The national AEU Platform on March 28 was a real success. It was nice to tie into other Societies around the country, hear their news and meet their people. Of course, the talk by Representative Jamie Raskin was exciting. It was a nice coup to get him, a long-time friend of the Baltimore Society. He offered an inside look at his work at the center of the action, fighting the good fight for preserving democracy in Congress.

Raskin certainly sees it that way - as a battle for democracy against the sinister forces of minority rule. He explained that he calls the Democratic Party “Democracy” itself, rather than simply correct the Republicans who denigrate Democrats by labeling their party the “Democrat” party. They, obviously, try to avoid associating the “Democratic” party with the “democratic” ideal by using a diminutive. I wish everybody knew that the adjectives “Democratic” and “Republican” simply mean the exact same thing - one is Greek, the other Latin.

It is disheartening, however, to hear how the name calling has become central to the debates that our Congressional representatives engage themselves in. Raskin even described the attitude of his Republican counterparts in terms of cultism, meaning he was ascribing no rationality to their thinking.
But at the heart of the legislative debates there is still policy, not personality. For example, whether immigration laws should contain more or fewer opportunities for those migrating towards El Norte is, at its root, a competition among many policy choices concerning application of resources, assessing our moral obligations, and many value judgments. That people differ on the details should be expected, not simply criticized and denounced.

Over the years, I have studied and practiced mediation skills as well as the skills of non-violent communication, also known as compassionate communication. The primary goal in all modern conflict resolution methods is to stop the name-calling and to avoid being judgmental. The point of deep listening is not only to hear, it is to acknowledge that the other is being heard. The point of compromise is not to cave in - it is to bring the other party into the creative process. I don’t know of any war in which one side said they shot first. Every act of aggression is justified as a reaction against the other side’s crime or provocation. At a certain point, however, you have to stop blaming or you never get anywhere. It is by focusing discussion on the values underlying the issues rather than the sides or tribes that people cling to, that one can hope to get past the barriers.

The political parties in America take turns holding power and, lately, have sought to erase all the work of their predecessors once they get in. Today, each vote is strictly along party-lines. No longer are the representatives independent thinkers who vote their views and their conscience. The changes that the narrow Democratic majority is pushing through today will likely not survive the next political cycle, but can be swept aside as a matter of spite when they are next out of power.

I feel deep disappointment when I listen to grown people in responsible positions demonize and call each other names. Even when it’s true, it is not constructive. While I am pleased and proud that there is a Congressional Freethought caucus which Jamie Raskin helped organize, I would rather pin hopes on a bipartisan Congressional problem solvers caucus. I will hope that a group like that will inspire creative and enduring work to pull the country together.

Dr. Richard L. Koral, Leader EHSLI
Sunday Presentations

https://zoom.us/j/980426852

Apr. 04: Cheryl Wills, Emancipation! The Sandy and Emma Wills Story.

Cheryl Wills is an Emmy award-winning television personality for Spectrum News’ flagship national news network, New York 1 News.

Cheryl is the only journalist in the network’s 25+ year history to conduct a sit-down interview with The Secretary General of The United Nations: His Excellency Ban Ki-moon. She has also interviewed a sitting President: Nobel Laureate Ellen Johnson Sirleaf of Liberia. Cheryl’s groundbreaking interviews earned her a prestigious Medal of Excellence from The United Nations Correspondents Association (UNCA).

Cheryl is the acclaimed author of four books about her family’s legacy during The Civil War. On March 25, 2011, Cheryl Wills made history as the first journalist invited to speak at the United Nations General Assembly Hall for The International Remembrance of Victims of Slavery and the Transatlantic Slave Trade where she read passages from her book, Die Free which was broadcast live around the world on UNTV.

Cheryl is most proud to be the Commander and Lifetime Descendant Member of the New York Chapter of the Sons and Daughters of the United States Colored Troops – a national organization of Civil War descendants who raise awareness about black soldiers who served during The Civil War.

Apr. 11: Annual Spring Festival led by Musical Director, Kelly Schmidt.

