

Roundtable (Candy Factory, World's Fair Park Drive)**October 6, 10:30 AM**

This month's roundtable discussion will be on "Science and the Islamic World.". As usual, socializing will begin at 10:00. If you have any goodies you would like to share, please bring them with you. Please note that there will be no roundtable in November because of the Godless Americans March on Washington. Please note also below that there will be a membership meeting this Sunday in addition to the roundtable discussion.

The Book Club (At Border's Books 202 Morrell Rd. across from West Town Mall)**October 13, 5:00 PM**

Mark your calendars for Sunday, October 13, for **The Demon Haunted World**, by Carl Sagan. Even if you have not read the book, you are welcome at the discussion. Sharron King will lead this discussion. For more information contact Massimo Pigliucci, Pigliucci@utk.edu or 673-3742.

Special Guest**Sunday, October 20 10:30 AM**

RET will have a special guest, Gerd Ludemann, controversial Professor of Divinity currently at Vanderbilt, for a presentation on Sunday, October 20. His topic will be "The Great Deception: Paul, the Founder of Christianity." For more information on Ludemann, visit www.rationalists.org. Please note that we will be meeting in the Community Room on the 6th floor of the Candy Factory for this talk. Contact Dave Buck at dbuck@visumllc.com or 692-6669 for more information. Socializing and coffee will be available at 10:00 AM with the discussion beginning at 10:30. Bring any goodies you would like to share.

Pot Luck Social for Gerd Ludemann**Saturday, October 19**

Saturday, October 19 there will be a pot luck dinner at Marsha Doyle's house to honor Gerd Ludemann and his wife. R. S. V. P. to Marsha at 769-5076 or caramia@knology.net.

Special Field Trip Godless Americans March on Washington**November 1-3, 2002**

Mark your calendars for Friday, November 1. Many RET'ers will be traveling to Washington, DC for the Godless Americans March on Washington. Hotel arrangements are at the Hilton Garden in Arlington, near a Metro line which can take us to the Mall where the march will be held. Rooms are \$89.95 (plus tax) for the first two people with extra people costing \$15 each. Depending on how many people want to attend, we may rent a van. Contact Aleta at 982-8687 or aletaledendecker@earthlink.net for more information about accommodations.

Called Membership Meeting**Sunday, October 6, 10:30 AM**

There will be a business meeting on Sunday, at the Candy Factory at 10:30 AM. The meeting will be for the purpose of discussing and voting on affiliation with the Council for Secular Humanism, the American Humanist Association and the Atheist Alliance. Information about CHS was mailed previously. Affiliation levels for AHA are attached. Information about the Atheist Alliance can be viewed at www.atheistalliance.org. Please note that there will be a proposal that a special rule be adopted requiring a two-thirds majority to pass matters of affiliation.

Rotating Dinners

The RET dinner club meets every two months at different homes. Hosts provide a meal for those assigned to their home approximately once a year. New diners are welcome, since the greater the numbers of participants, the more interesting the mix will be. Please contact Mellrose Flockhart at 681-0377 or EFlockhart@AOL.Com, if you would like to join. Call now if you are not already a registered diner and want to get in on the action for the next round.

Recognition for RET

RET is now recognized by the IRS as a tax exempt nonprofit organization. Your generous donations are welcome and can now be listed as a deduction on your tax return. Please give to RET by contacting treasurer, Ed Flockhart. See above for his number and address.

Minutes of Board Meetings

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