

The Daily Miracle

Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends

Saturday, July 15, 2017

Saturday Schedule

- 6:20–7:00 Outdoor Worship (In front of Pine Lodge)
7:00–8:00 Breakfast
8:00–9:00 Worship – Plenary tent
9:15–10:45 Bible Study (Fireside) or Worship Sharing
11:00–12:30 Keynote Address – Plenary tent
12:45–1:30 Lunch
1:30–3:00 Early Quaker Writings (Fireside) or Worship Sharing
3:15–4:45 Meeting for Business Plenary III
4:45–5:30 Open Committee Meetings
5:30–6:30 Dinner
6:30–9:00 Campfire hosted by Children’s Program
6:45–8:15 Interest Groups I
8:30–10:00 Affinity Groups

Interest Groups 6:45 – 8:15 pm

• **Racial Justice - Friendly Interventions – multiple presenters – M&O - Plenary Tent**

Within a worshipful space, we will utilize role-play of situations in which we explore bystander interventions of oppressive harassment. We will use AFSC's Do's and Don'ts for Bystander Intervention, a resource available at <https://www.afsc.org/sites/afsc.civicactions.net/files/documents/bystander%20intervention3.pdf>

• **Continuing the Conversation with Keynote Speaker Zachary Moon – M&O - Fireside**

This interest group will provide an opportunity for Friends to engage with Zachary around his keynote presentation.

• **Friendly Websites and Other Online Resources - Mary Klein and Lawrence Alderson – M&O - Maple**

Come hear about the latest local developments in Friendly online communications. Mary Klein from Western Friend and Lawrence Alderson from the Electronic Communications Subcommittee will give updates on recent developments with the PYM and Western Friend websites and related resources. Join this conversation about ways that Friends might make better use of online communication tools that are available now and ones that are emerging.

• **FCNL Advocacy Corps - Joelly Mejia – P&SO - Middle Sequoia**

Join Joelly for an open discussion on advocacy work and faith. Learn about her year as a member of Friends Committee on National Legislation's Advocacy Corps, how she was led to work with Congress and how faith sustained her throughout a contentious election year. Learn about faith-led lobbying and how you, too, can make a difference in your community.

• **Truth in Recruitment - Kate Connell, Rose Nadis, David Barrows – JYM - Garden Room**

Come learn about Truth in Recruitment, a student advocacy group under the auspices of Santa Barbara Friends Meeting. We work to provide alternative information to military careers and implement policies restricting recruiter access to students. Recruiters in schools have become the norm in California public schools. 90% of enlistees sign up while still in high school. It

doesn't have to be this way - schools are for education.

Affinity Groups 8:30–10:00 pm

Casa de los Amigos: An overview of the many programs at Casa de los Amigos, featuring their work with the United Nations High Commission on Refugees and joint endeavors with the Mennonite Central Committee, affiliated with another traditional Peace Church. There will also be reflection on migration and refugees from a Mexican point of view. Presented by Marco Antonio López Galicia. — Latin American Concerns — Maple

Quakers and Native Americans in Right Relationship will be meeting daily in the plenary tent. If you are interested in exploring ways to be in right relationship between ourselves and with the land that we share, please come! — Plenary Tent

Racial Justice Group for Friends of Color — Museum

Racial Justice Group for Friends of European Descent — Quail

12-Step — Sequoia Lodge (Garden Room)

Singing — Life Lab

Open Committee Meetings

Decision items being proposed by PYM committees will have their first reading in Plenary III on Saturday afternoon. Items include the annual budget (Finance Committee), Abuse Prevention Policy (Ministry and Oversight), and nominating slate (Nominating Committee), among others. It is understood that any issues regarding the work of these committees will be discussed with the committees for resolution rather than raising the issue for the first time from the floor of the plenary.

Open committee meetings will be held Saturday and Monday afternoons just before dinner in the patio area around the dining room. The following committees will be holding open meetings both days:

- Children's Program
- Finance
- Latin American Concerns
- Nominating (may not be meeting Saturday)
- Peace & Social Order Committee/FWCC
- Secretariat Committee/Electronic Communications Subcommittee (Teachers' Lounge)
- Youth Programs Coordinating

Friends are welcome to continue their discussions into the dinner hour if they wish. See Sharon Gates, Assistant to the Clerk, if you have questions.

Latin American Concerns Lunch

Saturday, July 15 12:45 – 1:30 PM Latin American Concerns Committee lunch

Bible Study

Bible study is on offer every morning of the session in the Fireside Room (today and the next three at 9:15, following morning Meeting for Worship). It is open to all and is “come as you are.” This means you need not be an expert or have a prescribed set of beliefs about scripture. You need only be willing to have a respectful and spirit-led experience of the text with fellow Friends. Please bring a Bible if you have one. Don't be shy, come find out more.

Stephen Matchett, San Francisco, will be introducing and leading the activity. A typical session involves the reading of a selected passage in the large group, followed by small-group reflection and sharing in a variety of optional formats, including worship-sharing, sharing written responses to a set of queries, and free discussion. In addition, on the first couple of mornings, including today, Catya de Neergaard, Strawberry Creek, clerk of PYM Unity with Nature Committee, will be offering a small-group reading of passages from the Green Bible: Understanding the Bible's Powerful Message for the Earth. We look forward to your joining us.

