

[Historical Records] from The Epicurean Philosophy Facebook Group

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[**THIS WEEK IN EPICUREAN PHILOSOPHY - 07/25/2015**](#)

** This is the one hundred and sixteenth in a series of weekly reports on news from the world of Epicurean Philosophy. Our home base for discussion is <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EpicureanPhilosophy> Copies of these posts, and links to active Epicurean websites, are stored at EpicurusCentral.wordpress.com, and other discussion cites are referenced at the end of this post.

** We welcome all participants and lurkers. If you apply to participate and don't receive a reply promptly, please send an email to an admin about your interest in the group. We are here to discuss Epicurean Philosophy, have fun, and in the words of Lucian, "strike a blow for Epicurus - that great man whose holiness and divinity of nature were not shams, who alone had and imparted true insight into the good, and who brought deliverance to all that consorted with him!"

** The summer continues to be a little slow, but we had a number of good discussions (see below) even as events in Greece reduced in intensity from a boil to a simmer. Here are the highlights of the past week:

**Samej D. linked to "Naturalistic Traditions: Were Epicurus and the Atomists Naturalistic?"
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...59221737460121/>

**Hiram posted to an article that needed deconstructing entitled "We Never Really Die...."
<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...59041297478165/>

**This past week contained the Twentieth of July, and commemorations were posted by me (<https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...59886300726998/>) and one of our most reliable long-term observers of the Twentieth: Steve K.: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...60295227352772/> Steve K's gets the award for widest interest, as his graphic of seasoned french fries was accompanied by the title "Sexpectations: The Problem With Having Sex...."

**Also on the Twentieth, I linked to an article with some sligh (or unintentional humor) about Greeks trusting banks. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...59930244055937/>

**Elli reminded us of an older post on the difference between Stoicism and Epicurean philosophy. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...60515347330760/>

**Samej D. linked to a video that in the end had a good message I think Epicurus would have endorsed: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...61297047252590/>

**Yiannis T. linked to an article on Alan Watts and Acceptance of Death. <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...61470477235247/>

**Elli posted new graphics with a cite to Lucretius Book 1: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...61811883867773/>

**Winning the "most commented post of the week" award was Elli in her post about Angela Merkel and religion: <https://www.facebook.com/groups/Epicure...60723947309900/>

**And topping off the week was a graphic of Epicurus superimposed on a Greek flag, with commentary we'll need a translator to understand.

**Thanks to all who participated in the Facebook forum this week. As always, if you have any comments, questions, or suggestions, please add a comment or participate in the Epicurean Philosophy Facebook Group <https://www.facebook.com/groups/EpicureanPhilosophy/> or hop around the internet world of Epicurean Philosophy by checking the links here: EpicurusCentral.wordpress.com

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Live Well!

Cassius Amicus

**Options for those who wish to discuss Epicurus on the internet include:

1- If you are someone whose views are fully formed, and you've combined several disparate viewpoints into your own personal mix, and you mainly want to talk casually to other people of the same eclectic type, there are several excellent facebook groups including EPISTOBUZEN and "Epicureanism for Modern Times" that you can find by searching facebook.

2- If you are focused primarily on Epicurus, and you want to participate in a forum where people will defend Epicurus strongly from all challenges, then you have two Facebook options. Our open and main group, entitled simply "Epicurean Philosophy," is the home base of this post. Anyone can read the posts there, and all you have to do is ask in order to join. (Note that there is an "About" and a "Sticky" post with our forum rules.)

3 - If you prefer to post in a "private" group where your posts are not readable by outsiders, we have "Epicurean Private Garden." Because it is a private group, you cannot find it by searching, and you have to email one of our admins in the open group if you wish to join. Please note that our About and Sticky Post rules in the private forum are the same as the open forum, and the private forum will be moderated to the same standards as the open forum (or perhaps slightly tighter!)

4 - If you are not only focused primarily on Epicurus, but you wish to assist with a forum platform where pro-Epicurean activists can build for the future, check out <https://www.epicureanfriends.com/www.EpicureanFriends.com>. Work is starting on a FAQ and other resources. Anyone can read the posts, but only approved members can create new posts

or comment.