

# THE MINNESOTA ATHEIST

## January Public Meeting: Life in a Pre-Feminist World

With Donald Trump stepping in as our new President, many are concerned for women’s road to further progress. It seems fitting to have as our guest speaker for January’s public meeting someone who has lived through past struggles. Dr. Shirley White Pearl will describe her personal journey from merely “fitting in” with the expectations of family, friends and community to living a multicultural progressive lifestyle as a feminist in a pre-feminist world.

Born in Marshalltown Iowa, Dr. Pearl attended Coe College and the University of Iowa, where she received undergraduate degrees in psychology and journalism. She subsequently received a Ph.D. in educational psychology from the University of Iowa, where she developed educational curricula for elementary students, giving them tools for dealing with life’s problems. Her work served to help students avoid for developing maladjusted behaviors.

Dr. Pearl served as educational director of the children’s unit at Independence Mental Health Hospital in Independence, Iowa. She later worked with the St. Paul Public School District to develop and administer programs for children with behavioral problems.

Dr. Pearl is the author of two books “The

Occasional Man, Travel, Life, and an Uncommon Love,” and “The Marginal Woman, Loving, Living, & Breaking Boundaries in a Pre-Feminist World.” With coauthor Don Challman, Dr. Pearl published a reference instructional text, “Managing Disruptive Behavior in the Elementary School.” She resides in St. Paul.



**Shirley White Pearl**

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**January 15, 2017**

**Rondo Library**  
**461 Dale St N**  
**Saint Paul, MN 55104**

**1:00-1:15 p.m. - Social Time**  
**1:15-1:45 p.m. - Business Meeting**  
**1:45-2:00 p.m. - Break**  
**2:00-3:30 p.m. - Presentation**  
**4:00pm-Dinner location to be determined**

# President's Column

By Alyssa Ehni

For a number of reasons I am glad 2016 has ended. Normally I enjoy the new year, it is a time of reflection, where I fondly look back at what I accomplished and learn from the mistakes I made along the way. The new year has a feeling of endless possibility for what may come. However, the shift from 2016 to 2017 feels strangely different.

Religious extremism impacted people across the globe, from Berlin to Istanbul and Garissa to Nice. We lost many people who made significant cultural contributions, from musicians like Prince, David Bowie, and Leonard Cohen to athletes like Muhammad Ali and Pat Summitt, to actors like Ron Glass, Alan Rickman, and Florence Henderson. For better or worse, one of the strangest election cycles is also over. I no longer have to listen to speculation over who will win elected office or why or what might happen if a certain candidate wins. It makes me feel small. But the earth keeps circling the sun; the winter solstice has passed and the days are getting longer again.

With all of the big awful things that happened in 2016, it is important to remember that the small contributions that we make can have a large impact within our local community. In reflecting upon Minnesota Atheists' past year, we have had successes that we should celebrate. As an organization we have continued to demonstrate our commitment to positive atheism in action by contributing to the greater Twin Cities community. We volunteered monthly at both the Family Place and The Food Group and conducted various drives which provided school supplies and Christmas

presents to other secular non-profits. For the fifth year in a row we hosted the only atheist night with a professional sports team in the country. Additionally, you may have noticed that our Facebook page and Twitter account have become more active and we now have an Instagram page (check it out!). I appreciate the work that all of our volunteers do to try to make Minnesota a better place to live, and to demonstrate that people can be good without gods. I would like to specifically thank Jason Alvey for tackling our social media and helping to bring our organization into the modern digital age.

As I'm writing this, I wonder what challenges 2017 will bring and how we can prepare ourselves and our organization to handle the unknown. Are we practicing what we "preach" and effectively utilizing skepticism in our everyday lives? Will we continue to see a rise in so-called "religious freedom" bills which do nothing more than allow people to cite a "sincerely held religious belief" as grounds for discrimination and further marginalization? Is our organization ready to stand with other religious minorities against religious discrimination?

Minnesota Atheists has consistently demonstrated that we are a community full of people who genuinely care for others. I am confident that we will be able to handle whatever may arise during what could be a trying next few years for religious minorities.

