

Eleventh Month 2025

Homewood Friends Meeting

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Newsletter

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Baltimore Yearly Meeting Faith and Practice

Eleventh Query: Education

Do you provide religious education, including study of the Bible and of Friends' history and practices, in your meeting?

Do you ensure that schools under the care of Friends exemplify Friends' principles?

Do you support and strive to improve the public schools?

From the advices on Education: B. Adult Education

Adult First Day School classes began among English Friends in the late 19th century and are continued by many Meetings all over the world. The main purpose of Friends' educational activities for adults is the development of spiritual depth in the meeting for worship.

Meetings should foster activities that bring all age groups together. Conferences, workshops and retreats, organized by Monthly, Quarterly or Yearly Meetings or other Friends' bodies provide contacts with a variety of Friends' viewpoints. We should encourage adult members to follow their leadings in seeking education of all kinds and should be sensitive in offering the financial assistance sometimes needed to take advantage of such opportunities.

Read the full Query's advices: [BYM Faith and Practice, p 23.](#)



<< Friends Polly, Kathy, Heather, Rachael, and Malachy participating in a No Kings demonstration in Baltimore.

Interested in getting to know the young people of our Meeting?

The Religious Education committee is looking for volunteers to help in the nursery and with First Day School on occasional Sundays. Join for as many or few Sundays as you wish.

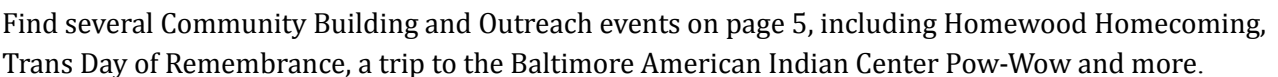
You would always be paired with a staff member or RE committee member who would be in charge of planning any activities. This is a great way to spend time with the younger members of our community. The nursery serves children birth through approximately age 5, and First Day School students are generally in kindergarten through 8th grade.

If interested, email Jen McCann, clerk of RE committee: religioused@homewoodfriends.org. Indicate whether you are interested in the nursery, First Day School, or both.

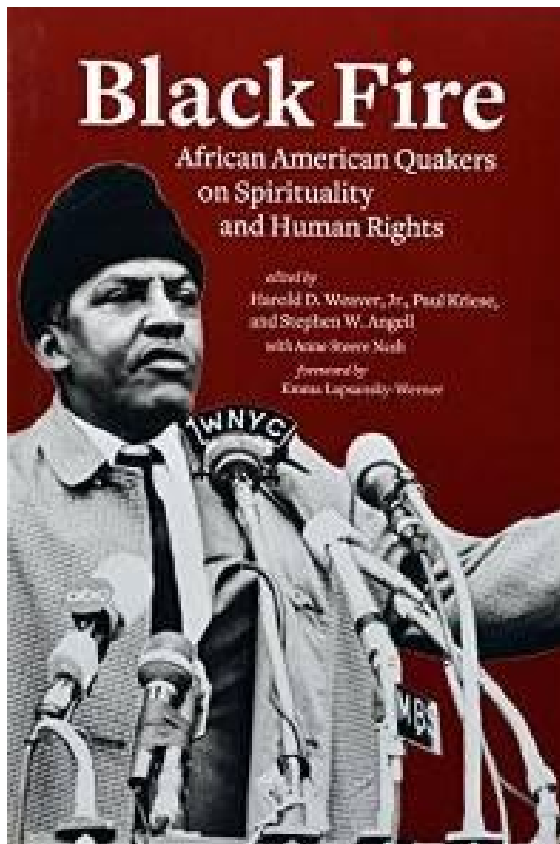
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Community Building
& Outreach Team *Last Month Recap*

A number of Homewood Friends attended No Kings rallies in Baltimore and beyond. Join us for the next one. (photo on front)



FROM THE
LIBRARY COMMITTEE



Given a strong recommendation by a Homewood friend, the library now has a copy of Black Fire: African American Quakers on Spirituality and Human Rights, edited by Harold D. Weaver, Jr., Paul Kriese, and Stephen W. Angell.

