

Homewood Friends Meeting

Announcements

Eleventh Month (November) 11, 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 Eleventh Query, Education

Do you provide religious education, including study of the Bible and of Friends' history and practices, in your Meeting? Do you ensure that schools under the care of Friends exemplify Friends' principles? Do you support and strive to improve the public schools?

WELCOME TO VISITORS!

If this is your first time worshipping 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.

WICKER BASKET COLLECTION: NOVEMBER

The Wicker Basket recipient for November is **Thread**, which advances academic success in students who face significant social and personal barriers. Their website is <https://www.thread.org/>
Find Baltimore Quaker Peace and Justice Committee on Facebook:
<https://facebook.com/BQPJC>.

STAN BECKER is recovering from major emergency surgery. Please hold him and Fannie in the Light as he rests and heals.

WELCOMING FOR JANET ABRAMS will be on **Sunday, December 9 at 3 p.m.** at the home of Barbara Bezdek. Susan Johns Smith is the contact person (410-458-1835).

EVENTS TODAY (NOVEMBER 11):

QUAKER BOOK CLUB: 9:15 a.m. in the dining room. We will continue to discuss "Living in Dark Times" by Rex Ambler but will add the context of Benjamin Lay through the lens of this Smithsonian article, available at <https://www.smithsonianmag.com/history/quaker-comet-greatest-abolitionist-never-heard-180964401/>. Copies of the article are available on the table in the library. All are welcome.

FIRST DAY SCHOOL: Today (11/11), we will do one of the favorite service projects, making sandwiches and putting together lunch bags for clients of the Assistance Center of Towson Churches (ACTC). My understanding is that most of their clients are homeless people.

Please bring your child/children to meeting for worship. We will take the group out of meeting at 10:45 (5 minutes earlier than usual), do the lunch making project, and return to meeting at 11:30 for joys/sorrows and announcements.

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 will continue. If you have questions, please contact Susan Smith or Cathleen Hanson.

YES - Youth Empowerment Society - is a local homeless youth drop-in center that Homewood supports. As temperatures drop, they are asking for furniture, coats, blankets, and donations. Please bring donations to the YES office at 2315 N Charles on Fridays or contact Nick Brooks at Nick@YesDropInCenter.org to arrange an alternative time.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEETING are much appreciated. Contributions support the maintenance of the Meeting and our donations to designated service organizations. Please place cash and checks in the box in the meeting room or deliver to the office. **PayPal is available on the Homewood Meeting website.** Look for the word "Donate" in our Website's menu bar, which is near the top of every page. Thank you.

FRIENDLY 8s SECOND ROUND SIGN-UP!

If you want to get to know more people in the Meeting, or if you missed the first round of Friendly 8s and want to join the fun, please sign up on the sheets in the meeting room. The potlucks will resume in November.

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: **shopping bags made from paper, plastic, or cloth.** Please leave contributions in the box in the main floor hallway.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS BY EXSUL VAN HELDEN: Opening Reception at Homewood November 18, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. More information is available in the November newsletter and on our website.

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP, Thursday, November 22, 10:00 a.m. at Stony Run.

FROM NOW UNTIL DECEMBER, SIGN UP on the HOSPITALITY BOARD to prepare a simple lunch. Thank you!

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."

GEORGE LAKEY, HOW WE WIN: A GUIDE TO NONVIOLENT DIRECT ACTION,

Thursday, November 15, 7:00 p.m. at Red Emma's. A lifetime of activist experience informs this playbook for building and conducting nonviolent direct action campaigns — teaching us how to achieve real progressive change.

Lakey helps us understand our political moment (extreme polarization, ripe for political change), teaches us how to plan a campaign to overcome that polarization, demonstrates how to launch these ideas into action, and shows us how to grow and sustain our movements. This is what democracy looks like.

PSALM 100: Make a joyful noise unto the Lord, all ye lands./Serve the Lord with gladness: come before his presence with singing./Know ye that the Lord he is God: It is he that hath made us, and not we ourselves; we are his people, and the sheep of his pasture./Enter into his gates with thanksgiving, and into his courts with praise: be thankful unto him, and bless his name./For the Lord is good; his mercy is everlasting; and his truth endureth to all generations.