## Cryptogram By George Francis Kane

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## News and Notes

By George Francis Kane

The so-called “War on Christmas” began a few years ago when Bill O’Reilly of Fox News complained that some retail stores were instructing their employees to greet customers with “happy holidays” rather than “merry Christmas.” The perception of victimhood and persecution by Christians, some of whom insist that America should be declared a “Christian nation,” has been for atheists a topic of amusement ever since, even though a couple of years ago O’Reilly declared victory in the war.

Rather than cultural insurrection, it seems to me that one’s choice of seasonal greeting is a simple question of courtesy. If I am addressing someone I know to be a Christian, or someone I see is engaged in Christmastime activities, I have no problem saying “merry Christmas” to them. If I am addressing a Jew, I might wish them a happy Hanukah. If I am speaking to a fellow atheist, I am likely to wish her a happy solstice, since atheists have widely embraced the ancient celebration. I would know that neither celebrates Christmas at all, so wishing them a merry Christmas would be pointless. If I do not know a person’s religious views, “happy holidays” seems to be an appropriate greeting. But Christians now sometimes declare “merry Christmas” for cultural bullying. They’re implying, rather, “I don’t really care what seasonal holiday you celebrate. I’m saying ‘Merry Christmas’ to let you know that you’re supposed to respond in kind.”

Of course there are incidents of this annual ‘war’ that are novel to 2016’s divisive political campaign. Corey Lewandowski, Trump’s former campaign manager, proclaimed that Trump had made it safe to say “Merry Christmas” again. In response, both Slate and MSNBC strung together dozens of clips of Obama during his presidency wishing “Merry Christmas” at public events.

To tweak the Christmas warriors, the Freedom from Religion Foundation and American Atheists have each started lampooning them annually in billboard campaigns. American Atheists even played on Donald Trump’s campaign slogan with a board that proclaimed “Make Christmas Great Again. Skip Church!” FfRF additionally has posted banners and

signs in public parks and government buildings in response to crèches and other religious displays. One implores “Keep Saturn in the Saturnalia.” A display in Des Moines included a whimsical Bill of Rights “nativity,” showing Founding Fathers Benjamin Franklin, Thomas Jefferson and George Washington, along with the Statue of Liberty, gazing in adoration at a “baby” Bill of Rights. In some places the FfRF displays have been stolen or vandalized.

Meanwhile, here in Minnesota, the Todd Becker Foundation, a fundamentalist Christian group, drew outrage from secularists for religiously hijacking an assembly on November 30 at Caledonia High School. By deceptively promising presentations on secular issues of importance to teens, such as alcoholism and recreational drug use, they have tricked public schools into providing them a platform for hectoring students with their religious fear and bigotry. Their preferred tactic is to schedule a presentation at an assembly during the school day, at which attendance is mandatory, followed up by a voluntary event there after the school day. At the daytime assembly students are encouraged to attend the evening event, where they are subjected to fire-and-brimstone sermons. One Becker speaker declared to students at an evening assembly that “If you consume alcohol or drugs or have sex and are underage you are going to hell. If you are a homosexual, you need to come down from the crowd, get down on your knees and give your life over to Jesus, or you will go to hell.” Even the presentations at daytime assemblies are reportedly laced with proselytizing and homophobic rants, however, drawing complaints from students.

The school superintendent admitted that a better job of vetting the speakers should have been done. If readers should hear of any planned presentations by the Todd Becker Foundation, please contact one of the local organizations that supports the separation of church and state. Minnesota Atheists can be reached by an email to [info@mnaatheists.org](mailto:info@mnaatheists.org).

# Accepting Nominees to the 2017 Board of Directors

By Heather Hegi

Minnesota Atheists holds elections for the Board of Directors every year. The board of directors consists of: president, associate president, chair, associate chair, secretary, treasurer, and three directors-at large. All positions are up for election with a couple board members glad to refrain from running if someone else runs for their position. If you are interested or would like to know more about a board position, please contact Heather Hegi at [chair@mnatheists.org](mailto:chair@mnatheists.org) or any other board member.

