

Connecting with Leader Hugh!

As part of my new life as a commuting leader, I want to make sure members of the Ethical Humanist Society of Philadelphia can get in touch with me. Should you want to deepen your connection to Ethical Humanism, get more involved in EHSP, or ask for advice or support, feel free to reach out in any of the following ways. Call my cell phone at 301-580-1481. E-mail me at LeaderHugh@phillyethics.org and I will be back in touch with you soon. But best of all, come see me in person! I am holding regular office hours most Wednesdays from 10:00AM-5:00PM. Drop by the Leader's Office and unless I am out picking up lunch or a coffee I should be there. I will be in Philadelphia many days other than Wednesdays, but often I could be in meetings, out networking, or engaged in ethical action projects, so please call first. My schedule will be posted on my door. Stay connected!

Yours,
Hugh

The Day the Universe Changed: A philosophically fun video and discussion



Come view and discuss a video series by James Burke, *The Day the Universe Changed*. Burke explores with wit and wisdom links between knowledge and reality through stories about the history of Western Civilization.

Join Ethical Culture Leader Hugh Taft-Morales from 7:30-9:30PM on the third Monday evening of every month, September through May. The second installment is on Monday, October 17: "In the Light of the Above: Medieval Conflict - Faith & Reason".

Come even if you missed the first episode. Open to the public.



Worldly Wisdom is meeting at 7 PM on Tues., Oct 18th. Each member is reporting on one chapter from Alexis de Tocqueville's *Democracy in America*. Send chapter choice to terry.murley@verizon.net



Celebrate United Nations Day

October 24 is UN Day. This year it is a Monday, but not a holiday-type Monday—far from it in our United States! A large percentage of our population experiences fear and hostility toward the UN as a "threat" to our national sovereignty. Although the US was arguably the primary force for establishing the UN, and although the UN has a fantastic track record of achievements in fostering nations' living well together on this Earth, the fear of external control has been winning out in our country.

Even though many of us believe this fear is irrational and against our best interests, too few of us align ourselves in overt support of the UN. Too few are members of the organization that is the backbone of UN support in the USA: the United Nations Association of the USA, <http://una-usa.org>, and its local chapters, including Philadelphia's: <http://una-gp.org>.

On Sunday, October 23, the eve of UN Day, our Ethical Humanist Society of Philadelphia will have a platform encouraging increased support of the UN by our government (see above, p. 1.)

But to have US government support, there should be support among the governed. So we will also have on October 23 a membership drive for the United Nations Association. This drive will allow each of us to show our support for the UN. First-year membership is \$25, and renewals are \$40. So please come on October 23 prepared to join the UNA through its local Greater Philadelphia chapter, UNA-GP. (If you cannot attend that Sunday, please join through the web site, <http://una-gp.org> or get membership information from: Nick Sanders nmsanders3@verizon.net

Upcoming Community Committee Events

October 12th at 7:30--Community Committee meeting. Everyone is encouraged to attend. There are many ways you can contribute, including some which would not require regularly attending meetings—like signing up greeters for the Sunday Platform.

October 30—5th Sunday Lunch Potluck—Please bring something that goes well with different foods. Tell Ken if you are willing to step forward to help with the set-up/clean-up, as no group is specifically in charge. (This is the only 5th Sunday of the '11-'12 season.)

November 20—Humanist Thanksgiving Luncheon—One of our largest and nicest community events. We need one or two people to be impresario for the event, coordinating food & set-up. The platform starts at 11, but many people need to come early to set up the feast!



October 2011

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1
*2 11:00 a.m. <i>World Peace from the Inside Out</i> Hugh Taft-Morales Get to Know Us Social 7:00 p.m.	3	4	5 Meetings 6:30 p.m. Education Committee 7:30 p.m. Ethical Action Committee	6	7	8
*9 11:00 a.m. <i>Keeping Religion & Government Separate: It's the Right Thing to do</i> Ed Joyce	10	11 <i>Pennsylvanians for Alternatives to the Death Penalty Meeting</i> 7:00pm	12 Meetings 6:30 p.m. Finance Committee 7:30 p.m. Community Committee	13	14	15
*16 11:00 a.m. <i>Moral Heroes and Feet of Clay</i> Hugh Taft-Morales	17 The Day the Universe Changed 7:30-9:30p.m.	18 Worldly Wisdom 7:00 p.m.	19 Meeting 7:30 p.m. EHSoP Board	20  Amnesty International 7:00 p.m.	21	22
*23 11:00 a.m. <i>Building the (global) Beloved Community</i> Mary Day Kent	24	25	26 Meeting 7:00 p.m. Camp Linden Meeting	27	28	29
*30 11:00 a.m. FAMILY ALBUM— <i>A One-Act Play</i> By Diana Cavallo	31					

*Child care provided during all platforms

October Birthdays



01 - Carol Kaufmann
 05 - Dr. Jeffrey Dubb
 14 - Doris Leicher
 16 - David Collier