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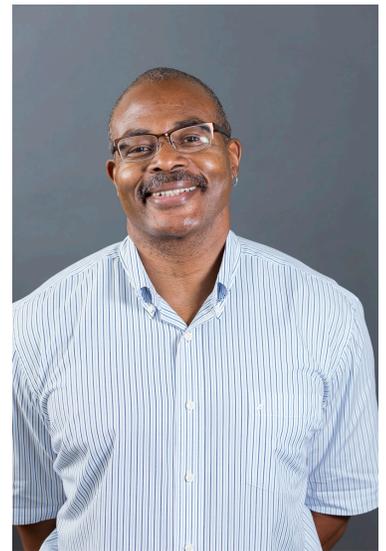
Intersectionality and Atheism: Random and Not So Random Thoughts May Public Meeting

Intersectionality is an academic concept that has increasingly entered the language of non-academic opinion-makers and activists. Intersectionality refers to the multiple identities and statuses that converge in the lives of every person. This multiplicity is often concealed when one identity is regarded as more salient than others. Here we see the inability to understand identity as a complex, non-additive, intersectional phenomenon. Intersectional analysis highlights the fact that people are differently advantaged and disadvantaged within identity and status categories such as race, gender, and class.

The term intersectionality was coined by the legal scholar Kimberlé Crenshaw to account for the complexities and hidden burdens of black women in an ideological context where black identity was gender as male, and female identity was racialized as white. Black women disappeared. Their history, lived experiences, and interests were merely a supplement to black experience, which was prototypically male and to women's experience, which was prototypically white. According to this logic, black women are inferior and deviant versions of blackness and of womanhood. The inability to think simultaneously with more than one category made black women disappear.

In this presentation, William Hart will argue that atheism has an intersectionality problem. In a manner analogous to the way dominant talk

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Sunday, May 19, 2019

1:00–1:15 p.m.: Social
1:15–1:45 p.m.: Business Meeting
1:45–2:00 p.m.: Break
2:00–3:30 p.m.: Program

4:00 p.m.: Dinner

Rondo Community Library
461 Dale St N
St Paul, MN 55104

Hoa Bien
1105 University Ave W
St. Paul, MN 55104



President's Column Building Organizational Partnerships

By *Ben Blanchard*

Salutations and Felicitations!

I am proud to announce that this year, in addition to organizing our Day of Reason demonstration at the Capitol, we also organized our first Week of Action. In the week before the Day of Reason, we partnered with local organizations to make Minnesota a better place to live, and demonstrate Positive Atheism In Action. During our Week of Action, we worked with a local university and a church to package 8,872 pounds of food for Second Harvest Hartland. The next day, we cleaned miles of Highway that was previously serviced by "Atheist for Human Rights" but are now under our care. Next, we sponsored a full day of meals for about 70 queer youth who are served by YouthLink, and then we donated enough funds for The Family Place

[Partnerships raise] our visibility, [and make] us a more vital part of the larger community.

to provide 600 meals for families living in their Emergency Shelters.

These actions were a big step forward for us as an organization, not just in building a new tradition for us that positively raises our visibility, but in making us a more vital part of the larger community. This ties into my third goal as president this year, building stronger organizational partnerships.

My strategy for building up our organizational partnerships has three efforts. The first is to more strongly focus on partnering directly with local organizations. As an organization, we already have several long-standing relationships, like our monthly volunteering with The Family Place. But in order to be more tied into our community, we have to co-organize and co-host events with other local organizations, especially organizations we are not normally associated with.

In addition to just partnering with other organizations, we need to be more intentional about donating more resources to aligned organiza-

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Cryptogram

By *George Francis Kane*

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News and Notes Down with Dogma

By George Francis Kane

As I am writing this, Easter is only a couple of weeks away. On Good Friday I go down to the Planned Parenthood office in the Midway area of St. Paul, where I join other Minnesota Atheists and members of other atheist/humanist/secular organizations to carry signs and march in a large circle to counter a protest vigil by Catholics in an adjoining lot.

It is also the time of year that the Public Policy Committee begins its annual review. Minnesota Atheists has, since the initial release of our Public Policies in 2008, officially opposed laws and regulations designed to restrict women's access to abortion. That surprises some people, even some members, since the political identity of all atheist groups in America is defined by absolute support for the separation of church and state. How, they ask, do abortion rights qualify as an appropriate concern for Minnesota Atheists?

