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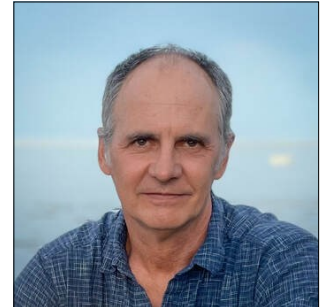
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Connecting the Secular Humanist Community of Upstate New York, Western Massachusetts, and Southern Vermont

Sunday, July 13th, 2025

In Person at 12:30 PM and Online at 1:00 PM

SWEET AND DEADLY: HOW COCA-COLA SPREADS DISINFORMATION AND MAKES US SICK

If we knew that Coca-Cola was among the deadliest products in our diet, would we continue drinking it in such great quantities? The Coca-Cola Company has gone to extraordinary lengths to make sure we don't find out. This program will discuss the findings of extensive research and deep investigative reporting that uncovered the damage Coke does to America's health, and the remarkable campaign of disinformation conducted by the company to keep consumers in the dark.



Murray Carpenter

Murray Carpenter is the author of *Sweet and Deadly: How Coca-Cola Spreads Disinformation and Makes Us Sick* (MIT Press, March 2025), and *Caffeinated: How Our Daily Habit Helps, Hurts and Hooks Us* (Penguin USA, 2014). As a journalist focusing on science, health, climate, and environmental stories, he has reported for *The New York Times*, the *Washington Post*, *Wired*, *National Geographic*, NPR, and Maine Public Radio. His work has taken him across the United States, and to Guantanamo, the Colombian llanos, and a factory town in China. He holds a BA in psychology from the University of Colorado and an MS in Environmental Studies from the University of Montana, and lives in Belfast, Maine.

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On Sunday, August 10th, 2025, 12:30 PM (In Person) and 1:00 PM (Online)

The Capital District Humanist Society Presents:
The Shadow Gospel: How Anti-Liberal Demonology Possessed U.S. Religion, Media, and Politics

When people talk about the chaotic, increasingly precarious political landscape in the United States, they often blame polarization and the culture wars. *The Shadow Gospel* tells a very different story. Analyzing eighty years of densely overlapping religious and secular messages preaching the dangers of liberalism, the book shows us the root causes of the problems we face today, some of which are satanic conspiracy theorizing, the crusade against “wokeness” and LGBTQ existence. It also helps explain the most vexing elements of our politics: that the most potent source of religious messaging and influence in the United States is secular, that the most ruthless destroyers of Republicans are other Republicans.

By offering new ways of thinking about religious influence, the left/right dichotomy, and the appeal of Donald Trump, *The Shadow Gospel* reveals the true roadblocks to pluralistic democracy and emphasizes what people across the religious and political spectrum stand to lose if we don't exorcise our anti-liberal demons. There are no easy solutions to our vast and complicated political problems. It is long past time to drag the shadow gospel out into the light, and make use of some of the actions that folks can take to set us on a path toward a brighter future.

Whitney Phillips studies information politics and media ethics and is an associate professor in the School of Journalism and Communication at the University of Oregon. She earned a BA in philosophy from Humboldt State University in 2004, an MFA in creative writing from Emerson College in 2007, and a PhD in English from the University of Oregon in 2012. She has authored and co-authored five academic books and a digital ethics guide for teens. Her most recent book is the topic of this program.

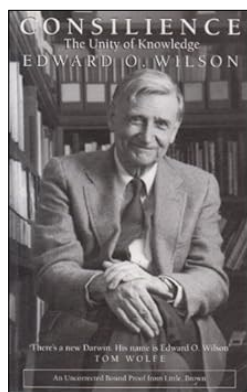
Mark Brockway hails from Denver, CO. He earned a PhD at the University of Notre Dame, and a BA in political science at the University of Oklahoma. He is currently an assistant teaching professor in political science at Syracuse Univ. His research centers on political identity and activism. He investigates the consequences of changing political and social identities for party politics. His research also examines religion and politics, political polarization, and public opinion. He is co-author of *The Shadow Gospel*.

