

BYM Daily Minute – Saturday, August 6

Coffee House Tonight! – 7:30 – 10:00pm

Are you a Singer, Dancer, Story Teller, Jokester, or Display Other Amazing Talents?

If so – or even if not – this is your chance to shine before a very Friendly audience at the Coffee House! Acts should be three-to-five minutes, maximum, and each entertainer may have only one slot. Sign up on the big poster outside the cafeteria by Saturday at lunch.

Displays! Displays!

Whitaker has a SECOND FLOOR! When you come upstairs to visit the bookstore, check out the 25 displays from Quaker groups you know and love (and some that may be new to you). Displays are in the hallway and lounge to the left of the bookstore.

Golf Cart Update

Green golf carts are circling the campus for those needing a ride between buildings – typically from Rosenstock/Whitaker past the dorms to Coblenz where folks wait under the blue umbrella. For alternative times/locations, call Martha Gay at 301-526-7052.

Note: This service ends after the last event – around 9:00 pm. No rides will be available after Produce Department.

Dining Hall Information

Food Concerns: Deborah Legowski is the Food Coordinator. She will be in the dining hall during all meals Please see her with food questions or complaints. If Friends have special dietary needs, and have not already done so, they need to contact Deborah. With an accurate count, Deborah will be able to let staff know how many people are likely to request such options. The Program Committee requests that Friends *not* approach the dining hall staff with food complaints or suggestions

Workshop Advisory: Directions re: Tatem Rooms

The Tatem Art Center is located diagonally across the street from Rosenstock. Most people will enter Tatem by the steps to the front door. All assigned rooms are on the 2nd floor. Turn left to go up the North Stairs from the front lobby. For the elevator, follow the blue arrows to the back of the building. The 2nd floor has direction signals to classrooms. Room 206 is to the left of the North stairs. The other four classrooms are down the hall to the left, two in each corner. An alternative entrance is on the left side of the building, with a shorter set of six stairs. Once inside, follow blue arrows to the elevator.

Workshops: Saturday 2:00-4:00

Code	Title	Room
CLMS	Connecting Local Meetings: Money and Your Monthly Meeting	Rosenstock 123
S1	Report from the 17th White Privilege Conference	Rosenstock 215
S2	Quaker Campus Ministries	Tatum 218
S3	Climate Change is Not Inevitable	Tatem 213
S4	Testifying for Equality: The Great Quaker Debate of 1672	Tatem 214
S5	“Awakening the Dreamer” Symposium	Tatem 226
S6	Quakerism’s Basic Theology: the Essence of Christianity?	Rosenstock 218
S7	From Where Can We Learn Best Practices for our Testimony of Equality	Whitaker Commons
S8	Soulful Singing	Rosenstock 212
S9	Alice Paul: Forgotten Quaker Hero?	Rosenstock 223
S10	Resilience for Spiritual Activists	Smith Lounge

Unhappy Anniversary

This is the 71st anniversary of the atomic bombing of Hiroshima. A moment of silence or other commemoration is encouraged at 8:15 am.

Interest Groups (4:15 – 5:15pm)

BYM Committee Clerks: Ken Stockbridge. *Tatem* 213

Faith and Practice Revision: Fred Leonard will lead a discussion concerning function, form and attributes of a new BYM Faith & Practice. *Rosenstock (Ros)* 212

Friends General Conference: Jean-Marie Prestwidge-Barch will help us explore right relationship between BYM and FGC. *Ros* 215

Friends Peace Teams: Barbara Thomas & Adrian Bishop tell about the work of FPT in Africa, Central America and Asia/West Pacific. *Tatem* 206

Friends World Committee for Consultation: Jason Eaby & Kristin Loken will show photos not seen during the report. More alpacas! More terraces! Machu Picchu! And more about the future of FWCC and its work. *Tatem* 226

Legal Issues in Meetings: Bob Rhudy leads a discussion on the need for legal assistance to our meetings (and members), and the kinds of legal issues that arise where such services might be a benefit. *Ros* 223