In the Prologue, we explain that our issues include not only establishment clause violations, but also all policy disputes in which religious dogma predominates:

We recognize that a significant, organized and consistent threat to secular government in the United States is posed by politically intrusive religious groups, exemplified by the conservative Christian movement. Minnesota Atheists addresses particular effort to opposing the political agenda of these religious groups.... We hold that public policy decisions should instead address benefit to society and the rights of individual autonomy.

In our policy on reproductive rights, we note that all arguments for government forbidding the termination of pregnancy are, at their core, religious arguments.

A common religious claim is that 'life' begins at conception, based on ensoulment. More properly stated, this contention is that at the moment of conception the fetus becomes a person whose in-

terests must be considered by public policy. This is a religious value rejected by most Americans, who understand the fetus to be only a potential person.

Opponents of abortion try to disguise the religious nature of their position that government must protect the life of the unborn by providing a "scientific" marker for fetal rights. Our public policy statement shows that this confuses statements of fact with statements of value.

It is a common mistake to base upon medical attributes a determination that the fetus becomes a person at any particular stage of its development, such as heartbeat, brainwaves or viability. This misconstrues as biology a decision that is an act of social valuation. Personhood begins when society invests the individual with the rights that it recognizes as universal and protected by law.

It is a basic tenet of ethics that obligation cannot be derived from statements of fact, i.e., you cannot conclude an 'ought' statement from 'is' statements. There is, therefore, no moment at which a fetus a priori must be designated as a person.

This effectively refutes all common arguments in support of the use of government authority to restrict access to abortion. The section concludes by recognizing the value of rights in secular society.

Public policy should ensure that medical care will be based upon the needs of the patient, and not be dictated by the religious beliefs and moral prejudices of caregivers. It should only be

permissible to assert a right to refuse to fill a prescription when the patient is referred to a local pharmacy within a reasonable distance

where the prescription will be filled without delay.

Minnesota Atheists' policy needs a positive argument for abortion rights, explaining what the benefits are of recognizing women's reproductive autonomy. The best decision on an abortion will be made by the people directly affected by it — principally the mother, but to a degree

[The claim] that "life" begins at conception ... is a religious value rejected by most Americans, who understand the fetus to be only a potential person

April Meeting Review Surveying the Nonreligious

By Nancy Bradshaw

Jackie Frost PHD candidate of Sociology, University of Minnesota presented on Surveying the Nonreligious. Jackie discussed how the non-religious are being researched more, due to the rise in population. The Nones, which consist of Atheists, Agnostics, Nothing in Particular (NIP) and Spiritual But Not Religious (SBNR) are between 23 and 30% of the population. The Catholic faith and evangelical faith are each at 23% of the population. The Nones have been increasing in numbers for many years. As the Nones become a larger percent of the population, they become more influential in policy making, and politics. Having accurate information about this group is important.

Jackie explained how surveying the Nones as a group can cause results of surveys to be inaccurate. One example she discussed showed how the Nones were shown to do less volunteering than religious groups. When the Nones were separated into the four separate groups, it showed that the NIPs volunteered significantly less than the other groups. The other groups volunteer at rates similar to the religious groups. This is an important distinction in how Atheists are viewed by society.

The Nones ... are between 23 and 30% of the population.

Jackie presented a survey and the participants in the meeting were able to discuss their reactions to the survey questions and bring up any ideas to improve the questions. Some of the comments were related to changing the wording of questions, changing the options on some questions and adding a rating scale on some questions. It was a very interesting and lively discussion.

Jackie is working on creating better questions for surveying the Nones and their sense of belonging, their beliefs and their behaviors. As better surveys are developed, there will be a better sense of who the Nones are. Better surveys may also result in seeing the Nones not as one group but four separate groups who have significant differences.

Freethought Picnics Family Friendly Fun and Food

By Heather Hegi

Join us for this year's Family Friendly Freethought Picnics featuring food for everyone, conservation for adults, and lots of opportunity for playing for children and youth. Hosted by Minnesota Freethought Communities, all are welcome to attend.

About the Picnic:

- This is a Potluck Picnic, so bring some picnic food to share if you can!
- Bringing your own beverage, plate, and utensils helps out.
- The picnic takes place in a shelter so it will occur rain or shine.
- The shelter area has electrical outlets, a sink, and bathrooms.