Spring has sprung! We look forward to seeing your beautiful faces and hearing your beautiful voices through Zoom. Using music, art and poetry, we will share a veritable feast for the senses as we celebrate and contemplate the beauty of spring, and the hope it brings to us. If you are able and willing, we invite you to wear a festive spring “bonnet”, hat or clothing, and to decorate your Zoom “window” with some flowers, or anything that inspires the notion of spring to our celebration. Thank you!
**Apr. 18: Anne Klaeysen, An Old White Woman Talks About Racism.**

I grew up in a village on the Erie Canal east of Rochester. Everyone was white. The first Black person I met was Terry, who joined my third grade class when his family worked on a local farm during harvest season. We became friends but he didn’t stay long. Migrant workers must follow the crops. A decade later, I met a second Black person. Priscilla was my freshman roommate at SUNY Albany. We became friends, too, but grew apart after that first year. Now that I am much older, and challenged by the work of anti-racism, I wonder about them. How did they navigate the mostly white spaces where I met them? Did I fail them? How do I confront white supremacy, in all its blatant and subtle forms, today?

Anne Klaeysen is Leader Emerita of the New York Society for Ethical Culture, Ethical Humanist Religious Life Adviser at Columbia University, and Humanist Spiritual Life Adviser at New York University (NYU). She holds a Doctor of Ministry degree in pastoral counseling from Hebrew Union College and masters degrees in business administration from NYU and German from SUNY at Albany. Anne is board chair of The Encampment for Citizenship founded by Ethical Culture Leader Algernon Black in 1946. She is also a member of the Brooklyn Society for Ethical Culture where she married her husband, Glenn Newman, in 1982 and where they raised their children Andrew and Emily.

**Apr. 25: Je Hooper, Ethical Culture Leader.**

I think it’s absolutely a wonderful opportunity to be one of the few African-American Ethical Culture leaders, especially during this time with COVID-19 and what I consider to be the reiteration of the Ethical Culture movement as an anti-racist movement. We’re seeing people of all different nationalities, ethnicities, and religious backgrounds taking the forefront in communicating the importance of Black Lives Matter in the United States—and taking the globe by storm—and ensuring that the US is operating in its truest form with conviction and accountability.
President’s Column
by Jim LoPresti

APRIL.
Spring is here. The days are getting longer. The weather is getting nicer. Some of us will be gardening soon. Many of us have been vaccinated and are looking forward to live meetings again. We missed only 2 Sunday meetings this year and EHS has been percolating. We have activities like game night, discussion groups, and the colloquy. We’ve been involved in more social action initiatives than we’ve had in many years. We have a social action coordinator who has been involved with many of these. We’ve partnered with the Westbury School district in designing a unique volunteer/tutoring/mentoring program. We are also working with Community Solidarity, an organization that helps thousands of people in need every week throughout Long Island and New Hour, an organization that helps incarcerated women and woman who have been released from prison. All of these have received financial assistance from the Weill fund. We have partnered with Multicultural Solidarity, an organization which encourages diversity groups. We have a social action oriented YES group. They have participated with EHS in Community Solidarity and New Hour. They have organized Mask education and animal rights activism. They have participated in Police reform forums. As individuals they created Femme Forces, an organization raising awareness about the need for feminine hygiene products in the middle east and Kenya. They raised money for Ethical Friends of Children.

Our committees have been busy. We have a membership committee, a fundraising committee with highly successful fund raising events. We have a committee looking into opening our building and a Social Action committee.

We have a poetry night, a men’s group, a women’s group...I’m sure I’m leaving something out...Mom’s Demand Action which addresses common sense safety for gun owners.

EFC is alive and well, safely helping 10 families a week. We are open every Wednesday. We hope you can volunteer. If you can’t be there Wednesdays, let us know. You can still help.

Above all, everyone please stay safe, stay healthy, stay sane. The best is yet to come.

Jim LoPresti

Quote of the month: “Educating the mind without educating the heart is no education at all.”

