

Adelphi Friends Meeting
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Anne Marie Moriarty, clerk – Karen Cunnyngnam, treasurer

Weekly Schedule:

Sunday:

Early Meeting for Worship 9:00 AM (except 3rd Sunday)

Singing 9:45 AM

Meeting for Worship 10:00 AM

Wednesday:

Meeting for Worship 7:30 PM

Monthly Schedule:

Second Sunday (Third Sunday in May, July and August):

Meeting for Worship for the Conduct of Business

Third Sunday: Singing begins at 9 AM

Fourth Sunday: Junior Meeting 10 AM

Fourth Sunday: Potluck at rise of meeting

Last Sunday: Newsletter submission deadline

Takoma Park Friends Meeting (Preparative) under the care of Adelphi Meeting

Every Sunday: Meeting for Worship 10:30 AM, at *Sangha*, 7014 Westmoreland Avenue, Takoma Park, MD 20912

Help Youth Facing Potential Draft

As the war in Iraq continues, many people are becoming increasingly concerned that the Bush Administration might re-instate the draft. With lots of 16 - 25 years olds home during the summer, this could be a good time to talk to young people about the draft. Many young people don't know what to do to claim conscientious objection status. Peace & Social Concerns Committee will maintain packets of information about the Draft in the Meetinghouse lobby during the summer. The packets contain detailed guides from the Center on Conscience & War and AFSC's Militarism & Youth Project about the Draft and how to document conscientious objection. Give the packets to any of your young friends or family who might be considering conscientious objection status but don't know what to do. NOW IS THE TIME FOR YOUNG PEOPLE TO BE DOCUMENTING THEIR OBJECTION TO WAR via personal statements or essays (which can be maintained by houses of worship and the Center on Conscience & War) and letters of support. CONSIDER WRITING A LETTER OF SUPPORT FOR YOUR YOUNG, NON-QUAKER, FRIENDS, if your young friends have been influenced by your Quaker pacifist testimony.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS, contact Joy Conley-Cooke for PSCC at her email: mra.joy@verizon.net or call her at: 301-585-4661.

Should COs go to jail?

On July 1, 2005, three conscientious objectors from New Jersey were sentenced to prison terms of 6, 24 and 27 months for refusing to pay taxes for military purposes. Please join me in asking Congress to respond to these harsh sentences by supporting the Religious Freedom Peace Tax Fund bill. This bill would allow conscientious objectors to pay their Federal taxes into a fund for non-military purposes only.

Take action now at http://www.democracyinaction.org/ncptf/campaign.jsp?campaign_KEY=1003

Save the Date!

National Anti-War Demonstration in Washington, D.C., September 24, 2005. Also: Interfaith Service, Anti-War Fair, and Lobbying, Sept. 25-26. See United for Peace and Justice www.unitedforpeace.org for more information.

BYM Fall Dayspring Silent Retreat: October 7 - 10

True silence ... is to the spirit what sleep is to the body, nourishment and refreshment., William Penn, 1699

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

SPONSOR: Baltimore Yearly Meeting Pastoral Care Committee, FACILITATOR: Jean Christianson, WHERE: Dayspring Retreat Center, 11301 Neelsville Church Rd., Germantown, MD 20876 (301-428-9348), ARRIVAL: 4:30-7:00 p.m. Friday. (Dinner at 7 p.m.) DEPARTURE: 2:00 p.m. Monday., COST: \$225. The fee covers 9 meals, bed linens, blankets, towels and washcloth., REGISTRATION DEADLINE: September 23 (if not filled earlier). Minimum number is 9

participants. Maximum is 18.

Please register as early as possible. Friends will be enrolled in the order in which checks are received.

Bring a Bible, Friends writings or other devotional literature, toilet articles, washcloth, casual clothes, walking shoes, and a flashlight.

Questions? Call Jean Christianson at 410-544-1912 (e-mail @ jschristianson@cs.com).

DIRECTIONS TO DAYSPRING RETREAT CENTER: From I-270 take the Damascus exit, Route 118 to the east (Exit 15). Go 8/10 or 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 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. You can also use Germantown Rd. to Scenery Rd. to Neelsville Church Rd. and Dayspring entrance.