Nominations will open and close on January 15<sup>th</sup> during the January Business Meeting before the featured speaker. This will be held at the Rondo Community Outreach Library, 461 N Dale St, St Paul.

To be nominated one needs to be nominated by another dues paying member while nominations are open. The nominee does not need to be present to be nominated. To be eligible for office, the nominee must have been a dues paying member for at least one year prior to the date of assuming office, Director-at-Large nominees must have been a member for 6 months prior instead of one year. If you're interested in being on the board but do not meet these qualifications, consider getting your dues in now so you may qualify next year!

The Elections will take place on February 19<sup>th</sup> during the February Business Meeting before the featured speaker. The new board will take effect on March 1, 2017.



## Minnesota Atheists 2016 Board of Directors



Left to right, August Berkshire, Georgia Hancock-Tsoi, Alyssa Ehni, Art Kallenbach, Hertzky and Heather Hegi.

# Cable Report By Steve Petersen



**David Panchero and George Kane**



**George Kane and Stephanie Zvan**

In the past two months we were able to tape two programs. George Kane just two days after the national election interviewed David Pacheco from the Minnesota Chapter of Americans United for Separation of Church and State about how the election results were affected by issues of concern to secularists. For the December program, Stephanie Zvan interviewed George Kane on *Ethics 101*. This was an introduction to the basics of the ethical standards we as individuals and society establish.

We are actively looking for people to host and produce programming. If you have ideas on programming or interest in hosting please get involved. Contact Steve Petersen at [address@mnatheists.org](mailto:address@mnatheists.org).

**Cable Crew:** George Kane, Brett Stembridge, Shirley Moll, Steve Petersen, Les Stordalen, Grant Hermanson and Art Anderson .

**Podcasts:** MinnesotaAtheists.org. Available via iTunes and YouTube which are made possible by Grant Hermanson. To date, our channel has had over 261,000 downloads.



## Cable Schedule

**Bloomington:** Ch. 16. Sunday 11:00 p.m. Sponsors: David Beardsley.

**Minneapolis:** Ch. 75. Monday 7:00 p.m. Sponsor: Steve Petersen.

**Northwest Community Television (NWCT) Brooklyn Center, Brooklyn Park, Crystal, Golden Valley, Maple Grove, New Hope, Osseo, Plymouth and Robbinsdale;** Ch. 20 check web page for date and times: <http://nwct.org/programming.aspx>  
Sponsor: Grant Hermanson.

**Rochester:** Ch. 10. Tuesday, Wednesday & Thursday 7:30 p.m. Sponsor: Jim Salutz.

**Roseville, Shoreview, Arden Hills, North Oaks, Little Canada, Falcon Heights, Lauderdale, Moundsview/New Brighton:** Ch. 14. Wednesday 10:30 p.m. Sponsor: Shirley Moll.

**St. Cloud:** Ch. 12 Thursday 8:30 to 9:00 p.m. Sponsor: Tom Stavros.

**St. Paul:** Ch. 15 Wednesdays 5:00 p.m. Sponsor: Jim Wright.

**Stillwater:** Ch. 16. Tuesday 7:00 p.m.; Wednesday 9:00 a.m. Sponsor: Lee Salisbury.

# Year in review The Food Group

By Steve Petersen

In the fall of 2013 Eric Jayne started our program of volunteering at The Food Group. That year our volunteers worked a shift in the late afternoon for about three months. We packed enough food to help feed 5,146 people in need. Starting in January of 2014, Shirley Moll and I started a mid-afternoon shift from 1:00 to 3:00 p.m. every second Thursday and that has continued to this day.

In 2014 our volunteers handled enough food to help feed another 14,634 people in need, and in 2015 our volunteers packed food for 15,850 people. In 2016 our volunteer numbers increased and so did our productivity, to feed an amazing level of 30,192 people in need. These packages are distributed all over the state of Minnesota. In less than four years we have helped provide food for 65,822 individuals.

