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**Social Reform**

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*Editorial Director, American*

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## **Advocacy Forum**

**Wednesday,**

**September 8, 7:00-9:00 pm**

Join Craig Unger, journalist and author of *House of Saud*, *House of Bush*; Miles Rapoport, President, Demos Institute; a representative/spokesperson of the 9/11 Victim Families; and a fourth participant TBA

## **September Happenings**

**Fourth Advocacy Forum—Wednesday, September 8. “Fear Factor: The Use and Abuse of 9/11 in 2004.”** See details below.

**Ethics for Children Program begins on Sunday, September 12.**

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**Fall Retreat Friday evening, September 17—Sunday, September 19.** There are still spots open—call Suzy at 212-874-5210 ext 113. See page 3.

## **From the Leader's Desk**

*Dr. Khoren Arisian*



### **Driving Through American History**

This North American continent—our gorgeous portion of it, that is—remains a wonder to behold. For the first time in many years Leigh and I had the pleasure of each other's daily company for two uninterrupted weeks as we drove south through the delightful beach towns of the New Jersey shore and on to Maryland, Delaware, Virginia, and then back up through eastern Pennsylvania. Bucks County, with its undulating topography and lushness punctuated by delightful villages along the way, is a veritable balm to the spirit, a special place indeed. Sharing this experience with one another was incomparably enriching for each of us, a time of emotional closeness for which during these busy days we normally have little opportunity.

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## **Sunday Morning Meetings:**

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**September 5—Toward a Labor Movement Revival - *May Y. Chen, International Vice-President of UNITE***

May Y. Chen is International Vice-President of UNITE, (the Union of Needle Trades, Textiles and Industrial Employees). As such, she is one of the highest-ranking Asian women in the union movement. Ms. Chen is manager of Local 23-25 UNITE in New York City, and since 1997 has been elected to negotiate contracts and fight for workers' rights in the garment industry. She will address issues such as: women and unions, immigration and labor, challenges in the garment industry, globalization, “free” trade, and the anti-labor policies of the government. Ms. Chen's main message is: “Unions are a powerful social force for progress and we need to build coalitions and understanding to unite on a common agenda.”

**11:30 AM in the Auditorium**

**September 12—The Pressures, Strains and Uncertainties of Everyday Life.**

**Tolstoy's View of History, and Ours—*Dr. Khoren Arisian, Senior Leader***

As Saint Augustine observed 15 to 16 centuries ago, every one of us lives under pressure. Our bodies alone bear up remarkably well under 15 pounds of pressure per square inch. St. Augustine likens the world to “an oil press”; it's always “under pressure.” Surely, since

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**Secularism Religion, Women and Family Issues in Campaign 2004**

CFI-Metro NY will kick off its fall lecture series in Manhattan with a forum on the clash between secular and religious values over political issues affecting women and families. Speakers will be Susan Brownmiller, author of *Against Our Will: Men, Women and Rape* (1973) and Cathy Young, columnist for *Reason Magazine* and *The Boston Globe*. A panel discussion moderated by CFI-Metro New York Susan Jacoby, author of *Freethinkers: A History of American Secularism*, will follow. At the New York Society for Ethical Culture, 6:30 pm Thursday, September 23. Admission \$10, no reservations required.

**Leader's Desk**

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A place like Thomas Jefferson's home in Monticello—it's really a plantation—is a mind-blowing reminder of the third president's creative intellect and the range of values and insights to which it gave rise. His liaison with slave Sally Hemmings following his wife's untimely death has long been known. It must have been an unusual love affair, details of which are history's secret; nonetheless Jefferson was regularly troubled in his conscience about his own slave-holding way of life. He confessed that he trembled for the future of the fledgling Republic at whose birth he was so proudly present, yet aware of the moral contradiction that lay between slavery and freedom. The Civil War was inevitable, but not its outcome. We have Lincoln to thank for keeping the Union in one piece.

Then there's Williamsburg and the Jamestown settlement in 1607 to contemplate at length. Charlottesville, of course, is home to the University of Virginia, a Palladian architectural masterpiece full blown from Jefferson's head. Shortly before he died he looked out long and hard from the top floor of the University's rotunda, the beauty of which takes one's breath away, musing to himself that nature herself is the nurturing crucible of the free, unfettered mind and heart. Jefferson and Adams both died on the same day—July 4, 1826—an uncanny coincidence.