The telephone number for Dayspring is (301) 428-9348 in case of emergency.

Make check for \$225 payable to Baltimore Yearly Meeting and send with registration form to Jean Christianson, 189 Edgewater Rd., Pasadena, MD 21122 (410-544-1912)

Help Needed

Celebrating Nonviolent Resistance: International Conference 2005

Bethlehem, Palestine, December 27-30, 2005

Categories of Endorsement, Sponsorship and Participation

The organizers of the International Nonviolence Conference seek to gather people from around the world for three days of keynote speakers, plenaries and workshops organized around themes related to the history, theory and practice of nonviolence. Integrated into the schedule of the conference will be workshops, events and entertainers focused on the Palestinian nonviolence movement, as Palestine is the host of this conference. We hope to hold conferences every two years, each time hosted by a different community actively engaged in nonviolent struggle.

In order to make this conference a truly international conference, as well as to ensure future conferences, we need many types of financial and volunteer support. Donations of all sizes are welcome. Help can come in many ways including the following:

Partner: A partner organization or individual donates \$10,000 or more; provides an equivalent gift in kind (such as providing conference space) OR contributes significant time and institutional resources (i.e. full time staff member) towards promoting, planning and carrying out the day to day logistical operations leading up to and including the conference. If they wish, Partners will be listed on the conference web site and will be identified on all major conference promotional materials as well as the conference program, banquet and signage.

Contributor: A contributor donates funds of \$5,000 or more OR contributes significant time and institutional resources towards the day to day logistical operations regarding a particular component of the conference, such as compiling conference publications and materials, website design and management, fundraising, or other programming coordination. If they wish, Contributors' names will be listed on the website, included in promotional materials and will be acknowledged in the conference program.

Individual Patron: An individual patron provides a minimum gift of \$2500 gift to the conference, providing funds for scholarships, entertainment, and translation services. If they wish, a patron will be noted in the program at the appropriate site (for entertainment and translations) or will have their name listed along with others contributing to the scholarship fund.

Co-Sponsor: A co-sponsor commits to assisting the sponsoring organizations (Nonviolence International and Holy Land Trust) in fundraising and publicity efforts related to the conference. Furthermore, a co-sponsor formally commits to include a link to the conference website on their own website; announce the conference prominently at all future gatherings, conferences and events held between now and the conference; and disseminate information about the conference to its constituent network through email and regular mail. Co-sponsors will be listed on the website and mentioned in conference publicity as such.

Participant: A participant attends the conference, pays registration and housing fees, and actively participates in workshops, discussions, plenary sessions and extra-conference interaction with other conference attendees. Participants may submit proposals for panels, roundtables or workshops (see call for submissions located at www.celebratingnv.org)

September Potluck at William Penn House

You are invited to a potluck & Quaker dialogue at William Penn House, Sunday, September 11, 2005 (note this is 1 week later), at 6:30 PM.

Our Program this First Day is presented by Joan Gildemeister and Karen Grisez of Friends Meeting of Washington They will give a photo-illustrated presentation on their Spiritual Pilgrimage to India sponsored by Right Sharing of World Resources

Right Sharing of World Resources is a Quaker non-profit organization that supports grassroots projects for economic development and offers educational materials for the study of the lives of the poor, the lives of the rich, and the spiritual meaning of both.

Most of their time was spent in Tamil Nadu, not only the poorest state in India but also the one most affected by the Tsunami. The highlight of their trip was a visit to the rural villages where Right Sharing sponsors microenterprise projects designed to foster independence and economic development for the Untouchable women.

Joan is a retired college teacher and is currently a clinical psychologist and is a former member of the William Penn House Board of Directors Karen is an attorney specializing in immigration law, representing indigent people and is a member of the William Penn House Board of Directors.

Our monthly potluck is the first Sunday of each month at 6:30 PM. This is an opportunity for fellowship among Quakers and attenders. Bring a dish to share; family members and friends are always welcome. Note: William Penn House is an alcohol and tobacco free facility

William Penn House hosts groups and individuals who visit Washington to help make this a better world. We also host programs and seminars on peace and social justice issues and on Quakers, past and present.

