

## **ANNAPOLIS FRIENDS NEWSLETTER — January 2013**

### **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 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, and 5<sup>th</sup> First Days
- Meditation study group meets at 7:30 p.m. on Wednesday evenings in the main meeting room
- NOTE: The deadline for submitting newsletter items is the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month

JANUARY 7: 9 a.m. Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship; 1 p.m. Potluck lunch

JANUARY 14: 8 a.m. Early Meeting for Worship; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship

JANUARY 21: 9 a.m. Committee Meetings; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship

JANUARY 28: 8 a.m. Early Meeting for Workshop; 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship

CARE OF THE MEETING HOUSE: Ministry & Worship

### **QUERIES FOR FIRST MONTH: MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP**

Are meetings for worship held in expectant waiting for Divine Guidance? Are Friends encouraged to share spiritual insights? Are special gifts of ministry recognized and encouraged?

Do you come to meeting with heart and mind prepared? Are you careful not to disturb the spirit of the meeting by late arrival or in other ways? (Faith and Practice, p. 37)

### **UPDATING OUR MEETINGHOUSE PICTURE BOARD**

The picture board in the meetinghouse hallway is currently being updated to offer a way for Friends to associate names with faces. Outreach Committee hopes to include all members and attenders, adults and children. If Bonnie Perego hasn't yet taken your picture after worship, please approach her when she is taking pictures and offer yourself.

### **THINKING ABOUT RACE: ARE WE THINKING ABOUT QUERIES?**

Some of you may know that both Pendle Hill and Friends General Conference have, during 2012, put forth queries around issues of race for potential use by people within these respective organizations, as well as for Quaker Meetings at all levels and for committees to use or adapt. The BYM Working Group on Racism has also developed queries that have, to date, circulated only informally.

Also within Baltimore Yearly Meeting, at the August Annual Sessions in Frostburg, the following query, developed by Young Friends within the camping program, was presented on the floor of Yearly Meeting and greeted with much enthusiasm: How do we work toward creating a community of different people, rather than a community that lets different people in?

After the enthusiasm, the application: "What will our meeting do?"

The BYM Working Group on Racism meets most months on the third Saturday from 10:00 am to 1:00 pm, usually at Bethesda Friends Meeting or Friends Meeting of Washington. If you would like to attend, on a regular or a drop-in basis, contact clerk David Etheridge, [HYPERLINK "mailto:david.etheridge@verizon.net" david.etheridge@verizon.net](mailto:david.etheridge@verizon.net).

To discuss this and related topics in our own meeting, plan to attend the next gathering of the AFM Deconstructing Racism group, probably in early March. Watch for an e-mail announcement.

### **ANNUAL WOMEN'S RETREAT**

Play! Nap! Feast! At the BYM Annual Women's Retreat, January 25 through 27. For details and registration, see [www.bymwomensretreat.org](http://www.bymwomensretreat.org).

### **MIDWINTER GATHERING OF FLGBTQC**

Calling Friends (Quakers) and Fellow Spiritual Travelers of all descriptions who hold lesbian, gay, bisexual, transgender, and queer people close to your hearts! You are enthusiastically invited to gather at the Bryn Mawr Mountain Retreat and Conference Center in the Poconos of Pennsylvania, February 15-18, 2013. The Midwinter Gathering of [Friends for Lesbian Gay Bisexual Transgendered and Queer Concerns](#) will be held in Honesdale, PA.

Together we will seek spiritual growth and renewal through unprogrammed worship, learning, fellowship, and play under the care of Friends for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgender, and Queer Concerns (FLGBTQC). We will be blessed by the ministry of Friend Niyonu Spann, founder of Beyond Diversity 101 workshops.

For more information and to register, go to [flgbtqc.quaker.org/](http://flgbtqc.quaker.org/) and click on Midwinter Gathering or call 267-713-8694.

