

Fifth Month (May) 2020

Homewood Friends Meeting

Newsletter

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Faith and Practice of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, the Fifth Query: Personal Way of Life

Do you live in accordance with your spiritual convictions? Do you seek employment consistent with your beliefs and in service to society? Do you practice simplicity in speech, dress and manner of living, avoiding wasteful consumption? Are you watchful that your possessions do not rule you? Do you strive to be truthful at all times, avoiding judicial oaths? Do you strive to develop your physical, emotional and mental capacities toward reaching your Divinely given potential? Do you cultivate healthful and moderate habits, avoiding the hazards of drugs, intoxicants, and over-indulgence generally? Do you try to direct such emotions as anger and fear in creative ways?

Faith and Practice of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, Advices for the Fifth Query:

Self-indulgent habits and luxurious living dull our awareness and make us insensitive to the needs of others and the leading of the Spirit. Ostentation and extravagant expenditure should not be a part of Friends' lives. Friends should be particularly aware of this in planning marriages, funerals, social gatherings or public occasions. True simplicity does not consist of particular forms or the absence of grace, symmetry and beauty, but of avoiding over-indulgence, maintaining humility of spirit, and keeping material surroundings in proportion to human needs.

Friends' longstanding testimony against the use, production, or sale of tobacco and alcoholic beverages is not fully accepted by some. For many, however, complete abstinence is the only effective way to avoid the dangers of the use of these materials. Friends are in unity against illegal narcotics and mindaltering substances, now readily available. Use of any of these materials has adverse effects which reach beyond the individual to harm the family and the community; dealing with illegal drugs also supports a criminal underground. Even legitimate prescription drugs can be used inappropriately and excessively. All these usages deaden the individual to life and spiritual values.

For those trapped in substance abuse, such advice may seem hollow. Commonalities exist between addictive behaviors with these substances and other compulsive actions, such as in the areas of eating disorders, gambling, overwork, and physical abuse. The causes go deep and may not be fully understood, but the resulting pain, fear, desperation and denial, damaging the abuser and all those around that person, need to be supportively recognized. A Meeting community should be ready to listen non-judgmentally, offer information about sources of help, refuse to enable people to continue in harmful patterns, and continue to offer an environment free from addictive practices.

We are faced at every hand with enticements to risk money in anticipation of disproportionate gain through gambling. Some governments employ gambling as a means of raising revenue, even presenting it as a civic virtue. The Religious Society of Friends continues to bear testimony against betting, gambling, lotteries, speculations or any other endeavor to receive material gain without equivalent exchange, believing that we owe an honest return for what we receive. Indulgence in games of chance blunts a proper sense of obligation.

How we use our working hours, our leisure and our resources has direct bearing on our spiritual life. Time for recreation is needed to refresh spirit, mind and body. Our use of time may determine whether the Divine Spirit grows within us or is crowded out. We are called upon to be stewards of the rich provisions which God has made for all creation. As Friends we are advised to consider the effects of our charitable gifts and of all our expenditures, in the light of our concern for the right and fair sharing of the world's resources.

GRANT MONEY AVAILABLE: Trustees invite members and attenders to apply for a grant of up to \$1,500 from Homewood's Consolidated Education Fund. The money can be used to support schooling at any level, public or private, as well as to pay for educational projects, resources, or supplemental activities that benefit an associate of the Meeting or members of the wider community. The application is on the website -> Member Resources -> Scholarships and Funds. Ask Bess Keller (besskeller@gmail.com) for further information.

UPCOMING EVENTS AT HOMEWOOD

PLEASE NOTE: Most of our regularly scheduled activities are meeting on Zoom until further notice. For more information about accessing Zoom, please go to the homepage on our website at www.homewoodfriends.org. **Please see the list of Zoom URLs and phone numbers for regularly scheduled groups at the end of the newsletter.** This list is also posted on our website at <https://homewoodfriends.org/calendar/weekly-schedule/>.

MEETING FOR WORSHIP: every Sunday, 10:30 - 11:30 a.m. on Zoom.

HYMN SINGING (first Sunday): May 3, 9:50 - 10:10 a.m. on Zoom, led by Dave Sydlik. Join us!

MEETING FOR BUSINESS (first Sunday): May 3, 12:30 p.m. on Zoom.