One could go on at length about the spiritual lift that travel can sometimes bring. Suffice it to conclude that experiencing Gettysburg, both cemetery and town, proved to be moving beyond description. Leigh had been there once years ago, but this was my first time, and I loved it—took it all in—unforgettable. What a tortured tapestry of sacrifice, carnage, and heroism it represents!

So here I am back in my large beloved office, gearing up for this coming pro-

gram year. Needless to elaborate, 2004 will be a fateful presidential year for the country, and perhaps a fateful—as well as exceptionally promising—one for our Society as well.

To help steer us through 2004-2005 will be our newest staff person, Bob Liebeskind, Director of Administration, as centrally strategic a position as that of Senior Leader. We'll hear more from Bob as we move into the coming months together. Let me say for now that effective administration nurtures the institutional well-being of any membership constituency; it's what holds a congregation of more or less like-minded folks together. Many of the connections we hold so dear among ourselves could not thrive and deepen without the institution serving as a crucible in which the formation of such ties is mediated. The affection we develop toward one another would prove much harder to share were there no place for such interaction to occur. We are fortunate indeed to have this place and good administrators help create and sustain the sacred space within these halls where we meet to seek the highest. We all have a calling here. My affectionate regards to each and all of you as we face together the challenging year before us, so let's get going!

**Sunday Morning Meetings**

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9/11/01, we have entered an era that's not only under the usual sum of historical pressures, but a great deal more than we have been used to.

This is the point where Leo Tolstoy enters our principal considerations. For if there's anyone who informs us in no uncertain terms that we can't honestly live through the lives of others, that we can't just hand over our personal destinies to society's institutional representations of authority, it's Tolstoy. At his best, the great Russian novelist was a

moralist. He believed that each of us is ethically obligated to recognize, embody, and live out of our own moral force, which is evolutionarily our greatest power, possession, and genetic predisposition. It's what incites us to reach out to one another and to radiate outwards into the world at large. We cannot grow or seek meaning and contentment except as we become aware of this invaluable invisible asset, which is a central function of our humanity. Much of this kind of philosophical understanding can be found in the words of Felix Adler, as well, and can serve as a bracing tonic in the times into which we have been so unceremoniously hurled since 9/11. That's not only a date that will live in infamy; it's also a date that will challenge every positive possibility of which we are capable.

### September 19—From New York to Abu Ghraib

*Robert Gangi, Executive Director, Correctional Association of NY*

A prison reform activist sheds light on conditions of confinement in New York and U.S. prisons. Robert Gangi will focus on what the images from Abu Ghraib reveal about the nature of prisons and will argue that the public outcry over those images provides an opportunity to both reflect upon and do something about prison conditions here at home. Gangi will discuss how prison officials and outside monitors can identify and curb abusive practices in New York's prisons and jails.

The Correctional Association is a citizens' organization that does policy analysis and advocacy on criminal justice issues. It is New York's leading prison reform organization. Gangi has been its Executive Director for 22 years and is a regular speaker at the Society. Previously he was a program officer for the John Hay Whitney Foundation, an organizer for the community day-care movement in New York City, and a youth worker among the City's street gangs.

### September 26—The Saga of Freethought and Its Pioneers: Religious Critique and Social Reform

*Fred Edwards, Editorial Director, American Humanist Association*



Drawing from ancient Greek and Roman writers who had boldly criticized the religions of their day, and from Elizabethan authors in Great Britain and on the continent, the French philosophers and other eighteenth century Enlightenment thinkers launched the modern free thought movement. As with the Enlightenment itself, free thought wasn't merely about religious critique but also social reform. Freethinkers challenged the divine right of kings, sought an end to cruel and unusual punishment, and advanced civil and social rights—efforts which reached their peak, and became excessive, during the French Revolution.

This tradition of religious critique and social reform continued through the nineteenth century in ways that led to modernism in religion and to a broad range of social reform movements, including those for liberal studies in public schools (replacing theology and the classics), sex education, birth control, women's rights, opposition to slavery, animal protection, child protection, poverty relief, and improved labor conditions. A prominent free-thought cause was anti-censorship—an effort which has extended to the present day. But there were downsides and absurd offshoots as well, including the penitentiary system, eugenics, utopian experiments, Bolshevism, and even spiritualism and Theosophy.