People of Color Group: Dryesha Harris will host an informal time for Friends of Color to gather, be together and share stories, joys, and challenges from Annual Session, local meetings, and other Quaker Spaces. *Ros* 101

Prisoner Visitation and Support (PVS): Jerry Knutson will share information and a video about PVS, which is sponsored by BYM and provides visits to Federal Prisoners nationwide. *Ros* 123

Singing: Debby Churchman will lead the group in favorite songs from *Rise Up*, *Singing* and *Rise Again*. All voices and ages welcome. *Whitaker Plenary Room*.

Unity with Nature Film: Toni Hudson from Unity with Nature will show the film *A Fierce Green Fire*, a documentary that spans 50 years of grassroots and global activism. *Tatem* 214

Unity with Nature – Carbon Footprint: Be a witness to the impact of our own action. Eli Fishpaw will show different ways to calculate your carbon footprint. *Whitaker 2nd Floor Display Area*

What is a Covered or Gathered Meeting? Samh At will lead a discussion about what early Friends referred to as a "gathered" or "covered" meeting. Why has it faded among modern Friends, and what might revive it? *Ros* 218

Today's Registration Hours

1:15 pm – 1:45 pm

5:00 pm – 5:30 pm

Where is Your Worship Sharing Group?

Sign-up sheets for 8:15am worship sharing and Bible study are in the Whitaker Campus Center. The leaders and room locations are below. Please sign up for your choice!

1. Rosenstock (Ros) 123 – Nancy Moore
2. Ros 212 – Meg Meyer
3. Ros 215 – Rebecca "Rep" Pickard
4. Marx Center – Family-friendly – Joanna Fitzick
5. Healing Ctr., Smith Lower Level Lounge – Worship Sharing for Healing – Bette Hoover
6. Outside Rosenstock (if rainy, Ros 120), Silent Worship, Unity with Nature – Eli Fishpaw
7. Ros 223 – Worship Sharing with Music and Chant – Ruth Fitz
8. Ros 218 – Worship Sharing, Experiment with Light – Susan Russell Walters and Sarah Bur
9. Ros 101 – Bible Study – David Etheridge and Sabrina McCarthy

Catoctin Quaker Camp Bath House Silent Auction

There is a silent auction of six original framed nature photographs taken by Don Frame, benefitting Catoctin. The photos and bid sheets are in the BYM Bookstore.

Bookstore

Chuck Fager will be signing books from 1:15 to 1:45 pm in the BYM Bookstore. Today's bookstore hours are 12:30-5:00 pm. Vendors must pick up their wares by 6:00 pm.

Healing Center

The Healing Center at Smith Hall Lower Lounge will be open from 2-4 pm today. Please sign up on the door.

Correspond With an Incarcerated Person

Friends from BYM are corresponding with incarcerated individuals who are current or previous members of South Mountain Friends Fellowship, a meeting inside the Maryland Correctional Institution in Hagerstown.

If you would like to explore this rich, yet simple, way to connect with a man living in one of Maryland's prisons, please contact Jean Pfefferkorn: jeanpfeff@gmail.com.

Donate Musical Instruments

The Ghetto Classics program teaches severely disadvantaged youths to play musical instruments. Participation leads to further goal setting and changes for those taking part. Friends who have old instruments gathering dust are asked to contribute them. Please contact Jean Smith: sjeansmithesq@hotmail.com.

Junior Yearly Meeting Information

JYM Program locations: The JYM program is much closer to you this year. Due to elevator problems in Coblenz Hall, the Nursery and Preschool have moved from 2nd floor to basement ground level. Elementary classes meet in the Coblenz basement Game Room, as do the afternoon and evening program. JYF meets in the Coblenz basement in the CBD Seminar Room.

Rooms are staffed at 9:20 in the morning, 1:50 in the afternoon and 7:20 for evening sessions. Thank you for respecting the room and staff times. Because of supplies and ongoing projects, children are not to play in rooms in non-program time.