Aristotle
WEEKLY MEETINGS

SUNDAY PRESENTATIONS

Join us every Sunday for our Sunday Presentations held via Zoom. Doors open at 10:30, meeting starts at 11:00.

https://zoom.us/j/980426852
Or phone in at: (929) 436-2866

The Zoom link will be the same every week. Click on the link or copy and paste to your browser.

TUESDAY MEDITATION GROUP AT 11 AM

Join member Judy Rosemarin every Tuesday from 11:00 am - 12:00 pm for a weekly meditation on Zoom. Learn different ways to meditate and enjoy doing it with others.

All are welcome to join.

We will meet every Tuesday at 11:00 am. If you would like to join us, please register by calling the office at: 516-741-7304, or email office@ehsli.org and we will send you the Zoom link.

THURSDAY DIGITAL DISCUSSIONS

On Thursdays at 1:00 p.m. we will hold a digital discussion group with Leader Richard Koral on Zoom. It will have a topic, but it will be wide ranging and people will have an opportunity to share. The topics will be announced in the weekly email, but the link to join will always be the same:

https://zoom.us/j/3774000022
or phone in at (929) 436-2866
FRIDAY COLLOQUY 10 AM

Colloquy is:
"a time of shared reflection and nurturing. It's an opportunity for people to meet in a small group, examine a particular aspect of life, explore and practice self-reflection. It is a structured meeting, including reflection and self-expression in a nonjudgmental, confidential atmosphere."

If this is your first time attending please register by emailing jimlopr@gmail.com or calling Arthur Dobrin at 516-997-8545.

(See Al Zeiger’s article describing the Colloquy in the Members section (page 17) of the 2020 October newsletter.)

MONTHLY MEETINGS

ETHICAL ISSUES IN OUR TIMES- APR. 1, 7 PM

Join Dr. David Sprintzen for our monthly "Ethical Issues in Our Times"
Now a joint product of the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island and the Humanists of Long Island (First Thursday of each month)

Topic: Anti-Racism: Moral Imperative or Partisan Program?
What is meant by Anti-Racism? What are its cultural presuppositions? What is the practical program? What are it's social and personal consequences?
Join us in discussing this pressing social issue

To register, call the EHS office: 516-741-7304 or email: office@ehsli.org or register via Meetup

To join Zoom Meeting click on the link or cut and paste to your web browser: https://us02web.zoom.us/j/896985586
WOMEN'S GROUP - APR. 2, 7:30 PM

Our Monthly Women’s Group (for members of EHS LI only) meets on the first Friday of each month. The zoom site will open at 7:15 pm, and the group will run from 7:30 to 9 pm. Barbara and Delorie will host the group. Email to all women members of EHS LI with the topic and the Zoom link will be sent a week before every meeting.

POETRY CIRCLE - APR. 26, 7 PM

This month Linda Napoli will lead a discussion of the use of poetic devices like alliteration, similes, metaphor and symbolism. You are invited to bring in your favorite poetry to share.

Please contact Linda Napoli lindanapoli819@gmail.com

BOOK DISCUSSION: APR. 27, 7 PM

For Jane Re, half-Korean, half-American orphan, Flushing, Queens, is the place she’s been trying to escape from her whole life. Sardonic yet vulnerable, Jane toils, unappreciated, in her strict uncle’s grocery store and politely observes the traditional principle of nunchi (a combination of good manners, hierarchy, and obligation). Desperate for a new life, she’s thrilled to become the au pair for the Mazer-Farleys, two Brooklyn English professors and their adopted Chinese daughter…. Re Jane is a bright, comic story of falling in love, finding strength, and living not just out of obligation to others, but for one’s self.

Email Linda Napoli lindanapoli819@gmail.com to get the Zoom Link. Please let us know what books you are reading and would like to discuss in the future.
Greetings Humanists!

As you may all know, we have a Social Action Committee and we have had two meetings so far. Our next meeting will be an outdoor luncheon. If you’re in the mood to get outside of your pod and want to venture out and get more involved, join us! Thanks to Alice Sprintzen for the inspiration.

