President’s Message

“Our Journeys Continue”

As Autumn finally shows off her beautiful colors and the chilly weather prepares us for the holidays, I am happy to report that more Society members are attending our occasional Hybrid meetings in person. It’s great to see each other again! Although there is just one Hybrid meeting in November, there will be two in December. Of course, all of our Sunday meetings are on Zoom as well.

Up until now, the Hybrid meetings have been run by dedicated, members of our Society (with mostly good results), but a search is beginning to hire an individual with excellent tech skills to help us on our way.

Important news: The Fall Membership Meeting is on November 7th after our regular Sunday Program. It is at this meeting that next year’s budget is presented to you by the Treasurer, in addition to reports on all our activities.

You will be receiving the annual Society Dues letters sometime this month. Please be generous in supporting our community! Our Ethical Humanist mission can be seen as a light in the darkness of our struggling culture.

I hope your Thanksgiving holiday will be shared with good food, laughter and people you love.

Linda Napoli.
I decided to make a daring change at home. For all the lawn surrounding the house, I thought that I might spare a corner of it to return to meadow. Meadow flora offer some special advantages – birds, butterflies and bees flourish with the variety of plants, flowers and seeds that it should produce. Consequently, the rabbits, squirrels, hawks and foxes would also be well-served, in their way.

On the other hand, returning even a piece of my civilized plot to unruliness offends some deeply-rooted sensibility in me - some visceral urge for order and decorum. A meadow is natural dis-order. It mocks the smooth, green expanse of manicured grasses which humans find so comforting. It means valuing those plants that I formerly cursed out as weeds. They are no longer to be my adversary. They are now indigenous and authentic native species, respected and honored.

Converting a lawn to meadow, however, is not simply a matter of abandoning it to natural forces. Restoring to a state of nature, in our altered environment, will require planning, intervention and channeling growth. Native grasses will have to be seeded and nurtured in the 70’ x 70’ plot. We’ll have to suppress persistent invasives like stickle grass, barberry bush and bittersweet vines. The process will take several years and, like any hothouse garden, will have to be “weeded” of the disfavored strains.

Humanity devoted its first couple of hundred thousand years to coping with nature, and the last ten thousand years to dominating it. Now, as we’ve largely succeeded and nature has retreated to the last high and inaccessible nooks and crannies of the earth, it is getting revenge by sending us freakish weather – 6 inch rainfalls here and ten year droughts out West. Can we appease it? Can we say that we’re sorry - that we were mistaken and we’ll stop being so thoughtless and cruel from now on?
As for my contribution, I could make this corner of my lawn my own sacrificial offering and return it to its original condition, the way the Kitchawan people knew it when they lived here. The way John Cross found it when he first settled in these parts in the early 1700’s. The way the local fauna evolved to expect it to be.

In some ways, the idea is chimerical. There is no way to take a postage stamp-sized plot of land and make it any more of a restoration of a native ecosystem than a diorama in a natural history museum. But nevertheless, this little plot can be home to a small community of native holdouts. Maybe the bluebird pair I saw only once last year can be convinced to stay. We’ll see.

Dr. Richard L. Koral, Leader EHSLI

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Tina, our Office Manager will be in the Society office:

Monday’s: 10-2
Tuesday’s & Thursday’s 10-3

Phone & Email messages are checked daily.
516-741-7304 or office@ehsli.org
Sunday Presentations

https://zoom.us/j/980426852

Nov 07: Massimo Pigliucci, What Stoic philosophy teaches us about living in a pandemic.

As we have all noticed, we’ve been living in a pandemic for the past year and a half. With all the anxiety, frustrations, and restrictions on our movements that followed. The ancient Stoics can teach us a thing or two about how to deal with life in general, and pandemics in particular. The emperor Marcus Aurelius lived through the Antonine Plague in the second century, the worst pandemic of the ancient world. Socrates, an inspiration to the Stoics, survived the plague in Athens during the Peloponnesian War. Seneca wrote about being sent into exile, and isolation during covid very much may make us feel like exiles. Worried about having little control over things? The slave-turned-teacher Epictetus taught us how to be happy by focusing on what is “up to us” while developing an attitude of equanimity toward what is not up to us. An attitude that comes very handy of late.

Prof. Pigliucci has a PhD in Evolutionary Biology from the University of Connecticut and a PhD in Philosophy from the University of Tennessee. He currently is the K.D. Irani Professor of Philosophy at the City College of New York. His research interests include the philosophy of science, the relationship between science and philosophy, the nature of pseudoscience, and the practical philosophy of Stoicism.