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Whitney Phillips; Mark Brockway

CDHS Book Group is reading *Consilience: The Unity of Knowledge* by Edward Osborne Wilson. The group meets on the 2nd and 4th Thursdays.



Contact Frank Robinson if you would like to join the spirited and informative discussion.

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RECAP OF OUR JUNE SPEAKER'S TALK

by Frank Robinson

Dr. Tyina Steptoe is an Associate History Professor at the University of Arizona. Her presentation was titled "Big Mama Thornton, Little Richard, and the Queer Roots of Rock 'n' Roll." (Note: sometimes written as "Rock and Roll," but mine is the correct orthography.)

Steptoe started with a nod to the Great Migration of southern Blacks moving north, invoking a "Second Great Migration" toward the west. Her story really begins in Houston, whose Bronze Peacock night club spawned the Peacock Records Company around 1950, when technological advances made it easier and cheaper to produce mass-market records.

Willie Mae Thornton (1926-84), later known as "Big Mama," started singing in bars in her native Alabama at a very tender age, then joined a traveling "theater group" with motley performers and thereby wound up in Houston and connected with Peacock. Her métier was "Rhythm & Blues," a largely Black thing, later bleached as "Rock 'n' Roll" for wider audiences. Thus, her first hit song in 1953, "Hound Dog," became a much bigger hit in 1956 when Elvis Presley (1935-1977) recorded it.

Steptoe's interest was kindled by finding a family photo of her grandfather with Big Mama. It was a rare one showing her in male garb, which she actually favored; most of her photos show her in dresses, which she normally performed in. She never married; lesbianism is implied. Steptoe played a recording of her singing, described as "low register," in other words, sounding very male.

A counterpoint to Mama's bigness was the littleness of Richard Penniman (1932-2020). Little Richard's gayness was more flamboyant, though not publicly acknowledged for decades. His early drag-like persona onstage was called "female impersonation" and was a fairly common shtick, with homosexuality anathematized in those 1950s, even associated with hated Communism. Thus the Civil Rights movement tried to steer clear of anything smacking of queerness.

Steptoe noted that some Little Richard hit songs were redone by Pat Boone (1934-), made even bigger hits, though Boone's renditions were pretty weak tea compared with Richard's electric performances. But Boone was white and straight. A signature Little Richard song was "Tutti-Frutti." Steptoe played an excerpt, noting that the hit version's lyrics were sanitized of the original's overtly sexual content ("good booty", etc.).

A recording of this presentation is available at:

<https://youtu.be/722yrHRtekk>.

Volunteer Opportunities On the CDHS Executive Committee

EC Vacancies: CDHS is continuing its search for volunteers to fill the three vacant positions on the Executive Committee: Secretary, Compliance Officer, and Member-at-Large. Two of these positions, Secretary and Compliance Officer, require a minimal amount of work done on a monthly basis. None of the positions are difficult, but all are necessary for records and reporting purposes. Contact Don Porterfield at CDHS.Albany@gmail.com.

ANNUAL JULY 4TH SOCIAL

We will have our usual 4th of July picnic this year at the home of Heather Drinkwater on the 4th of July, beginning at noon. CDHS will provide the main course, which will be food from Dinosaur BBQ. Everyone is asked to bring a side dish, your own beverage, and a lawn chair.

Maybe Roland can serenade us and Frank Robinson can read to us his rendition of the Declaration of Independence. It's always a fun time.

This year we can enjoy Heather's pool, weather permitting. So bring your suit and a towel.

Please RSVP to Dee Fuller at candacelf13@gmail.com by **Tuesday, July 1st** so we can put our food order into the restaurant. Dee will also provide you with Heather's address.

