



## Our New Heroes

COVID 19 is unlike anything we've faced before. For most of us it would be little more than a case of the flu but for some people it is life threatening. The problem is that it spreads so fast and infects so many that hospitals are overwhelmed in a very short time. Stocks of needed medical supplies and protective equipment are exhausted. This puts a burden on medical care workers and puts their health and lives at risk.

They rise to the occasion. They chose their profession so that they could serve those in need even at some personal risk, just as firefighters did last summer.

We do what we can to mitigate the problem by maintaining social distance to slow the spread. Those who can, work from home through the internet. People in essential services go out into the world. Many people will lose their jobs, many business will fail, and many people are unable to take needed precautions.

This is where governments have to step in if we are to get through this.

I think this points out a failure of unregulated capitalism. Hospitals have felt the pressure to cut costs where possible. Having more equipment than they expect to need is seen as financially irresponsible.

This is why I believe in a socialized, non-profit medical system, like our police and fire departments already are.

## Online Forums

Due to COVIN 19 our forums are online. Echoplex Media provides the platform. Go <https://us04web.zoom.us/j/314247393> to attend online with the mic and camera on your computer. Staff will control who is heard for Q&A.

More at [echoplexmedia.com/calendar/yyyy/mm/dd/humanist](http://echoplexmedia.com/calendar/yyyy/mm/dd/humanist) (yr/mo/date).

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# EVENTS

## April 2020

Mon.      Tues.      Wed.      Thurs.      Fri.      Sat.



Our Easter evolved from a Celtic Spring Festival welcoming the Earth's renewed fertility with the symbols of the life-giving egg and the prolific hare. It was named for the Goddess Eostre.



2 7:15 PM  
Academic Video



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5 11:00 AM Sunday Forum  
**Disinformation**  
David Litton

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8 7:15 PM  
Freethought  
Discussion  
Book Group

9 7:15 PM  
Academic Video

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11 2:00 - 3:30 PM  
Atheist Abbey  
On Line  
Check In  
650-776-6546

12 11:00 AM Sunday Forum  
**Dying Out Loud**  
David Warnock

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7:15 PM  
Freethought  
Discussion  
Book Group

16 7:15 PM  
Academic Video

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19 11:00 AM Sunday Forum  
**Intro to the YWCA and Sexual Violence**  
Megan Schnabel  
YWCA  
HELP  
HOPE  
HEALING  
RESILIENCE

20 7:PM  
Board Meeting  
on line  
Members Welcome



23 7:15 PM  
Academic Video

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26 11:00 AM Sunday Forum  
**The Human Condition**  
Prof. Gregory Loew

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29 For on line location of weekly Book Group  
Call Scott  
831-704-6670

30 For on line location of weekly VideoGroup  
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