

About HWF

Humanists of West Florida was accepted as a charter chapter of the American Humanist Association in December, 2012.

The first board of directors has set this organization up to support and build onto the already existing community of humanists, atheists, agnostics, freethinkers and other non-theists in the North West Florida area.

After forming, the board of directors began setting policies in place to guide future board members in achieving the mission of the organization.

As the membership grows several projects are being started that will give this community an opportunity to work together to create a sense of unity and camaraderie.

The Mission of HWF

To facilitate the advancement of humanist thought and action in Pensacola and surrounding areas by interconnecting groups of humanists, atheists, agnostics and non-religious. We will strive for equal participation in government and societal life through building strategic partnerships with other humanist and freethought organizations and with our religious neighbors to advance the greater good of humanity.

Membership is not required to participate in our social events or community service projects. We invite anyone who is interested in any of our events or projects to participate in as much or as little as they are able.

Should you decide you would like to become a member, there are a variety of membership types available.

Supporting Membership

The annual dues simply cover our minimal overhead costs, such as the website, advertising, small service projects and events. We provide an occasional newsletter and special email announcements to keep you up-to-date. You may complete the membership form on our website or you may request that a printable application be emailed to you which you can then complete and return by email or snail mail.

Memberships with voting rights:

- Student/Hardship Membership - \$10
- Regular Membership - \$25

Membership without voting rights:

- Associate Membership - Free
- Organization/Business - \$100

All memberships must be renewed annually July 1. A renewal application will be sent to your email address in June.

To complete the membership application online: humanistsofwestflorida.org

To request an application by email:

membership@humanistsofwestflorida.org

Famous Humanist Quotes

"Human decency is not derived from religion. It precedes it."

~ Christopher Hitchens

"I am a humanist, which means, in part, that I have tried to behave decently without any expectation of rewards or punishment after I'm dead."

~ Kurt Vonnegut

"When we speak of equality, of women and men, of Blacks and Whites, of all the world's people, we are talking about humanism."

~ Gloria Steinem

"A man's ethical behavior should be based effectually on sympathy, education, and social ties and needs; no religious basis is necessary. Man would indeed be in a poor way if he had to be restrained by fear of punishment and hope of reward after death."

~ Albert Einstein

"Humanism will affirm life rather than deny it, seek to elicit the possibilities of life, not flee from it, and endeavor to establish the conditions of satisfactory life for all, not merely for the few."

~ Humanist Manifesto, 1933