for discussion is the Humanist Manifesto III, a very short document that lays out the principles of humanism according to the American Humanist Association. You can read it online (and also see the past versions, if desired) at http://americanhumanist.org/Humanism/Humanist_Manifesto_III.

The location for this meeting will be at the first host's house, so the address will be given to those who RSVP rather than publicly announced.

White Elephant Fundraiser--Saturday, September 28, 9am – 1pm @ Parking Lot of 1614 Washington St. E, Charleston

The Charleston SHCC is having a White Elephant Fundraiser Sale on Saturday, September 28!

The location is the parking lot of 1614 Washington St. E in Charleston (the big white house with a State Farm office inside, on the corner of Washington St. E and Sidney Ave., near the new McDonalds).

A White Elephant Sale is like a big yard sale, but the items for sale are donated so that the profits go to the sale host.

We have collected a lot so far, but we still need more donated items to sell. Do you have unwanted clutter lying around your house you could donate to us for the sale? Just let us know, and we'll work out a way to get it and store it for the sale.

We'll also need borrowed tables as well as helpers for the sale. Let us know if you can help with either need!

And of course, we'll need shoppers at the sale, so come on down and see what we've got!

Startup Team Business Meeting—Date TBA

We are planning to have another Startup Team business meeting soon. Stay tuned for the date, time, and location!

Early Fall Cookout—Date TBA

Our next cookout/picnic at Coonskin will be announced soon as well. Stay tuned!

-----News-----

Winner Announcement for SHCC Book Giveaway Drawing

Congratulations to J. Deacon Stone, the winner of our SHCC Book Giveaway Drawing! He is choosing his free book from the SHCC's substantial library. Thanks to all who participated!

SHCC Sub-groups Looking for Members and Leaders

Several SHCC members have expressed desires for certain sub-groups to get off the ground, but these groups still need more interested members to get started

Groups that have volunteer leaders who need interested members:

- Amateur Astronomy Group
- Nature Walk Group
- Nursing Home Outreach Group
- Intramural Sports Group
- Community Service Group

Groups with interested members who need a volunteer leader:

- Science Lectures Group
- Disaster Response Group
- Animal Advocates Group
- Disability Outreach Group
- Book Group/s
- Teens Group
- (and more)

If you are interested in getting on board with any of these groups, please Contact Us and let us know!

-----Wrapping Up-----

Humanist Quote of the Week

"One's ideas must be as broad as Nature if they are to interpret Nature." --Sir Arthur Conan Doyle, A Study in Scarlet

Thanks and Stay Tuned!

We appreciate your interest and support. Keep spreading the word about our new community!