Since we are all zoomed out, we thought it would be fun to do an outdoor get-together next month, **April 18th at 2pm**. We will figure out the place a few days before our meeting.

For those of you who would like to know what we have been doing, check out the following activities we’ve been engaging in. Sign up to tutor, call a local representative, or start a new project.

Here is what we discussed:

1. Arthur Dobrin and I (along with two other wonderful people not connected to EHSLI) have been working on putting together a system/method for the Westbury Volunteer Corps. Things are slowly coming together. In fact, our very own Linda Napoli will be tutoring sometime next month. If any of you would like to offer your time/expertise to students in Westbury High School as a mentor/tutor, please let us know.
   
   Here is the website: [https://www.westburyvolunteercorps.org/](https://www.westburyvolunteercorps.org/)
   
   Here is the form you would need to fill out to participate: [https://8640e625-394f-4bc2-a0c8-47829bb7d825.filesusr.com/ugd/2f185c_684cc5fccc0ec4c62b7dee2b4083125d8.pdf](https://8640e625-394f-4bc2-a0c8-47829bb7d825.filesusr.com/ugd/2f185c_684cc5fccc0ec4c62b7dee2b4083125d8.pdf)

2. We discussed new ideas/initiatives that we might want to pursue as a group:
   a. Creating a panel on land trusts and affordable housing in Long Island.
   b. Moms Demand action for Gun Safety.
   c. Intercultural conversations.
   
   Would love your input.

3. Public Banking Bill: David said to continue putting pressure on your local Senators and Assembly people.
   
   [https://www.nysenate.gov/find-my-senator](https://www.nysenate.gov/find-my-senator)
   
   [https://nyassembly.gov/mem/search/](https://nyassembly.gov/mem/search/)
All you need to say is that you want your representative to support the Public Banking Bill. If you would like to get more information on the public banking bill, these are great links:

- NY Public Banking Act
- Bill memo
- What a Public Bank Can Do For Real People
- White Paper: Public Banking in the Northeast and Midwest States

4. Police Reform (Long Island United to Transform Policing and Community Safety)

The Nassau County Legislature voted to accept the Nassau County Plan for police reform, something that activists were disappointed in. We were hoping the legislators would adopt some of the proposals in the People’s Plan, which include a more robust mental health crisis response, no cops in schools and accountability for the police. We are now pushing Suffolk County to adopt the People’s Plan.

Here is a message from Long Island United about making calls to Suffolk County’s Steve Bellone. Even if you live in Nassau County, you can call since you are a Long Island resident.

*Suffolk County, your police reform plan will be finalized by the end of this month – which is NEXT WEEK. There are some huge gaps, most notably NO APPROPRIATE INDEPENDENT OVERSIGHT. Start emailing County Executive Bellone TODAY and let him know what you think of his county plan. Click [bit.ly/suffolkmarch30](https://bit.ly/suffolkmarch30) to see the toolkit to help you amplify your voice. Visit [https://www.liunited.org/endorse](https://www.liunited.org/endorse) to send an auto-generated email directly to CE Bellone and your legislator.*

**COUNTY EXECUTIVE BELLONE:**
Call: 631-853-4000
Email: Steven.Bellone@suffolkcountyny.gov & county.executive@suffolkcountyny.gov

Sonia Arora, Social Action Coordinator  
[sonia@meow.name](mailto:sonia@meow.name)
Our Affiliate Organization, MultiCultural Solidarity

Multicultural Solidarity
special e-blast

6 new Diversity Friendship & Listening Circles

Listen until it’s your turn to share uninterrupted on a given race-related question but Only From Direct Personal Experience. It’s not a debate or a forum. It’s getting to know each other across the artificial societal boundaries, broadening cross-cultural perspectives, and building solidarity.

Register now for the dates and times that suit your schedule, but save up to 2 hours for each one. Each group gathers once monthly on Zoom.

