Faith and Practice of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, the Eighth Query, Outreach

Do you, as the way opens, share Friends' principles with non-Friends? Do you witness to your Quaker faith by letting your life speak? Do you make non-Friends welcome in your meetings for worship? Do you find ways to encourage their continued attendance?

WELCOME TO VISITORS!
If this is your first time worshiping 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.

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 (AUGUST 5):
NO HYMN SINGING TODAY.
FIRST DAY SCHOOL:
School-aged children who attend meeting in 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.

NO BUSINESS MEETING TODAY.

YOUNG ADULT FRIENDS (YAF) POTLUCKS: We are meeting on the first Sunday of the month at about 6:30 with rotating hosts. Contact Dave Sydlik (484-264-8489) or Maya Munoz (301-703-0522) for more information.
**WICKER BASKET COLLECTION: AUGUST**
The Wicker Basket recipient for August is **Project PLASE**. They explain their mission on their website: “Project PLASE, Inc. addresses homelessness in Baltimore by providing transitional housing, permanent housing and supportive services to homeless adults.” Find Baltimore Quaker Peace and Justice Committee on Facebook: https://facebook.com/BQPJC.

**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.

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

**GEDCO’S CARES FOOD PANTRY:** The Pantry is low on the following items: **peanut butter, jelly, and cereal.** Please leave food contributions in the box in the main floor hallway.

**UPCOMING EVENTS:**

**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.

**34TH ANNUAL HIROSHIMA-NAGASAKI COMMEMORATION,** August 6 and Thursday August 9, at and near the meetinghouse. Sponsored by the Working Group for the Arts, this event will include demonstrations, lectures, food, and music. Details are in the August newsletter.

**SIMPLE SIMPLE POTLUCK LUNCH AFTER MEETING,** August 12. Don’t bring anything fancy, just things from the garden.

**HOLDING IN THE LIGHT PEOPLE TOUCHED BY MURDER IN BALTIMORE,** August 12, 12:30 – 1:00 in the library. The Meeting for Healing format for the group continues as they hold in the Light those affected by the violence in our city. If you have questions, please contact Susan Smith, Cathleen Hanson or Stan Becker.

**ALL KENYAN WORSHIP EXPERIENCE,** August 11 and 12, co-hosted by Life Gate Quaker Church and Stony Run Friends Meeting at Friends School. Registration information is available on the Life Gate website. The cut-off date has passed, but registrations are still being accepted.

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“Every stage of the life of a person carries a Beyond within it.”

--Rufus Jones, *Spirit in Man*