

Special Membership Drive Meeting (Pellissippi State) February 5, 10:30 AM

Special guest Herb Silverman, president of Secular Humanists of the Low Country, will present "The Adventures of an Atheist in Wonderland." He'll share some of his activities in South Carolina, such as the trials and tribulations of running for governor in 1990.

Party, Party, Party February 4, 7:00 PM

Marsha Doyle & Tom O'Connor invite folks for a covered dish dinner to welcome Herb Silverman to Knoxville. Bring a dish and some good cheer.

The Book Club (Barne's and Noble Booksellers). January 8 5:00 PM

This month's book is *Montessori: The Science Behind the Genius* by Angeline Stoll Lillard.. Next month's book is *The Bottomless Well: The Twilight of Fuel, the Virtue of Waste, and why we will never run out of energy* by Peter Huber and Mark Mills. Coffee is provided by Barne's and Noble. For more information about the book club contact John McCaffrey at jkmccaffreytn@yahoo.com.

Philosophy Sunday (Pellissippi State) February 19, 10:30 AM

This month's topic is **Resolved: The Iraq War was Justified at the Time, A Debate**. Thomas Knapp and Michael Lance will be debating from the pro side, with the audience able to weigh in. Lorrie Powdrill will moderate. Socializing begins at 10:00 AM. The presentation begins at 10:30.

Rotating Dinners to begin again!!!

This is your chance to get together with small groups of your fellow Rationalists for lively discussion and fellowship. Groups of 6 – 8 members meet for dinner at a member's home on a bimonthly basis. If you are interested in joining a group for dinner or even hosting a dinner in your home, contact Patty McCaffrey at manor_glass@yahoo.com or call her at 865-414-6602. It is never too late to join!

Camp Quest of the Smoky Mountains: June 4 - 11, 2006 Campers Needed!

Do you know a young person aged 8 - 17 who would enjoy a week of camping in the Smokies with like-minded friends? In addition to all the normal camp activities, there will be science, philosophy and critical thinking! . Volunteers are also needed. Let Aleta know if you are able to help in ANY way. 982-8687 or aletaledendecker@earthlink.net.

RET fund drive

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