At last count, Prof. Pigliucci has published 165 technical papers in science and philosophy. He is also the author or editor of 13 books, including the best selling How to Be A Stoic: Using Ancient Philosophy to Live a Modern Life (Basic Books). Other titles include Nonsense on Stilts: How to Tell Science from Bunk (University of Chicago Press), and How to Live a Good Life: A Guide to Choosing Your Personal Philosophy (co-edited with Skye Cleary and Daniel Kaufman, Penguin/Random House).

Nov 14: Ken Balizer, Creating homeless housing, my experience.

"It Takes a Village" addresses the need for community involvement in the creation of affordable housing, its location, scale, design and amenities. The success of the housing from the residents perspective and the neighborhood’s perspective will require thinking in timeframes that we are simply not familiar with. What are the solutions to a growing population of homeless persons? Though lack of affordable housing is
the number one reason for growth of the homeless population, contributing to the problem is low wages, drug and alcohol abuse, effects of military service and mental illness.

Ken Balizer holds degrees in economics from Oklahoma State University and the University of New Mexico. He has been the director of the City Planning Department in Albuquerque and also the head of the City’s redevelopment agency. Balizer has been directly involved in neighborhood based economic development and affordable housing for over 20 years. In the mid 1990’s Balizer was one of the principal organizers of the statewide smart growth group, 1000 Friends of NM and served as its first president. He was the executive director of the Sawmill Community Land Trust, a community based non-profit redeveloping a predominantly Hispanic industrial working class neighborhood near downtown Albuquerque. He authored the Albuquerque Workforce Housing Act and helped develop a downtown SRO (Single Room Occupancy project). He successfully served as director of the Bainbridge Island Community Land Trust (Ferncliff Village CLT) near Seattle.

Ken has now relocated to the San Diego area. But, prior to leaving Albuquerque he initiated the development of Tiny Home Village, a project devoted to building community and housing persons who are homeless. Ken believes that if the American dream is to be successful for all, then decent and affordable housing should be seen as a basic right.


Brandy Watson is the President of the Hempstead Community Land Trust, Inc. Since 1973 Brandy has been respected as a credible voice in decision making, spearheading and creating strategic means of raising funds, and generally bringing people together. Brandy deals with facts only and shares her years of experience and research capabilities gleaned as a contract paralegal with anyone who asks. Brandy has worked as a freelance journalist for the Amsterdam News, hosted the "Brandy After Dark" radio show on WGBB 1240 AM, and Founded the private organization People Care Services, where she served as a Certified Domestic Violence Counselor, and worked closely with former VOH Domestic Violence Task leader; Lt. James Kiernan. She is the recipient of several Community Civic Awards, and is ready, willing and able to continue serving the Village of Hempstead Community.

Sylvia Silberger is Associate Professor and Chairperson of the Mathematics Department at Hofstra University. She has been at Hofstra since 1998 and a Village of Hempstead resident since 2005. A member of the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island, she has been involved in social action as much as her time permits. She spent 4 years as chairperson of a cycling, pedestrian, and public transportation advocacy organization she had founded, the Long Island Transportation Alliance, where she organized four annual Bike-to-Work parades. She was one of the cofounders of the Hempstead Community Land Trust when the idea was initially sparked in 2010 as a response to the housing crisis. She presently serves as the secretary of the board for the HCLT. She is lucky to share her life a five-year-old son, Kiam, a loving and supportive husband, Bill, a super-crazy 1-year-old puppy, Savannah, aging but sweet cat, Koji, and a long-time friend and housemate, Barry.

Nov 28: Mike Franch, *Writing and Re-Writing the American Story.*

Most of us learned our American history as a parade of good things with a few bad things interspersed. Today we are learning that American history is also the story of a lot of very bad things and, even worse, that these bad things are a fundamental and continuing part of the story. Knowing the good and bad is a tool for making the next chapters of our story ones we can be proud of.

Mike Franch was an affiliated minister at the First Unitarian Church of Baltimore after serving as Leader (minister) of the Baltimore Ethical Society for nine years. In 2007 he retired from his day job as health policy analyst in the Medicaid Program of the Maryland Department of Health and Mental Hygiene. Mike earned his Ph.D. in history at the University of Maryland. His articles on Baltimore history have appeared in the Maryland Historical Magazine, The Sun Magazine, and in the book, Maryland: Unity in Diversity. He also speaks on historical and cultural issues for the Maryland Humanities Council and is active in the Baltimore Folk Music Society.
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.

