Homewood Friends Meeting
Announcements

Ninth Month (September) 9, 2018
Our website is: http://www.homewoodfriends.org
To place an announcement, call the office, 410.235.4438, or email 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 Ninth Query, The Social Order
Do you promote social justice and make your life a testimony to fair dealing? Do you seek to understand and appreciate differing cultures and social values? Do you support fair treatment of all regardless of race, gender, age and other differences? Are you concerned for those in our society who are disadvantaged? Do you take your full share of civic responsibility by voting and giving service? Do you oppose the use of land, labor, technology and capital for human exploitation or in ways destructive to other living things?

WELCOME TO VISITORS!
If this is your first time worshiping with us, please complete a blue welcome sheet and indicate whether you’d like to receive our monthly newsletter. If you wish, introduce yourself when invited at the rise of worship. Everyone is welcome to stay for a free simple lunch after worship - it’s a good opportunity to learn about Homewood.

TRUSTEES HAS FUNDS to support children and adults who would like to attend Quaker gatherings, camps, and educational institutions. Members and regular attenders may apply at any time, and may be given at maximum one grant per calendar year. These funds are intended to supplement resources available to the participant from other sources. For more information and for the application form, please see our website page: https://homewoodfriends.org/member-resources/scholarships/.

UPSTAIRS MEETING FOR WORSHIP will resume on September 16 (NOT today).

EVENTS TODAY (SEPTEMBER 9):
QUAKER BOOK CLUB, 9:15 a.m. in the library. We will read an excerpt from Stephen G. Cary’s The Intrepid Quaker: One Man’s Quest for Peace (Memoirs, Speeches, and Writings). Copies are available in the dining room or at https://homewoodfriends.org/religious-education/adult-religious-education/. Please bring fall reading ideas to the meeting. All are welcome.

FIRST DAY SCHOOL:
Beginning at 10:15 a.m. today, the children will visit with goats (see announcement below) - don’t miss it! First Day School for the 2018-19 school year will kick off next Sunday, September 16th. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to contact John McKusick, Megan Shook, or Susie Higgins.

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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.”

WICKER BASKET COLLECTION: SEPTEMBER
The Wicker Basket recipient for September is Project PLASE, which provides assistance and support to the homeless in Baltimore. Find Baltimore Quaker Peace and Justice Committee on Facebook: https://facebook.com/BQPJC.

FRIENDLY 8s SECOND ROUND SIGN-UP!
Several of us have enjoyed getting to know each other in these intimate potluck gatherings that were organized by our Outreach Team. If you want to get to know more people in the Meeting, or if you missed the first round and want to join the fun, please sign up on the sheets in the meeting room. The potlucks will resume in October.


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.

GO GA GA FOR GOATS, outside the meetinghouse. A few members of the Harmony Church Farm goatherd, with their human caretakers, will visit our Meeting. Children in particular are invited to participate by meeting the goats when they arrive around 10:15 a.m.; learning about the role of goats in ecosystems, as well as their care and handling; and helping to return the goats to their trailer for their trip back to Harmony Church Farm. See September GOAT Noat in newsletter for more details.

HOLDING IN THE LIGHT PEOPLE TOUCHED BY MURDER IN BALTIMORE, 12:30 - 1:00 in the library. The Meeting for Healing format for the group continues as we 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.

UPCOMING EVENTS:
FIRST DAY SCHOOL OPENING - SUNDAY, SEPTEMBER 16th
Children of all ages, parents, teachers, and interested adults are invited to the First Day School Opening Program on Sunday, September 16th at 10:30 AM in the Dining Room. Join us on September 16th to learn more about what the Religious Education Committee has planned for the year for the children, how parents and adults can support and help, a fun game or two, and ……drumroll please……Miss Susie’s homemade, just-like-camp Sweet Potato Biscuits.

SIGN UP on the HOSPITALITY BOARD to prepare a September or October simple lunch. Volunteers are also needed to help clean up. Thank you!

We should like to see a greater unity between the religious service of our meetings and the social service of Friends, each being complementary to the other, since they are rooted in the same life and spirit; and to see this expressed in meeting houses which act as centres for varied activities of the surrounding neighbourhood.

--London Yearly Meeting, 1944