YAF (YOUNG ADULT FRIENDS) GATHERING (first Sunday): May 3 on Zoom. Contact Maya Muñoz (301-703-0522) or Dave Sydlik (484-264-8489) for details.

QUAKER BOOK CLUB (second Sunday): Sunday, May 10, 9:15 on Zoom. Discussion of *On Vocal Ministry* is postponed. In preparation for authoring a Pendle Hill pamphlet, Stan Becker has been exploring sources on Quaker vocal ministry. Since we are presently unable to discuss *On Vocal Ministry*, Stan suggested we begin with his bibliography. Materials are available at <https://homewoodfriends.files.wordpress.com/2020/04/resources-on-vocal-ministry-from-stan.pdf>.

If you would like to be on the Quaker Book Club mailing list, please send Donna McKusick a note at dmckusick@icloud.com.

POTLUCK LUNCH (second Sunday): Canceled until we can gather together.

HOLDING IN THE LIGHT PEOPLE TOUCHED BY MURDER IN BALTIMORE (second Sunday): May 10, 12:30 - 1:00 on Zoom. The Meeting for Healing format for the group will continue with 2-3 names of persons and a brief biography given into the silence sequentially in three groups: a) Names of those murdered in Baltimore and we hold family and friends in the Light; b) Names of persons arrested or convicted and in prison for murder; c) Unnamed persons touched by violence in Baltimore. If you have questions, please contact Susan Smith, Cathleen Hanson or Stan Becker.

EXPERIMENT WITH LIGHT (fourth Sunday): May 24, 9:15 a.m. on Zoom, led by Susan Russell Walters.

ADMINISTRATIVE COMMITTEE: May 31, 12:15 p.m. on Zoom.

MID-WEEK MEETING FOR WORSHIP: Until the meetinghouse reopens, Ministry and Counsel Committee will offer **Experiment with Light every Thursday at 7:00 p.m. on Zoom**. Please join us for this more intimate form of worship.

FIRST DAY SCHOOL:

Until further notice, First Day School gatherings will be on Zoom, which under FDS management has proven to be a resilient, creative platform. For example, John McKusick notes that “On April 12th, Maddie facilitated our second Zoom meeting. We had seven students and shared some seasonal fun including a virtual Easter egg hunt organized by Meri, Eve, and Hope. We continued to discuss possible projects to work on at home and share via Zoom over the next several weeks. We established that our goal is to create a time capsule for five years in the future and to start a time capsule to be opened in 55 years!”

Weekly activities are in the silent announcements as well as in emails from John McKusick to families. If you have questions or suggestions, please feel free to contact John at 410-830-9225 or John.ca.mckusick@verizon.net or other members of the RE Committee: Joanna Fitzick, Susie Higgins, Kendall Kennison, or Megan Shook.

HOMEWOOD FAMILY CAMPING WEEKEND, scheduled for May 22 - 24, has been canceled.

FRIDAY PEACE VIGILS HAVE BEEN CANCELED UNTIL FURTHER NOTICE.

WICKER BASKET CONTRIBUTIONS: The Wicker Basket recipient for the upcoming weeks is CARES. The following items are needed: **cereal, soup, spaghetti sauce, rice, mac & cheese, and shopping bags**. CARES is located at the rear of St. Mary’s Church, 5502 York Rd, 21212.

Drop off times are Mondays, Wednesdays, and Thursdays 9:00 a.m. - noon, and Saturdays 10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. You may also send checks.

During this time of increasing unemployment, illness, and food hoarding, these contributions are particularly urgent.

Please consider making a regular Wicker Basket contribution. Recipients are chosen by the Peace and Social Justice Committee, which meets on the second Sunday of each month. Everyone is welcome to attend.

GREEN ORGANIZING ACTION TEAM:

“GOAT NOAT” FOR MAY 2020

Update on Environmental Legislative Proposals

The 2020 Maryland Assembly session ended on March 18th, 19 days earlier than planned due to the Novel Coronavirus Pandemic. As a result, only one of the bills that the environmental community advocated “crossed the finish line” and was passed by both the House of Delegates and the Senate. And several bills came close to passing but the clock ran out.