The Food Group is a food bank and collector of donated food products from groups with food drives and from corporations, as well as a purchaser of bulk

foods. Their goal is to provide healthy meals that can work for vegans, vegetarians, and a variety of cultural diets. In addition they provide, at cost, a variety of frozen meats and poultry products. Our time is mostly spent repackaging from large containers of products down to the individual size for daily needs. This is a time consuming task, and our volunteers' efforts are greatly appreciated.

If you are interested in helping, either go to the Minnesota Atheists Meet-Up and sign up, or contact Steve Petersen at [address@mnatheists.org](mailto:address@mnatheists.org); or just show up at The Food Group on the second Thursday of the month at 1:00 p.m. The address is 8501 54th Ave North, New Hope, MN 55428. Closed-toed shoes are required (no sandals or flip-flops.) Thanks to all of you who have volunteered with Minnesota Atheists at The Food Group.



# Winter Solstice Banquet 2016



# March - November Treasury Report

by Chris Matthews

## Baseball Game Fund

Spencer Hanley \$350

**Total Baseball Game Fund \$350**

## Building Fund

Erik Englebretson \$50

Leonard Sojka \$35

Stephanie Arbesfeld \$25

Geraldine Jensen \$10

Eugene Martinez \$10

**Total Building Fund \$130**

## Radio Fund

anonymous \$500

George Kane \$400

Mark Nelson \$250

Jay Mellentin \$200

Joshua Robertson \$150

Mark Paquette \$135

Nancy Ruhland \$130

Jim Wright \$100

August Berkshire \$90

Rachel Wilson \$90

Thomas Bauch \$90

Arthur Searcy \$55

James Hoogenakker \$55

Cynthia Flaig \$50

Erik Englebretson \$50

Jo Marsicano \$50

Georgia Tsoi \$40

Leonard Sojka \$35

Herbert Davis \$25

James Barri \$25

Stephanie Arbesfeld \$25

Anne Hanna \$20

Janice Scofield \$20

Richard Ellingsen \$20

Timothy Schubilske \$20

Eugene Martinez \$10

Geraldine Jensen \$10

Shelley Nelson \$10

cash, 5th Sunday Fundraisers \$502

**Total Radio Fund \$3,157**

## General/Visibility Fund

anonymous \$1,000

Jim Mueller \$766

Enlightened Expressions \$500

Ben Zvan \$221

Michelle Tjernelgel \$200

Bill Lehto \$119

William Udseth \$110

George Kane \$100

Thomas Dooley \$65

Justine Hartz \$54

Allen Cavell \$50

Lawrence Lyke \$50

Constance Baumann \$45

Leonard Sojka \$40

Linda Frieden \$25

Stephanie Arbesfeld \$25

Cynthia Grosse \$20

Eugene Martinez \$10

Geraldine Jensen \$10

Jack Caravela \$10

Nancy Ruhland \$10

misc \$237

**Total General/Visibility Fund \$3,667**

**Total Income: \$7,304**

**Current Building Fund Total \$136,464**

## Top Expenses

Radio Show \$7,500

Aints Shirts \$3,736

Newsletter Printing \$3,296

Baseball Game \$2,500

Billboard \$2,400

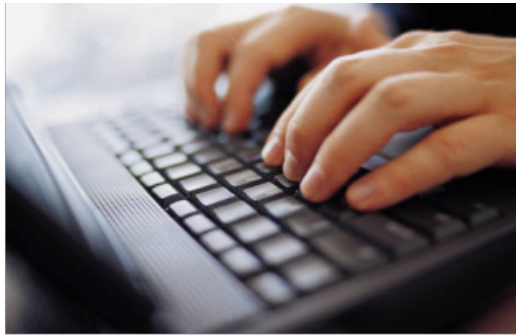




## Cryptogram Answer

Our Bible reveals to us the character of our god with minute and remorseless exactness. It is perhaps the most damnatory biography that exists in print anywhere. It makes Nero an angel of light by contrast.

