



Humanist Society of New Mexico



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Quote of the Month

The purpose of life is not to be happy. It is to be useful, to be honorable, to be compassionate, to have it make some difference that you have lived and lived well. (attributed to Emerson, may not be Emerson) Ralph Waldo Emerson

Meetings by HSNM Affiliates are held throughout the month. For more information please visit their websites

Atheist Skeptical Kingdom of Albuquerque
(www.meetup.com/ASK-Atheist-Skeptical-Kingdom-of-Albuquerque)

Freedom from Religion Albuquerque
(<http://www.meetup.com/FFRABQ/>)

New Mexicans for Science and Reason
(www.nmsr.org)

Roswatheists
(<http://www.meetup.com/Roswateists>)

Santa Fe Atheist Community
(<http://www.meetup.com/Santa-Fe-Atheist-Community>)

Upcoming HSNM Meetings

Meetings are free and run from 10:00 to noon
(except where noted)

Saturday, August 8th, 10:00am

HSNM Informal Meeting

For HSNM members and their guests. For invitation or questions, please contact Ananda Parnell at 505-480-6377
Albuquerque Center for Peace and Justice, 202 Harvard SE.

Saturday, August 15th

Topical Discussion – Open to the Public

something

Special Collections Library, 423 Central Ave. NE

Saturday, August 22nd, 10:00am

August Speaker Meeting

Open to the Public

The New God on the Block
Prof. Richard Berthold

Botts Hall, 423 Central Ave. NE, Albuquerque

Humanism is an ethical philosophy that derives its principles from science and reason rather than theology. It asserts the worth and dignity of every person, advocates personal liberty tempered by social and environmental responsibility, and promotes democracy, compassion, and justice. It sees human beings as natural organisms, whose values arise from culture and experience, and holds humanity responsible for its own affairs.

The Humanist Society of New Mexico

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The purpose of HSNM is to promote ethical, naturalistic, democratic Humanism among its members and within its community.

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Send Newsletter submissions to: Editor, Randall Wall, paragon2012@comcast.net or 1009 Childers NE, Albuquerque, NM 87112. The deadline for Newsletter submissions is the third Saturday of each month. Website submissions may be sent to president@humanistsocietyofnm.org. HSNM dues are now paid separately from AHA dues, visit www.americanhumanist.org for more information about the American Humanist Association.

Next Speaker Meeting “The New God on the Block”

How did a despised religion from a despised corner of the Roman Empire end up being the ideology of the late Empire and Europe in general? And what exactly was the reaction of the Imperial government and society – and why? Learn the secrets so long suppressed by the Church.

Speaker Bio: Berthold taught ancient history at UNM for 31 years until he was harassed into retirement by the drones and the stuffed, who seemed to feel that humor and popularity was a sign of unprofessionalism. But it sure beat working for a living, even though he was paid less in three decades than the current football and basketball coaches are paid in a year. He now writes a history oriented blog – www.qgduckus.com – and is working on a novel of the (non-existent) Moses. He also drinks a lot of beer.

Women's Equality Day Celebration and Poetry Reading

Celebrate the day in 1920 when women's right to vote was recognized in the 19th Amendment to the US Constitution.

August 22nd, 2015 at 1:30 to 4:00pm.
Botts Hall, Special Collections Library, 423 Central Ave. NE (at Edith)

Speakers on the Meaning of WED and Progress made toward full equality for women in the USA ~ followed by Poetry Reading featuring the Albuquerque Word Weavers and an open mic hosted by Jules Nyquist.

Bring your poems about women's rights in the US (4 min. max)

Inspire Us! Tell us about the:

Triumphs- Milestones achieved, such as winning the vote

Progress- What has improved for women since 1920

Struggles- What is yet to be achieved, including the ERA*

Justice- Why ensuring equal rights for all women in our country is the just and right thing to do