2025 Capital Pride Festival A Success

As this newsletter's readers are probably aware, CDHS was a sponsor of this year's Capital Pride Festival in Albany on June 8th. Discussions began in the spring of 2024 to determine activities CDHS members could participate in collectively in order to get the organization's name and presence back in the public eye following the COVID pandemic. Once the decision to participate in the Pride Festival was made, a core group of volunteers met in person and remotely to make arrangements with the Capital Region Pride Committee and organize a crew of volunteers to be present at a table at the Festival. The core group consisted of Judith Herbert, Sue Parry, Heather Drinkwater, Kevin Smith, and Carol Quantock. They took inventory of pamphlets and brochures to display at the table, determined what "freebies" might be popular with visitors, and made sure that any items that had to be purchased or ordered would be ready in time for the event. It was decided that CDHS members would attend our table in the park without marching in the parade.

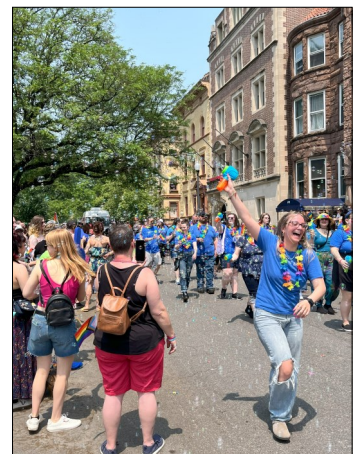
After the heavy rain of the day before, park walkways and grounds were still muddy on Sunday morning, but the sun and warmth dried things up. The number of visitors at the CDHS table was approximately 100, and it is hoped that we will enroll new members over the next few months.

Special thanks go out to Heather Drinkwater's partner Don, Roland Tozer, Kevin Smith's daughters Emily and Ava, Don and Olga Porterfield, and Paul Quantock for their assistance. Below are some photos of CDHS volunteers and the parade. Enjoy!



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New York's Medical Aid in Dying Act heads to the Governor's desk

(from the Compassion and Choices website)

June 9, 2025 marked an incredible moment for our end of life options movement, as our ten-year campaign to bring medical aid in dying to the Empire State is almost complete, with the legislature passing the bill authorizing this peaceful medical practice.

The bill now moves to Governor Kathy Hochul's desk. Our team is working around the clock to show her why New Yorkers need this compassionate option. We won't stop until we make New York the 13th jurisdiction to authorize medical aid in dying.

This year's win is the culmination of decades of work. Even before we were called Compassion & Choices, earlier versions of our organization like the Hemlock Society and Compassion & Care worked for years to improve end of life healthcare for New Yorkers, including ensuring passage of "Right to Know" laws and ensuring everyone has appropriate access to pain medicine.

Corinne Carey, Compassion & Choices senior campaign director for New York/New Jersey, led this campaign from its early days to recent success ensuring lawmakers and the public alike know that medical aid in dying is a loving, compassionate option for terminally ill individuals and their families.

Corinne partnered with dedicated advocates like Brian Moffett, who spent his final weeks living with ALS pushing for this bill, and later, whose son, Jake Moffett took up the fight on his behalf.

This victory means so much to us at Compassion & Choices and serves as a guiding light for advocates and volunteers around the country who show up year after year to see this legislation realized in their state. It's also in honor of the advocates who've died in pain when lawmakers don't act – including the 28 advocates Compassion & Choices knows of who died during the New York campaign. This win is for them and each of you, our supporters and friends in the movement to realize end-of-life options for all.

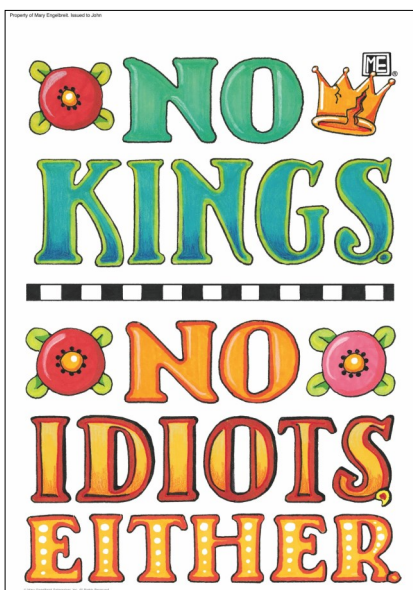
No Kings Day—June 14, 2025

Here are a few photos of No Kings Day demonstrations sent in by members.