### **RECRUITING FOR WINTER RELIEF SHELTER VOLUNTEERS**

For several years, Magothy United Methodist Church in Pasadena has asked our Meeting to partner with it to provide shelter for the homeless for one week through Winter Relief. Our dates for 2013 are Monday night, March 18 through Monday morning, March 25.

Peace,  
Peter (410-647-2487)

### **MEETING FOR WORSHIP WITH ATTENTION TO BUSINESS MINUTES**

SECOND DAY OF THE TWELFTH MONTH, 2012

Present were: Elise A. (Clerk), Phyllis S. (Recording Clerk), and 23 other Friends and attenders. Our Meeting began with centering worship. Our Meeting began with centering worship.

Announcements:

CREC: The children's Christmas program will be December 16. The theme will be Simple Gifts.

Pastoral Care: The marriage guide has been updated (from 1998) and is now gender neutral. AFM added queries, especially about later marriages and blended families.

Quaker Market: was fruitful. People in need were served. The Market is a wonderful opportunity for our younger friends to join in the work of the meeting. Careen Mayer is developing a minute of appreciation to Margret Holmes for January MfB.

On Christmas Eve AFM will have thirty minutes of worship at 7 PM, followed by singing and refreshment.

The church Evolve Chesapeake indicated that they'd like to have a joint landlord-tenant holiday celebration with AFM; due to the short time before Christmas, Friends agreed to pursue this in the new year. ACTION: Meeting is in unity that the clerk invite Evolve Chesapeake to join us for January Potluck.

Interim Meeting (October 13, 2012 at Sidwell Friends School) report by Pat S. appears in the newsletter and in the book of MfB minutes. Of special interest to AFM, the first \$2,600 of any 2013 surplus will go to Ann Riggs (but it is questionable if there will be any surplus). FUM instigated 40 days of prayer for the future of Friends due to the wide divergence of belief in their community.

Nominating Committee – Barbara T. presented the 2013 final slate, which appears in the newsletter and in the book of MfB minutes. There were very few changes from previous drafts. NC suggests that the committees proactively orient their new members. It was suggested that committees think in December what information would be helpful to give to new members. ACTION: Friends approve the 2013 AFM committee slate and are sending to Trustees for final approval.

Stewardship and Finance Committee – Karen C. presented the final 2013 budget, which appears in the newsletter and in the book of MfB minutes. ACTION: Friends approve the 2013 budget and are sending to Trustees for final approval.

Ministry and Worship – Tricia R. presented guidelines for the Support of Ministry. M&W and S&F met together to work on the guidelines, which are a work in progress. There will be changes and clarifications of the guidelines.

Meetinghouse and Lands – Wes J. presented updates: The MH&L/AFM Renter Policy will now allow member/attenders of AFM who are themselves also affiliated with other 501(c)3 non-profit activities, to request use of the meetinghouse without payment. While rental fees are always encouraged when they do not pose a financial burden, rental waivers may be requested of and approved by the Building Use Coordinator (BUC), who in turn will advise MH&L when he/she deems it proper and necessary. All other rental provisions apply regardless of payment, and approval will be granted on a not-to-interfere basis with scheduled needs of AFM activities and those of other paying renters.

AFM will now allow all renters to use WiFi without charge with access to be made available as part of the standard rental agreement. Consequently, AFM will rescind payments having heretofore been made by the Church of God who were the prime motivation for our having this service in the past. We thank the Church of God for their support of this AFM service, and are now happy to offer WiFi internet access to all as part of our meetinghouse services package.

The Solar Project Plan is moving forward with a design anticipated in the near future for presentation to MfB. Friends are again advised that the design will feature a big rectangular array (5 panels by 8 panels -- approximately 15'x40') to be located at our entrance facing southerly and immediately visible on the left lawn as one departs the meetinghouse. This will be a jarring addition to our facade, but will accentuate our commitment to alternative energy solutions, and should reduce our BGE energy demand to near zero.

