

Homewood Friends Meeting

Announcements

Tenth Month (October) 15, 2017

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

To place an announcement, call the office, 410.235.4438, or-mail it to 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 Tenth Query, The Peace Testimony:

Do you endeavor to live "in virtue of that life and power which takes away the occasion of all wars"? Do you work to make your peace testimony a reality in your life and in your world? Do you weigh your day-to-day activities for their effect on peace-keeping, conflict resolution and the elimination of violence? Are you working toward eliminating aggression at all levels, from the personal to the international?

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.

TEENAGE CHILD CARE WORKERS NEEDED

The Religious Education Committee is seeking one or two teenage child care workers to replace Beatrice Kennison and work with Chris Stadler in the Nursery. Potential applicants should contact Mina in the Meeting office or John McKusick.

PEACE VIGIL

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." (Also see announcement on p. 2.)

EVENTS TODAY (OCTOBER 15):

QUAKER BOOK CLUB starts up again at **9:15 in the lower level**. We will be considering the words of Thomas Kelly, as presented by Homewood member Kathleen Wilson in her online pamphlet, *Life from the Center*, which can be accessed at <http://www.quakerthomaskelly.org>. **We will begin our discussion on the passage at the end on page 24, "The Simplification of Life."**

FIRST DAY SCHOOL

TODAY: Quaker History with Gio
Oct. 22: Art with Chris

UPCOMING EVENTS:

MIDWEEK EXPLORATIONS INTO QUAKER FAITH AND PRACTICE,

Wednesday, Oct. 18, 7:00 p.m. in the Homewood Meeting Library. The series continues on the 3rd and 4th Wednesdays in October, with a 3-session introduction to Quakerism., led by George Amoss, Sarah Bur, and Gary Gillespie. Newcomers and seasoned Friends are encouraged to attend.

COURT OBSERVATION, every **Thursday and Friday, 10:30 a.m.**; carpool from **Stony Run**. Observe Baltimore City district court in action. For more information, contact Kathryn Munnell (kathryn_munnell@hotmail.com).

WICKER BASKET COLLECTION:
OCTOBER

The recipient for October is **Baltimore Community Mediation Center**. The Center teaches conflict resolution skills in families, neighborhoods, schools and businesses; and it provides non-judgmental processes for individuals and groups to be heard and to listen, to make decisions, and to peacefully change their lives, families and communities.

Find BQPJC on Facebook:

<https://facebook.com/BQPJC>.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEETING are much appreciated. Contributions support the maintenance of the Meeting and our donations to designated service organizations. Please place in the box in the meeting room or deliver to the office. Thank you.

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

GEDCO'S CARES FOOD PANTRY: The Pantry is low on the following items: **canned meat, canned salmon, spaghetti sauce, and pasta**. You may leave food contributions in the box in the main floor hallway.

EXPERIMENT WITH LIGHT, Oct.22 at 9:15 in the Library. Susan Russell Walters is the facilitator.

WHAT IS HOMEWOOD MEETING FOR? A DISCUSSION IN THE SPIRIT. Be a part of discerning Homewood's priorities! Join us on **Sunday, October 29, 2017**. After **worship at 9:30 a.m.** (note the early start time), we will be led in small and large groups to consider the query "What is Homewood Friends Meeting For?" from **10:30 a.m. to 12:15 p.m.** Trustees envision that a spiritual discerning of the meeting's collective priorities will guide us in the future handling of our resources. Childcare will be provided. **At 12:15, we will conclude our discussion and enjoy a catered lunch.** For more information, see the October newsletter.

SPECIAL PEACE VIGIL AND FILM, Friday, Nov. 3, 5:00 p.m. to celebrate the ceasefire weekend. We hope for a large gathering of Baltimore participants. Following the vigil will be a potluck dinner, then at **7:15** the Working Group for the Arts will show the film *Brother Outsider*, an award winning film about Black Quaker Bayard Rustin. All are welcome!

DIMMING THE SUN SCREENING AND DISCUSSION, Tuesday, Nov. 7, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m., presented by our **Green Organizing and Action Team (GOAT)**. This NOVA documentary examines findings that the amount of sunlight reaching Earth is dropping. See our website at <https://homewoodfriends.org/2017/05/28/dimming-the-sun/> for more information.

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"We do not ...come alone to the meeting. For the needs of those within and without the meeting sit down with us. They sit down with us in the person of our bodies which connect us with the whole of the natural creation and every exchange of breath reveals our profound dependence on the rest of nature and discloses to us our responsibility for it. They sit down with us in the persons of those who actually sit on the benches with us, each of whom is the center of a world of his own and who yearns as I do for the great tendering, the new angle of vision, the regrouping within, that would respond to the deepest thing that we know." --Douglas V. Steere, *On Speaking Out of the Silence*, Pendle Hill Pamphlet 182