This anthology contains entries from Benjamin Banneker (1731-1806) up to authors of the 21st century. They illuminate and interpret the ways that race, race relations, religion, and social justice relate to the Religious Society of Friends. The three prefaces, one by each editor, provide a strong foundation for the essays. The book highlights the degree to which American Quakers were interracial almost from the outset, and **how Black leaders have shaped Friends' spiritual path.**

Black Fire is located on the display shelves to the right of the entrance to the library (unless someone else has already checked it out). If you borrow it, please return it within 3 weeks so it is available to others. The book is available at quakerbooks.org.

Job Posting: BYM Accounting Manager

Baltimore Yearly Meeting is looking to hire an Accounting Manager to manage the organization's entire accounting and bookkeeping process, overseeing daily transactions, managing accounts payable and cash receipts, and preparing financial statements. This comprehensive and critical role handles everything from basic record-keeping to strategic financial data analysis. [Job description here.](#)

UPCOMING

DEATH CAFE: Sat. 11/1 at Friends Burial Ground Registration is full but stay tuned for future gatherings.

NELSON MANDELA STUDY GROUP: 11/2 (First Sundays) 9:15 AM Lucretia Mott Room

Please join members of the Nelson Mandela Study Group to make holiday cards for people imprisoned. In the past, our card making has coincided and been informed by Amnesty International's holiday card making for political prisoners, and we can contribute to such work through our own creativity. Join in! 9:15 November 2nd and December 7th.

MEETING FOR BUSINESS: 11/2 (First Sundays) 12:30 PM on Zoom ([link](#)) and in-person.

VIGIL FOR NONVIOLENCE: 11/7 (First Fridays) at 5 PM in front of the meetinghouse.

VIVA HOUSE FOOD AID: 11/9 (Second Sundays) See exact list of requested food items in [January newsletter](#). Please pack them in re-usable bags because the paper bags break. Place in small kitchen by 11/9. It's important that we boost our Viva House support at this time. SNAP and other support benefits have been cut. Consider putting together your first bag. Thanks to all our regular contributors.



11/9 HOMEWOOD HOMECOMING We love when old F/friends come home. We'll have our pancake breakfast at 9 am, with worship at 10:30 and Simple Lunch as usual. Please encourage former or inactive Homewood Friends to join us, either in person or virtually ([Zoom: Usual Worship Link](#)).

BAIC Pow-Wow: Sat. 11/15 Join some Homewood Friends to attend the BAIC Pow Wow at the State Fairgrounds. Tickets required. If you'd like to meet up and/or carpool, please contact Kathy Rogers. (BAIC = The Baltimore American Indian Center. Our Meeting has a long history of supporting their formation and work) (Pow-Wow flyer below).

Trans Day of Remembrance: Thurs. 11/20 Trans Day of Remembrance - we will host a vigil (5 pm) followed by a meal (6-8 pm) in the dining room. We hope it will involve people from other congregations and the wider community. Therefore, we'll have a sign up form and a suggested donation of \$10 per person for the meal. Funds will support Homewood Friends including our numerous LGBTQ+ activities and efforts. We will also be highlighting local trans organizations and opportunities for further active support. We will need volunteers to help prepare food and help with setup and clean up.

BIBLE STUDY: 11/16 (3rd Sundays) 9:15 AM in the Lucretia Mott room We usually discuss a fairly short section that we read out loud together, while also sharing some silence and journaling time. Coffee and Bibles provided.

Thanksgiving Meeting for Worship: 11/27 at 10 AM in the Homewood Friends Library: Join Homewood and Stony Run Friends on Thanksgiving morning for silent worship in the library. This will be in-person only and last for 45 minutes.

SIMPLE MEETING FOR WORSHIP: 11/30 (Last Sundays) 9 AM in the Library An additional worship time in a smaller setting without microphones or computers.