There will be:

- Lots of Friendly People!
- Lively Discussion
- A Playground for the Kids
- Plenty of room for Frisbee, Ladder Ball, etc.

June Picnic hosted by Camp Quest
Sunday June 16, 12:00–3:00 p.m.

Make it a family affair celebrating Father's Day!
Central Park Foundation Shelter, 2495 Victoria St N, Roseville

July Picnic hosted by Humanists of Minnesota
Sunday, July 21, 12:00–3:00 p.m.
Central Park Foundation Shelter, 2495 Victoria St N, Roseville

August Picnic hosted by Minnesota Atheists
Sunday, August 25, 12:00–3:00 p.m.
Central Park Foundation Shelter, 2495 Victoria St N, Roseville



2019 Day of Reason: Testimony From Believer To Atheist: I Survived The Ex-Gay Movement, My Faith Did Not

By Jack Richter

Jack Richter, Minnesota Atheists member and survivor of conversion therapy, spoke at the Minnesota Day of Reason on May 2 2019.

I am standing before you on this national day of reason for other Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered and Queer human beings who could not stand before you because either they took their own lives due to the extreme self hatred brought on them by the ex-gay movement and ex-gay therapy or others killed them by brutal stabbings or shootings brought on by extreme homophobic hatred brought on by irrational religious intolerance and bigotry.

This is a photo of my friend Angela Amic who, like me was subjected to “ex-gay therapy and counseling.” Angela left the ex-gay movement as I did and together we both spoke out against the horrors that we were subjected to. We both spoke at the University of Minnesota to students and I will never forget the courage and bravery Angela had in wanting to help other GLBTQ people avoid the extreme pain and mental anguish this movement causes. Angela after being out of the movement for years, still battled everyday with the emotional scars it can leave its victims with. Angela shot herself and her voice has been stilled forever.

The day that my religiously indoctrinated Missouri Synod Lutheran former half sister took me aside and told me that I was going to “burn in hell forever” unless I became “straight” and “left homosexuality” was the day my own world came crashing down. I had just turned 23. At 23 years old, being raised a Catholic, I had never had the opportunity to study evolutionary biology, the history of the Bible, the history of world religious systems or anthropology and the fossil record.

My half sister, who I will never, ever see again gave me propaganda from the ex-gay ministries Outpost and Exodus which sent me on a 12-year journey of mental torture which was similar to that seen in the movies

Prayers for Bobby and Boy Erased. I had received major vocal scholarships to attend both the prestigious Eastman School Of Music and The Chautauqua Vocal Institute and I could not finish my degree because ever fiber of my being was bent on “becoming straight.” My dream was to become an opera singer or Broadway actor. Instead, I struggled just to stay alive.

The Minnesota House of Representatives have passed a bill banning ex-gay therapy for teenagers and vulnerable adults because they know a bill like this will save lives.

Angela’s life could not be saved, and my own former belief in an invisible male god did not survive either. I have spent over 14 years now of researching all of the real honest and true facts that we have actual evidence for: the fossil record, DNA and genetic makeup, the inconsistencies and actual mistakes of the Bible, Torah, Qur’an and other religious books.

I had to be intellectually and ethically honest. I had to arrive at atheism.

Organized religion can kill people. It can tear families apart.

Atheists want to build a rational and truthful world which strives for collective beauty and love for all humankind, because we know this is the only world we will have and that makes it all the more precious and worth saving from an irrational Armageddon.

Thank you for welcoming Secular Humanists like myself here on this National Day of Reason.





Atheists Talk Radio Show

Podcasts can be listened to at www.mnatheists.org (scroll down to the podcast link), <https://www.patreon.com/AtheistTalk>.

You can catch our show live, every Sunday morning at 9:00 a.m. Central on AM 950 KTNF or online at <http://www.am950radio.com/listen-live/> and <https://www.stitcher.com/podcast/a-minnesota-transatheist/atheist-talk>. Contact us during the show with questions or comments at (952) 946-6205 or contact us anytime via radio@mnatheists.org or tweet us anytime at [@atheiststalk](https://twitter.com/atheiststalk).

