

Atlanta Friends Meeting Newsletter

Atlanta Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, Quakers. All are welcome.



Meeting for Worship
Each First Day (Sunday)
10:00 - 11:00 a.m.
701 W. Howard Ave.
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Query: Do you, as the way opens, share Friends' principles with non-Friends?
Do you witness to your Quaker faith by letting your life speak? Baltimore Monthly Meeting of Friends, Stony Run

Subject: Epistle from Ireland Yearly Meeting From Meg Harper

To Friends everywhere,

Dear Friends,

We send you greetings from Ireland Yearly Meeting met in Kings Hospital School, Dublin from 28th April to 1st May 2011.

'Let your life speak' was the theme for this Yearly Meeting. We were challenged to allow ourselves to live adventurously, enabling our gifts to be used for the service of God and the community. The summary of the Yearly Meeting Epistles from around the world encouraged us in this and gave us a feeling of being united with Friends from many different places.

As we began to move through the Yearly Meeting sessions, various speakers gave us examples of outreach in their communities and this suggested an underlying message that our outreach begins from our presence in a place.

The Meeting House is the obvious starting point for outreach. It is the physical evidence of our presence in the community. It is an invitation to those who might pass by, to linger a while and perhaps come amongst us. It is often the first point of contact and it is the manifestation of home for those who stay.

Our outreach is not measured by increased numbers but by increased dialog and communication but we cannot expect to go unchallenged; indeed we must not only face the challenges, but invite them. Outreach requires us to listen, as well as to speak and help can come from unexpected quarters but we must be open to receive it.

We are called to be Friends, showing the mark of Christ as we go about our daily lives. Although it has become common practice in recent years to refer to ourselves as 'Quakers', this has limited potential in terms of outreach. There is a familiarity with the term and the listener may presume understanding and inquire no further.

The use of the word 'Friend' however, requires us to give an explanation of who we are.

We were uplifted by the description of Sweden Yearly Meeting, which manages to engage in a wide range of activities despite the fact that they have only 100 members. There are many examples of small groups or individuals making a difference in the world. As Friends we believe that God has given us all the resources we need, and if we use these gifts we can do all that is required and more.

"A friend is one to whom you can pour out the contents of your heart, chaff and grain alike. Knowing that the gentlest of hands will take and sift it, keep what is worth keeping and with a breath of kindness, blow the rest away."

Signed on behalf of Ireland Yearly Meeting,

Felicity A McCartney, Clerk

Announcements

Friends for Lesbian, Gay, Bisexual, Transgendered and Queer Concerns

FLGBTQC will host a potluck Sunday, June 26, after meeting, partly because it's been a while and partly to celebrate Stonewall. We'll be at the home of Nina Gooch and Erica French, just south of the meetinghouse. Everyone is invited, regardless of what identity you claim. Questions: Nina Gooch at ninagooch AT gmail.com or 404-451-5974.

Also, if you'd like to be on the FLGBTQC email list, send a blank email to atl-flgbtqc-subscribe@yahoo.com or visit <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/atl-flgbtqc> or contact Nina Gooch directly.

Friends Journal Recognition

Each year in April, the Associated Church Press honors the "Best of the Christian Press" with awards for writing, design, editing, and technical achievement. We're very pleased to announce that the judges bestowed eight honors on FRIENDS JOURNAL for articles and issues that appeared in 2010. FRIENDS JOURNAL competes against magazines that serve far larger denominations and have significantly more resources than our humble Quaker magazine. Yet this plucky little Journal continues to capture imaginations and spark conversations that bespeak the depth of Quaker thought and life. Click here to read the ACP's announcement and see the full list of awards. You can see the categories in which FRIENDS JOURNAL was honored here, including Media Review, Critical Review, Poetry, Seasonal Article, Cover Design, and Illustration.

I hope you'll join me in congratulating the staff, authors, poets, artists, editors, volunteers, and supporters whose efforts have garnered Friends such recognition from North America's preeminent religious press association.