Mark Twain, Reflections on Religion



If you would like to respond to something you saw in *The Minnesota Atheist*, please send it to:

[editor@mnatheists.org](mailto:editor@mnatheists.org)

We value your thoughts. Thank you.

## Secretary's Report - October

By Tim Berry

### November

- It was moved, seconded and passed that we offer \$25.00 Solstice tickets for each of the people hosting Greta.
- It was moved, seconded and passed that we reimburse August \$461.96 for Greta's airplane ticket.

### December

- It was moved, seconded and passed that we should sign the contract with the Saints for the 2017 game.
- The 2017 proposed budget was approved

Complete meeting minutes are available to dues paying members by contacting Tim at [sec@mnatheists.org](mailto:sec@mnatheists.org).

## Call for February Articles

We welcome contributions from all readers of The Minnesota Atheist. While we cannot guarantee that your submission will be accepted for publication, we will carefully consider anything that is related to atheism. We would especially like to receive contributions which provide profiles of individual atheists and which report atheist-related events in the wider community.

Because we are a 501(c)3 tax-exempt organization, we cannot print articles that support or oppose a specific candidate, but we can print articles that support or oppose specific causes. Article length should ideally be 500-1000 words and no more than 2000 words.

Please send submissions to the editor, Jenny Nolan at [editor@mnatheists.org](mailto:editor@mnatheists.org) by 11:59 p.m. on January 22. All submissions may be edited for style and length.

We look forward to receiving your submissions. Without readers like you The Minnesota Atheist would be needlessly constrained in its breadth and depth.

## Member Well-being Committee Announcement

The Well-being Committee was formed to address the ongoing needs of members who are experiencing short-term life challenges. This committee is requesting volunteers who are looking for opportunities to provide some support to members of Minnesota Atheists in need. If you are interested in volunteering, please call 612-868-2267 or email [well-being@mna.org](mailto:well-being@mna.org). More information to follow.

# Featured Blogpost: You Are Not Entitled to Your Opinion

by P.Z. Myers, in [freethoughtblogs.com/pharyngula](http://freethoughtblogs.com/pharyngula), reprinted with permission

I once had an indignant student tell me that what I was teaching in class about evolution was “just my opinion” and that they had a different opinion, and therefore they were justified in rejecting a major chunk of the class subject matter. I think I just gave them the standard line — you are allowed to believe what you want, but in this class, you have to demonstrate an understanding of the science, even if you disagree with it — but over the years, I’ve evolved towards a somewhat harder stance. You don’t get to declare whatever you dislike to be an opinion. You don’t get to regard your opinions as somehow sacrosanct. I am going to give you the information that shows your opinion is wrong, and the purpose of my teaching is to get you to change your opinions to something more productive and correct, and more in line with reality. Those kinds of opinions should not survive an encounter with the facts.

So I’m already in agreement with this philosophical position that “No, you’re not entitled to your opinion.” There are different kinds of opinions, and this is a very useful explanation.

Plato distinguished between opinion or common belief (*doxa*) and certain knowledge, and that’s still a workable distinction today: unlike “ $1+1=2$ ” or “there are no square circles,” an opinion has a degree of subjectivity and uncertainty to it. But “opinion” ranges from tastes or preferences, through views about questions that concern most people such as prudence or politics, to views grounded in technical expertise, such as legal or scientific opinions.

You can’t really argue about the first kind of opinion. I’d be silly to insist that you’re wrong to think strawberry ice cream is better than chocolate. The problem is that sometimes we implicitly seem to take opinions of the second and even the third sort to be unarguable in the way questions of taste are. Perhaps that’s one reason (no doubt there are others) why enthusiastic amateurs think they’re entitled to disagree with climate scientists and immunologists and have their views “respected.”

I have to agree. The statements “I like chocolate ice cream” and “I think the earth is 6000 years old” are both opinions all right, in a shallow and colloquial sense, but they are qualitatively different. That I respect your right to have your own taste in ice cream should not imply that I also grant you the privilege to ignore our shared reality. The author, Patrick Stokes, explains all this with examples from

anti-vaxxers and climate change deniers, but it’s true for lots of phenomena.