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Recent Programs

Ep 495 **Dustin Williams of Atheist Nomads**
March 24, 2019

We are joined by Dustin Williams, host of the Atheist Nomads podcast. Dustin shares his experiences relating to the phenomenon of the religious apocalypse as he experienced it growing up as a Seventh Day Adventist. Dustin describes himself as a Dad, tech geek, and podcast host. He graduated from Walla Walla University (formerly Walla Walla College) with a BA in Theology and minors in History and Biblical Languages. He was raised SDA, went to college to become a pastor, but lost his faith after getting a BA in Theology from Walla Walla University and completing three semesters in the M.Div. Program at the Seventh-day Adventist Theological Seminary.

LINKS:

Atheist Nomads: <https://www.atheistnomads.com/>

Atheist Nomads on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/AtheistNomads/>

Ep 496 **Spooky Archaeology, Myth and Science**

of the Past

April 7, 2019

We are joined by Dr. Jeb Card.

Dr. Jeb Card is an assistant teaching professor in the Department of Anthropology at Miami University. He is the editor of *The Archaeology of Hybrid Material Culture* and the coeditor of *Lost City, Found Pyramid: Understanding Alternative Archaeologies and Pseudoscientific Practices*. He has been a co-host for the popular podcast *Archaeological Fantasies* and a repeat guest on the podcast *Monster Talk*. Jeb is joining us here today to discuss his latest book *Spooky Archaeology, Myth and Science of the Past*.

Outside of scientific journals, archaeologists are depicted as searching for lost cities and mystical artifacts in news reports, television, video games, and movies like *Indiana Jones* or *The Mummy*. This fantastical image has little to do with day-to-day science, yet it is deeply connected to why people are fascinated by the ancient past. By exploring the development of archaeology, this book helps us understand what archaeology is and why it matters.

In Spooky Archaeology, Jeb J. Card follows a trail of clues left by adventurers and professional archaeologists that guides the reader through haunted museums, mysterious hieroglyphic inscriptions, fragments of a lost continent that never existed, and deep into an investigation of magic and murder. Card unveils how and why archaeology continues to mystify and why there is an ongoing fascination with exotic artifacts and eerie practices.

Links:

Spooky Archaeology on Amazon

Follow Dr. Jeb Card on Twitter: <https://twitter.com/ahtzib>

Ep 497 **Karen Stollznaw**

April 14, 2019

We are joined by Dr. Karen Stollznaw. Karen is the author of numerous books including her best-seller *God Bless America, Language Myths, Mysteries, and Magic, Haunting American*, and her latest book *Would You Believe It? When she's not writing, Karen also teaches at several uni-*

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versities, has worked as a consultant linguist for several major companies, and writes a blog focusing on language with a focus on myths and misconceptions. With all of that Dr. Karen Stollznow still finds time to be the cohost for the award-winning science based podcast Monster Talk, where she and her cohost Blake Smith look at the legends and facts surrounding Big Foot, sea monsters, ghosts, cryptids, and other things that go bump in the night.

LINKS:

Would You Believe It: <https://www.amazon.com/Would-You-Believe-Mysterious-People-ebook/dp/B01MQVE2Z5>

Ep 498 The Satanic Temple of Minnesota

April 21, 2019

Our guest on Easter Sunday, The Satanic Temple Minnesota, will help celebrate the rising of the undead from their graves, the ritualistic eating of human flesh and blood, and other weird things christians do. Representing the Minnesota chapter of The Satanic Temple are co-chapter heads Ash Phenix and Asmodeus Sion, along with fellow founding member Antigone Azrael.

We have a robust discussion on philosophy v. religion, the activism work TST is known for, and the activism TST Minnesota is doing right now.

LINKS:

Diaper Drive wish list Link: <http://a.co/eZ6G0x0>
TST Minnesota on Facebook: <https://www.facebook.com/thesatanictemplemn/>

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also the other parent and their support network, informed by the medical care providers. Government cannot reasonably claim that survival is always the best interest of the fetus. The woman's next child may be much better off if it is born when its parents can provide a secure, loving and nourishing home life. Government should stay out.

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about black identity and female identity make black women disappear, dominant conceptions of atheism lack intersectional awareness. The dominant form of atheism does not know its own "unconscious." It has not acknowledged and grappled with its monotheistic, Eurocentric, and male-dominant mind. Thus, we expect atheists to be embodied, look, and speak in a certain way. Atheists who do not conform to type are rendered invisible.

