



# CENTER FOR INQUIRY

## Michigan

### Upcoming Events: May 2009

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#### Featured Events

Open to the public: \$6 general admission, free for Friends of the Center.

#### West Michigan

Women's City Club, Lower Meeting Room  
254 Fulton Street NE, Grand Rapids.

**Wednesday, May 13, 7:00pm–8:30pm**

**A Friendly Letter to Skeptics and Atheists: Musings on Why God Is Good and Faith Isn't Evil**

Presented by David Myers, PhD, Professor of Psychology, Hope College.

**Wednesday, May 27, 7:00pm–8:30pm**

**Three Steps to the Universe: From the Sun to Black Holes, to the Mystery of Dark Matter**

Presented by David Garfinkle, PhD, Professor, Oakland University.

#### Southeast Michigan

**Thursday, May 21, 7:00pm–8:30pm**

Baldwin Library: 300 W. Merrill, Birmingham.

**The Transition Movement**

Presented by Pamela Kilbarger, Member, Transition Oakland County.

#### Southwest Michigan

**Wednesday, May 06, 7:00pm–8:30pm**

Portage Library: 300 Library St. in Portage.

**A View from a Jew in Kalamazoo: the Battle for Peace Among Israelis and Palestinians**

Presented by Steve Pollens.

#### Movie Night – West

**Wednesday, May 6, 7:00pm:** *The Man Who Sued God*, Freethought Commune, 734 Lockwood NE, Grand Rapids. BYOB & Snack to share. Please RSVP to Jennifer, 616-706-2029.

**Wednesday, May 20, Movie at the UICA (Title & Time TBA)**, UICA Theater, 41 Sheldon Blvd SE, Grand Rapids. Tickets \$7, snacks available.

#### Long Lake Work Day

**Sat./Sun., May 9-10, 8:00am-8:00pm**

Long Lake Outdoor Center, 10370 Gun Lake Rd. Hastings. Join us for a Work Day at Long Lake to repair cabins and prepare for the summer season – Please RSVP on website.

#### Annual Spring Fling

**Saturday, May 30, 4:00-12:00am**

Seaver Farm, 10721 52nd Ave., Allendale.

Join us rain or shine: games, bonfire, and more! BYOB and dish to share.

#### Sunday Breakfast – West

**Sunday, May 3, 9:30 am-11:30am**

Cherie Inn, 969 Cherry St. SE, Grand Rapids. An RSVP is required: see website for details.

#### Women's Group – West

**Saturday, May 16, 10:00 am-12:00pm**

Amanda's House, 736 Lockwood St. NE, Grand Rapids. Activity TBA: see website.

#### Cafe Inquiry/3 Beer Discussion

##### Southeast

**Tuesday, May 5, 6:00-9:00pm**

Fuse Lounge, 227 S. Main St., Rochester.

**Friday, May 29, 6:00-9:00 pm**

Location TBD: See Website for Updates

##### Southwest

**Friday, May 8, 6:00-9:00pm**

Panera Bread, 5970 S. Westnedge Ave., Portage.

**Friday, May 22, 6:00-9:00pm**

Jeannine's House, 5923 Angling Rd., Portage. Dinner will be provided - please RSVP.

#### Regional Coordinators

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#### Our Mission

The mission of Center for Inquiry is to promote and defend reason, science and secular values. We offer rational, ethical and affirmative alternatives to reigning paranormal and religious belief systems and develop communities where like-minded individuals can meet to explore ideas from a non-theistic perspective.

#### What We Do

CFI Michigan hosts education and social events throughout the state of Michigan. Our events are open to members and the general public.

For more information contact [michigan@centerforinquiry.net](mailto:michigan@centerforinquiry.net) or call 616-698-2342.

#### E-mail/Mailing List

If you would like to receive our newsletter or email alerts for upcoming events sign-up at: [www.centerforinquiry.net/michigan](http://www.centerforinquiry.net/michigan).



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