

The Atheist Voice

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Colin Seward Memorial Solstice Party

The annual winter solstice party was a big hit again this year. It was held indoors at the Fort Worth Botanical Gardens on Dec 19th and about 60 people attended. A “White Elephant” gift exchange was held along with an “Ugly Sweater Contest”. We did a pot luck lunch and the food was great!!!! Everyone had a good time and then we adjourned to the after party at the Radisson Hotel where we played cards against humanity, danced and drank until late. We did not charge for the party this year but took donations instead to pay for the facility and supplies. See picture below.



MA Membership

Metroplex Atheists membership enrollment is now accessible on our web site. Membership is not required to participate in any MA event but by joining, at any of the membership levels we offer, you help us to continue to provide a wide variety of events and other services to the non-believing community in the Metroplex.

You can also join by filling out a membership form, available from an officer of MA at any of our events or social gatherings, and return it to an officer or mail it in when completed.

Adopt-A-Highway

This volunteer effort provides us with the satisfaction of contributing to the community by helping to keep it clean, and with the signs displaying our name on a heavily trafficked street we get visibility as well. We have had several like minded people find out about us by seeing these adopt-a-highway signs.

Our adopt-a-highway is located on Davis Blvd just north of Loop 820 in North Richland Hills, Tx. Come out and help us if you like. We do a trash pick up every 3mos. Just watch for the Meetup announcement.

Separation of Church and State

Possibly the most important initiative of Metroplex Atheists is the fight for the complete separation of church and state as well as “religious” civil liberties for non-believers under the Civil Rights Act.

Please report any violations of separation of church and state or religious civil liberties to Metroplex Atheists at director@metroplexatheists.org.

Metroplex Atheists Business Meeting Location

**METROPLEX ATHEISTS MEETS AT 1:00 P.M. THE
MEETINGS ARE HELD ON A SUNDAY OF
EACH MONTH.**

**THIS MEETING WILL BE CONDUCTED AT:
Irving, Texas—monitor Metroplex Atheists
Meetup announcements for the exact date and location**

ALL ARE WELCOME!!



TEMPTED?

Go to www.metroplexatheists.org

Fort Worth Gay Pride Parade

Metroplex Atheists sponsored an entry in the Fort Worth Gay Pride Parade again this year as well as a table in the after party area. There were the usual number of protestors and this year they were allowed into the party area based on their Constitutional rights to be in a public area. There were some heated exchanges between the parade goers and the so-called self proclaimed Christians. These "Christians" delivered a message of pure hate just like Westboro Baptist Church. But, we all had a good time anyway.



Beyond A Nutcase by Mark Moore

We had who we think may be, by far, the craziest nut ever to show up at our Wednesday night meetup. Among this gentleman's claims: He's an angel created on the 2nd day of creation. He existed in Biblical times. He's the smartest person. Ever. He's read 100,000 books. He knows all, but used Siri to find some scripture and didn't know the current date. He can solve all apparent paradox that exist in religion. When we point out he didn't solve it, he-would-explain-it-again-pausing-between-every-word. He is a Congolese Prince. He is a student here in the US and just arrived in the states, but will be leaving again tomorrow. I was not sure if he will avail himself of jet travel, or if he will use one of his six wings. He was able to identify which of us will be going to hell and which to heaven. Randy Word has been assured he will be going to heaven. I'm going to hell. Another member is not only going to hell, but has reserved a particularly hot part of hell. Not just these claims, but the manner of speech, gesticulation, and eye movement forced me to ask, sincerely if he was prescribed some kind of medicine and had forgotten to take it for a few days. He reminded me of a person in a severe manic attack. Randy finally had to ask him to leave since he was essentially monopolizing all conversation, walking from place to place around the table.

Metroplex Atheists Volunteers Needed

We are an all volunteer organization so the number and robustness of activities and events MA can do for the local non-theist community is totally dependent on the level of volunteerism we have at any given time. If interested please contact Randy Word at 972 342 7958.

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The Atheist Voice Editor: editor@metroplexatheists.org

WHY DO WE FIGHT?

‘Because we must. Because we have the call. Because it is nobler to fight for rationality without winning than to give up in the face of continued defeats. Because whatever true progress humanity makes is through the rationality of the occasional individual and because any one individual we may win for the cause may do more for humanity than a hundred thousand who hug superstition to their breasts.’

– Isaac Asimov, when asked why he fights religion with no hope for victory



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NO STRINGS ATTACHED.

Metroplex Atheists is a 501(c)(3) non-profit organized for the purpose of education, maintaining Constitutional separation of government and religion, protection of atheists' rights and to provide social meetings for those of similar worldviews. We are affiliated with American Atheists, Atheists Alliance of America and the Dallas Fort Worth Coalition of Reason.

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