

Our Purposes are:

To foster an environment suitable to free speech and exchange of ideas

To promote free inquiry into the nature of the universe and of human societies

To encourage critical thinking on all aspects of human life

To emphasize the importance of the scientific method

To explore ethical and intellectual alternatives to supernatural beliefs

If you want to support or explore these purposes, please join us. Complete this form and send it with a check for your annual dues to the address below.

Name: _____

Address: _____

Optional Information:

Phone: _____

E-mail: _____

Dues (please check one): Individual \$35

Life member \$500

Student or low income \$15

Please include me in RET members' directory

What is RET?

Rationalists of East Tennessee (RET) is a fellowship based on a naturalistic worldview.

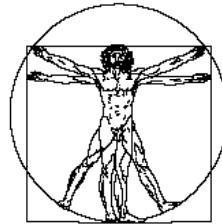
RET provides a place for Secular Humanists, Atheists, Agnostics, Freethinkers, Skeptics, Deists, and anyone else who holds or is interested in the premise that the universe is governed by natural processes, not supernatural ones.

There is no dogma.

Rather, there is free inquiry to explore and seek the most accurate explanations each member can discover.

There are diverse opinions held by members as to specific interpretations within the naturalistic worldview, including implications of our roles as individuals within community.

Our common bond is the use of empirically tested reasoning and a humanistic approach to living.



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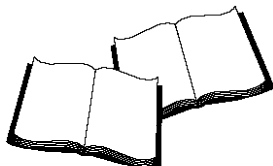


ACTIVITIES

Discussions

Members or guests briefly present a topic in the area of science, politics, ethics, religion, society, culture, etc., which is followed by interesting and lively discussion. Roundtables are held at Pellissippi State Campus, Goins Administration Cafeteria Annex, at Hardin Valley Road, usually on the first and third Sundays of each month. The first Sunday roundtables are general topics, whereas the third Sunday is 'Philosophy Sunday'. See rationalists.org for topics and times.

Book Club



These interesting and informative book discussions are held at Barnes & Noble, in Suburban Plaza, usually on the second Sunday of each month. See our website for the schedule, including upcoming titles.

Social Activities

At various times throughout the year, members meet with each other for brunch or dinner. We also take occasional walks, hikes, or canoe trips where members can enjoy each other's company in a beautiful setting.

The RET Dinner Club brings members who sign up together in groups of 4 to 6 for rotating dinners at members homes.

Free Thought Lectures

RET presents an occasional notable lecturer on topics ranging from free thought to science.

RET meetings are open to the public. We encourage everyone to join us in the spirit of free inquiry.

“What the mind doesn’t understand, it worships or fears.”

Alice Walker

“There is no superstition in wisdom, and no wisdom in superstition.”

Robert G. Ingersoll

“Whatever tends to prolong the existence of ignorance or to prevent the recognition of knowledge is dangerous to the well-being of the human race.”

Lemuel K. Washburn

“Reason and free inquiry are the only effectual agents against error.”

Thomas Jefferson

“The death of dogma is the birth of morality.”

Immanuel Kant