The ban of the pesticide chlorpyrifos, when enacted into law in 2021, will be a real victory for public health and environmental safety and Maryland will be one of a handful of states with that law. You may recall that Homewood Friends Meeting signed onto a resolution to support the ban. While the passage is very good news, a significant concession was required to get the bill passed, namely a “sunset” of the ban in 2024. We will probably see the ban come up again in the next few years.

A sample of bills of great environmental interest that did not make it to the finish line included (but are not limited to):

- o \$2 billion over 10 years to improve and expand public and mass transportation in Maryland.
- o Ban on plastic bags for grocery stores and restaurants.
- o Moving beyond coal for electricity generation including closure of the six coal-fired electric plants in Maryland and training and support for displaced workers.

All three of these bills had strong factual rationales and great support but also powerful opposition. However, there was a very good outlook for passage if the Assembly had not been closed early. We can be sure that these bills will be introduced again, although the political and economic landscape may look very different in 2021.

Prepared by John McKusick. Based upon information provided during the legislative wrap up for the sponsoring organizations, the Sierra Club of Maryland and the League for Conservation Voters of Maryland. April 23, 2020.

Current GOAT members are Carol Beck, Gary Gillespie (Clerk), Polly Heninger, John McKusick, Bess Keller, and Rachael Neill. GOAT is an open committee that meets monthly on the 3rd Sunday at 9:15 a.m. in the Library (presently on Zoom). We would love to hear your questions, concerns, and ideas.

HOMEWOOD IS ON FACEBOOK AND INSTAGRAM

Remember that our committees and teams can share with the wider community our events and announcements on Facebook and Instagram!

Additionally, tag Homewood with any Facebook or Instagram posts with relevant things you are doing. We also have a hashtag: #HomewoodQuakers.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEETING are needed and gratefully accepted; they support the maintenance of the Meeting and our contributions to designated service organizations. **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. If you prefer to pay by check, it is very helpful for you to make arrangements for your bank to send regular checks. This method provides the Meeting with a predictable cash flow. *Please make all checks payable to “Homewood Friends Meeting.”*

SIMPLE LUNCH is canceled until we can gather together once again.

JOIN A COMMITTEE: Are you ready to deepen your connection with Homewood Meeting? Nominating Committee invites you to consider joining a committee; it's a great way to serve the Meeting and to get to know others in the community. Committee descriptions are available on the Homewood website at <https://homewoodfriends.org/member-resources/committees/>. Please contact Carol Beck, Mina Brunyate, or Gary Gillespie for more information.

OTHER QUAKER EVENTS AND NOTICES

BYM Camps: An excerpt from a letter from Jane Megginson:

...At this time, if possible, we still believe we will have camp this summer. As you know, the situation is ever evolving, so we will keep you updated as we can until we decide definitively about the summer. It may be that we will be able to hold camp only for later sessions, but we do not know yet.

We plan to make a decision about holding camp by May 30th.

If camp has to be cancelled, we will let you know and refund your payments (less the \$50 administrative fee). We have suspended the autopayment plans as of March 15th so that your card will not be charged automatically in case you need the funds now and in case we do not have camp.

At camp, we will be stepping up our disinfecting routines, as well as guidelines and messaging for staff and campers around hygiene. Our Health Supervisor has also been reviewing and updating our infectious disease response protocol and will continue doing so as we learn more.

And in the meantime, we know that many of us in the BYM camp community are drawing strength from the lessons we've learned at camp: staying flexible when plans have to change, thinking of creative ways to find joy with whatever is around you, spending quality time away from everyday distractions, and most importantly, supporting each other through our challenges. As part of that community, we hope that may be true for you and your family as well!

Know that your camp community will be thinking of you and holding you in the Light over this next period of adjustment, and beyond.

Take care of yourselves and each other,

Jane Megginson

Camp Programs Manager BYM Camps

717-481-4870

JUNIOR YOUNG FRIENDS VIRTUAL GRADUATION CONFERENCE: May 2. Go to https://www.bym-rsf.org/what_we_do/jyfs/jyregister.html to register for the Virtual JYF Graduation Conference. Details of the plans and connection information will be sent to those who register.