Register by emailing us at multiculturalsolidarity@gmail.com and please be sure to state WHICH EXACT DATES you are asking for.

( For updates, occasionally check our Facebook group’s announcement section: https://www.facebook.com/groups/multiculturalsolidarityli )

April  3 Sat.  11AM  Facilitator: Pramila
April  5 Mon  7PM   Facilitator: Gayle
April  9 Fri  7PM   Facilitator: Josie
April 16 Fri  7PM   Facilitator: Gayle
April 23 Fri  4PM   Facilitator: Chip
April 28 Wed  7PM   Facilitator: Jim
Supported by a grant from the Weill Social Action Fund of the Ethical Humanist Society, local women have come together to provide assistant to women newly released from jail.

Through Project Dignity, as women exit from jail they are given a bag of goods to ease their way back into society. In each bag are items such as hair and body products, socks and flip flops, gift cards for groceries and feminine hygiene products.

This collaborative effort is under the auspices of New Hour for Women and Children-LI. New Hour was founded in 2013 to provide meaningful support to current and formerly incarcerated
women, their children and families. “We have seen over and over how important these gift bags are to the women,” says Serena Liguori, the executive director of New Hour. “Through this wonderful help from the Ethical Society we will be able to provide bags to 75 women.”

Says Kelly M, a recipient, “Everyone deserves access to basic needs. People take for granted basic things like that. They don’t see how much that helps people and means so much.

“A wide range of individuals and organizations have participated in this collaborative effort,” says Ethical Society member Susan Feifer, who is coordinating the project. In addition to the Weill fund grant, donations have come in from individual women in the community, church groups and a local youth initiative Femme Forces. Gauri Shyamnath and Rafia Ahmed, the two young women from New Hyde Park Memorial High School who have been providing sanitary products to women in Kenya have also donated to the New Hour project.

In addition to Sue Feifer, others from the Ethical Society who participated in this project are Tina Keane, Massapequa; Sharon Stanley, Westbury; Lorraine Zeller-Agostino, Baldwin; Pat Spencer, Port Washington; Harry Ramani, Hicksville; Ginger Balizer-Hendler, Glen Head; Lyn Dobrin, Westbury, plus EHS social action coordinator Sonia Arora. Other community members who helped out are Stephanie Wieman, Rockville Centre; Annette Hodges, Uniondale; Cheryl Schruefer, Bayville; and Marcia Hamilton of the Roosevelt Seventh Day Adventist Church.

“We are heartened to see people in our Long Island community so willing to help and accept women coming back into the community,” says Sue Feifer.
March 22, 2021

Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island
38 Old Country Rd
Garden City, NY 11530

To the dedicated members of the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island,

Thank you for your donation of 75 #ProjectDignity reentry bags on March 15th, 2021. Your generous donation of soap, toiletries, and assistance with basic needs helps us to continue to support incarcerated mothers and their children, impacted by the prison and jail system. Your gift will allow us to provide our members with tangible support services year-round, to provide children with safe spaces to interact with their mother, and to work with their family to help them during the critical period of reentry.

New Hour women have access to our social worker and ongoing guidance as they navigate their way home from prison or jail to become productive members of the community. To date, we have helped over 1,000 women and over 800 children since our creation in 2015. Thank you for continuing to care about our families.

Your support will continue to make a powerful difference in the lives of women and children, who often remain voiceless on Long Island. We are deeply grateful.

Sincerely,

Serena Liguori
Executive Director, New HOUR for Women and Children—LI

Our federal tax id number: 47-4718783
** Please be advised that no goods or services were provided, in whole or in part, in consideration for your contribution **


Announcements:

A Fabulous FUNdraiser
SPECIAL EVENT

Wednesday April 14, 2021
7:30 PM

ZOOM TO THE MANSION AT GLEN COVE FOR A TOUR
AND COOKING DEMO WITH
CHEF RODRIGO BERNAL

The third in our series of Fabulous FUNdraiser special events takes us to the Mansion at Glen Cove where executive chef Rodrigo Bernal demonstrates a pasta dish and our own member Sue Feifer gives us a brief tour and history of the mansion.