The success of the Quaker message as channeled through the Journal wouldn't be possible without the support of those like you who value our work. To subscribe to FRIENDS JOURNAL for yourself or a loved one, click here or call us at 800-471-6863. Or to make a gift to honor and uplift the Quaker message that finds voice in our pages, click here. Thank you so much for being part of our community.

Yours in peace, Gabriel Ehri, Executive Director Designate

Movie Nights: June 9th and July 8th at 7:00 PM in the Meeting Room.

In June, Movie Night will feature Monty Python's Life of Brian. The film is a 1979 classic British comedy film about the misadventures of Brian, a young man living in first century Judea who is frequently mistaken for the Messiah. The film pokes fun at religion, death, politics and ancient history. It is rated R (nudity, violence, language).

July's movie will be Harry Potter and the Deathly Hallows, Part I. Harry, Hermione, Ron and their allies continue their efforts to protect the world from a cruel and powerful wizard. It is rated PG-13 (violence, sex).

Those attending will be asked to make a donation in an amount they believe to be appropriate. Popcorn is included! Feel free to bring drinks and other refreshments – especially if you are willing to share.

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Not for Ourselves Alone The story of Elizabeth Cady Stanton and Susan Be Anthony Geoffrey C. Ward and Ken Burns 1999

It seems to be a common experience that the book you really need suddenly appears. The story of the friendship and over half century campaigns for women's rights appeared, appropriately, after I had visited the Women's Rights National Historical Park in Seneca Falls, New York. I had missed the Ken Burns PBS show about the two women more than 10 years ago; recommended for movie night.

As described, this was a decades long friendship of opposites who enhanced each other. Stanton, married with seven children, and Anthony, a Quaker believing that marriage would be an encumbrance to her life mission first in temperance then in the right to vote. Their disagreements would have fractured a less loving relationship.

The essays, speeches, and letters of both women are scattered through the book. I was struck by Stanton's reply to Seneca Falls clergymen excoriating her by using Scripture. She answered, that the Bible was "too often perverted by narrow, bigoted, sectarian teachers as to favor all kinds of oppression, and to degrade and crush humanity itself. No reform has ever been started but the Bible, falsely interpreted, has opposed it . . . Slavery was proposed as an institution of the Bible. War, with its long train of calamities and abominations, is proved to be right by the Bible . . . Let the people no longer trust to their blind guides, but read and reason for themselves." This was one of her milder statements.

The worst abomination was enslavement of Blacks. The second was the enslavement of women. Following the Civil War with the ratification of the 15th Amendment in doubt, the two women split over the tactics. Stanton approved of ratifying, Anthony disapproved because it did not include women. Anthony allied with a racist, George Francis Train, to oppose the amendment. The schism did not last long. Both traveled together lecturing across the continent to California. Anthony continued on alone followed by an antisuffrage lecturer, Jennet Blakesley Frost, the Sarah Palin of her day. Frost condemned Anthony for not filling "the office in society for which God in his providence had wisely created her . . ."

A case that would appear before the U.S. Supreme Court questioned whether all citizens have the right to vote by asking are not women citizens? Anthony and a few more women around the country decided to vote in 1872. She was taken to the U.S. Commissioner, refused to pay for bail and was eventually tried before a pliable judge in Canandaigua, New York. She was found guilty, but refused to pay the fine. Unfortunately, her lawyer payed the fine and, thus, her protest could not be taken to the Supreme Court. The earlier suit finally reached the court in 1775 where the justices unanimously decided against it saying that who voted was up to the states, ushering in the Jim Crow laws in the South.

Stanton's last speech before the Judiciary Committees of the House and Senate was an eloquent elucidation on the uniqueness of every human soul and the right to self-determination. She ended the testimony with: "Such is individual life. Who, I ask you, can take, dare take on himself the rights, the duties, the responsibilities of another human soul?"

