

Society of Edmonton Atheists Monthly Newsletter

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UPCOMING SEA EVENTS

Monthly Roundtable AGM - Annual General Meeting

Apr 7
7-9pm

Review and Reports from 2013
Elections for new Board Members

*****PLEASE NOTE*****

The library was already booked by another group, so we will be having the meeting on **Monday** night at the Stanley Milner Public Library (Room 7 - 6th flr.)

Afterwards we head to Rose and Crown for a more informal chat. Hope to see you there!

Book Club

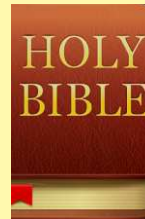
Second Cup
9236 - Oliver Square
11640 - 104 Ave.



Bart Ehrman and the Quest
For the Historical Jesus of Nazareth
by Bart Ehrman

Apr 13
7pm

Discussing the last half of the book.



The Holy Bible
by Various Authors

Apr 27
7pm

Discussing **Genesis** and **Exodus**.

On May 11 we will continue discussion from the **Holy Bible** - Leviticus, Numbers, and Deuteronomy

Sunday Brunch



Albert's Family Restaurant Bonnie Doon Mall

Apr 27
9am

Everyone is welcome to join us!

Sunday morning, and everyone you know who's up at this time is going to church. Why not come eat some bacon with a bunch of atheists at Bonnie Doon Mall?

SEA Community Event Looking for Volunteers!

Habitat for Humanity Volunteer Day

May 10
8:15am

May 10 - 8:15am-4:00pm

We are looking for volunteers to help us in this annual event.
For Details: Please see our SEA Events listings

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 Donate a toonie towards SEA event costs

TOONIE
 and a **TIN**

Bring a non-perishable donation
 Food Bank

In June we introducing a new initiative at our Roundtables and events. As a non-profit organization, with funds only coming from memberships, we are encouraging members and non-members who attend these functions to help us offer more and better SEA events. These are strictly voluntary, but we encourage everyone to contribute to the SEA and Edmonton Food Bank.

Not a member yet? Annual dues are only \$20 and entitle you to discounts on merchandise, events, and more.

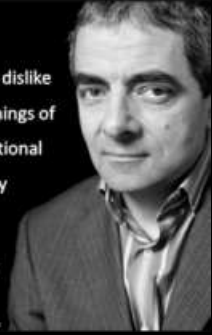
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BLOOD DRIVE

If you are a member or friend of the SEA and have given blood lately, **Count Yourself In** at our website edmontonatheists.ca

Quote of the Month

What is wrong with inciting intense dislike of a religion if the activities or teachings of that religion are so outrageous, irrational or abusive of human rights that they deserve to be intensely disliked?

Rowan Atkinson



Social Media (Facebook) and the Atheist "Community"

Many SEA members are joining other Atheist groups - locally, across Canada and around the world via Facebook. This is a fun way to meet other Atheists/ Agnostics/Freethinkers and find out more about what is happening in their regions, their initiatives, and helps create a broader Atheist "community". It is an excellent way to share ideas and postings that can be 'Share'd. It is fun to pm (chat) with members from other groups if you find you have something in common - kinda like the old-fashioned "Pen Pals" that some of us had, only now it's instantaneous.



Some groups you may be interested in:

- www.facebook.com/groups/5442393782/ UofA Atheists and Agnostics (UAAA) - this group has hosted some great debates and lectures that you may be interested in attending.
- www.facebook.com/HumanistsAtheistsAndAgnosticsOfManitoba (HAAM)
- www.facebook.com/groups/2348548208/ Atheists of Newfoundland and Labrador

Call Out for Talent

We are looking for talented members (or non-members) that would be willing to take the time to write a short essay, story, poem, photos, or original artwork for our SEA Newsletters.

These must be **original** works created by the individual, not taken from the web or other sources.

The submissions need not be religious/atheist based, we would just like to highlight some of the talented people within our community.

April SEA Roundtable / Annual General Meeting

****Please Note****

Instead of our regular Roundtable meeting in April, we will be holding our **Annual General Meeting (AGM)** for elections and updates on the SEA.

Due to difficulties booking the library room, this meeting is on a **Monday, April 7 Room 7, 6th floor** of the **Stanley A. Milner Public Library**.

Details and the agenda can be found on the website:
<http://www.edmontonatheists.ca/atheism-f-a-q/2014-agm/>



Volunteer Opportunity: We Need a New FSM!

Our poor **Flying Spaghetti Monster** is in need of replacement. Last year we tried to revive him/her as best we could, but time and the elements have been cruel. We are looking for creative/ handyperson volunteers to help us build another. We would like to make it **bigger** and **better** for its debut at the **Edmonton Pride Parade in June**. So if you would like to help in planning, construction, and/or donate supplies and tools, we will be having a **"Build Our FSM"** committee meeting soon - watch for a call-out in the near future.

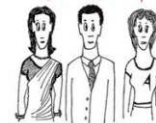


Atheist Humour Comix Section



Finally, atheists and believers reach a consensus.

God is incredible!



in-cred-i-ble
 adj.
 1. not credible; so implausible as to elicit disbelief



in.cred.i.ble
 adj.
 2. extraordinary; astonishing

The Learning Curve, by Siddharth

(c) 2009

Do you have an event that you would like to host?

We are always looking for fun things for members and their families to participate in. Gallery walks, nature walks, picnic outings, etc. that would be fun for everyone? FREE or Low Cost is always good. Contact us and we will get the word out to our members and non-member followers.

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