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## *Mysterious Circles of Stone: Megalithic Monuments of Western Europe*

Archaeologist Ken Feder explores the mysteries of the stone circles of the ancient world. Stonehenge may be the best known of the so-called megalithic monuments, but is just one of thousands of smaller henges, circles, monoliths, avenues, and stone burial chambers located throughout western Europe. Who built them and why? Are these monuments the product of encounters between ancient people and extraterrestrial visitors to earth? Do these sites resonate with heretofore unrecognized "earth energies" not even dreamed of by modern scientists but understood intuitively by ancient people? Is there a connection between the stone circles of England, Scotland, Ireland, and Wales and the crop circle phenomenon of which Great Britain is an epicenter? Or are the megalithic monuments the product of something far more mysterious: intrinsic human intelligence and ability?

The evening will begin at 7:30 p.m. with our customary informal half hour of refreshments and conversation. Come and bring a friend!

## *Calendar of Events*

### SEPTEMBER, 2002

Mon., 9	Dinner at Gabriele Restaurant, 326 Boston Post Road, Orange	7:00 p.m.
Fri., 13	Conversations, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	7:00 p.m.
Sun., 15	Picnic at the Landers' home in Danbury. Rain postpones event to Sunday, September 22.	12:00 noon
Mon., 16	Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Tnpk. Coffee and conversation Doug Peary — <i>Remembering 9/11</i> Main program. Ken Feder — <i>Mysterious Circles of Stone: Megalithic Monuments of Western Europe</i>	7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:50 p.m. 8:00 p.m.
Thu., 19	Dinner at Connecticut's oldest inn, the Curtis House, Main Street South, Woodbury	7:00 p.m.
Sun., 22	Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	2:00 p.m.

### OCTOBER, 2002

Mon., 7	Dinner at Gabriele Restaurant, 326 Boston Post Road, Orange	7:00 p.m.
Fri., 11	Conversations, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike Bring a book to recommend.	7:30 p.m.
Mon., 21	Monthly meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike Coffee and conversation Bob Quint — <i>Why I am a Humanist</i> Main program. Manny Ratafia — <i>Pharmaceutical Pricing</i>	7:30 p.m. 7:30 p.m. 7:50 p.m. 7:50 p.m.
Wed., 23	Dinner at Connecticut's oldest inn, the Curtis House, Main Street South, Woodbury	7:00 p.m.
Sun., 27	Board meeting, USNH, 700 Hartford Turnpike	2:00 p.m.

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## *9/11 Memorial on 9/16*

We will begin our September meeting at the Unitarian Society of New Haven, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden, at 7:50 p.m. with a secular memorial for September 11, 2001, which will be led by Rev. Douglas Peary.

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**Conversations**

Our next Conversations meeting will be held in the library at the Unitarian Association of New Haven, 700 Hartford Turnpike, Hamden, at 7:30 p.m. on Friday, September 13. This will be a follow-up discussion to the extensively-researched and well-received program presented by Michelle Koth in August on *Women in Islam*.

There will be light refreshments at this meeting instead of the usual pizza. You may wish to have dinner beforehand.

**RSVP for Autumn Picnic**

Please RSVP and attend an autumn picnic on Sunday, September 15th (rain date September 22nd) from noon - 3 p.m. at the home of Jack and Jini Lander in Danbury, (203) 797-8955. Bring a lawn chair and your favorite cold drinks. If it's chilly you may care to come with the makings of a special hot concoction! All food will be provided; expect a seafood and vegetarian fare.

Directions from Interstate 84 to 37 Seneca Rd., Danbury, Connecticut.

**From the north or east** take 84 westbound to exit 5; turn left at the light at the end of the exit; turn left immediately toward the golf course; turn right onto Franklin St, passing the golf course on your right; take the first right turn onto Seneca Rd. *Then* take left onto Seminole for easy access to the house which is at the bottom of the hill *between* two short stone columns.

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