But Stanton was not through. She finished her Women's Bible which alienated many supporters of suffrage. Anthony defended her in front of the National American Women's Suffrage Association but her defense was rejected. By then both women were being honored. Both had resigned their work to a younger generation. Stanton would die in 1902 and Anthony four years later. Historian Ellen Carol DuBois sums up the importance of their lives by asking, "Will we forget these two women again? There is that danger." We forget the victories so tenaciously won. "Each of these victories—and each of the future dimensions to women's emancipation that we cannot yet really imagine—require breadth of vision combined with depth of dedication. This is what the memory of Stanton and Anthony best stand for, and why their joint history can always be such a rich resource for a better future."

Need I remind you that the Equal Rights Amendment of 1972 failed to pass in sufficient states in 10 years. What are some men and women afraid of? The struggle continues for women's rights throughout the world.

Book donated to AFM library by Perry Treadwell

WRITING AN EFFECTIVE LETTER TO AN ELECTED OFFICIAL submitted by Sue May

At a recent training by Friends Committee on National Legislation staff, we reviewed the basic elements of an effective letter and saw both good and bad examples. Perhaps these will inspire us to write more often! Go to www.fcnl.org for talking points on your issue.

Dear Senator Isakson. You people in Congress can't seem to agree on anything these days, even on something as important as preventing genocide and mass atrocities in places like Sudan and the Democratic Republic of Congo. This should be a national priority. Why can't you provide leadership and work together on something like the Genocide Prevention bill instead of all this partisanship? Here's hoping, Peter McDaniels

Dear Senator Isakson. I am a voter in the East Lake neighborhood of Atlanta, GA. My children attend Spurwood Elementary School, where I am the head of the PTA, and I am a member of the Atlanta Friends Meeting. I greatly appreciate that you voted in favor of the START Treaty in December. I am writing to urge you to use your position on the Senate Foreign Relations Committee to support practical legislation that will address policy gaps that fail to prevent genocide. For years the US has underinvested in diplomacy, development, and international cooperation, crippling our ability to prevent conflict. This is costing us countless lives and resources. Research demonstrates that every one dollar invested in preventing conflicts from turning deadly would cost sixty dollars in crisis response once violence erupts. In December 2010, the Senate passed a resolution (S. Con. Res. 71) calling for specific steps to improve US capacities to prevent genocide and atrocities. I want you to support bipartisan legislation that would strengthen key government capacities addressed in this resolution. I look forward to a commitment and a reply from you on this matter. Sincerely, Hilary Clark, Atlanta, GA

FiR Report to Meeting for Business - May, 2011

Overall, I want to say I continue to enjoy being the Friend in Residence. It has been a unique opportunity to join a wonderful community and participate in the life of the Meeting. So, thank you.

I took a quick look at some of the things that have happened since I arrived in December, 2009. I learned the rhythm of the building, which requires daily chores and periodic maintenance to keep it running smoothly. There are also the grounds, which Myrna keeps full of color and beauty.

Working with Jonah and Dan May is a joy and I believe we are a good team to handle things as they come up. And they do come up: • Leaks • Smells • Rats • Disorganized • Too hot • Too cold • Not flushing • No light • Not clean • Not working • Not secure And so on...

Daily, the building comes alive in the morning with Smart Toddlers. And there are the regular weekly happenings, from Midweek Worship to Committee. Meetings to Support Groups. And the events, if you're not here in the off-hours, you may not realize the parade of interesting groups and individuals who also call the building home, either weekly or one or more times a year.

We have it all -- from Pagans to Buddhists to SunTrust Bank. People seem to enjoy our facilities and more important, the friendly spirit within the walls and grounds. For fun, I did a quick count and discovered that since December 2009 we have hosted about 60 unique events.