GROWING OUR MEETINGS PRESENTATION BY BARRY CROSSNO: Saturday, May 2, 9:30 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. With the cancellation of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's Caln Quarter Camp Swatara 2020 Retreat at Camp Swatara, the Camp Swatara Planning Committee, with the support of Caln Quarterly Meeting, has arranged for this year's plenary speaker, **Barry Crossno, General**

Secretary FGC, to speak online. The theme will be *Growing Our Meetings*. For more information, go to <https://www.pym.org/event/growing-our-meetings-deepening-the-meeting-experience/>.

FIFTH MONTH CALLED INTERIM MEETING: Saturday, May 16, 10:00 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. on Zoom. Representatives from Meetings, BYM Committee clerks, Supervisory Committee members, and BYM officers should attend. If you would like to attend and you are not in one of these groups, please contact Interim Meeting Clerk Marcy Seitel at IMClerk@bym-rsf.org. Friends will gather in worship as they consider BYM's uncertain financial situation. As Marcy notes, "We need to be open to new leadings of the Spirit at this time."

BYM SPIRITUAL FORMATION RETREAT, scheduled for May 15 – 17, has been canceled.

FAMILY CAMP WEEKENDS AT CAMPS CATOCTIN AND OPEQUON, scheduled for May 15 – 17 and May 29 - 31 respectively, have been canceled.

YOUNG FRIENDS VIRTUAL GRADUATION CONFERENCE: May 23. Go to https://www.bym-rsf.org/what_we_do/yfs/yfcon.html to register for the Virtual YF Graduation Conference. Details of the plans and connection information will be sent to those who register.

Annual Session 2020 Canceled for In-Person Gathering

On April 11, the Yearly Meeting's Program Committee united in a decision to cancel the in-person gathering of Annual Session 2020. This was done with great regret and a sense of loss, recognizing the unknown challenges ahead from the coronavirus pandemic as well as the need to care for the health and welfare of both our community and those we work with at Hood College.

We will arrange instead for a variety of virtual/online opportunities for Friends to meet together. The Presiding Clerk of the Yearly Meeting, in consultation with others, will decide on holding virtual/online meetings for worship with a concern for business or otherwise carry forward the Yearly Meeting's business. More information will be forthcoming with specific plans and ways you can share your hopes and ideas with the Program Committee.

Spring 2020 *Interchange*: The *Interchange* will not be published until decisions about alternate solutions in light of the cancelation of Annual Session 2020 have been made.

AT STONY RUN:

Please check the Stony Run website for updates and cancellations.

AT PENDLE HILL:

- Please check the Pendle Hill website <https://pendlehill.org/> for the latest updates. The campus will remain closed until at least October 1, 2020.

Pendle Hill Recipe: Farfalle Pasta with Butternut Squash and Toasted Pine Nuts

Ingredients:

- 1 pound Farfalle (bow tie) pasta
- 2T olive oil
- 2T butter
- 1 medium onion, diced
- 6 garlic cloves, minced
- 2T fresh sage, minced

- 2 tsp kosher salt
- 1 tsp black pepper
- 2 medium butternut squash
- 1- 10 oz bag of peeled, uncooked butternut squash cubes
- ½ cup mascarpone cheese
- ½ cup romano or parmesan cheese
- ¾ cup pine nuts, toasted
- 1/8 cup fresh chives, snipped

Directions:

1. Pre-heat oven to 350F. Cut the butternut squash in half, scoop out the seeds and place in a lightly oiled baking dish, cut side down. Add a little water. Roast until the squash is very tender, about 1 hour. Set aside to cool, then scoop out the tender flesh. Set aside. (This step can be done a day in advance.)
2. In a medium-sized saucepan, heat the olive oil and butter. Add the onions, garlic, and sage and cook over a low heat until the onions are tender, then add the salt and pepper. Add the cooled butternut squash and mix well.
3. With a food processor, puree the butternut squash mixture until smooth. Add some salt and pepper to taste, then return to the pan. Add the butternut squash cubes.
4. In a large pot of boiling water, cook the pasta until al dente, reserving about 2 -3 cups of the pasta cooking water. Put the pasta in a bowl and mix with a little olive oil to keep it from sticking.
5. Heat the butternut squash mixture over a low heat adding just enough pasta water to make it a smooth consistency. Mix in the mascarpone and parmesan cheese. Cook on medium heat until the cheeses are incorporated, adding pasta water if needed. Finally, add the cooked pasta and toss well, adding salt and black pepper to taste.
6. Transfer to a serving bowl, top with the pine nuts and chives, and enjoy!