Afternoon Parent Co-op: A parent-staffed, co-op aftercare (rising K to rising 5th) will be offered immediately after the JYM afternoon program (Basement Coblenz in game room) from 4-5 pm on Saturday. Being part of this program will allow you to attend interest groups and committee meetings, *as long as you have signed up to work one shift.*

There will be no JYM Program during the evening program on Saturday, when Young Friends host a **coffeehouse/talent show**. The event is family-friendly – we look forward to seeing you there. **Please note:** *Children should be supervised by a parent or other designated adult at this event.* Supervision will not be provided by JYM staff or event organizers.

JYM closing worship: On Saturday, we'll close the JYM morning classes with an all-JYM meeting for worship. Weather permitting, we'll be outside of the Coblenz Hall. If it rains, look for us in the Games Room, Basement of Coblenz. Parents are welcome to join us for worship at 11:30. All children should be picked up at noon from the Meeting for Worship, rather than from their regular classrooms.

Please remember, all children – infant through rising 5th grade – should always be with an adult. This is important for their safety.

Greetings to Absent Friends

If you have been missing Friends you know from Yearly Meetings past, there may be a note to them on the table in Whitaker – please add your greetings. If you can't find a note to a missing Friend, feel free to start one!

School Equipment for Sale

*Combination whiteboard/movie screen/bulletin board, 4ft. x 6 ft. ith doors that close. \$200.00

*Bound rug with padding, 12 ft. x 13'6". \$200.00

*C-shaped table, 18" high, painted purple.

Approximately 6 ft. x 4 ft. Price to be determined.

Other items available. Pick up at former George Fox Friends School in Nottingham, Pa.

Contact Janet Eaby for information at 717-575-2435.

Stony Run Wants to Share its Books

Stony Run Meeting wants to donate extra books, including many from the old Yearly Meeting library, to other meetings and individuals. The boxes of books are located outside the Yearly Meeting bookstore.

Most of the 19th-century books are journals, tributes, letters and other writings by Quakers as prominent as Fox and Penn, or from people almost forgotten but important to our becoming who we are as Quakers today.

Donations will be welcome (though not required) to help cover the cost of maintaining those hundreds of 19th-century (and older) volumes that are not duplicates, and will be available at Stony Run to Friends School students, local, college researchers, other Quakers and our own members. Any donations can be given to Stony Run members present at annual sessions.

Greetings from BYM Travelling Friends in New Zealand

Dear Friends in our beloved BYM,

We send fond greetings to the gathering of the BYM community at Hood College, and we miss being with you!

The recent New Zealand Yearly Meeting concluded a yearlong review on its structures and priorities. Friends here are considering a jubilee year to focus on spiritual nurture. The YM consists of 27 desperate worship groups within 7 monthly meetings in a country that is as long and narrow as California. Many of the Quaker communities are as small as 4-6 people, and the largest have only about 40 active members. Nevertheless, New Zealand Quakers have a prophetic voice in the South Pacific calling out for national disarmament, climate change initiatives, and indigenous peoples' rights. As the Paris accord indicates, that prophetic voice is rippling out to the world.

We are profoundly affected by our experiences here. Our traveling ministry will take us to worship with most Quaker communities here before we leave next April. We look forward to bringing our experiences back to BYM when we return.

Continuing to hold you all in Love and Light, and with warm blessings,

Patti and Michael

Patti Nesbitt and Michael Conklin

Resident Friends Auckland Friends Center

Mount Eden Worship Group

A Fond Farewell to Frederick (for now)

Before you leave, you need to return your meal cards and keys to the BYM registration desk in Whitaker, and fill out an evaluation. There's a \$25 charge for each lost key, and a \$10 charge per lost meal card. Leave Hood's pillows, blankets and bed linens in the room.

Annual Session Evaluations

Your feedback is valuable! Make sure to complete and return your Evaluation Form or use the online form.

www.bym-rsf.org/events/annualsession/evaluation.html