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Thomas Paine
Memorial Committee
are available for free
presentations about
the life and work of
the great patriot
Thomas Paine!*

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Thomas Paine Memorial Committee

*An educational program
sponsored by the Freethought
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*Colonial-clad speakers
specializing in presenting
"The Life and Work
of Thomas Paine"
to elementary and middle school
students.*

Why honor the life and work of Thomas Paine?

Thomas Paine is not only an important Revolutionary War patriot and Founding Father, he was a leader in:

Anti-Slavery

Labor rights

Justice for women

American banking

Separation of church and state

Anti-cruel and unusual punishment

Mass publicly-funded education

Funding of social welfare programs

Federation of world republics

(aka the United Nations)

Thomas Paine is given little credit for his literary works and contributions to society. Few people know that he was also a bridge designer, inventor, and political debater/commentator.

His exciting life is captured by Thomas Paine Memorial Committee presenters as they disclose many unknown facts about his adventures in England, America, and France. Presenters will also highlight the many books written by Thomas Paine as they teach about "Common Sense" and "The Rights of Man."



A Favorite Colonial Presenter



Pictured above is Margaret Downey. She has studied the life of Thomas Paine for over a decade and works with Thomas Paine scholars on a wide variety of Thomas Paine related projects.

Downey recently wrote a Thomas Paine coloring book, which is currently in the design process. Downey follows the coloring book text in her interactive presentations, making sure to convey important facts about the life and work of Thomas Paine.

Downey's educational programs are sponsored by the Freethought Society of Greater Philadelphia (FSGP).

FSGP is a 501(c)3 educational nonprofit organization, offering free and open-to-the-public presentations.

Presentations will include the following:

Highlights from Thomas Paine's childhood will allow for one student to portray Thomas Paine as a youngster. A complimentary colonial hat will be awarded to the student volunteer.

A male teacher will be asked to portray the adult Thomas Paine. A quick-change costume will be provided by the committee.

Students will be given prizes (colonial money) for answering questions about the Founders of the United States of America and the Revolutionary War.

Interactive presentations include colonial music, period-costumed hosts, prizes, and a wealth of knowledge children will remember for a life time.

References available upon request. Please call or fax for more information.



"We have it in our power to begin the world over again."

"My country is the world, and my religion is to do good."

~Thomas Paine