

ANNAPOLIS FRIENDS NEWSLETTER – SEPTEMBER 2014

CALENDAR

- Meeting for worship: 11 a.m. on First Days
- First Day School for children: 11 a.m. (joining Meeting for Worship from 11:45 a.m. to noon)
- Nursery care for our youngest: 11 a.m.
- Meetings for Worship with a Concern for Business: 1st First Day of month at 9 a.m.
- Adult religious education: As noted in calendar below
- Early meeting for worship (weather permitting outdoors) at 8 a.m. on 2nd, 4th, and 5th First Days
- Pastoral Care is offering a monthly Meeting for Healing on first Thursdays, 7 - 8 p.m.
- The North County mid-week meeting will not be held in September, but will resume on October 7: First Tuesdays from 6:30 to 7:30 p.m. Call 410-439-2319 for more information.
- Meditation study group meets at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the meeting room
- NOTE: The deadline for submitting newsletter items is the 20th of the month

SEPTEMBER 3: 9 a.m. Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship

SEPTEMBER 10: 8 a.m. Early Meeting for Worship; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship

SEPTEMBER 17: 9 a.m. Committee Meetings; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship

SEPTEMBER 24: 8 a.m. Early Meeting for Worship; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship; 1 p.m. Potluck lunch

SEPTEMBER 31: 8 a.m. Early Meeting for Worship; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship

CARE OF THE MEETING HOUSE: Meeting House and Lands

QUERIES FOR NINTH MONTH: 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? (Faith & Practice, p. 40)

DECONSTRUCTING RACISM DISCUSSION

Dear Friends –

Our next deconstructing racism discussion will be Saturday, September 6, from 2 to 4 p.m. in the meetinghouse library. The group is under the care of AFM Ministry and Worship Committee. Friends gather every two or three months to talk about our recent experiences related to race and diversity. We open in silent worship, update each other on events in our lives, examine our own unaware racism, discern our individual and collective leadings for furthering equality and justice, and close in silent worship. Hope you can share in this exchange!

In peace,
Jean

PEOPLE'S CLIMATE MARCH IN NYC

Dear Friends:

Join the movement to protect our climate! and... enjoy the company of Friends and neighbors on a bus ride to New York City!

You might recall that the Climate Stewards group is organizing a bus ride on September 21 to New York to march in the People's Climate March. (For information about the march, see <http://peoplesclimate.org/march/> Nearly 1000 organizations, including FCNL and Quaker Earthcare Witness, are cosponsoring this event.)

The Climate Stewards are being led in the effort by Beth V, who has made arrangements with the Maryland Sierra Club to have a bus depart from Annapolis early on September 21. A ticket costs only \$20, round trip, payable by credit card, and you can add a tip for the driver and a donation to the Sierra Club, if you are so inclined. (The link to purchase tickets for the march is case sensitive: <http://bit.ly/pcmmanapolis>.)

Join the movement and ride the bus -- and bring F(f)riends. To ensure you have a ticket, make your purchase soon.

If you have any questions, contact Beth (443-597-3180), David I, or me.

Peace,
Phil F

RECIPES FOR AFM HOLIDAY MARKET COOKBOOK

Please send me your recipes for our good eating / community building / fund raising cookbook. The format's simple: A list of ingredients; then the directions; and whether it's gluten free, dairy free, and/or vegetarian. That's it! The deadline for submissions is October 1.

Kit on behalf of the Holiday Market Committee

DAYSRING SILENT RETREAT FOR BYM FRIENDS

Dear Friends:

The fall silent retreat for Baltimore Yearly Meeting Friends is coming soon. Dayspring's solitude and community, meadows and woods and ponds, warmth at the hearth and cool breezes stirring the towering trees await us. If Dayspring is new to you, www.dayspringretreat.org will give you a sense of it and there is a YouTube piece online created at an October BYM retreat. The registration form for October 10 - 13 is attached and pasted below. I hope you can be part of the SILENCE.

In peace,
Jean

DAYSRING SILENT RETREAT FOR BALTIMORE YEARLY MEETING FRIENDS
October 10 - 13, 2014

True silence ... is to the spirit what sleep is to the body: nourishment and refreshment. (William Penn)

Is your spirit in need of nourishment and refreshment? Come to the Silent Retreat at Dayspring for Baltimore Yearly Meeting Friends. We will keep the silence from Friday evening until after worship on Monday, enjoying the beauty of God's creation in meadows and woods, walking, resting, praying, reading, finding our own rhythms, listening for the Still Small Voice.