For more information about the next call to action/peaceful demonstration, visit: <https://indivisible.org/> or <https://goodtroubleliveson.org/>.



From left: Carol Quantock at Guilderland, Wolf Road rally photo by Dave Peck, Wolf Road rally photo by Jeremy Snyder



Join the bunch for lunch! We will gather at Diner Time, 813 Loudon Road, Latham, on July 17th at 12:00 Noon. The date for the July Lunch Bunch get-together is August 21st.

Please let Rosina Ansaldo know by Wednesday evening if you'll be joining them.

NOTE: If you know of a great local eatery, please don't be shy; recommend it! We'd like to give our local restaurants a chance by rotating them every few months and returning to the ones that get enthusiastic thumbs up. Please send ideas to Rosina Ansaldo. Thanks!

Democrats reclaim the American flag

(by Adam Wren, *Politico*, 06/13/2025 05:55 AM EDT; Updated: 06/13/2025 09:57 AM EDT)

Democrats' newest approach to win back voters is a fresh embrace of the nation's oldest symbol.

Two days ahead of Flag Day, when President Donald Trump's military parade will run through the streets of Washington, Democratic Reps. Pat Ryan (D-N.Y.) and Chris Deluzio (D-Pa.) fanned out Thursday afternoon to give a gift to their colleagues to unite them.

It was a 4-inch-by-6-inch American flag, which they passed out at almost the exact moment, unbeknownst to them, that Sen. Alex Padilla was getting forcibly removed and handcuffed at a Homeland Security press conference in Los Angeles — an act House Minority Leader Hakeem Jeffries would later call “unpatriotic.”

The flags, made in Deluzio's Pennsylvania, came with a message in an accompanying dear colleague letter written by Ryan, a West Point grad who served two tours in Iraq, and Deluzio, a U.S. Navy officer who was also deployed there. They have joined forces to become co-chairs of the first-ever, 18-member Democratic Veterans Caucus, formed just three days ago.

“Patriotism does not belong to one party,” the letter read. “The flag, and the values it stands for, belong to every single American.”

As Democrats look for a message to rebut the MAGA right, they are looking within their own ranks for a credible message against the overreach of those holding power.

“The timing is very apt, because we've now had a senator handcuffed; we've had one of my House colleagues charged and now indicted; we've had not just the National Guard federalized, but active duty troops deployed against U.S. citizens, and increasingly, Trump, who really is the Republican Party now, their definition of patriotism, is, do you support Trump and MAGA?” Ryan told POLITICO. “And if you don't, then you're not patriotic.”

Democrats see the military display taking place in Washington on the Army's 250th birthday — which also happens to coincide with President Donald Trump's 79th birthday — as emblematic of a president who puts himself above the country. In his speech this week, even California Gov. Gavin Newsom framed his criticism of Trump in patriotic terms, saying he's “ordering our American heroes, the United States military, and forcing them to put on a vulgar display to celebrate his birthday, just as other failed dictators have done in the past.”

It's a message that a beleaguered party hopes resonates in the 90 percent of counties that shifted to Republicans last November. Or, as Sen. Elissa Slotkin (D-Mich.) put it earlier this year, it's time for Democrats to “f**king retake the flag.”

Ahead of Trump's parade, outside groups like VoteVets are rallying former servicemembers to make a not-so-subtle contrast. Sen. Mark Kelly (D-Ariz.), a former Navy officer, is organizing fellow veterans online to “call out how Trump is putting his ego first while he fires veterans from federal jobs and guts the VA.” Others who also served in the armed forces, like JoAnna Mendoza who is running to challenge Rep. Juan Ciscomani (R-Ariz.) and Maryland Gov. Wes Moore, plan to be involved in the pushback.

“Patriotism is not something the Democratic Party should concede, because patriotism is not something the Republican Party created,” Moore said in an interview.

Former Transportation Secretary Pete Buttigieg on Instagram Thursday said “any salute to the flag or patriotism or talk of American greatness is completely hollow if you do not respect the freedoms that that flag represents.”