SOME MEETINGS WILL BE IN-PERSON EVENTS. CHECK THE WEEKLY EMAIL NOTICES!

TUESDAY MEDITATION GROUP AT 11 AM

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

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 the *Ethical office* 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.)

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MONTHLY MEETINGS

**ETHICAL ISSUES IN OUR TIMES- NOV 7, 7 PM**

Join Dr. David Sprintzen for our "Ethical Issues in Our Times" (First Thursday of each month)

**Topic: What is the meaning of the past? For you? For your group?**

There are increasingly many cases in which people have been fired for past actions or comments, from singular remarks to patterns of actions. At the societal level, there are demands for the removal of statues, of names of buildings or programs, or for the prohibition of books, that offend current sensitivities. And many organizations have been led to repudiate their past actions, and even to make reparations for damages committed. Even at the very intimate personal level, many self-help programs emphasize the importance of understanding and coming to terms with our past. What do you make of these efforts? Are any, some, or all of them justified? If so, why? If not, why not? 

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 - NOV 5, 7:30 PM

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

POETRY CIRCLE - NOV 22, 7 PM

The poetry circle meets every month and is open to all who love poetry. Please contact Linda Napoli lindanapoli819@gmail.com

Join Zoom Meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88493996121?
pwd=bWFCTkV2UWpqVWdwRWVQK2F4WHJvUT09
Meeting ID: 884 9399 6121
Passcode: 728459
Phone in: 1 - (929) 436-2866

BOOK DISCUSSION - NOV 23, 7 PM

NO ONE IS TALKING ABOUT THIS by Patricia Lockwood
Publisher’s Summary: Elevated to prominence for her social-media posts, a woman begins suffering from existential anxieties while learning the languages, customs and fears of her fans throughout the world, before an urgent text from home transforms her virtual perspectives.

Join Zoom Meeting:
https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85185334557?
pwd=ZC92UzRnS2ducVyrVDFiVStVQmRpdz09
Meeting ID: 851 8533 4557
Passcode: 427688
Phone in: 1 (929) 436-2866
Email Linda Napoli for more info.
Community Solidarity Social Action – A Success!

Twenty members joyfully and efficiently helped with the packing & delivering of 200 bags of supplies (such as paper towels, tissues, hand wipes, toothbrushes, toothpaste, notebooks and masks) to Community Solidarity on Sunday October 3rd. Everyone pitched in with energy and enthusiasm to fill all the bags with supplies in 45 minutes!! We had everything delivered by 1:30, just as the Food Share was beginning to set up in preparation for opening at 3 pm. An additional 50 bags plus 8 boxes of food were also donated.

Jon Stepanian of Community Solidarity and his team were grateful for the generous donation from the Weill Fund and EHSLI – which looked quite impressive when we unloaded it all in the parking lot at the share location at 75 Washington Street, Hempstead. As we were dropping off the donations at 1:30, people were already lining up in their cars waiting for the share to open at 3 pm! There is still a significant amount of food insecurity in our area. Tina, Tim and Ryan Keane remained to help out at the Share and we hope to all be able to do the same in the future. They operate every Sunday in Hempstead, rain or shine, and always appreciate any donations or help. Check out communitysolidarity.org for other locations around the island.

This project was successful due to the support of the Weill Social Action Fund and EHSLI -- Lorraine Agostino (project lead), Sue Feifer and Tina Keane, with help from our Social Action Director, Sonia Arora, Ethical Friends of Children, the YES group and many of our members and Leader, as well as the donations and support of our local community. It takes a village!
From Sonia Arora: Our Social Action Committee agreed to work on the following as next steps in Saving our Democracy

1. Write Letter to the Editor (you can take David’s suggestion- see below)
   b. For Newsday, fill out the following: https://www.newsday.com/opinion/submit-your-letter-1.2516352

2. David will write a one pager on posing the Problem and the Solution as to how our democracy is vulnerable and how we can protect it.
3. Ginger and Sonia will create an artist parade sometime in the spring/summer of 2022 to get the word out about “Saving our Democracy”.
4. Ben, David and I will follow up with Claire DeRoche regarding getting the Unitarian Church involved in this effort as well as other clergy.
5. We will keep speaking to other organizations invested in ensuring our democracy to see what they are doing to protect voting rights.

From David Sprintzen: Here are two versions of draft letters to the editor. They are offered as possible templates for people to use. Revise it to suit your perspective. You might mix and match aspects from different letters. Or you might simply write your own version.