A leading voice for Humanism in the United States and abroad, Edwards appears frequently on TV and radio in the United States and Canada, interviews extensively with newspapers, and writes regularly for several publications. Edwards continues to promote positive

humanistic change in his position as editor of the *Humanist* magazine.

Fred will hold a further discussion at 1:45 pm in Room 514; all are welcome.

## Our Ethical Family

*Suzy Frazer and Members*

### New Member

**Donna Dam-horst-Pang** became committed to NYSEC after attending our Advocacy Forums, Circles of Engagement, Sunday meetings, and Orientation. She is a specialist in international development and governance and has volunteered on the hot line of the Jewish Board for Families and Children's Services. She has two young adult children and lives in Manhattan. Donna has offered to research material for our new brochures and is already working with our archivist Marc Bernstein! Welcome!

### Deaths

Sadly, we announce the sudden death of **Maria Cruz**, a long-time Society and Social Service Board member, on June 30. Maria sponsored and was active in a specialized reading program for students at her school, I.S. 195 in Manhattan. The SSB will hold a memorial service for Maria at the Society; the date will be announced later.

**Henriette L. Stea**, a Society member since 1949, lived in Brooklyn. We would appreciate hearing from members who knew her.

## Membership Services

*Suzy Frazer*

### Come to the Retreat

Our 2004 Retreat will be held September 17-19 at beautiful Jeronimo's Resort in Walker Valley, N.Y., as it was last year. Everyone who attended raved about the place and the whole experience! There are still spots open—call me ASAP at 212-874-5210 ext. 113.

## Caring Committee Autumn Art Tours

*Les Graifman*

The NYSEC Caring Committee has a new member, Diane Karlin, who is hard at work structuring assisted museum visits for members this fall. So far, we are planning on going to the New York Historical Society in October to see "Alexander Hamilton: The Man Who Made Modern America." Museums are usually more fun to visit with friends, so join us.

If you love museums but have trouble walking the many corridors, contact Les Graifman, 212-874-7832 and let him know that you would like to be paired with a volunteer who can steer a wheelchair. Additional visits are being planned, so be sure to let the Caring Committee know that you are interested.

## Ethical Action

*Carol Rost—Reporting Member*

Maria Fridman, active EAC member, was very successful in spearheading a collection for the refugees of Darfur, Sudan. On two Sundays, members and friends generously gave for this special collection. Donations totaled \$400. A check was sent to the International Committee of The Red Cross from The New York Society for Ethical Culture-Ethical Action Committee earmarked for food and medicine for the refugees. A special thank you to everyone who contributed to this worthy cause.

## Membership Committee Learn About Our Programs

*Henryka Komanska*

This season, instead of an Activities Fair, we will have a series of informal lunch table discussions. On three Sundays in September and early October, a table with informational materials will be set up during lunch. The tables will be staffed by representatives of various

programs and activity groups. Please stop by to learn more about our exciting weekday and weekend programs. On September 12 we will feature weekday reading groups. On September 26, we will feature programs taking place on Sunday afternoons, and on October 3, we'll focus on programs offered on Sunday mornings.

## News for New Members

*Barbara Levenson*

Are you a book lover? Why not join one of our book clubs? We have two Great Books clubs meeting on Wednesday evenings and one Wednesday afternoon reading group.

Are you a movie buff? Why not join our Membership Services Committee and help select the films for our Friday night Film Forum or present one yourself? Interested in political action? Join the Society's Ethical Action Committee. Is hands-on social service more up your alley? Volunteer to help in our women's shelter, look into becoming a part of our Social Service Board, or join our Caring Committee. Enjoy hikes and bike trips? Join Henryka and Chris on one of their outings or create one yourself. Are holidays important to you? There's no need to give them up because you're an Ethical Culturist. Help Sheila Kleinwald and her Holidays Committee create meaningful Ethical Culture holiday celebrations. Do you like to write or edit? The Newsletter Committee is looking for talent. Interested in family activities? Check out the Family Activities/Sunday School Committee. Participation enhances and deepens the rewards of membership. And it's a great way to get to know your fellow members. These are just some examples. There are many ways of becoming involved. For further information, call Membership Director Suzy Frazer at 212-874-5210 ext. 113 and tell her what you're interested in doing. She'll help you get started.