Closing: These minutes were read and approved during Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business. Meeting closed with silent worship.

Respectfully Submitted,  
Elise A., Clerk, and Phyllis S., Recording Clerk

NOTE: Three attachments to these Minutes follow:

MfB Attachment #1

Report to AFM on Interim Meeting  
Held October 13, 2012, at Sidwell Friends School (Upper School), Washington, DC

Interim Meeting agreed that if there is a surplus at the end of 2013, the first \$2600 will go to Ann Riggs. This is a big if, however.

Jane Megganson reported that this was the 90th year BYM has had a camping program. There are five summer programs, including three camps and two teen programs: the traditional Teen Adventure and a bicycling program. A major goal of the teen programs is to develop leadership skills. There are several new camp directors. Numbers of campers have been down due to the economy.

Friends were reminded that while big gifts to the YM are always welcome, so are many small gifts.

Peace and Social Concerns Committee is focusing on Israel/Palestine this year. Committee members will be meeting with monthly meetings. We were told of anti-Muslim ads appearing in four DC Metro stations. Sojourners Magazine is supporting another ad: "Love your Muslim Neighbors."

Mary Lord spoke about her year and a half on the FUM General Board. She sees people working together instead of arguing. Riley Robinson, a gay man and another member of the board, is experiencing no problems at board meetings. Mary sees a dramatic change in the board. On the other hand, Mary updated us on the troubles of Indiana Yearly Meeting, one of many yearly meetings within FUM. They are in the process of reconfiguring into two yearly meetings as a result of West Richmond Friends Meeting's issuing a minute of welcoming and affirming, which mentions sexual orientation among those who are welcomed and affirmed. (Ted and Betty Lou Riley attended West Richmond Friends when they were at Earlham School of Religion.)

FUM saw the abyss among its liberal and conservative yearly meetings and wondered if FUM Friends had enough in common to remain together. They instigated 40 days of prayer for the future of Friends.

### MfB Attachment #2

Annapolis Friends Meeting  
Committees, Officers & Representatives for 2013

All committee positions are volunteer. Terms are for two years. Terms begins in January of the year noted and end the following December (e.g., a (13) means that a member will serve starting in January 2013 and complete the term in December 2014.). The term in which a member has served as clerk is designated by an underline.

Clerk: Elise Albert (11)(13)	Asst. Clerk: Wes Jordan (11)(13)
Treasurer: Joel Rodkin (10)(12)	Asst. Treas.: Sue Podolin (13)
Recording Clerk: Phyllis Singer (11)(13)	Asst. Recording Clerk: Phil Caroom (11)(13)
Recorder: Phyllis Singer (13)	

Childrens' Religious Education:

Co-Clerks: Kimberly Benson (10)(11)(13) & Joanna Tobin (10)(11)(13)  
Tim Mullady (10)(12), Denise Figueiredo (12), Phil Favero (13), Carolyn Moloney (13), Eleni Eleftheriou (13)  
Nursery Coordinator: Cairn Krafft (11)(13) Homeschooling Subcommittee: Co-clerks: Kimberly Benson (11)(13), Eleni Eleftheriou,(12), Denise Figueiredo (13) Joanna Tobin (11), Cairn Krafft (09)(11)(13), Sarah Blaser (09)(11)(13), Mardy Burgess (09)(11)(13)

First Day School Librarians: Beth Chandler (11)(13); Susan Dapkunas (12)  
Youth Programs Subcommittee: Ruth Slavin, clerk (11)(13), Cairn Krafft (11)(13), Mardy Burgess (12)

Young Friends' Officers: Vacant  
BYM Camping Correspondent: Wes Jordan (13)  
BYM Educational Resources : Kim Finch (11)(13)

Library Committee: Clerk: Beth Chandler (10), (12)  
Nan Elsbree (10)(12), Phyllis Singer (10)(12), Collette McKie (11)(13), Suzanne Spoor (12)  
Friends Poetry Gathering Facilitator: Dotty Doherty (09)(11)(13)