1. The press and the public cannot continue to act as if we have two major parties committed to free and fair elections.

   The current Republican Party no longer believes in letting the voters decide. Rather it has been replacing honest election officials with partisan hacks in state after state. These are people committed to insuring that their candidates are declared the winners regardless of what the voters say.

   We need to oppose every candidate who is not willing to clearly and unequivocally repudiate the “Stop The Steal” campaign and accept the legitimacy of The 2020 election.

2. The press and the public cannot continue to act as if we have two major parties committed to free and fair elections.

   The Republican Party has been taken over by an authoritarian MAGA cabal that, under the banner of “Stop The Steal,” no longer accepts the legitimacy of our free elections.

   Our system of free elections is directly threatened by a major Party that will do anything - including “finding the necessary votes” - to insure that their candidates are elected. They must be stopped, if we are to preserve our system of representative government.
As an active member of the NYS Community Equity Agenda Coalition, the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island is pleased to present this statement to their members and supporters.

A Community-Led Recovery for NY:
Five Bold Proposals for Racial Justice & Economic Democracy in 2022

The New York State Community Equity Agenda is a broad-based coalition of more than 40 organizations committed to fighting for a just economy and to building institutions that are led by and support Black, brown, and working class communities. Our coalition believes that New York must pursue community economic development that creates infrastructure for building wealth, power, resiliency, and self-determination, in historically-redlined communities. Our priorities for 2022 include concrete actions that New York policymakers can and must take right now to lay critical groundwork for a just recovery and future rooted in racial and social justice, workers’ rights, cooperation, and ecological sustainability.

1. Establish Public Banks to Invest in Community Needs

Public money should be used for the public good, but the reality is that our public dollars in New York -- totaling in the billions -- are deposited in massive Wall Street banks. These are the very banks that have redlined Black and brown communities, profited off of the COVID-19 crisis, and fueled the climate crisis, among many other harms. A powerful grassroots movement has emerged in New York, as groups demand the creation of public banks across the state. We are pursuing a vision of local public banking in which communities determine how public banks will meet their local needs. Through public banking, local governments can divest from Wall Street, expand financial services in redlined communities, and invest in small and worker-owned businesses, deeply-affordable housing, renewable energy, infrastructure, and other critical needs.

2. End Redlining and Other Racial Wealth Extraction

Redlining and systemic wealth extraction remain pervasive in New York, and perpetuate long-standing racial wealth inequality. Mainstream banks continue to systematically exclude Black and brown and immigrant New Yorkers, exacerbated by the ongoing closing of bank branches in communities of color and by the gross racial disparities in the Paycheck Protection Program. Meanwhile, fringe and predatory financial companies — including check-cashing outlets and financial technology (“fintech”) companies — fill the void, exploiting low-income and immigrant New Yorkers and New Yorkers of color. This must change.

3. Strengthen NY’s Community-Controlled Financial Institutions

The Equity Agenda won an unprecedented $25 million for New York-based Community Development Financial Institutions (CDFI) in 2020, securing critical support for New York’s mission-driven, neighborhood-based financial institutions. By further investing in and expanding CDFIs — community development credit unions and loan funds that serve low-income people and small businesses, particularly in historically-redlined neighborhoods and communities hardest-hit
by COVID-19 — New York will create good jobs, develop and preserve deeply-affordable housing, promote equitable financial services that build community wealth, and democratize the financial system.

4. Expand Democracy in the Workplace

New York has a historic opportunity to empower workers and communities by supporting and expanding worker cooperatives. The COVID crisis has illuminated the need for greater protections for all New York workers, especially low-wage, immigrant, Black, and brown workers. Many workers have been forced to choose between their safety and their income, while millions of others have lost jobs due to layoffs and small business closures. At the same time, New York will continue to experience significant job losses, as older small business owners close their businesses upon retirement. When workers own their business together and make decisions in their shared interest, they gain greater control over their working conditions, higher pay, generational wealth-building opportunities, and increased resilience to economic downturns and disruptions.

5. Advance Housing As a Human Right

As the pandemic has driven home, New York’s housing crisis is a public health crisis and housing justice is an issue of racial, immigrant, and economic justice. We believe that New York must transform our housing system based on principles of racial and social equity, community, and economic democracy. The NYS Community Equity Agenda stands in solidarity with the Housing Justice for All campaign and NYS Community Land Trust Coalition in the fight to end evictions and create permanently-affordable social housing through tools like community land trusts (CLTs).