## The Joy of Writing

*Elaine Berman*

There's time to join our newest New York Society Writing Workshop.

We have now had two 10-week semesters of the writing workshop, "The Joy of Personal Writing." We are going to add another 10-week workshop this fall. If you are interested in joining and have not yet spoken with me, please call Suzy Frazer at 212-874-5210 ext. 113, and she will tell you how to reach me. These workshops are designed to expand the writing horizons of experienced writers and provide a safe place to get started for people who want to try writing.

## Writing Group Hosts NY Times Reporter

*Writing Workshop Members*

Daniel J. Wakin, a New York Times reporter, visited with the Ethical Culture writing group in July. Dan was invited after the group read a wonderful article he wrote for the Times detailing his experience playing clarinet at a one-night "gig" with the New York Philharmonic at Avery Fisher Hall, under the direction of Lorin Maazel. Dan wrote of this unique and thrilling experience in the article published on June 20.

Dan, a boyish-looking but experienced reporter who spent seventeen years with the *Associated Press* in Europe, the Middle East, and South Africa, shared with everyone his process in constructing the article. He first wrote about various "pieces" of his experience, from rehearsals through performance, and then put it all together in the correct sequence.

Dan was bombarded with questions, all of which he answered thoughtfully. It was a gratifying evening, and the group was very appreciative of Dan's generosity in sharing his time and talent.

## Fall Retreat—Tell Me a Story

*Abe Markman*

If you are going on the fall retreat we invite you to a Sunday morning session on September 19 when we will tell each other short stories with a particular theme. The theme is the role of emotions in ethical behavior. The session will take place from 10:00 am–12:00 noon.

Do you have a three-to-five-minute story that you feel good about and would be willing to share, in which the use of your emotions played an important part? Please let me know. You can contact me in person, by phone, or email (please be sure to use the latest directory). The story could also be about someone else's experience from real life or taken from fiction.

What we want to share and take from each other are the different ways emotions can be expressed in a healthy manner. Most of us have been brought up to hide the expression of our feelings. We are told that showing our feelings is fraught with shame, weakness, or danger.

However, emotions are part of the basic equipment we use to deal with each other. For example, we need the emotion of anger in order to sense how we are feeling about hostile situations that we encounter. It may be quite difficult at times to know how to express our anger. Nevertheless, it is only when we are free to exercise and learn from its use that we can become proficient when we express it.

Abe Markman and Valerie Leiman will start the discussion by looking at different ways we can think about and use emotions. Then the storytellers will come forward. To date we have four volunteers, Muriel Berger, Carol Nadell, Barbara Levenson and Abe, but we need several other storytellers. Plenty of time will be left for everyone to chime in whether you tell a story or not. Be

assured that clear boundaries will be set so that we don't trample on each other, emotionally speaking. With your help we will do our best to make it an interesting and fun morning!

## Sunday Ethics for Children Program

This humanist program is designed for youngsters 4-13 and is open to children of members and nonmembers alike. Through art, music, stories, and improvisation, children are encouraged to think and act responsibly, exploring values such as integrity, honesty, responsibility, courage, and commitment.

Our goals are to:

- Affirm the value and uniqueness of each individual
- Promote knowledge and celebration of the diversity among people
- Inspire social responsibility toward individuals, groups, and our environment
- Develop a child's identity as part of a community of people sharing humanist values
- Learn about those ethical teachings that are common to the world's religions

Family members and caregivers are encouraged to join their children in discussion at the end of each class.

Our new Sunday School term will begin on September 12 and run through June 6, 2005, 11:00 am–1:00 pm, and will be held on the fifth floor. For more information, please call Suzy Frazer at 212-874-5210 ext. 113. These classes were strongly recommended by Laurel Graeber, reporter on activities for children in *The New York Times*.

## Family Programs

*Lynda Kennedy*

Hello! Please allow me to introduce myself. My name is Lynda Kennedy and

I am very pleased to be joining the staff of the New York Society for Ethical Culture as Director of Family Programs.

