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#### Secular Holiday Greetings

Halloween, Thanksgiving, and Christmas are all secular holidays. They may have a religious origin but they appeal to human feelings independent of religion.

Halloween is a chance dress up and be someone different than who we are all year. To be a kid again.

Thanksgiving is the day we share a meal with family and loved ones.

And, Christmas! Christmas, with New Years, is a gaudy over commercialized celebration to mark mid-winter, the end of the old year and the beginning of a new one. It probably goes back to when humans first noticed the seasons. It's a time when people make new year resolutions to overcome their perceived flaws, and sometimes keep them for the whole year. Children get presents, and stores and toy makers rake in cash. Even if we don't engage in these seasonal rituals, we can still enjoy the bright lights and benefit from the chance to look back on the year on our live or even our childhood.

So have yourselves a very merry Christmas/Solstice/Hanukkah/New Year/whatever.

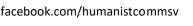
#### **Humanist Forums**

Forums are held 1st and 3rd Sundays at 11:00AM at the Mountain View Senior Center at 266 Escuela Avenue, other forum locations will be announced online. All forums are simultaneously available on Zoom. You can get both the Zoom location and venue from meetup.com/humanistcommunity.













## **EVENTS**

## IN SILICON VALLEY

December 2024

Sunday

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Tues.

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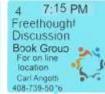
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11:00 AM Sunday Forum Robert Sapolsky Gender Brain





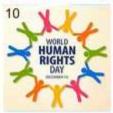






11:00 AM Sunday Forum Nazi Town, USA

7:00 PM Sunday Assembly A Compassionate Listening Group see Meetup







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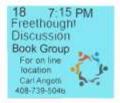
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15 11:00 AM Sunday Forum I Got Rid of 99% of My Stuff & Are You Brainwashed?

2 videos and discussion













22 11:00 AM Sunday Forum

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29 No Forum Today Happy Holiday