Meetinghouse and Land

Co-clerks: Careen Mayer (10) (12), Wes Jordan (10) (12)  
Tom Baker (12), Mark McFadden (12), Karl Richmond (12), Bill Kinzer (04) (06) (08) (10) (12), Bob Bruninga (12), Doug McClelland (12), Jamie Moloney (13)  
Hospitality Subcommittee: Bonnie Peregoy (10) (12), Nan Elsbree (12), Pat Else (13)  
Building Use Coordinator (BUC): Minette Clarke-Swindel (13)  
Back-up Coordinators: Sky Elsbree (07)(09)(11)(13), Karl Richmond (07)(09)(11)(13)

Ministry & Worship:

Clerk: Tricia Robinson (11)(13) Jennifer Delorge-Mckeown (10)(12), Kim Finch (10) (12), Martha O'Hehir (11)(13), Esther Geil (12), Pat Else (13)

BYM Contact: Pat Schenck

Quarterly Meeting Contact: Jennifer Delorge-Mckeown (11)(13)

FGC and FUM Meeting Contacts: vacant

Interchange Contact: Pat Schenck

Quaker History & Heritage (since 08): Kim Finch (12)

Quaker Burial Ground: Phil Caroom (13)

Silent Retreat Convener: Jean Christianson

Support Group for Ann Riggs (Friends Theological College): Clerk: Marcia Ormsby (11)(13)

Spiritual Friendship Group Facilitator: Tricia Robinson

Deconstructing Racism Convener: Jean Christianson

Nominating:

Clerk: Barbara Thomas, (10)(11)(13)

Cairn Krafft (10)(12), Margaret Holmes (11)(13), Nancy Jo Steetle (12); Bill Kinzer (13), Don Sillars (13)

Outreach: Clerk: Pat Schenck (12)

Peter Meredith (10) (11)(12), Mardy Burgess (12), Ruth Slavin (12), Bonnie Peregoy (12), Will Candler (12),

Web Manager: Wes Jordan (12)

E-mail List Manager: Esther Geil (11)(13)

Directory Editor: Barbara Thomas (13)

Newsletter Editor: Beth Mayer (11)(13), Asst. Phil Caroom (10) (12),

GAIN: Rep, Mardy Burgess (12), Asst. Peter Meredith (10)(12)

Pastoral Care:

Clerk: Mary Barbera (09) (11) (12)

Nancy Jo Steetle (11)(13), Dotty Doherty (12), Stephanie DeAbreu (13), Nan Elsbree (13), Lynada Johnson (13), Sheryl Ingram (13)

Quaker Dudes: Head Dude/Convener: Karl Richmond (10) (12)

Peace & Social Concerns:

Clerk: Carl Benson (10) (12)

Ted Hawkins (10) (12), Lee Lougee (10) (12), Martha Baer (10) (12), Harold Saunders (10) (12), Don Sillars (10) (12), Margaret Candler (12), Jack Lahr (12), Carol Brantley (12)

Peace & Justice Center Working Group: Co-Facilitators: Phil Favero (10)(12) & Kit Hanley (12)

AFSC Contact: Barbara Thomas (12)

FCNL Contact: Jack Lahr (13)

Lighthouse Shelter Co-liasons: Marcia Ormsby (07)(09)(11)(13), Joel Rodkin (13)

Lighthouse Support Group: Marcia Ormsby, Carol Brantley, Joel Rodkin, Peter Meredith, Nan Elsbree

Lighthouse Board: Carol Brantley (09—until LH term ends)

Wm. Penn Hs. Contact: Connie Parks (12)

National Religious Campaign Against Torture: Jack Lahr (12)

Stewardship & Finance:

Clerk: Karen Cunnyngham (11) (12),

Carol Kinzer (10) (12), Sky Elsbree (12), Barbara Thomas (12), Joel Rodkin, ex officio (08) (10) (12), Bill Roberts (13), Sue Podolin (13)