I have worked in education for over ten years, creating and delivering K-College, family, and public programs at cultural institutions such as the Cathedral of St. John the Divine, the Lower East Side Tenement Museum, and the Brooklyn Historical Society. I also have a theater background, both in the commercial and in the teaching artist fields, and I am President of an organization for theater folk who work in cultural institutions, the International Museum Theater Alliance. I have an MS in Education from the Bank Street College of Education and I am currently working towards my PhD in Urban Education at the City University of New York.

I am looking forward to working with Rebecca Mason, the Sunday School Committee, and the Ethical Culture community to build on the strong programmatic foundations that have been laid to serve children and families, and to widen and deepen the impact of family programs at the Society. To begin with, we are once again offering a Sunday Ethics for Children Program. I look forward to meeting everyone there!

## Letters to the Editor

*[The following letters were received from members in response to Joseph Kaye's Sunday Address, "The Hidden History of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict," given on July 18, 2004 –Eds.]*

I was present at the creation of the Jewish state in 1948. I do not mind hearing different points of view, but I don't want to hear somebody presenting "facts" which are factually inaccurate. I was taken aback that the Ethical Culture Society would have a speaker who was so biased and full of cheap propaganda. He even presented Zionism as some sort of conspiracy. I would strongly recommend that we should have a speaker on the same topic with a different point

of view, (like for example, the blood of innocent Israeli children). *Sabine Rosenberg*

I'm glad I came. Kaye's presentation is one that isn't heard too often in the general media, and it's good to have different sides aired. Selma Friedman I found his talk both interesting and stimulating. I also reacted to the need, in this country especially, to make people listen to and understand the Palestinian position. Also I have never seen such a large group of people sit down after one of our talks and give of their own time to continue to explore the topic.

I think he was honest—that he was both partisan and passionate. I also think reactions are of two kinds—emotional, which is valid of itself—and factual, which should contradict facts specifically with data, not general accusations of inaccuracy.

Some people would obviously experience his position as reopening many of the dreadful and painful wounds of their own history. That is a valid position, which should be viewed with respect and sympathy. I lived in Israel for some time, and indeed my boyfriend was killed in the 1967 war. *Christine Swann*

As a member of the Ethical Culture Society and partner to its beliefs of open mindedness, humanitarian and secular knowledge, whether or not others' points of view differ from my own, the one thing I cling to is the unwavering belief that political discussions be omitted from the Sunday platform meetings. While the ECS continues to offer its space to those of differing opinions, it has always done so with the understanding that they be presented after Sunday platform meetings or on an evening during the week. And I'd like to add that these forums are very well attended by both members and nonmembers, whenever scheduled.

My reason to voice my objections to the invited speaker's topic in the presentation given on July 18 is not that it was too long, or that the information he offered was diametrically opposed

to mine, but that his political stand was not in keeping with what I, as an Ethical Culture Society member, come to hear on Sunday's platform. *Barbara E. Litke*

I very much enjoyed Joe Kaye's presentation—and I believe that it is appropriate for Ethical Culture, home of honoring the views of all people, to have such a talk. I thought Joe presented his information with candor and answered questions succinctly and gently at the end of the meeting. As presider, after the meeting I fielded some highly emotional protestations. Mainly that the presentation wasn't "fair." Somehow, though, no one convinced me that listening to the Palestinian point of view constituted an unfairness, even if some of the details may have been incorrect. I'm concerned that some may be demonizing "the enemy," which is not the kind of thinking encouraged by our Ethical Culture founders and leaders. Scheduling a talk from an Israeli's point of view on "the hidden history of the Israeli-Palestinian conflict" is obviously the next step; but a single session of both sides, as has been suggested, would be difficult, as there is lots of information to present—and, also, I don't think we should host what could turn into a platform argument.

I wish more EC talks were so stimulating. In a world such as ours there are many points of view, and as ethical citizens, we should know as much about them as possible. Maybe we should have a speaker from a red state? Maybe a fundamentalist Christian speaker? Maybe an Iraqi? Maybe a black speaking on dealing with prejudice in New York City? A woman telling of her experiences banging against the glass ceiling? A young politician about fighting the entrenched incumbent? Somebody from the new Russia? All the stuff of lively post-meeting conversation and maybe even enlightenment. *Andra Miller*

Should we shy away from controversy? The address presented by Joseph Kaye on July 18 created quite a stir. Some walked out during the talk, visibly upset, and although the audience was

generally receptive (as indicated by the applause), there were a number of people strongly offended by the pro-Palestinian anti-Israel position stated by the speaker.

