

Homewood Friends Meeting

Announcements

Eleventh Month (November) 18, 2018

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

To place an announcement, call the office, 410.235.4438, or email it to homewoodfriends@gmail.com. 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>.

NEWS OF FRIENDS

Stan Becker continues to recover from surgery. Please hold him and Fannie in the Light as he rests and heals.



EVENTS TODAY (NOVEMBER 18):

FIRST DAY SCHOOL: Rory and Meri will lead a lesson exploring the **birth of Jesus**. They will also help the children to discuss and perhaps decide what they would like to do for a Christmas production. Rory and Meri will lead the children out of Meeting for Worship.

EXHIBITION OF PAINTINGS BY EXSUL VAN HELDEN: Opening Reception today, 3:00 - 5:00 p.m. The art show continues November 19 - December 9, 9:00 a.m. - 2:00 p.m. News of people being forced to lose their homes due to wars, oppression, and persecution haunts Homewood attender Exsul Van Helden. His 21 paintings portray people from Iraq, Lebanon, Central America, Germany, Belarus, Israel, Russia and Africa. More information is on our website and in the November newsletter. *Should any of the paintings be sold, Exsul will donate the proceeds to the International Rescue Committee.*



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.

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 early 2019.

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.

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:

THANKSGIVING WORSHIP: Thursday, November 22, 10:00 a.m. at Stony Run. We continue our tradition of sharing Thanksgiving worship with our f/Friends up the road, and it is Stony Run's turn this year.

EXPERIMENT WITH LIGHT: Sunday, November 25, 9:15 a.m. in the library, led by Susan Russell Walters.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: Sunday, November 25, 12:15 p.m. in the Susan B. Anthony Room.

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

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."

FROM NOW THROUGH DECEMBER, SIGN UP on the HOSPITALITY BOARD to prepare a simple lunch. Instructions are available. Thank you!



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.