Baltimore American Indian Center
proudly presents our
49TH ANNUAL Pow Wow

Sat, Nov 15th 2025

11 - 7pm
MD State Fairgrounds
Grand Entry: 12 Noon/4pm
Timonium, MD
Exhibition Hall - Event Indoors

Native Vendors
Native Food
Dance Specials
Cash Prizes &

Northern Host Drum: Warpaint
Southern Host Drum: Zotigh Singers
Emcee: Keith Colston

Admission
Adults \$10
Children(4 - 12) \$5
Under 3 - Free
Free Parking



REGULARLY SCHEDULED

Meeting for Worship

Every Sunday 10:30 - 11:30 AM
At the Meetinghouse
and on Zoom ([Zoom link here](#))

Afterwards: Join for simple lunch
downstairs or stay on the same Zoom link
for a fellowship chat.

Experiment with Light

EVERY THURSDAY EVENING 7:00 PM
[Join Zoom Meeting \(click here\)](#) (Zoom only)

free and open, no experience necessary
[Learn more](#) about Experiment with Light on our
website.

Vigil for Nonviolence
FIRST FRIDAYS 11/7 5-6 PM
Outside of the Meetinghouse
✓ All are Welcome

Nelson Mandela Study Group
FIRST SUNDAYS 11/2 9:15 AM
Lucretia Mott Room
✓ All are Welcome

Meeting for Business
FIRST SUNDAYS 11/2 12:30 PM
In the Meeting Room and on Zoom
Use the [Worship Zoom \(click here\)](#)
✓ All are Welcome

House and Grounds Committee
SECOND TUESDAYS 11/11 6 PM
Contact the committee if interested in attending:
houseandgrounds@homewoodfriends.org
✓ open committee

Bible Study
THIRD SUNDAYS 11/16 9:15 AM
In the Lucretia Mott Room (upstairs)
All are welcome, no prior readings needed.
✓ open group

Library Committee
THIRD SUNDAYS 11/16 12:15 PM
In the Meetinghouse Library
✓ open committee

Outreach Team
THIRD SUNDAYS 11/16 12:30 PM
Susan B Anthony Room and Zoom
Use the [Worship Zoom \(click here\)](#)
✓ open committee

Simple Meeting for Worship
LAST SUNDAYS 11/30 9:00 AM
In the Meetinghouse Library
✓ open worship



Green Organizing Action Team (GOAT)
FOURTH MONDAYS 11/24 7:30 PM
Zoom only. Contact office for link.
✓ open committee

Schedule of Committee and Group Meetings

Administrative

Green Organizing Action Team—OPEN

Outreach Team—OPEN

Hospitality—OPEN

House & Grounds—OPEN

Library—OPEN

Ministry & Counsel

Religious Education--OPEN

Trustees

Odd months last Sundays 12:30 PM, hybrid

4th Mondays 7:30 PM, Zoom

3rd Sundays 12:30 PM, SBA Room

As called

2nd Tuesdays 6 PM

3rd Sundays 12:15 PM, Meetinghouse Library

Last Wednesdays, 6:30 PM, Zoom

1st Tuesdays, 7:15 PM

1st Wednesday 7:15 PM

Committees so-marked are OPEN to guests; contact the committee clerk or the Homewood office if you have questions.

FUNDING TO PARTICIPATE IN QUAKER EVENTS

Homewood has funds to support children and adults who would like to participate in Quaker gatherings, camps, and educational institutions. These funds are intended to supplement resources available to the participant from other sources. For more information and for the application form, please see our website page: <https://homewoodfriends.org/memberresources/scholarships/>.

CONTRIBUTIONS TO THE MEETING

You can [make a contribution online](#) or make a check payable to “Homewood Friends Meeting”, which you can mail or drop off at the office or put into the contribution box in the meeting room. Thank you for all that you give to and share with our Meeting.

[Homewood Volunteer Form](#) Able to lend a hand? Let us know what ways you like to help by checking the boxes for your interests and telling us a skill we might not know you have.