I feel, as a dedicated member of the Society, there are issues of diversity on many subjects and controversial opinions must not be suppressed. It is important that an opposing opinion on this subject be heard in the near future. This is a recommendation I have brought to the Sunday Program Committee for review.

I sincerely hope, no matter how emotional we feel over certain subjects, listening to all sides will create clarity and understanding.

I was pleased to hear that several people remained after the talk to further debate and discuss the issues with Mr. Kaye. This is as it should be. *Carole Chamlin, Chair, Sunday Program Committee.*

As I was the one who invited Joseph Kaye to speak at the Society on July 18 in a talk entitled, "The Hidden History of the Israeli-Palestinian Conflict," I think it fitting for me to respond to some of the reactions, both positive and negative, to his presentation. Is it our role to avoid controversy and to desist from raising issues that are emotionally laden and that might possibly hurt feelings? I think not! Rather, it seems to me that in the furtherance of a free and open dialogue within the Society and among our members we must be willing to expose ourselves to oppositional points of view.

I was aware beforehand that the talk would be controversial; thus, I am not surprised by some of the intense reaction. However, for my part I felt that he delivered a coherent, studied, well focused, though admittedly partisan, talk, and the facts, as represented by Joe Kaye, can be disputed. But he delivered his remarks with the utmost respect and absorbed the heated reaction of some with dignity and restraint. I think it is good that we have this debate within the Society, a Society that, after all, claims that it is in search of "truth"!

As Humanists none of us can be unsympathetic to the plight of innocent Israelis who are victims of suicide bombers, but on the other hand innocent Palestinians are also victims, suffering the loss of their properties, their livelihoods,

their ways of life, and oftentimes their lives themselves. I feel that Joe Kaye is a fighter for the underdog, for the disenfranchised, the downtrodden, and in that sense he is angry and unapologetic about his views. It is the intent of the Sunday

Platform Committee to open up another platform on another Sunday to a speaker who can challenge what Joe had to say on July 18 to further engage us in an intelligent, rational discourse on a very complex, controversial subject. *Joseph B. Marvel*

# September 2004

(Office hours for the month: 9:00 am–6:00 pm)

Sunday	Monday	Tuesday	Wednesday	Thursday	Friday	Saturday
<p><b>ECRDG: (Ethical Culture Reading Discussion Group)</b> September 8–Giuseppe Lampedusa, <i>The Leopard</i></p> <p><b>Great Books Discussion Series - “Happiness and Discontent”</b> September 15–Aristotle, <i>The Highest Good</i></p>			<p>1 October 2004 Newsletter Deadline  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>2  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>3</p>	<p>4  No Supervised Visitation Program today</p>
<p>5 10:00 am–Bagels &amp; coffee 10:30 am–Morning Meeting-- (Ceremonial Hall)  Starting next Sunday September 12 Morning Meetings will be in the Auditorium at 11:30 am</p>	<p>6  Society Offices Closed Labor Day  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>7  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>8 3:00 pm–Ethical Culture Reading Discussion Group  7:00 pm–Advocacy Forum 7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>9  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>10</p>	<p>11  No Supervised Visitation Program today</p>
<p>12 10:30 am–Colloquy 11:00 am–Ethics for Children 11:30 am–Morning Meeting 12:45 pm–Cafeteria 1:45 pm–Movie</p>	<p>13  6:00 pm–Board of Trustees 7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>14  6:00 pm–Women's Group 7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>15  7:30 pm–Shelter 7:30 pm–Happiness &amp; Discontent</p>	<p>16  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>17  Fall Retreat↔↔↔↔↔</p>	<p>18 9:30 am Supervised Visitation  Fall Retreat↔↔↔↔↔↔↔↔</p>
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<p>26 10:30 am–Yoga Meditation 11:00 am–Ethics for Children 11:30 am–Morning Meeting 12:45 pm–Cafeteria 1:45 pm–Discussion with Edwards</p>	<p>27  6:30 pm–The Joy of Writing 7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>28  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>29  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>	<p>30  7:30 pm–Shelter</p>		

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