This recipe is available at <https://pendlehill.org/recipe-farfalle-pasta-with-butternut-squash-and-toasted-pine-nuts/>.



FRIENDS GENERAL CONFERENCE (FGC): 2020 Gathering has been canceled.

EDUCATIONAL GRANTS AVAILABLE

Jonathan Taylor Scholarship Fund Applications Being Accepted

The Jonathan K. Taylor Swarthmore College Scholarship Fund is administered by Baltimore Monthly Meeting, Stony Run to provide support to students attending Swarthmore College in Swarthmore, PA. Preference goes to members of the Baltimore Yearly Meeting community. For the 2020-2021 academic year, there are funds up to \$15,000 to be distributed among the successful applicants. For more information, or to apply by **June 1, 2020**, contact Cindy Maier (cynthiamaier13@gmail.com).

QUAKERS AND THE LARGER COMMUNITY



Dear Friends,

With the global pandemic affecting everyone in the world in one way or another, we experience the suffering of loss — loss of life and livelihood, food access and medical care, and the usual ways we come together in our humanity. We are adapting, some better than others, where governments and systems serve people in widely varying degrees. Context matters – in terms of ways food is accessed, how medical systems get and can afford supplies, and the stability and benevolence of governments. In this regard, we are all dependent on each other.

As you consider where to help, the Africa Section has [asked] Friends to give to Quaker hospitals and clinics. This is a collaboration between Friends World Committee Africa Section, Friends United Meeting, and Friends Church Kenya. Evangelical Friends were also consulted. This initiative will serve African Friends across Quaker traditions, in countries where hospital support will be invaluable. Please give as you are able.

You can give through the FWCC World Office in London or through the FUM offices in Indiana in the USA. To give through FWCC, you can go to our website to the donate page <http://fwcc.world/about-fwcc/donate> and can donate through CAF if you are in the UK or through Pay Pal. It will do the currency exchange automatically. Please write into the Reference section that it is for ‘Africa Section COVID-19’, and please follow up with a short email to Elaine at elaineb@fwcc.world so we can ensure your gift is correctly attributed. You can alternatively send a check made out to FWCC with a note indicating it is for ‘Africa Section COVID-19’. Mail to: FWCC, 173 Euston Road, London NW1 2AX, United Kingdom.

You can give to the FUM COVID-19 Solidarity Fund by going to their website donate page: <https://donorbox.org/covid-19-solidarity-fund>. It serves many needs, so please designate your gift for ‘Africa COVID-19’. Alternatively you can mail a check made out to FUM, with a note that it is for ‘Africa Collaborative COVID-19’ within the Solidarity Fund. Or you can mail a check to: FUM, 101 Quaker Hill Dr, Richmond, IN 47374.

Our needs are great across the world. Let us help one another up with a tender hand, and live with the generosity of spirit we saw in Jesus. Give as you are able, and share this with those who are looking for a way to support people around the world.

So let us not grow weary in doing what is right, for we shall reap at harvest time, if we do not give up. So then, whenever we have an opportunity, let us work for the good of all, and especially for those of the family of faith. Galatians 6: 9-10



<https://www.friendsunitedmeeting.org/news/covid-19-solidarity-fund>

THINKING ABOUT RACE (MAY 2020): “The Hidden History of Slavery”

From an interview with Anne C. Bailey by Adeel Hassan in the *New York Times*, February 29, 2020

Why does it matter so much to preserve these [slave auction] sites, many of which have already been built over?

If in 2020, we agree that all lives matter, then all lives mattered then, too, so we should find a way to demonstrate that. One way is to democratize our landscape. At present, according to the Southern Poverty Law Center, there are over 1,800 Confederate monuments and memorials; at the same time we have found fewer than 50 marked auction sites.

If we are a nation committed to justice and a sense of fairness, this should bother us. We ought to balance the scales and acknowledge what these people endured yet still contributed to this country.

