

Homewood Friends Meeting

Announcements

Seventh Month (July) 22, 2018

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 Seventh Query, Caring for Others

Do you respect that of God in every person? Do you search yourself for and strive to eliminate prejudices such as those related to race, religion, gender, age, sexual orientation, and economic condition? In what ways do you accept and appreciate differences among your friends and associates? Do you avoid exploiting or manipulating others to accomplish ends, however worthy?

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 email 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.

BYM ANNUAL SESSION 2018, July 30 – August 5, Hood College (Frederick, MD).

Registration is now open. Go to www.bym-rsf.org/events/annualsession/ for all of the information and online registration.

FIRST TIME ATTENDER AWARDS are available to send three first time attenders to Annual Session 2018 for two days at no cost. If you are interested, please notify the office or George Amoss.

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."

EVENTS TODAY (JULY 22):

EXPERIMENT WITH LIGHT, 9:15 a.m. in the library, led by Susan Russell Walters.

FIRST DAY SCHOOL:

School-aged children who attend meeting in July and August may join Chris Stadler and Henry Kennison for conversation, reading, and games in the nursery area or may join their parent(s) in meeting for worship. There will be no formal program activity. First Day School for the 2018-19 school year will kick off on Sunday, September 16th. We anticipate having one or two formal programs of interest to children in late August and early September as the children transition back to school. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact John McKusick, Megan Shook, or Susie Higgins.

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UPCOMING EVENTS:

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE, July 29, 12:15 p.m. in the Susan B. Anthony room.

WICKER BASKET COLLECTION: JULY

The Wicker Basket recipient for July is **Doctors Without Borders or Médecins Sans Frontières (MSF)**, an international medical non-profit which delivers emergency medical aid to people around the world. They are currently one of the few humanitarian organizations working in Yemen, where years of grinding conflict have had a devastating effect on the nation's health system. Find Baltimore Quaker Peace and Justice Committee on Facebook: <https://facebook.com/BQPJC>.

FCNL ALERTS: If you have not yet done so, please remember to contact your representatives regarding the travel ban. As FCNL notes, "we must speak out for our nation's values of welcome and religious freedom."

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

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.

GEDCO'S CARES FOOD PANTRY: The Pantry is low on the following items: **spaghetti sauce, canned tomatoes, canned veggies, canned tuna, and canned salmon**. Please leave food contributions in the box in the main floor hallway.

QUAKERS IN RECOVERY, last Wednesday of each month for all adult Friends, **7:00 - 8:00 p.m. in the Susan B. Anthony Room**. For more information about this group, contact Kevin-Douglas Olive at kdolive@hotmail.com or 443-930-6277. **This month: JULY 25.**

BALTIMORE CEASEFIRE PARADE, Saturday, August 4, **12:00 – 2:00 p.m.** The Ceasefire weekend challenges people of Baltimore to agree to resolve conflicts without harm. Friends from both Stony Run and Homewood are hoping to march in this event carrying a banner to show our support. If you would like to march, please contact Susan Johns Smith. We want to estimate in advance the size of our group: ssmith6623@gmail.com or text at 410-458-1835.

NEWS OF FRIENDS

Exsul van Helden is again at St Joseph's Crisis Center and would welcome visits and calls. Visiting hours are 6-8:30 p.m. weekdays, and 3-5 and 6-8 p.m. on the weekends. The numbers for the floor are 410- 337-1571 and 410-337-1580 (nurses' station). Exsul expects to be there at least through Thursday 6/19.

HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE reminds Friends that simple, simple lunches are now in effect for the summer, although you are always welcome to contribute food.



I am fully persuaded that if there was less tattling and scribbling and more praying, there would be happiness among us. The spirit of bitterness and malignity is like the whirlwind, that threatens to carry us away in the tempest.

– Edward Hicks, *Journal*, 1825