

# Homewood Friends Meeting

## Announcements

Third Month (March) 5, 2017

Our website is: <http://www.homewoodfriends.org>

To place an announcement, call the office, 410.235.4438, fax it to 410.235.6058, or-mail it to [homewoodfriends@verizon.net](mailto:homewoodfriends@verizon.net). The deadline is 11 a.m. Tuesday.

Office hours are 8:30-3:30 Monday & 8:30-2:30 Tuesday through Thursday.

### ***Faith and Practice of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, the Third Query: The Meeting Community***

Are love and harmony within the Meeting community fostered by a spirit of open sharing? Do you endeavor to widen your circle of friendships within the Meeting, seeking to know persons of all ages and at all stages of the spiritual journey? Does the Meeting provide for the spiritual refreshment of all members and attenders? Do Friends provide spiritual and practical care for the elderly, the lonely, and others with special needs?

#### **WELCOME TO VISITORS!**

If this is your first time worshipping with us, please sign the guest book and indicate whether or not you'd like to receive our monthly newsletter. Please include an e-mail address if you have one. If you wish, introduce yourself when invited at the rise of worship.

Everyone is invited to stay for a free simple lunch after worship—it's a good opportunity to learn about Homewood.

#### **Dear Friends,**

*Our worship can only really begin when we are all gathered. Late arrival delays that process. Please consider an intention of arriving a little early for worship so that we can begin together at 10:30 AM. Even so...if you find yourself delayed please know that you are welcome. With loving concern for our community, Ministry and Counsel*

**CAMP REGISTRATION** has begun. See <http://bymcamps.org/> for registration forms and more information. **Please note that money from the Davis Fund at Homewood is available for camperships.** Contact Bess Keller for details.

**MEETING FOR BUSINESS** is **TODAY (Mar. 5)** at 12:30.

#### **FIRST DAY SCHOOL**

**TODAY (Mar. 5):** Life and Teachings of Jesus with Giovanna

**PEACEABLE CITY** gatherings have resumed. They will continue for the next two Mondays, 6:30-8:30 PM at Homewood. For more details, please go to <http://evite.me/7wangbdWeF>. Jo Brown is the leader.

**BETH EDELSTEIN** is now at home and would appreciate short visits. Please call first (410-252-7333).

**NOMINATING COMMITTEE** is responsible for filling the membership needs of the Meeting's many committees. If you have been attending Homewood for a while, serving on a committee is a wonderful way to become more involved in the Meeting community. If you are interested in committee work, please notify the Meeting office. Thank you.

**SIMPLE LUNCH: PLEASE SIGN UP** on the bulletin board in the dining room if you can provide simple lunch for a week of your choosing.

**SILENT VIGIL FOR PEACE:**

Every Friday, 5-6 p.m. Since 9/11/2001, we have held a vigil for peace every Friday evening. Join in at any time during the hour. The current focus is "BLACK LIVES MATTER" and "We Are All One People." This Friday (Mar. 3), join us for a potluck and the film *Shadows of Liberty* (see newsletter for details).

**UPCOMING FIRST DAY SCHOOL EVENTS**

**3/12:** Service Project with John and Susie (Chesapeake Quarterly Meeting)

**3/19:** Life and Teachings of Jesus with Giovanna  
**Second Adult Volunteers needed for First Day School:** Both good practice and our youth safety policy requires a second adult to be in our classes for First Day School. No preparation is required and no direct teaching is expected. The time period is from 10:50 to about 11:50 when parents pick up their children. For more information or to volunteer, please contact John McKusick or Megan Shook. Even doing this one Sunday would be a big help and it is a great way to get to know the children of the Meeting better!

**CHESAPEAKE QUARTERLY MEETING** is on **Sunday, March 12** here at Homewood. For details, please see <https://homewoodfriends.org/2017/01/16/chesapeake-quarterly-meeting-2/>. Please see Ned Worth to help set up or clean up; many hands make light work.

**THRESHING SESSION:** **April 30**, to explore how Homewood Meeting spends its money. How do our budgetary choices reflect our spiritual life? How do we deal with the hard fiscal realities that confront us? Mark your calendars now.

**WICKER BASKET COLLECTION:**

**NAACP Legal Defense Fund** will be the recipient for February and March. Find BQPJC on Facebook: <https://facebook.com/BQPJC>.

**FROM GREEN ORGANIZING ACTION TEAM (GOAT):**

**Don't Frack Maryland march and rally:**

Thursday, **March 2**, 12:30-2:30, Annapolis. Buses are leaving Rogers Avenue Metro Station (4300 Hayward Avenue) at 11:00am and returning to the same location at 4:00pm. Schedule, bus info, and RSVP at <http://www.dontfrackmd.org/march/>. Whether or not you attend the rally, send a message to your state legislators letting them know you support a ban: [http://org.salsalabs.com/o/423/p/dia/action3/commo/public/?action\\_KEY=18084](http://org.salsalabs.com/o/423/p/dia/action3/commo/public/?action_KEY=18084).

**PHIL FURNAS' ART EXHIBITION** will be here at Homewood, **March 5 - 12**. Reception is on March 5, 3 - 5:00 PM.

**CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEETING** support the maintenance of the Meeting and our contributions to designated service organizations. It is very helpful for contributors to make arrangements with their banks for automatic transfers. This provides the Meeting with a predictable cash flow. *Please make all checks payable to "Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends, Homewood."*

**REMINDER:** Everyone must observe Homewood Meeting's **Youth Safety Policy**: see <https://homewoodfriends.org/member-resources/policies/youth-safety-policy/>

**WE REALLY NEED ANOTHER GREETER!**  
*Please consider answering this need. If you can do it please contact Kathleen Wilson as soon as possible.*

Sing and rejoice, you children of the day and of the light; for the Lord is at work in this thick night of darkness that may be felt. And truth flourishes as the rose, and the lilies do grow among the thorns, and the plants atop of the hills, and upon them the lambs do skip and play. And never heed the tempests nor the storms, floods nor rains, for the seed Christ is over all, and reigns. ~ *George Fox, 1624 - 1691*