William Hart, PhD. Is a Professor of Religious Studies at Macalester College. He researches the intersection of religion, ethics, and politics. His current projects include a theoretical study of antiblackness and a comparative analysis of human sacrifice in religion and statecraft. Hart teaches courses on religion and colonialism, religion and constructions of race, and humanism and atheism.

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tions. A great first step we can take is to actively solicit and route donations to other organizations to increase the general welfare as well as the perception of atheists in the public.

Most difficult, we need to address our Building Fund. We currently have more than \$140,000 that was collected as directed donations for the purchase of a building. While this is a substantial fund, it is not enough to completely purchase and maintain a building that suits our needs. Because of this, I think we should consider finding a facilities partner. We can investigate the option of collaboratively sharing a building with another organization, or several organizations. If done well, this could both improve our finances over the coming years, and also provide an important service to other aligned organizations.

In next month's column, I plan to discuss some of the actions we have already taken to better organize, such as our new organizer handbook and volunteer guides. As always, I want everyone to know that feedback from you is essential to making Minnesota Atheists better. If you have any thoughts or suggestions, please feel free to send me an email at pres@mnatheists.org or talk with me at an event. I want to know how we can better serve you, and Minnesota Atheists.

Treasury Report January & February 2019

By *Chris Matthews*

Radio Fund Donations

\$20	Steve Petersen
\$20	Cynthia Flaig
\$823	via Patreon
\$863	Subtotal

General/Visibility Fund Donations

\$500	August Berkshire
\$500	Jon & Kristine Strand
\$200	Art Kallenbach
\$125	Robert Rudell
\$100	Mandy & Ross Meisner
\$60	Ben Zvan
\$50	Nancy Hertz
\$45	Jason Varin
\$35	Keith Scott
\$25	Michael White
\$20	Ed Lubinski
\$15	William Donnay
\$10	Bernard Schatz
\$52	Anonymous (2)
\$90	Your Cause
\$25	Amazon Smile
\$20	Pay Pal Giving Fund
\$1,872	Subtotal

Building Fund Donations

\$25	Robert Schmitz
\$25	Subtotal

\$2,760 Total Donations

Expenses

\$1,640	Radio Show
\$1,029	Newsletter
\$729	Speaker & Travel
\$380	Other
\$3,778	Total Expenses

Current Building Fund

\$141,242

2019 Day of Reason: Testimony Freethought Toastmasters

By *George Francis Kane*

Thank you, for giving me the opportunity to speak about Freethought Toastmasters. Our Club was chartered 20 years ago, when I was an Area Governor in Toastmasters and a member of the Board of Directors of Minnesota Atheists. I formed this Club to provide members of Minnesota Atheists the opportunity to develop their skills in public speaking in service to the political goals of the secularist community, in a non-threatening, supportive setting.

Toastmasters International does not permit Clubs to discriminate on the basis of religion, or to undertake political advocacy. I had originally intended Freethought Toastmasters to be a company Club, open only to members of Minnesota Atheists. We found it too difficult, however, to reach the charter requirement of twenty members if we limited membership this way. Many of our members have not been members of Minnesota Atheists, and indeed some have not been atheists, but all of our members have been supported by the group.

I am speaking today not as the representative of Freethought Toastmasters. As part of Toastmasters International, Freethought Toastmasters may not undertake political advocacy. Rather, I am an individual, a member of Freethought Toastmasters, recommending this Club to you to develop your public speaking skills while learning about secularism.

In this Club I have learned an enormous amount, from the speeches of my Club members, about every topic of interest to atheists. This has been entertaining, but also arms us with logical and compelling arguments against theism and opposed to all domination of law by religious dogma. If this sounds like something you might enjoy, I invite you to join this wonderful community on the first and third Monday of each month. You are welcome to come as a guest as often as you like.