In Iowa last month at a town hall hosted by the Democratic political action committee VoteVets, Buttigieg closed his opening remarks with an extended meditation on the flag to his three-year-old daughter. The former Navy Reserve intelligence officer who deployed to Afghanistan for seven months extolled “the values that flag represents, the story, the incredibly rich and inspiring — and yes, very, complicated story, of everything that has happened under that flag and in the name of that flag.”

And it comes at a time when the party's brightest stars include a number of veterans — including some poised to enter governor's mansions and help Democrats retake the House.

Rep. Mikie Sherrill, her party's gubernatorial nominee in New Jersey, is a former Navy helicopter pilot.

Her candidacy has inspired a group of female veterans running for Congress in 2026, who hope to replicate the success of the 2018 wave by running moderates with national security experience.

And like Buttigieg, other possible 2028 presidential contenders are leaning into powerful national symbols: Kelly is also a former astronaut. And there is Ruben Gallego, a Marine combat veteran who served in Iraq.

In attempting to reclaim the flag from its right-coded fixture at the moment, Democrats face no easy task: One study found that a single exposure to the American flag shifts voter sentiment to the right for up to eight months after.

Major General (Ret.) Paul Eaton, a senior adviser to VoteVets, the PAC that sponsored Buttigieg's town hall last month, said messaging that has been so successful on the right to pigeonhole the other party [as] less than patriotic.”

Mendoza, a retired US Marine, says she finds it “extremely frustrating” when Republicans claim to be the true party of patriots. Mendoza said she deliberately chose her campaign colors to be red, white and blue to make a point that “they don't own it, and we have to take it back.”

“The Republican Party does not own this country, they don't own the American flag,” she said. “It belongs to the people.”

Democrats have spent years battling perceptions that they are less patriotic — and reversing that image could take just as long.

But “a key part of the way out of the moment we're in will be military veterans who can help bridge the divide,” Ryan said. “That's why I think this reassertion of a constructive, unifying patriotism is absolutely just essential right now.”

Trump policies force global Humanist conference to abandon U.S. plans

Organizers of the global event cited safety concerns, threats to civil liberties, and growing hostility toward secular values under the Trump administration

(from *The Friendly Atheist*, June 24, 2-25)

Since 1952, a group of non-religious leaders around the world have been gathering in person every few years to talk about the issues they're facing in their respective countries—human rights violations, blasphemy laws, environmental concerns, abortion rights and end-of-life care, etc.—and discuss ways to work together, use their influence to change public policies, and promote the work Humanist groups are doing.

They call it the World Humanist Congress and it's been held in places like Oslo (2011), Oxford (2014), London (2017), and Denmark (2023).

The next WHC event was slated for August of 2026 in Washington, D.C.

But after considering the instability for foreign visitors to the United States right now, the entire conference has just been moved to Ottawa, Canada.

American Atheists, which was going to co-host the event, announced the change yesterday, saying it couldn't ensure the "admissibility or security of attendees," especially from parts of the world that the Trump administration has targeted. The move to Ottawa means the event will take place in a "more inclusive and accessible setting."

The decision to relocate comes after a thorough assessment of the social, political, and economic environment in the United States under the current administration. Escalating religious nationalism and executive actions restricting movement, targeting civil society, and eroding human rights protections have created an inhospitable environment for an international gathering rooted in the values of secularism and inclusion.

The Trump Administration's increasingly aggressive stance toward legal immigration, its creation of ideological commissions to police "anti-Christian bias," and retributive actions against nonprofit advocacy organizations—including humanist groups—pose serious risks to both domestic and international participants. Reductions to the U.S. Department of State's visa application and approval capacity, combined with attendees' reluctance to travel to D.C. and American Atheists' inability to predict and mitigate future threats pose too large a risk to event attendees, staff, and volunteers.

