BACK AT THE SHERATON GRAND !!

THIS MONTH through August, NTCOF’s monthly first-Sunday services are at the Sheraton Grand Hotel on the southeast corner of 114 and Esters. We will continue to meet here at the Sheraton Grand except for the September 4th service which will be held at the Westin DFW Airport across the highway on the northwest corner of 114 and Esters.

HEALTHY SKEPTICISM about “Alternative Medicine”

“What most sets alternative medicine apart, in our view, is that it has not been scientifically tested and its advocates largely deny the need for such testing. … [they] believe the scientific method is simply not applicable to their remedies. … Alternative medicine also distinguishes itself by an ideology that largely ignores biologic mechanisms, often disparages modern science, and relies on what are purported to be ancient practices and natural remedies (which are seen as somehow being simultaneously more potent and less toxic than conventional medicine) … There cannot be two kinds of medicine - conventional and alternative. There is only medicine that has been adequately tested and medicine that has not, medicine that works and medicine that may or may not work. [Marcia Angell MD & Jerome P. Kassirer MD; in an editorial: NEJM 339:839, 1998]
All NTCOF events can be found through our website calendar (yes, website update is in process thanks to Sarah and Rusty Nejdl!), or through our meetup page, from which you can RSVP, at: www.meetup.com/church-of-freethought.

JOIN THE NTCOF MEETUP GROUP!!!

Social Luncheon: Today, immediately after our Service, join us for lunch and discussion at the Golden Corral Buffet and Grill in Grapevine, located just across from the Grapevine Mills Mall, at 2605 E. Grapevine Mills Circle, phone (972) 874-7900. To reach Golden Corral from the Sheraton, cross over the freeway and make a left onto John W. Carpenter Freeway (114) going west. Then take the first exit RIGHT onto International Parkway (121), then Grapevine Mills Parkway exit. Turn LEFT on Stars and Stripes Way, continuing on to E. Grapevine Mills Circle.

Freethought Salon: Get together to discuss today’s service topic or other conundrums of interest to Freethinkers. Second Sunday monthly, over breakfast, at the Hilton Vineyard in Grapevine this month; see the meetup site!

Game Night: The regular game night crew meets nearly every Friday night at the IHOP on 2310 Stemmons Trail (I-35), near Northwest Highway (Loop 12). Plan to arrive at about 7:30 PM, and stay late playing Risk, Rummikub, and other fun games!

Secular Singles: Freethinkers have met their life-partners with whom they have begun families through the Secular Singles group. Check the meetup site for the next date, time and location!

"To be conscious that we are perceiving or thinking is to be conscious of our own existence.”
- Aristotle (384-322 BCE)