In terms of my personal leading and ministry, I have led and participated in a range of activities of benefit to the Meeting. These have included: • "Quakers & Islam" forum • March AFM Retreat • Lobbying Senator Isakson • Green Friends "Meetup" with greater Atlanta community • Racism Workshop • Pastor's breakfasts with Julia Ewen • Worship at Morehouse College • Green Friends event in association with 350.org • Contributions to AFM Newsletter • Coordination with Citizens Climate Lobby • Mayor Kasim Reed faith community event • GIPL Energy Audit of our building • Op-ed article on prison reform in AJC • First-ever faith community event for City of Decatur's Green Umbrella program • Helping with AFM Movie Night • Bringing together stakeholders to assess AFM's digital resources • Joining Sue May's group to help with FCNL • Helping Nick Boulis with "Neuroscience & Consciousness" forum • Co-clerking Social Concerns Committee • Presenting my "Spiritual Journey" at Sunday forum. Looking ahead, a couple of forums are on the horizon: I think we can do a good job pulling together multiple voices to learn about one of the most important issues facing Georgians: our limited water resources.

Further, I think there is strong interest in our community to bring together points of view on the crisis in our prison system.

I will continue to enjoy Social Concerns, Green Friends and I will try to be more present at Care & Counsel. I'm sure other opportunities to serve will reveal themselves, as well.

Thank you, John Roberts

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Fifth Month, 15, 2011

Recorded Pending Approval

Georgia Lord presented the query: “Do you as parents prepare your children to meet their responsibilities in a constantly changing world? Does the meeting support and provide resources for families who have members with special needs?” (SAYMA Faith and Practice)

In attendance were: Steve Collins, Judith Greenberg, Beth Martinson, Karen terHorst Morris, Myrna Trapp, Perry Treadwell, Denny Webster, John Roberts, Hannah Macdermott, Laura Norlin, Lily Crymes, Roland Heath, Lynn Leuszler, Caroline Morris, Paul Baker, Priscilla Padron, Don Bender, Free Polazzo, Elizabeth Lamb, Peter Sederberg, Alison Mawle (Acting Recording Clerk), Georgia Lord (Clerk)

Naming Committee: On behalf of the Naming Committee, the Meeting Clerk brought forth the following individuals for final approval for appointment to Nominating Committee: for 2011, Folami Prescott-Adams; for 2011-2012, Steve Collins; for 2011-2013, Roland Heath, Karen Gold, Heather Jeziorowski, Beth Ruddiman, and Herb Edwards.

Minute 05-15-01: Following consideration, Atlanta Friends Meeting approved each proposed appointment to the Nominating Committee.

Nominating Committee: On behalf of the Nominating Committee Steve Collins brought forth for final approval Peter Sederberg as Treasurer.

Minute 05-15-02: Following consideration, Atlanta Friends Meeting approved Peter Sederberg as Treasurer.

Immigration: Free Polazzo presented a proposed minute on Immigration. After discussion, Friends agreed to season this minute further, encouraging those both within the Meeting and the community to further consider the issue and the proposed text. All Meeting committees are encouraged to consider it as well. The proposed minute will be taken up again Sixth month.

Report of Friend in Residence: John Roberts summarized his work, both his property management tasks and his ministry. He is tentatively planning future forums on Georgia’s limited water resources and the crisis in our prison system.

Ministry and Worship: On behalf of Ministry & Worship, Denny Webster brought forth the proposed transfer of membership for Laura Norlin from Grand Rapids Friends Meeting (Lake Erie Yearly Meeting). Following consideration the Meeting adopted the following minute:

Minute 05-15-03: We joyfully accept the transfer of Laura Norlin from Grand Rapids Friends Meeting. Laura has already shared her many gifts with the meeting and we look forward to a deeper fellowship with her.

Denny Webster also reported that Ministry & Worship proposes that the Meeting sponsor an event during Fall 2011 in response to a request from the Friends World Committee on Consultation. The FWCC has asked Friends to hold events reflecting on the theme, “Being Salt and Light: Friends Living the Kingdom of God in a Broken World.” FWCC has offered two resource people from Australia Yearly Meeting to visit with us and share in a day of reflection. Friends raised questions regarding what expenses would be involved and decided to await further information before agreeing to sponsor the event.