2019 Day of Reason Theme: Secular Voices



Ben Blanchard — President of MN Atheists: #WeekofAction work



Mahad Muhammad — Black Non-believers: Immigration, racism, and civil rights



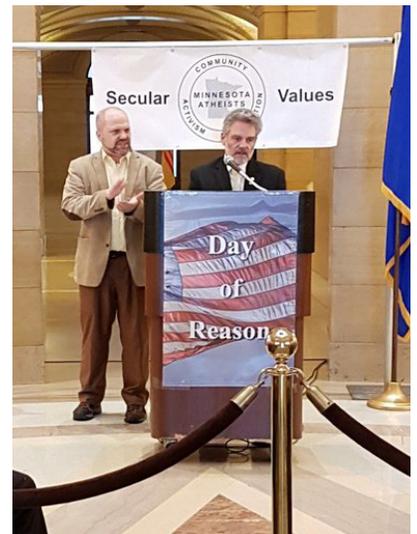
Stephanie Zvan: Secular Women Work conference



Nancy Bradshaw: Camp Quest



Suzanne Perry: Humanist event expanding Minnesota's observances



Representative Mike Friedberg and Representative Cal Bahr: Proper role of government and the need for secularism



Audrey Kingstrom: Humanist values are secular values



Senator John Marty: Climate change



August Berkshire: Madalyn Murray O'Hair's expression of secular values

The “Nones” That You Know

Larry King

By *Milo Grika*

Larry King (born Lawrence Harvey Zeiger; November 19, 1933) is a Peabody, Emmy, and 10 Cable ACE awards winning American television and radio host.

“I’m probably an atheist; I don’t buy it, I think the only reason for religion is death”

— Larry King

Cryptogram Answer

The universe may have a purpose, but nothing we know suggests that, if so, this purpose has any similarity to ours.

— Bertrand Russell

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- Want to review a movie/TV show/book etc.? *Give us your take.*
- Enjoyed a gathering or event? *Tell us about it.*
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- Have a comment about something we printed? *Don’t hold back.*

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Upcoming Events

Freethought Picnic hosted by Camp Quest Sunday June 16, 12:00–3:00 p.m.

Make it a family affair celebrating Father's Day!

Central Park Foundation Shelter, 2495 Victoria St N, Roseville

Atheists Talk Community Brunch 1st Sunday of every month at 10:30 a.m.,

Q. Cumbers, 7465 France Ave S, Edina.

Atheist/Agnostic Alcoholics Anonymous Every Sunday from 6:00–7:00 p.m. and Wednesday from 7:00–8:00 p.m.,

Health Recovery Center building, lower floor, 3249 Hennepin Ave, Minneapolis.

Based on A.A., minus beliefs in any form of a God.

Freethought Toastmasters Meeting 1st and 3rd Monday of every month from 6:30–8:00 p.m.,

Larpenteur Estates Party Room, 1280 Larpenteur Ave W, St Paul. freethought.toastmastersclubs.org

Minnesota Atheists Board Meeting 1st Wednesday of every month at 6:30 p.m.,

Amherst H Wilder Foundation, 451 Lexington Pkwy N, St Paul.

All Minnesota Atheists members are welcome.

Godless Gamers Every Thursday at 6:00 p.m.,

Fantasy Flight Games Center, 1975 County Rd B2, Roseville.

Freethought Dinner Social 2nd and 4th Monday of every month from 5:00–7:00 p.m.,

Davanni's, 8605 Lyndale Ave S, Bloomington.

Freethinking Females 2nd Monday of every month at 7:00 p.m.,

Claddagh Irish Pub, 7890 Main St N, Maple Grove

And 4th Monday of every month at 7:30 p.m.,

Sweeney's Saloon, 96 North Dale Street, St. Paul

NOTE: Two different locations.

Shattering the myth that atheist groups are male dominated with a females-only event.

Volunteer Food Packing 2nd Thursday of every month at 1:00 p.m.,

The Food Group, 8501 54th Ave N, New Hope.

Blasphemer's Brunch 2nd Saturday of every month at 10:30 a.m.,

Pizza Lucé, 800 W 66th St, Richfield.

Bowling for Deities Last Saturday of every month at noon,

Memory Lanes, 2520 26th Ave S, Minneapolis.

For more events, visit www.meetup.com/minnesota-atheists



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Minnesota Atheists

Positive Atheism in action since 1991

Minnesota Atheists is dedicated to building a positive atheist community that actively promotes secular values through educational programs, social activities, and participation in public affairs.

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Minnesota Atheists Goals

Minnesota Atheists practices positive, inclusive, active, friendly, neighborhood atheism in order to provide a community for atheists, educate the public about atheism, and promote separation of state and church.

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