The Mansion at Glen Cove was designed by noted architect Charles Adams Platt in 1910 and was soon after named one of the Twelve Best Country Houses in America. The 55-acre estate was the home of John Teele & Ruth Baker Pratt. John Pratt was an attorney and an executive with John D. Rockefeller’s Standard Oil Company.

The Mansion’s Executive Chef and Vice President of Food & Beverage Rodrigo Bernal is responsible for overseeing all of the hotel’s food and beverage operations. Known for his creative culinary approach, Bernal brings a wealth of knowledge and an array of experiences
in the hospitality industry. "I’d like to welcome every guest who walks into The Mansion with fabulous food to reflect on the expansive and beautiful estate The Mansion sits on," he says.

The chef will demonstrate agnolotti, a type of pasta from the Piedmont region of Italy, made with small pieces of flattened pasta dough, folded over a filling of roasted meat or vegetables. A recipe will be provided for those who want to try it later at home.

This event is sponsored by The Ethical Humanist Society of LI
The suggested contribution amount is $20 per Zoom window.

To sign up and make payment, click on the link to the google form:
https://forms.gle/NzFpNur1yVeam61A8
Or contact the office at: office@ehsli.org
or 516-741-7304 for more information.

April is National Poetry Month

Keep a Poem in Your Pocket

Keep a poem in your pocket
and a picture in your head
and you'll never feel lonely
at night when you're in bed.

The little poem will sing to you
the little picture bring to you
a dozen dreams to dance to you
at night when you're in bed.

So--
Keep a picture in your pocket
and a poem in your head
and you'll never feel lonely
at night when you're in bed.

Beatrice Schenk de Regniers
Here’s some news from Massachusetts about Emily Lewis and Maggie Nowinski.

After many years as an active member of EHSLI Emily moved with her daughter Maggie to Amherst, MA. Emily now lives at Treehouse Community in Easthampton, MA. Treehouse is an intentional community of families with foster, adoptive, and birth families and elders who focus on the well-being of the children primarily, and also on the quality of life for all community members. Recently Emily was profiled through an interview in the Treehouse Community Newsletter. The article asked Emily about highlights in her life, and Emily included EHS as being one, and an excerpt of this is just a few lines down.

Following the excerpt is a description of what Maggie has been up to as an artist. Maggie will be a be back at EHSLI in June as a guest speaker. Maggie lives with her husband Scot and two dogs, Maybelle and Loretta, in their home in Easthampton.

(from the Treehouse newsletter)

“The Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island became a big part of my life because I found like-minded people. As a religious organization, its primary focus is bringing out the best in ourselves and others, believing that each of us has a moral responsibility to help reduce suffering, enhance the quality of life, and contribute to the well-being of society. I met my second husband [Harry Allen] at EHS and we founded a group called
**Friends for the Homeless [now Ethical Friends of Children]** which focused on providing for children by collecting, collating, and delivering clothing and items such as cribs and blankets that were needed by families for their youngsters. We were allotted a room at EHS where we kept all the items. Of particular delight in doing this work was meeting the families, talking about our work to community groups, and the satisfaction that we were helping. We were interviewed about Friends for the Homeless by a reporter and photographer from Long Island Newsday.”

(Emily notes that subsequent to the printing of this article, she found it rewarding that people at Treehouse have asked about EHS.)

**About Maggie Nowinski:**
An interdisciplinary artist, curator, and arts educator, Maggie Nowinski will be joining EHS in June to speak about her own practice as an artist, her choice to teach as an adjunct professor and to delve into what motivates her personally and politically in both capacities. Maggie is an EHS Sunday school graduate who attended regularly until she moved to Amherst, MA, with her mother, Emily Lewis, at the age of 13 in the 1980’s. She is grateful for how the foundational values instilled in her through EHS continue to inform and support her path today. Her website is [http://www.maggienowinski.org/](http://www.maggienowinski.org/)

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Some of you might know that due to COVID some of the EFOC volunteers no longer participate in the program, leaving only Jim and Pat volunteering. We could really need your help. From a safety/health point of view: we do not interact with the general population but leave clothing for them to pick up later in the day.

