

Homewood Friends Meeting

Announcements

First Month (January) 20, 2019

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 First Query, on meetings for worship:

Are meetings for worship held in expectant waiting for Divine guidance? Are Friends encouraged to share spiritual insights? Are special gifts of ministry recognized and encouraged?

Do you come to meeting with heart and mind prepared? Are you careful not to disturb the spirit of the meeting by late arrival or in other ways?

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.

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.

PLEASE SIGN UP on the HOSPITALITY BOARD

to prepare a simple lunch. It can be as simple as you want it to be, and instructions are available. Even if you can't provide simple lunch, bring in whatever leftovers you have, whether for 2 people or 5. "For where two or three are gathered together in my name, there am I in the midst of them" (Matthew 18:20).

EVENTS TODAY (JANUARY 20):

FIRST DAY SCHOOL: Rory will facilitate a program related to Martin Luther King, Jr. Parents, as well as other adults, are welcome to join in. We will gather at **10:30 am** in the library for this celebration.

UPCOMING EVENTS:

EXPERIMENT WITH LIGHT: Sunday, January 27 (4th Sunday), 9:15 am in the library, led by Susan Russell Walters.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: Sunday, January 27, 12:15 pm in the Susan B. Anthony Room.

QUAKERS IN RECOVERY GROUP

The recovery group for adults continues on the **last Wednesday of each month, 7:00 - 9:00 pm**. Please join our fellowship of recovering Quakers at our meetinghouse. For more information, email Kevin-Douglas Olive (kdolive@hotmail.com) or call 443-930-6277. **Next meeting: Wednesday, January 30.**

WICKER BASKET COLLECTION:

JANUARY

The Wicker Basket recipient for January is **Paul's Place**, an organization that provides the necessary support to improve the lives of those living in Southwest Baltimore. More information is available in the December newsletter, or go to <https://paulsplaceoutreach.org/>. Find Baltimore Quaker Peace and Justice Committee on Facebook: <https://facebook.com/BQPJC>.

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.

ELECTRONICS RECYCLING BOXES FROM

GREENDISK are available again. eMedia

Recycling includes CDs, CD-Rs, and CD-RWs; DVDs; Blu-Ray; 3.5" floppy disks, 5.25" floppy disks, and zip disks; VHS, audio cassette, DAT, DLT, Beta, and Digibeta tapes; and cases.

Technotrash "Can" items include computer drives; GPS units; computer speakers; video games; small electronics; communication devices; film; players (VCR, DVD, TIVO, BluRay, etc.); and miscellaneous items including cables, chargers, adaptors, headphones, cords, cables, chips, etc. For more information, contact John McKusick at 410-830-9225 or john.ca.mckusick@verizon.net.

THE OFFICE WILL BE CLOSED on Monday, January 21 in observance of Martin Luther King, Jr. Day.

UNIFIED EFFORTS IN BALTIMORE'S 19TH ANNUAL DR. MARTIN LUTHER KING, JR.

PARADE, Monday, January 21, 11:30 am. We are inviting all of our Friends to walk with us in our "Walk of Peace." **Staging area: N. Eutaw and Dolphin Streets.** (Parking not available. Upon arrival, at checkpoint, indicate you are with Unified Efforts, Inc.). 443-800-0566, unifiedefforts@comcast.net <https://unifiedefforts.org>

“Prayer releases energy. It heightens all human capacities. It refreshes and quickens life. It unlocks reservoirs of power. It opens invisible doors into new storehouses of spiritual force for us to live by.”

--Rufus Jones