The last time the event had to change venues due to instability in the host country was 2017, when the planned event in São Paulo, Brazil had to be moved to London due to concerns about the national economy and "uncertainty over changing visa requirements." Yesterday's move comes after genuine concerns about whether other global events can seriously take place in the United States over the next couple of years, including the 2026 World Cup (taking place jointly with Canada and Mexico) and the 2028 Summer Olympic Games in Los Angeles. Hell, just last week, the Senegalese women's basketball team had to scrap plans to train in the U.S. after their visas were denied. Given the way even legal immigrants have been treated by this administration, the very people who could benefit from a conference like this could be in danger if they step foot in the country.

Thankfully, Canada remains welcoming to foreigners who want to visit:

"Humanists all over the world are alarmed by the escalating religious nationalism and decline in human rights protections in the United States. As a stable, inclusive, and rights-affirming environment, Canada will allow us to convene an event that truly reflects humanist values," said Gary McLelland, Chief Executive of Humanists International. "We've already had very positive discussions with Canadian authorities about how they can help humanists come together in their country, and Canadian humanists are eager to welcome our global community."

"The necessity of this relocation reflects a deeply troubling reality," said Nick Fish, President of American Atheists. "The current U.S. government is fundamentally opposed to the ideals of pluralism, religious liberty, and free thought. They are damaging our nation's reputation overseas and dismantling the institutions and constitutional rights that undergird our democracy here at home."

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If you know of someone who may be interested in CDHS, please pass this newsletter along or give us the name; we will send a sample copy or two with no obligation.

We value your input. In the best humanist tradition, CDHS has no rigid picture of itself. We ask you to join us, not follow us. What activities and services would you like CDHS to provide its members? Send us your suggestions, questions, and comments.

“Nonetheless, our ability to convene in Canada next year demonstrates the tireless resilience of the secular community,” added Fish. “At a time when our people and values are increasingly under attack, the World Humanist Congress will carry on — not in retreat, but with a renewed purpose to peacefully yet powerfully reaffirm our unshaken support for reason, religious freedom, and equal rights for all.”

Fish told me yesterday that he had been having multiple discussions with the board of Humanists International (which sponsors this event), and they always discussed various risks for an event like this. But after the Trump administration came into power again, those concerns only heightened. That was especially true in recent months given the actions of ICE, the recent Trump travel ban, and things like the Task Force to Eradicate Anti-Christian Bias (which could easily target critics of the faith). American Atheists was hoping the risks could be mitigated, but it felt increasingly unsafe to ask people from around the world to come to the United States.

On top of that, American Atheists informally surveyed members of Humanists International and people who expressed interest in attending the conference and directly asked them if they had any concerns. (It was an open-ended question.) About “two thirds” of respondents, Fish told me, expressed reservations about coming to the U.S. right now. Those weren’t just people from Islamic countries; they included plenty of Europeans and other ostensibly free places.

This decision, in other words, wasn’t made in a vacuum. It took a couple of months to go from “We can’t host this to Thankfully, Canada can host this.”

Martin Frith, President of Humanist Canada, said he was “thrilled” to take the baton and host this event:

“We are deeply grateful for the trust placed in us by Humanists International and for the thoughtful collaboration of our colleagues at American Atheists. Their decision to prioritize the safety, accessibility, and integrity of our shared movement reflects the very best of humanist leadership.”

Some may criticize the move because it’s capitulating to the Trump agenda, but organizers have a responsibility to make sure attendees aren’t put in the crosshairs of an authoritarian and thin-skinned regime that can’t handle free speech if it criticizes them or their Christian beliefs.

While the World Humanist Congress is hardly a huge event—they were expecting roughly 1,000 attendees—it’s unique in that it attracts people from so many parts of the world that are subject to religious extremism.

It’s deeply troubling that an event in the United States has to be relocated because its hosts cannot guarantee the safety of guests coming in from across the globe. If I told you there were concerns over an event meant to honor, celebrate, and protect the idea of religious freedom, you might think it was taking place in a theocracy. Now, the Christian Nationalism and “America First” actions of Republicans have made some visitors leery of coming to the U.S., even for short trips.

The red flags of this administration “have become flashing red lights,” Fish said.



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