Make a New Friend

Aurora, the child in the pink wheelchair, is in search of new friends of all ages to play games

with her, talk with her, and assist her with feeding and companionship. Please talk with her and with her mom Katherine if you'd like to connect with Aurora.

Friends House

Friends House, the Quaker inspired senior care facility in Santa Rosa, is alive and well. Check out information on the table in Bay or have a conversation here at PYM with Margaret Sorrel, board clerk, or Elizabeth Boardman, resident board member. We invite you to visit Friends House after yearly meeting or at any other time in the year — Margaret Sorrel and Elizabeth Boardman

Quaker Meeting & Me

Quaker Religious Education Collaborative received a grant to send a booklet for young kids, “Quaker Meeting & Me.” Three copies are available for each meeting or worship group. The back of each booklet explains how to buy more.

These books can be given to newcomers, used as a lesson for First Day School, or as given as a birthday gift. They are in Spanish and English.

See Sue Scott for copies.

Bookstore Hours

The Earthlight Bookstore is located in Carson. The hours on Saturday will be: 9:15 – 10:45, 12:45 – 1:00, 1:30 – 3:00, 5:00 – 6:00, 6:45 – 9:30. Hours may change – check the board outside the door. If the bookstore is not staffed, you may select books and leave them in the “reserved bin” to pay for later.

Join PYM on the Slack Messaging App!

Slack is a messaging app built for groups. We've created a Slack group for PYM, located at pacificyearlymeeting.slack.com. You need an invitation to join our Slack group, but any Friend who already has an account can invite others. You can also email pymsecretariat@gmail.com to request an invitation. With Walker Creek's wifi, Slack is a great place to get updates about Affinity Groups, see photos Friends are posting, and more!

Quiet Room

Quail is the Quiet Room. It is only for silent reading, meditation, or contemplation. There are State of the Meeting reports, Memorial Minutes, and other reading materials. Do not use it for other activities even if you find it empty.

Assisted Hearing at Plenary

Headsets are available in the tent if you would like to try them for improved audio.

Microphone Habits

Please be mindful of good order and loving consideration for older and hearing-impaired Friends.

Some are using headphones which capture the sound system, but not unamplified voices, no matter how strong or loud. Please wait for the microphone to be brought to you, rather than using your “outdoor voice”.

When using the microphone, please

1. Speak slowly and clearly, as if dictating.
2. Speak loudly. Do not drop your voice at the end of the sentence.
3. Do not look down at your notes because your voice follows your eyes. Hold your notes up.

Golf Cart

If you need assistance in getting from one location to another on the site, you may sign up in advance for a ride in the golf cart. Please sign up at the Information Tent and give us an hour or so advance notice to arrange your ride.

The tent will close nightly around 7:00 p.m., so please plan your requests ahead of time.

You can also sign up at the tent if you would like to be trained to drive the golf cart for others.

Worship Sharing

Drop-in Worship Sharing groups are available. Sign up at the Info Desk on the Patio.

MEETING FOR MEMORIALS LIST 2017

Please review the following list of names to be remembered tomorrow at Meeting for Memorials and see or email Valerie Nuttman (vnuttman@gmail.com) today by 6:00 p.m. if you have any additions or corrections.

<i>Chuck Atlee</i>	<i>(Central Coast)</i>
<i>Sheldon (Shelley) Blank</i>	<i>(Santa Monica)</i>
<i>William (Bill) Brow</i>	<i>(Davis)</i>
<i>Eleanor Engstrand</i>	<i>(Santa Cruz)</i>
<i>David Grabill</i>	<i>(Redwood Forest)</i>
<i>Tom Huff</i>	<i>(Hawaii)</i>
<i>Elizabeth Jones</i>	<i>(Santa Cruz)</i>
<i>Ricki Ann Jones</i>	<i>(Reno)</i>
<i>Tom Livingston</i>	<i>(Berkeley)</i>
<i>Jeanne Lohmann</i>	<i>(SF/OR)</i>
<i>Mary T. (Terry) Mackenzie</i>	<i>(Orange Grove)</i>
<i>Joanne Magruder</i>	<i>(Berkeley)</i>
<i>Diane Manning</i>	<i>(Santa Monica)</i>
<i>Olga McAllister</i>	<i>(Visalia)</i>
<i>Anthony Navarro</i>	<i>(Orange Grove)</i>
<i>Theodore (Ted) Neff</i>	<i>(Visalia)</i>
<i>Pam Rider</i>	<i>(San Diego)</i>
<i>Juda Sakrison</i>	<i>(La Jolla)</i>
<i>Donald Sanford</i>	<i>(Berkeley)</i>
<i>Lee Steelman</i>	<i>(Orange County)</i>
<i>Frances Taylor</i>	<i>(Sacramento)</i>
<i>Ian Theirmann</i>	<i>(Santa Cruz)</i>
<i>Carli Tippet</i>	<i>(Lake County)</i>
<i>Dave Weller</i>	<i>(San Jose)</i>
<i>Michael White</i>	<i>(Berkeley)</i>