In the future if you might be available to volunteer with EFOC, but not on a Wednesday morning, we could work with you to determine a good time. Feel free to tell your friends and family of our program and need.

Thank you for helping with this need.
Please email Pat Spencer or call 516-603-1940.
Jack Oisher

Member of the New York Society for Ethical Culture.
Sharon Stanley’s Dad

One is never, ever old enough to lose a parent. I lost my mother when I was 33. My first thought was, “Thank goodness I wasn’t any younger!”

In contrast, and although I’m still too young, my father, Jack Oisher, passed away on March 31, 2021 at age 94. He was born and bred in Brighton Beach, Brooklyn. He enjoyed a great life and we enjoyed it with him for a nice, long time. He lived and died doing it “his way.” (Cue “My Way” by Frank Sinatra) He was a self-made man, who worked hard and was able to marry his love, raise a family and enjoy his retirement. After a 40-year marriage with my mother, he found love again, with his girlfriend for 27 years. He traveled all over the world for business and pleasure. He loved opera, ballet, classical music, world history, ballroom dancing and economics. There was no “light reading” on Dad’s side table. “History of The Russian Revolution,” “Classical Artists of the Impressionist Period,” “The Complete Works of Friedrich Nietzsche” were just a few of the hundreds of books Dad read and reread. Jack enjoyed exercise and sports; he was an avid tennis player and jogger. He enjoyed bicycling and power walking. He did sit ups, pushups and weight curls every morning. During major league football season, he never missed a game. He hated rock and roll. He loved Manhattan. He was a true native New Yorker.

As per Dad’s request, there will be no service or ceremony at this time.

How fortunate we were to have had our father as part of our life for so long. Thanks for sticking around, Dad. We love you very much.

Sharon Stanley
Help spread the word

We have an office on the 2nd floor of our Society building that was recently vacated and is immediately available for lease.

It's a great space for business professionals and a great location--easily accessible by car, train or bus.

We are looking for a non-profit organization to rent the space. If you know of anyone, please send them our way. Call the office at: 516-741-7304 or email: office@ehsli.org.

The rental spaces can be seen on our web site: https://www.ehsli.org/ceremonies-building-rentals/building-rental/

By contributing to the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island you are helping to maintain its mission and purposes and the many programs and services it offers to its member and the public.

Click here to DONATE
The Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island is a welcoming home for people who think that nothing should be more important to people than people. If you value independent thought, stimulating presentations, a celebration of both science and the arts, the education of youth in the ideals of humanism, and a community of friends who work to create social change, you will find what you're looking for with us.

Programs

Sunday morning meetings begin at 11:00 a.m. for approximately one hour. A blend of music, poetry, meditation and an informative presentation, our Sunday mornings are the centerpiece of our week. Every talk is recorded. Go to http://www.ehsli.org/resources/archives/talks/

Colloquy is a time of shared reflection and nurturing. It's an opportunity for people to meet in a small group, examine a particular aspect of life, explore and practice self-reflection.

YES (Youth of Ethical Societies) is for teens aged 13 to 18.

Humanists of Long Island is the name of The Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island's chapter of the American Humanist Association. Find them on Facebook at Humanists of Long Island.

Commemoration Sunday is our first meeting of each new year when we renew our core values of freedom, justice, dignity and compassion.

Ethical Friends of Children assists more than 2,500 children each year by providing them with clothing and infant furniture at no cost. Please contact director Jim LoPresti at EFOC@ehsli.org if you'd like to help.

Affordable Office Space for Rent:
We have great office space available for long term leasing by non-profit organizations. Reasonable rates. Ample free parking and a short walk from the Nassau County Seat and the Mineola LIRR train.

The Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island is a member society of the American Ethical Union and a Chapter of the American Humanist Association.

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