Quaker Market Subcommittee Clerk: Cairn Krafft (12)(13)

Careen Mayer (11)(13), Kit Hanley (11)(13), Margaret Holmes (07-12) (13)

Trustees:

Clerk: Ted Hawkins (12), Elise Albert (11)(13), Marcia Ormsby (12), Mary Kniskern (13)

Note: for information purposes only—no meeting approval required

Signing Authority for AFM Accounts :

Friends Fiduciary Trust: Treasurer/2 Trustees & Minute from Meeting approving withdrawal

Checking Account: Treasurer/Clerk of S&F/Clerk of Trustees

CD: Treasurer/Clerk of S&F/Clerk of Trustees/Asst. Treasurer

Savings Account : Treasurer/Clerk of S&F/Clerk of Trustees

Safe Deposit Box: Clerk of S&F/Trustee/Trustee

Members of BYM Committees (3 Year Terms Appointed by BYM)

Search Committee, Rep to Friends Peace Teams, Rep to AFSC Corp: Barbara Thomas (11)

Friends in Unity with Nature: Will Candler (10) Tricia Robinson (10)

Nominating Committee: Karen Cunnyngnam (10)

Rep to FGC: Tim Mullady (11)

Working Group on Racism: Pat Schenck (no term limits)

Members of FGC Committees:

FGC Rep on Scouting: Tim Mullady

FGC Co-clerk CIRC, & Central & Executive Committees: Dot Walizer

FGC Christian Interfaith Relations: Ann Riggs; FGC Rep to World Council of Churches: Ann Riggs

Friends Theological College Principal: Ann Riggs

MfB Attachment #3

ANNAPOLIS FRIENDS MEETING GENERAL FUND OPERATING BUDGET - 2013

final presentation, twelfth month, 2012

	<u>2010</u>	<u>2011</u>	<u>2012</u>	<u>2013</u>	
	Actual	Actual	Budget	ActualTD	Budget
INCOME					
Contributions	42,145	50,504	43,485	33,917	44,122
Miscellaneous Income	341			40	
Rentals	20,831	20,057	19,000	16,254	19,000
Investment Account Interest/Distributions	3,524	3,260	3,000	1,733	3,000
Checking Account Interest	6		4	2	
TOTAL INCOME	66,847	73,821	65,489	51,946	66,122
INCOME					
Children's Religious Education (CREC)	2,948				

Activities		395		1,150	
BYM Camping Fee Assistance			700		1,800
Infant/Child Care			150		150
Young Friends Committee			250		
Materials and Supplies		297		85	
General			300		300
Books and Curricula Items			250		100
Food/Snacks			200		100
To YF Opporntnity Fun (Goal: NLT \$3,000)		1,700	0		500
Total (CREC)	2,948	2,392	1,850	1,235	2,950
Library					
Materials and Supplies – Books/Materials	520	506	400	222	400
Total (Library)	520	506	400	222	400
Meeting House and Land (MH&L)	26,815				
Maintenance and Repairs					
Capital Equipment Repair		1,294	1,600	705	500
Exterior Maintenance and Repair		3,989	4,730	3,759	3,850
Interior Maintenance and Repair		5,979	6,510	4,373	6,660
Utilities					
Electricity		1,867	2,200	1,536	2,000

