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### Take Back the Spring Festival!

Honor the rebirth of the slumbering earth,  
Bursting with new life, She sends forth  
Her promise of future abundance  
From deep in the dark still earth.

Do not tell us that on this day we must  
Enter into a mind set  
That tells us of birth without sex, dying without death,  
Trinities of power with no feminine and eternal damnation!

Free all the ancient fertility symbols.  
Reclaim the rabbits copulating in the hedgerows,  
Rearing their large broods without thought or knowledge  
That they will give with their bodies, life to wild multitudes.

Reclaim that symbol of life and rebirth,  
That iconic shape, the perfect egg,  
Growing in strength and power until the time comes  
When it will release a living creature into the earth's tapestry.

### Take Back the Spring Festival!

Sena

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### Don't Say Gay

Florida bill HB1557, the "Don't Say Gay" bill in Florida bans teaching about sexual orientation or gender identity in kindergarten through grade 3 or in a manner that is not age appropriate or developmentally appropriate for students in accordance with state standards. It allows parents to sue over perceived violations.

Supporters say it gives parents greater control over their children's education. I may be wrong to think the worry is that their kids will accept gay as normal.

As a parent, I always tried to answer my kids questions about sex or any other subject as they came up, believing that knowledge can never be harmful.

Legislators seem to be presenting themselves as defenders of what's right by restricting discussion with children about differences at a stage of life when children are most able to learn and to accept one another.

It feels like some kind of child abuse.

Alex Havasy

Freedom is the right to tell people what they do not want to hear.

George Orwell

### Online Forums

The URL for our Humanist Forums on Zoom has changed. The address can be found on Meetup at [meetup.com/humanistcommunity](https://meetup.com/humanistcommunity).



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# EVENTS IN SILICON VALLEY

## HUMANIST COMMUNITY

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April 2022

Sun

Mon.

Tues.

Wed.

Thurs.

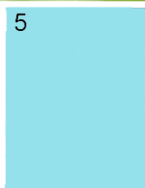
Fri.

Sat.

### Spring is a Perpetual Astonishment



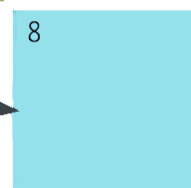
3 11:00 AM Sunday Forum  
American Atheists' California  
State Advocacy Team  
*Jessica Kemper-Lytle,  
Brett Parker*



6 7:15 PM  
Freethought  
Discussion



7 7:15 PM  
Academic Video



9 1:00 to 3:00 PM  
A Walk in the Woods  
(see Meetup for details)  
Ethical  
Culture  
Society



10 11:00 AM Sunday Forum  
War in Ukraine -  
and What It Means  
for the World Order  
*video and discussion*

7:00 PM  
Sunday  
Assembly  
A Compassionate  
Listening Group



13 7:15 PM  
Freethought  
Discussion  
Book Group



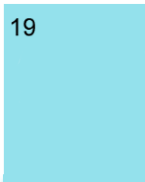
14 7:05 PM  
Academic Video



15th & 1st 10:00 AM  
Topical  
Discussion  
Ethical  
Culture  
Society



17 11:00 AM Sunday Forum  
The Search for Cheap,  
Sustainable, Green Power  
*3 videos and discussion*



20 7:15 PM  
Freethought  
Discussion  
Book Group



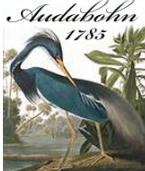
21 7:05 PM  
Academic Video



1948  
Kerouac  
writes  
First Novel



24 11:00 AM Sunday Forum  
Approval Voting  
*Jeff Justice*



27 7:15 PM  
Freethought  
Discussion  
Book Group



28 7:05 PM  
Academic Video