WHERE: Dayspring Retreat Center, 11301 Neelsville Church Rd., Germantown, MD 20876 (301-916-1131).

FACILITATOR: Jean C, Member of Annapolis Friends Meeting

ARRIVAL: 3:30 -7 p.m. Friday. (Dinner at 7 p.m.) DEPARTURE: 2 p.m. Monday.

ACCOMMODATIONS: Individual room in the Inn with Bible, bed, desk, sink, bed linens, blankets, towels and washcloth. Nine vegetarian meals in the Lodge dining room. Gatherings in the Yoke Room for community worship and shared solitude by the fireplace. Two hundred acres for roaming.

COST: \$290.

REGISTRATION: Deadline October 3 (if not filled earlier). Minimum number is 9 participants. Maximum is 18. Friends will be enrolled in the order in which checks are received.

BRING: Toilet articles, casual clothes, walking shoes, and a flashlight. Long socks and hats are recommended to deter ticks.

QUESTIONS? Call Jean C at 410-544-1912 or e-mail jschristianson@gmail.com .

DIRECTIONS: From I-270 take the Damascus exit (#15-A), Route 118 to the north. Go 8/10 of a mile on Route 118 to MD Route 355. Turn left on MD Route 355 and go a VERY SHORT block. Turn right on Neelsville Church Rd. Continue 6/10 of a mile on Neelsville Church Rd. to Dayspring Retreat Center. OR From I-70 take Route 27 south at Mount Airy. It will merge into 355 (Frederick Rd.) continuing south. Turn left onto Neelsville Church Rd. (just before reaching Route 118) and follow directions above.

The emergency telephone number for Dayspring is 301-916-1131.

Make check for \$290 payable to Dayspring Retreat Center and send with registration form to Jean Christianson, 189 Edgewater Rd., Pasadena, MD 21122

Name(s) _____ Meeting _____

Address _____

Phone _____ E-mail _____

Special Needs _____

QUAKER QUOTES FOR SEPTEMBER

For God has not given us the spirit of fear but of power, and of love, and of a sound mind. (2 Timothy 1: 7)

We were born to make manifest the glory of God within us. It is not just in some of us, it is in everyone and as we let our own light shine we unconsciously give other people permission to do the same. As we are liberated from our own fear our presence automatically liberates others. (Nelson Mandela)

And all friends everywhere this I charge you... live in peace... and therein seek the peace of all men and no man's hurt.... And so...it is love that overcomes and not hatred with hatred, nor strife with strife. Therefore live in the peaceable life, doing good to all men, and seeking the good and welfare of men. (George Fox, 1659)

Love was the first motion, and then a concern arose to spend some time with the Indians, that I might feel and understand their life, and the Spirit they live in, if haply I might receive some instruction from them, or they be in any degree helped forward by my following the leadings of Truth amongst them. And as it pleased the Lord to make way for my going at a time when the troubles of war were increasing and when by reason of much wet weather traveling was more difficult than usual at that season, I looked upon it as a more favorable opportunity to season my mind, and bring me into a nearer sympathy with them. And as mine eye was to the great Father of Mercies, humbly desiring to learn what his will was concerning me, I was made quiet and content. (John Woolman, 1763)

In describing the concern that led him to visit the Indians, John Woolman wrote, "Love was the first motion." Love of our fellow man is more fundamental than international influence or economics or even the preservation of our nation. For 300 years Quakers sensitive to the spirit have endeavored to express a love that knows no limits of race or creed or nation. When motivated by this power, they have testified by word and deed to the dignity of all men everywhere. (Frank S. Loescher, The First Motion)

MEETING FOR WORSHIP WITH ATTENTION TO BUSINESS MINUTES
THIRD DAY OF THE EIGHTH MONTH, 2014

Will be submitted separately.

HOW TO SUBMIT NEWSLETTER ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS

- Please submit items for the calendar and brief descriptions of events by the 20th of the month.
- Beth M is the editor of the Annapolis Friends Newsletter. Please send any items for inclusion in the newsletter to annapolisfriendsmeeting@gmail.com.
- Friends also are asked to watch your email for announcements of meetings and to listen for announcements at the rise of meeting.
- Event and activity organizers, please also post your announcements on the bulletin board for those who do not use electronic mail!
- Announce List: announce@annapolis.quaker.org; Discuss List: discuss@annapolis.quaker.org

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