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June 4, 1998

Greetings Fellow Humanists and Friends!

Happy Summer to All. We've planned a full meeting schedule for those of us who stay in town. **Beginning in July, we'll meet on 2nd Mondays at 6pm with a formal speaker, and then on 4th Saturdays for a suggested book review and discussion.** But June is an exception; since a few plans were already in the works. The schedule for June and for the rest of the year is below.

Lila Smith has found a great new meeting place that has all of the features we need: a central location; no reservation or minimum required; a self-selection of gourmet food that is very reasonably priced; and a relatively private upstairs hide-away for our meetings. This is the **Azure at 830 Third Avenue on the southwest corner at East 51st Street.** For information phone (212) 486-8080. The management won't know us; we're simply in the public space.

We welcome to the HSMNY Board of Directors Dave Buehrens, who for many months has been making special arrangements for a showing on **Saturday, June 27th** of an hour-long video "The People and the Land," produced by Tom Hayes and Riad Bahhur, which has been shown by a number of PBS stations around the country. Tom Hayes is also the producer of the widely shown "Refugee Road," about displaced Indochinese refugees. "The People and the Land" presents some of the frustrations and grievances of living under occupation in one of the most disputed territories in the world - the Holy Land. This is a dramatizing rather than an editorializing film, and it is extremely well-crafted.

Because a special room was needed for the showing of the video, the meeting will take place in the downstairs hall of **The Episcopal Church of the Good Shepherd, 240 East 31st Street at 3pm** (a little early is OK). The speaker is Rutgers Professor Dr. Jane Adas, just back from the latest of several extended stays in the country in question. A discussion will follow. More information on the subject might be found by calling John F. Mahoney, Executive Director of Americans for Middle East Understanding at (212) 870-2053.

But before this, on **Sunday, June 14th**, let's take an all day **Riverboat Trip up the Hudson** to Sleepy Hollow to visit the home of Washington Irving and to Philipsburg Manor. We will gather at **10am at Pier 78 on the Westside Highway at 38th Street for a 10:30am**

departure rain or shine. Bring a picnic lunch. We'll be ready for dinner upon our **return at 6pm. The fare is usually \$35** but can be less with either a senior (62 years) or group (at least 15 persons) discount. If you are interested in spending a pleasant day with other Humanists, **please call immediately!** The NY Waterways Cruise Line will not keep unpaid reservations. We've asked for a tentative party of 10 and we may reserve with a single credit card payment, but without confirmation from our Riverboaters we hesitate. **Please call the UN office 212-687-2477 and leave a message if you wish to go.**

Following the 2nd Monday schedule, we had planned to meet on June 8th to try out the book discussion, but since this newsletter is being sent on June 4th you are not getting proper advance notice. Instead, **we will meet at 6pm on Monday, June 15th** (a 3rd Monday this time only, and the day after our boat trip) **at the Azure at 830 Third Avenue.** We might read and discuss the great new edition of Mary and Lloyd Moraines' book: *Humanism, The Next Step*. Copies will be available for sharing. Hope to see you at some of these get-togethers.!

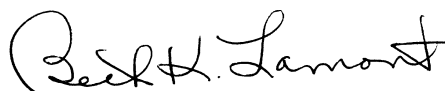
A little reminder: It's time for Chapter Membership dues. The amount of \$10. for the calendar year has been the rate for a very long time. If you are able to contribute an additional amount to help cover some of the expenses it would be greatly appreciated.

We need your help! Please tell of matters that need action or response. Please make suggestions for programs, subjects for discussion, issues to explore, etc. Your input is needed in order that the group might focus its attention on your concerns. Please be willing to share your point-of-view, the wisdom from your field of expertise, or from your life experiences.

These are the dates of scheduled meetings for the remainder of 1998.

	<u>MONDAY</u>	<u>SATURDAY</u>
<u>July</u>	13th	25th
<u>August</u>	10th	22nd
<u>September</u>	14th	26th
<u>October</u>	12th	24th
<u>November</u>	9th	28th
<u>December</u>	A Solstice Party at the Sichuan Restaurant	26th

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