William Penn House, A Quaker Center on Capitol Hill, 515 East Capitol Street SE, Washington, DC 20003, Tel: (202) 543-5560 Fax: (202) 543-3814 e-mail: Office@WmPennHouse.org
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Spirit-led Eldering workshop

A Workshop sponsored by the Friends Meeting of Washington Ministry and Worship Committee
Friday, September 16, 2005 from 7 PM to 9 PM and Saturday, September 17, 2005 from 9:30 AM to 4:30 PM, FMW Assembly Room, 2111 Florida Avenue, NW, Washington DC

Facilitator: Margery M. Larrabee is a retreat leader and workshop facilitator, consultant, spiritual guide, and therapist. She has studied with the School of the Spirit, Shalem Retreat and Study Center, and Servant Leadership School in Washington, D.C., where she has also taught. She was for many years a member of Friends Meeting of Washington and is now a member of Mount Holly, NJ, Friends Meeting.

This workshop is open to members, attenders and visitors to Friends Meeting of Washington and other Friends Meeting--especially those in the DC and Baltimore Metro areas.

Simple refreshments (juice, bagels, coffee and tea) will be provided for early arrivals to the Saturday session. Participants should bring a bag lunch. Beverages will be provided. The closing will be anywhere from 3:30 PM to 4:30 PM depending on the flow and the number of participants. The afternoon time is particularly important for role plays and small group work.

Please let us know if you plan to attend either by sending an email to David Etheridge at david.etheridge@verizon.net or by calling him at (703) 533-7498. If you have questions—including questions or comments you would like to have considered in the workshop--please communicate those to David. We also welcome persons who decide to attend at the last minute.

Through this quarterly workshop series the Ministry and Worship Committee seeks to equip and encourage each of us to help our Meetings for Worship be powerful spiritual experiences for every worshipper. Frank Massey, General Secretary of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, has agreed to lead our next workshop—probably in January 2006. Lamar Matthew, Executive Secretary of Stony Run Friends Meeting and former clerk of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, will facilitate our spring 2006 workshop.

Adelphi Friends Outreach Funds

What Adelphi Friends supported with our donations to Housing Initiative Partnership this last year:

- Nine derelict houses rehabbed or torn down and built new (1 sold to a moderate income family, two to low income families and six to very low income families).
 - New Spanish language housing counseling program which saw 119 Latino families
 - 100 families who purchased homes after HIP homeownership counseling
 - Six Awards for Best Practices, Architectural design, sustainable design, etc.
 - Management of 28 apartment units
 - New coalition for housing for persons with disabilities
 - Free books to kids, free college classes for tenants, free computers to homebuyers
 - Half a dozen owner occupied rehabs (rotten roofs etc. replaced)
 - Predevelopment work on a Y and artists housing
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Harold Confer receives Outreach Funds for Ufufuo from Peace & Social Concerns Committee Member Martha Wenger.

In the past year Ufufuo -

1. Asked Mumia Shimaka to serve on our Board and he agreed.
2. Acknowledged over 100 donations with personal thank you letters.
3. Negotiated a new workcamp for the summer of 2006 in Kenya.
4. Two of our former Israeli leaders volunteered to lead that workcamp. They also promised to help with fundraising.
5. Ms. Anne Sedda, a Kenyan business woman and a hostess of our last workcampers, agreed to serve as the Ufufuo in-country representative.

Photo by Alexander Barnes



Free Chairs

We have replaced some of our chairs and have 20 padded, stackable chairs that need a good home. If your meeting or if you know someone who would like them, please let me know.

Byron Sandford, byron@wmpennhouse.org, William Penn House

Submitting to the newsletter: Phillip Payette, the Newsletter Editor, welcomes any material of interest to the Adelphi Friends Meeting community. The best way to submit material is by e-mail to afm-newsletter@earthlink.net. Either attach a Word file to the e-mail or type the information directly into the e-mail. You may also submit clean, typed copy to the newsletter box in the meetinghouse. No handwritten material please. Deadline for submissions is noon of the last Sunday of each month.

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