It’s the core of the Answers in Genesis claim that they are using the same facts, but different views (they prefer to use the word “worldviews” over “opinions,” but it’s the same thing). They think they’re entitled to their own opinions and interpretations of reality, and that they can look at a Cretaceous fossil and declare that, in their opinion, that dinosaur died in the Great Flood in 2304BC ... they certainly have the right to say that, but they go further and demand that you respect that opinion as equally valid to that of a scientist.

We also see it in politics. Look at this claim by Scottie Nell Hughes:

“On one hand, I hear half the media saying that these are lies. But on the other half, there are many people that go ‘No it’s true,’” Hughes said. “And so one thing that has been interesting this entire campaign season to watch, is that people who say ‘facts are facts,’ — they’re not really facts.”

“Everybody has a way—It’s kind of like looking at ratings, or looking at a glass of half-full water. Everybody has a way of interpreting them to be the truth or not true. There’s no such thing, unfortunately, anymore, as facts,” she added.

I’m pretty sure Hughes would argue that the facts show that she is a mammalian humanoid, with records to show that she was born to fully human parents, but it is my opinion that she, and all the other Trump surrogates, are actually alien reptoids who hatched from eggs incubated in a dungheap. And apparently, she’d agree that her facts are useless and my interpretation is perfectly valid.

Unless, of course, we can agree that some opinions are falsifiable.

# Upcoming Events

**Atheists Talk Community Brunch** 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday of every month at 10:30 AM, Q. Cumbers, 7465 France Ave S, Edina

**Godless Gamers** Every Sunday at 2:00 PM and Thursday at 6:00 PM, Fantasy Flight Games Center, 1975 County Rd B2, Roseville

**Atheist/Agnostic Alcoholics Anonymous** Every Sunday from 6:00-7:00 PM and Wednesday from 7:00-8:00 PM, 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** 1<sup>st</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> Monday of every month from 6:30-8:00 PM, Larpenteur Estates Party Room, 1280 Larpenteur Ave W, St Paul. [freethought.toastmastersclubs.org](http://freethought.toastmastersclubs.org)

**Freethought Dinner Social** 2<sup>nd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month from 5:00-7:00 PM, Davanni's, 8605 Lyndale Ave S, Bloomington

**Freethinking Females** 2<sup>nd</sup> Monday of every month at 7:00 PM, Claddagh Irish Pub, 7890 Main St N, Maple Grove, and 4<sup>th</sup> Monday of every month at 7:30 PM, Sweeney's Saloon, 96 North Dale Street, St. Paul (Note, two different locations). Shattering the myth that Atheist groups are male dominated with a female's only event.

**Volunteer Food Packing** 2<sup>nd</sup> Thursday of every month at 1:00 PM, The Food Group, 8501 54th Ave N, New Hope

**Blasphemer's Brunch** 2<sup>nd</sup> Saturday of every month at 10:30 AM, Pizza Lucé, 800 W 66th St, Richfield

**Minnesota Atheists Board Meeting** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of every month at 6:30 PM, Amherst H Wilder Foundation, 451 Lexington Pkwy N, St Paul. All Minnesota Atheists members are welcome.

**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](http://www.meetup.com/minnesota-atheists)



## Minnesota Atheists Membership and Donations

- One-year student membership \$10
- One-year individual membership \$35
- Three-year individual membership \$90
- One-year household membership \$45
- Three-year household membership \$115
- One-year sustaining membership \$75
- Three-year sustaining membership \$200
- Life membership \$600

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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.

### Minnesota Atheists Affiliations

Minnesota Atheists is affiliated with the Atheist Alliance of America, Atheist Alliance International, American Atheists, The American Humanist Association, the Council for Secular Humanism, The International Humanist and Ethical Union, and the Secular Coalition for America.

### Minnesota Atheists Membership

Regular members: 218  
Life members: 43  
Meetup members: 2,400

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