Gas(Propane)		5,539	6,500	3,181	6,000
Telephone		681	700	475	750
Water Testing and Treatment		428	200	579	200
Insurance (Liability Umbrella)		2,398	2,500	2,325	2,450
Activities					
Chesapeake Interfaith Environmental Group dues					200
Materials and Supplies		1,938	1,452	583	1,000
To Building Fund (Goal: \$10,000 per year)	5,000	0	10,000	10,000	9,500
To Capital Improvement Fund (Goal: meet needs)	1,000	9,832	2,000	2,000	5,000
To Capital Replacement Fund (Goal: \$30,000)	1,000	0	2,700	2,700	0
Total (MH&L)	33,815	33,945	41,092	32,216	38,110
Ministry & Worship (M&W)					
Activities					
Programs	50	300	500	375	600
Support for Ministry					1,650
Materials and Supplies		160	50	154	50
Other Expense					
West River Quaker Burial Ground	250	250	250	114	250
Total (M&W)	300	710	800	643	2,550
Outreach	437				



Activities		44			
Ads		217	300		280
Speaker's Expense			100		100
Greater Annapolis Interfaith Network dues				100	100
		25		126	
Materials and Supplies					
General			30		30
Food			100		100
Visitors' Pamphlets			100		100
Other Expense				143	
Total (Outreach)	437	286	630	369	710
Pastoral Care (PC)					
Materials and Supplies					
General		181		133	75
Flowers and Cards			200		110
Newsletter Materials and Postage			150		0
Other Expense				90	
New Member Friends Journal Subscriptions			300		135
Student Friends Journal subscriptions					130
To Suffering Fund (Goal: NLT \$5,000)		941	1,600	1,600	2,600
Total (PC)	0	1,122	2,250	1,823	3,050

Peace & Social Concerns (P&SC)					
Activities				600	
Peace & Justice Center Working Group	1,200		1,200		1,200
Peace, Race & Justice Activities	500		250		250
Other Expense	3,400	3,200	3,479		
Lighthouse Shelter					1,000
Quaker Causes (8% minus Lighthouse contribution)					2,530
To Emergent Social Concerns Fund (2%)	850	810	870	870	882
To Peace & Justice Center Fund	617		0		0
Total (P&SC)	6,567	4,010	5,798	1,470	5,862
Stewardship & Finance (S&F)					
Materials and Supplies		141		171	
Office Supplies/Materials			50		50
Postage/Copy/Registration			88		50
Bank Service Charges (Security Box, Checks)		127	200		200
BYM Apportionment	10,310	10,520	12,300	9,225	12,130
Other Expense-Tax Filing Fee & Levy			30	60	60
To Adult Scholarship Fund (Goal: NLT \$1,000)	900	0	0		0
Total (S&F)	11,210	10,788	12,668	9,456	12,490

TOTAL EXPENSES	55,797	53,759	65,488	47,434	66,122
SURPLUS (Income minus Expenses)	11,050	20,062	0	4,512	0
2011					
To Young Friends Opportunity Fund		1,850			
To Building Fund		5,000			
To Emergent Social Concerns Fund		500			
AFM solar project		10,000			
To Committee Contingency Fund (administered by S&F)		2,712			
2010					
To Sufferings Fund	941				
To Capital Improvement Fund	5,065				
Accounting issues	419				
P&JC 9/11 conference	1,000				
To Committee Contingency Fund (administered by S&F)	3,625				

#### QUAKER QUOTES FOR JANUARY

For when I came into the silent assemblies of God's people, I felt a secret power among them which touched my heart; and as I gave way unto it, I found the evil weakening in me and the good raised up. (Robert Barclay)

Bring the whole of your daily life under the ordering of the spirit of Christ. Live adventurously. In every situation seek to be aware of the presence of God, praying that spiritual energies in yourself and in others may be released for the furtherance of God's kingdom. (Advices, London YM, 1964)

With diligence meet together, and with diligence wait to feel the Lord God to arise, to scatter and expel all that which is the cause of leanness and barrenness upon any soul; for it is the Lord must do it, and

he will be waited upon in sincerity and fervency of spirit; ...and let none be hasty to utter words, though manifest in the light in which ye wait upon the Lord; but still wait in silence, to know the power working in you to bring forth the words, in the ministration of the eternal word of life to answer the life in all. (Stephen Crisp, 1663)