Also on behalf of Ministry and Worship, Steve Collins presented revised Handbook provisions regarding Marriage Guidelines. Concern was expressed that the proposed text quotes and references a superseded version of SAYMA’s Faith and Practice, and the text may not fully reflect the current status of the availability of same gender marriage. The Meeting asked Ministry and Worship to consider these comments and bring the proposal back next month.

College Scholarship Committee: Caroline Morris reported on behalf of the College Scholarship Committee that they have received 3 applications for scholarships from Meeting Young Friends. They need to raise \$1500 for the fund in order to fund these scholarships.

Gathered Meeting Retreat: Caroline Morris also reported on behalf of the Gathered Meeting Retreat Committee that next year's retreat will be on April 13th – 15th, 2012. She invited attenders who are interested in helping to plan the next Gathered Meeting Retreat to join the committee.

Care and Counsel: Laura Norlin, committee Clerk, presented a proposed minute of thanks for outgoing committee Clerk Dwight Harriman. Following consideration the Meeting adopted the following minute:

Minute 05-15-04: The committee would like to express its gratitude for Dwight's gifts, devotion, perseverance, and patience in his dedication to Care and Counsel. Many people have been lifted up by Dwight's involvement and coordination of C&C over the last three years of clerking.

Approval of Minutes of Fourth Month Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.

Minute 05-15-05: Atlanta Friends Meeting approves the minutes of Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business for Fourth Month with no changes.

Treasurer: David Sederberg reported that the funds in the Building Improvement fund have been transferred to the Permanent Improvement fund. He also asked for assistance in getting authority from our bank to exercise signature power. In response to this request the Clerk announced that there would be a called meeting of the Atlanta Friends Meeting corporation to adopt an appropriate minute giving him authorization to be a signatory on the Meeting's account.

Meeting closed with silent worship.

Respectfully Submitted, Georgia Lord, Clerk Alison Mawle, Acting Recording Clerk

Atlanta Friends Meeting
Proposed Minute on Immigration

As a faith community committed to welcoming the stranger, we are dismayed and saddened by the failure to find a way forward to craft an immigration system that respects the fundamental rights and dignity of all. We recognize that inaction at the national level has created a vacuum into which states have stepped to create their own immigration laws.

As Friends, we believe that there is that of God in everyone, regardless of citizenship or legal status. Our testimony of community challenges us to live with all of our neighbors in a way that encourages trust, love, and security. Our testimony of equality leads us to value each person as an individual and to respect the human rights and dignity of all persons. Our testimony of peace guides us to take nonviolent action to resolve conflicts in a way that brings us together and promotes justice.

Georgia House Bill 87 and Arizona Senate Bill 1070 divide our communities and criminalize immigrants. These kinds of unjust laws create a climate of fear for those whose area of residence, line of work, complexion, spoken language or accent is deemed suspicious, even if they are citizens or legal foreign residents or visitors. When state legislation is passed that compels people to hide their identity from authorities, they must live in fear that they will be separated from their families, that they will become victims of crime, that they and their children will not receive an education, be exploited in their workplaces, and that they will lose their livelihoods and their homes.

We bear witness to our friends and neighbors in our community who suffer division in their families, exploitation in the workplace, and the daily fear of deportation. We bear witness to the thousands of deaths on the border and the destruction of border communities and the environment. The estimated twelve million persons living and working in the United States without papers are essential parts of our communities and economy, yet the system for regularizing their status is woefully insufficient. Criminalizing immigrants and those who care for them, as in the Georgia and Arizona bills, does not address the real challenges our country faces with immigration reform and resolution of the humanitarian crisis that results from the broken system.

We, as people of faith, are called not only to resist unjust laws and to work to change them, but to take the initiative to act in accordance with higher laws. We call upon Friends everywhere to urge our elected representatives at the Federal level to respond to President Obama's recent call for comprehensive immigration reform and urge our U.S. members of Congress to take immediate action on humane immigration reform.