For more information regarding Actions Needed to accomplish these goals, please contact David Sprintzen, our EHSLI representative at NYS Community Equity Agenda Coalition, to receive the full document.
Scheduled Diversity Friendship Circles
IN PERSON: on Saturdays
Nov.13 Watermill
Dec.11 Shinnecock Land

PLEASE REGISTER FOR CIRCLES AT LEAST 72 HOURS IN ADVANCE
Register by emailing multiculturalsolidarity@gmail.com  Also check the announcement section of the Facebook group: www.facebook.com/groups/multiculturalsolidarityLI
89-Second Video hint of what our Zoom diversity circle is like: https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=hlLUI8Pv8c4
"The most radical thing I can do is introduce people to each other."

Humanists of Long Island
Sharon Stanley
Here are the coming Friday night dates for our HoLI meetings.
Jan. 28, Feb. 25, March 25, April 29
We are not meeting in Nov., Dec. or May.

Ethical Friends of Children NEEDS YOUR HELP on a Wednesday from 10-1pm.

Please click to email Pat Spencer or call her at: 516-603-1940.
Or click to email Jim LoPresti at: efoc@ehsli.org

Thank you for helping with this need.
Announcements:

This Sunday, November 7th, we will be holding our Fall Membership meeting. We will be meeting immediately following the platform on the same zoom link. All Members should plan on attending.

REMEMBER TO SET YOUR CLOCKS BACK
Daylight Savings time ends at 2:00 am on November 7th.

CARING CONNECTION
"Create a caring world" begins with us.

Members of our Caring Connection make calls, send cards, and check in on those who may be ill or haven't been to the Society for a while. Please connect with Ginger Hendler to get involved.
And if you or a member of our community is sick, experiencing loss, or celebrating a milestone, a birthday, let us know:

Email the office at: office@ehsli.org
or email: caringconnection@ehsli.org or call 516-741-7304 and leave a message.

REMEMINDER
Please check our weekly email notices to know which Sunday Meetings will be held InPerson. You must RSVP for these. All meetings will also be held via Zoom.
For those who wish to attend Sunday Morning Platforms onsite/in person, at 38 Old Country Road, please use the guidelines below to support our efforts to create an abundance of caution and for making those present feel safe:

Those attending in person must provide either

1) Proof of a completed Covid Vaccination series or
2) Proof of a negative Covid test within past three days.

Masks are required for all in person meetings. All chairs will be spaced apart for social distancing. To attend InPerson please RSVP to: office@ehsli.org or call 516-741-7304.
Welcome to YES
by Darsh Mirchandani, publicity coordinator, YES

If you are reading this (Facebook) post, that means you have discovered the YES (Youth of Ethical Societies). You may find yourself asking, “What is YES?”. The short answer is that we are a group dedicated to serving the community. However, we are not just a volunteer group. We are a volunteer group, whose current members are from grades 8 through 12 that actualizes connections with teen volunteers between non-profit groups and the needs of the community. Although currently most of the students go to New Hyde Park Memorial High School, the group is open to all student of any high school, grades 8 through 12.

We are sponsored by the Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island. We are working very hard to achieve the group’s goals and address the needs of the community. In our most recent meeting, at the Ethical Humanist Society members had a fruitful and productive conversation as to how the YES group should proceed. Humanist Society members had a fruitful and productive conversation as to how the YES group should proceed.

Here are some ideas that were brainstormed. for events that the YES group may do. Members proposed the idea of setting up a mobile clinic to serve people who are subject to health care disparities. Another idea proposed was a coat drive for children that need them as well as for Afghan refugees. The YES group is very excited to continue to serve the community and check back in for future updates!

If you would like to become a member of our YES group, please email Anitta Kottai, CEO, at kottaianitta@gmail.com.
A HYBRID SUNDAY MEETING was held on October 24 to celebrate our FALL FESTIVAL. Thanks to all who planned, participated in and attended. Well done!
Watch past Sunday Talks on our new YouTube Channel

Some of our recent Sunday talks have been recorded and the videos are now up on our new Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island YouTube channel. Visit YouTube to view: (https://www.youtube.com/channel/UCn5MV2WveN0C0u9lyKXLPuQ)

Or, search "Ethical Humanist Society of Long Island YouTube channel" Audio is still on our website under "Featured Talks": www.ehsli.org

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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 members and the public.

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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/](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](https://www.facebook.com/HumanistsofLongIsland/).

**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](mailto: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.

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