The Quaker meeting for worship is not a place for individual meditation, it is a community in which two or three are gathered together to wait upon the presence in the midst which links us all. (Edward Hoare, Deepening the Spiritual Life of the Meeting, FGC, 1995)

John Woolman experienced the mystical Presence of God long before it ever occurred to him that slavery was unethical. Then one day in his retail office someone asked him to write out a receipt for a slave. Something revolted in Woolman's conscience because, as a result of his spiritual consciousness, he was terribly present to that moment—awake, mindful. He didn't write the receipt. It was a personal matter for him. Gradually thereafter, he began speaking to his friends, to his meeting, to other meetings, about freeing the slaves. His ethics spontaneously grew from his spiritual sensitivity. No one pressured him to join any committees. He did not start with an ethical ideal of human rights and go to meeting in order to talk about it. It happened the other way around. He went to meeting to be present before God. His ethics was the flowering of Silence. (Alfred K. LaMotte, 1982)

We become what we do. A great religious interpreter of our times once said that he kissed his child because he loved her and that he kissed his child in order to love her more. Regular participation in corporate worship is a school and workshop in which those who would grow in the religious life, no matter how tenuous may be their present connections, should be in attendance. (Douglas V. Steere, Prayer and Worship, FUP, 19)

"If we divide into camps--even into violent and the nonviolent--and stand in one camp while attacking the other, the world will never have peace. We will always blame and condemn those we feel are responsible for wars and social injustice, without recognizing the degree of violence within ourselves. We must work on ourselves and also with those we condemn if we want to have a real impact." (Ayya Khema, "Be an Island")

#### **A GENTLE E-MAIL LIST REMINDER**

Annapolis Friends Meeting has two e-mail lists, the "announce" list and the "discuss" list.

The "announce" list is limited to announcement about (1) meeting-related events (AFM and occasionally quarterly and yearly meetings) including agendas for upcoming AFM business meetings and (2) news of births, deaths, and people requesting to be held in the Light. Please do not reply to all if you want to respond to an announcement on this list.

The "discuss" list is for sharing ideas with a relationship to Quaker testimonies. The definition is broad, but it should never include topics about partisan politics (we are a tax-exempt organization), no gossip, no jokes, no recipes--you get the idea. Suggested topics are opinions on anything related to our testimonies, announcements of non-meeting gatherings that would be of interest to Friends, information on resources of interest, and so on. In some cases it may be appropriate to reply to all, but use this option sparingly.

The two e-mail lists are not moderated. To send a message or to receive one, you must be on that particular list. If you have never received a message from either list and would like to, contact Esther Geil at HYPERLINK "<mailto:esthergeil@gmail.com>" [esthergeil@gmail.com](mailto:esthergeil@gmail.com) and she will enter your name on the list(s) of your choice. If you want to get off a list, do the same. If you are not sure what list(s) you are on, again contact Esther. If you want to receive messages from both lists, you must be on both lists.

To send a message to the "announce" list, send it to HYPERLINK C"<mailto:announce@annapolis.quaker.org>" [announce@annapolis.quaker.org](mailto:announce@annapolis.quaker.org). To send one to the discuss list, send it to HYPERLINK "<mailto:discuss@annapolis.quaker.org>" [discuss@annapolis.quaker.org](mailto:discuss@annapolis.quaker.org). Again, you must be on a list to send anything to that list.

Friends are reminded that if a matter is of concern only to a few people, it is best to send the message only to those people.

### **HOW TO SUBMIT NEWSLETTER ITEMS AND ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Please submit items for the calendar and brief descriptions of events the 15<sup>th</sup> of the month.
- Beth Mayer is the editor of the Annapolis Friends Newsletter. Please send any items for inclusion in the newsletter to [annapolisfriendsmeeting@gmail.com](mailto: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](mailto:announce@annapolis.quaker.org); Discuss List: [discuss@annapolis.quaker.org](mailto:discuss@annapolis.quaker.org)

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