We call upon ourselves to act with integrity in response to these challenges and we rededicate ourselves to loving our neighbors, to doing justice, and to walking humbly in the spirit of love.

Note: This is an edited version of a minute approved by InterMountain Yearly Meeting on Sixth Month 2010

Calender for 6th Month 2011

Area Meetings for Worship

Every First Day, 10:00 a.m.— In the Meeting Room and a small meeting in the Library.

Every First Day, 12:30 p.m. — Carrollton Friends Worship Group, St. Andrew United Methodist Youth Center, 1106 Maple St, Carrollton, lessell.bray@gmail.com or 770-830-8705.

Every 2nd and 4th First Day, 10:00 a.m. — Canton Friends Worship Group, 360 E. Marietta St, Canton, 779-720-4669 or wrldpeas@mindspring.com

First Thursdays at AFSC office, 60 Walton ST. NW, Atlanta, 10303

Thursdays (Except 1st Thurs. of the Month)- 12:10 pm: East Lake Commons. Contact Bert Skellie, 404-378-5883, bertskellie@gmail.com for directions.

Every Sixth Day, 8:45 a.m.— Friends School of Atlanta, 862 Columbia Drive, Decatur, GA 30030, 404-373-8746.

Wednesday Morning Worship, 8:30 – 9:00: In the library at Atlanta Friends Meetinghouse. Contact Jonah McDonald, 404-377-2474, afmquakers@hotmail.com

Wednesdays, 7:00 pm: Meeting Room. Contact Christina Repoley: 404-840-3005 or christinarepoley@gmail.com.

Weekly Events

Every First Day (Sunday)

9:00 Adult Religious Education

9:15 Singing, Classroom A/B

10:00 Meetings for Worship

Every Wednesday 8:30-9:00 Morning Silent
Worship, Library

Every Second-Fifth Day (Monday-Thursday)

8:30-12:30 Smart Toddlers, Nursery
playground

Every Third Day (Tuesday)

7:30pm Silent Meditation, Meeting Room

7:30pm Bible Study, Library

Every Fourth Day (Wednesday)

7:00-8:30 Mid-Week Semi-Programmed
Worship Mt. Rm

Other Events

6/1, Fourth Day (Wednesday)

6:45– 9:45 Administration, Library

6/2, Fifth Day (Thursday)

7:30- 9:00 Meeting for Peace, Jr. High

6/4, Seventy Day (Saturday)

11:00 Swett Baby Blessing

6/5, First Day, (Sunday) Potluck

11:30-2:00 Green Friends, A&B

6/8 Fourth Day (Wednesday)

7:30-9:30 ORAIARH, Library

6/10, Sixth Day (Friday)

7:00-9:00 Movie Night, Meeting Room

6/12, First Day, (Sunday)

11:30 – 12:30 Listening Ear Atrium

11:45-2:00 Finance, Library

11:30-2:00 Care and Counsel, Jr. Teen Rm.

11:45-1:15 Ministry & Worship

11:45–2:00 Religious Ed, Nursery

6/18, Newcomers Dinner

Deadline for July Newsletter

6/19, First Fay (Sunday)

11:45 Meeting for Worship with attention to
business

6/26, First Day, (Sunday)

11:45–1:45 CUR-AFM Jr High

11:45-1:15 Dolphin Project Forum Library

States grow ever more machine-like, men are transformed into statistical choruses of voters, producers, patients, tourists or soldiers. In politics, good and evil, categories of the natural world and therefore obsolete remnants of the past, lose all absolute meaning; the sole method of politics is quantifiable success. Power is a priori innocent because it does not grow from a world in which words like guilt and innocence retain their meaning.
Václav Havel

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Readers are encouraged to submit letters, articles, poetry, calendar notices and anything else of interest to Friends. Items should be sent directly to: Perry Treadwell perryt@bellsouth.net 404-325-1504 preferably in plain text in the body of the email.

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