Adeel Hassan interviewed Ann C. Bailey, Professor of History at Binghamton University, who wrote a New York Times Magazine article, “The Sold Human Beings Here,” part of the Times’ The 1619 Project. Hassan’s interview with Bailey appeared on February 29, 2020, entitled “The Hidden History of Slavery That Surrounds us.” <https://www.nytimes.com/2020/02/29/us/the-hidden-history-of-slavery-that-surrounds-us.html?searchResultPosition=4>.

This column is prepared by the BYM Working Group on Racism (WGR) and sent to the designated liaison at each Monthly and Preparative Meeting. The BYM WGR meets most months on the third Saturday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm. Locations vary to allow access to more Friends. If you would like to attend, on a regular or a drop-in basis, contact clerk David Etheridge, david.etheridge@verizon.net.

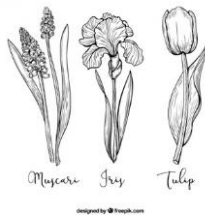
Schedule of Meetings for Worship

Every First Day (Sunday) 10:30 a.m. Homewood Meeting House (downstairs in summer)
First Sunday of each month 12:30 p.m. Meeting for Business, Homewood Meeting House
BUSINESS MEETING: MAY 3.

Schedule of Committee and Group Meetings

Administrative	Odd months last Sundays 12:15 p.m.
Green Organizing Action Team (GOAT)-- OPEN	3rd Sundays , 9:15 a.m.; contact <u>Bess Keller</u> , 410.302.3425
Hospitality—OPEN	As called ; contact <u>Ned Worth</u> , 443.600.9380
House & Grounds—OPEN	1st Tuesdays at 7:00 p.m., contact <u>Susan Johns Smith</u> , 410.458.1835
Library—OPEN	3rd Fridays , 6:30 p.m.; contact <u>Dave Sydlik</u> , 484.264.8489
Peace & Justice Committee—OPEN	2nd Sundays at 1:00 p.m.; contact <u>Peter Phalen</u> , 206.371.1107
Ministry & Counsel	1st Wednesdays ; contact <u>Donna McKusick</u> , 410.426.5836
Religious Education—OPEN	2nd Tuesdays , 7:15 p.m., Meeting House; contact <u>John McKusick</u> , 410.830.9225
Trustees	3rd Tuesdays ; contact <u>Bess Keller</u> , 410.302.3425

These are the regularly scheduled meeting times for each committee or group. Changes and special meeting times will be announced and/or committee members will be notified (see calendar at homewoodfriends.org). Location is at the Meeting House unless noted. Committees so marked are OPEN to guests; contact the committee clerk if you'd like to attend.



MOST OF OUR REGULARLY SCHEDULED ACTIVITIES are meeting on Zoom until further notice. For more information about accessing Zoom, please go to our website homepage at www.homewoodfriends.org. Below are the Zoom URLs and phone numbers. They are also available at <https://homewoodfriends.org/calendar/weekly-schedule/>.

Topic: **Sunday Worship**

Time: 10:30 AM Eastern Time

Every week on Sunday

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/255867065>

Sunday worship is followed at the same URL by

- Administrative Committee (12:15) on the last Sunday of odd-numbered months, and by
- Meeting for Business (12:30) on the first Sunday of each month.

Topic: **Hymn Singing** [NOTE: This is a new URL.]

Time: 9:50 AM Eastern Time

First Sundays of each month

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/85946770527>

Topic: **Experiment with Light** (Thursday evenings)

Time: 7:00 PM Eastern Time

Every week on Thursday

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/679110650>

Topic: **Experiment with Light** (Sunday mornings) [NOTE: This is a new URL.]

Time: 9:15 AM Eastern Time

Fourth Sunday of each month

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/84212168159>

Meeting ID: 842 1216 8159

Topic: **Holding in the Light People Affected by Violence in Baltimore**

Time: 12:30 PM Eastern Time

Second Sunday of each month

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://zoom.us/j/902429904>

Topic: **Homewood Quaker Book Club** [NOTE: This is a new URL.]

Time: 9:15 AM Eastern Time

Second Sunday of each month

Join Zoom Meeting: <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/87679969602>

Meeting ID: 876 7996 9602

(Toll) numbers for voice-only telephone access:

646 558 8656 US (New York)

312 626 6799 US (Chicago)

669 900 9128 US (San Jose)

253 215 8782 US

301 715 8592 US

346 248 7799 US (Houston)

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