

The Daily Miracle

Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends

Saturday July 14, 2018

6:20-7:00am	Outdoor Worship (in front of Pine Lodge)
7:00-8:00	Breakfast
7:30-8:00	Quaker Center's online worship group (Plenary tent)
8:00-9:00	Worship (Plenary tent)
9:15-10:40	Worship Sharing or
	Aging in the Light (Carson) or
	Early Quaker Writings (Fireside)
11:00-12:30	Plenary II: Keynote Address
12:45-1:30	Lunch
1:30-2:55	Worship Sharing or
	Bible Study (Fireside)
3:15-4:45	Plenary III
4:45-5:30	PYM Committees listening time
6:30-9:00	Campfire (hosted by Children's Prog. ALL welcome.)
6:45-8:15	Interest Groups I
8:30-10:00	Affinity Groups

Saturday Interest Groups 6:45 – 8:15 pm

Radical Vulnerability and Faithfulness
(Plenary Tent) sponsored by Presiding Clerk

Join our Keynote Speakers for further exploration of the theme of this session

Becoming a bilingual community at Annual Session (*Maple*) sponsored by *Racial Justice Subcommittee*

We will create an experimental space where Spanish and English will be spoken and all speaking translated. Utilizing queries, participants will be able to reflect and write, then dialogue in pairs, as well as share in small groups on the subject of making bilingualism work in Annual Session.

Best practices in Religious Education for Adults & Children (*Fireside*) sponsored by *Religious Education Subcommittee*

A review of last year's State of the Meeting reports revealed that meetings that are robust—growing and deepening—tend to have active religious education efforts. In this interest group, a panel of people from meetings with vibrant religious education programs for adults and children speak about what's worked well in their meetings. After brief presentations and Q&A, attendees are invited to share what's working well in their meetings, and what needs they are experiencing.

Friends Helping Communities (*Middle Sequoia*) sponsored by *Peace and Social Order*

The social service programs of Friends Meetings and Worship Groups need to be known by others in PYM so we can interact. Participants and P&SO plan to provide examples of meetings helping each other. We plan to have a discussion of these examples to learn about their experiences. We also plan to brainstorm about ways to link meetings that are doing similar work or to help out another meeting that has a need.

Sharpen Your Political Action Skills
(Garden Room) sponsored by Friends
Committee on Legislation of California

Our basic values are under attack on the national level. Here in California, many Senate and Assembly members are promoting new legislation bursting with Quaker values on education, conservation, equal opportunity, health care, and ending mass incarceration. We must encourage them, tell them they are right, and work to replace the legislators who don't share our values. Come meet Quakers in action. Learn how you can help advance Quaker values on the local and state levels.

Other Happenings on Saturday

Bible Study

Bible Study sessions (1:30-2:55, in all Fireside all four days) are "Come As You Are" – bring yourself, a Bible if you've got one, and your radical vulnerability – or whatever else the Bible arouses in you, be it reverence, doubt, affection, suspicion, fear, or delight, as long as you also bring your open mind and spirit. There might be some context-setting the first day about the place of the Bible in Quaker faith, experience and practice, however mostly we'll be reading selected passages together, with ample opportunity for sharing in small groups in a variety of formats.

Thanks, and see you there – Stephen Matchett,
San Francisco Meeting

Worship Sharing

Groups are on alphabetical lists outside the dining room – one on each end of the patio wall. If you want to participate and have not signed up yet, go to the information booth (white canopy) on the patio. -- by Julie Harlow

Eldering Group

The only Worship Sharing group for the Eldering Working Group is in the afternoon 1:30-2:55 at site #1, past the tent, towards the dry creek.

Discussion: Truth in Recruitment

Did you know that public schools must allow military recruiters access to students in order to receive federal funds? If you are concerned about militarism in our schools, please come to an informational discussion with Kate Connell, a member of Santa Barbara Monthly Meeting & coordinator of Truth in Recruitment (TIR), a student advocacy group under the care of her Meeting. TIR works with students, families, veterans, community organizers, and school districts to clarify the consequences of military careers, to provide alternative options for students' academic and professional success and advocate for policies limiting recruiter presence on campus.

We will be meeting in Quail lodge at 8:30 PM Saturday Night (7-14). Also visit the TIR literature table in Madrone/Bay.

Quaker Advocacy On and Off Capitol Hill

You have been calling, emailing, maybe even visiting your member of Congress. Or you want to, but want to know exactly what messages are most strategic, what legislation Quakers have asked us to defend, or defeat. Come and write postcards, and hone your messages for your members of Congress, with your concerns. It's actuation time!

8:30 pm, in Bobcat. -- by Christine Ashley,
FCNL Quaker Field Secretary

Racial Justice Affinity Group for Allies of European Descent

If you are interested in Racial Justice work and identify as European-American descent please join us Saturday and Sunday evening,

8:30-10pm in Garden Room. Sponsored by the Racial Justice Subcommittee under the care of PYM M&O

FCNL 75th Anniversary Celebration

All FCNL supporters and local lobbyists, attend a celebration of FCNL's 75th anniversary with a symbolic cake (not enough for all) at Saturday's dinner. Listen for announcement and banner. --
By Stephen McNeil, FCNL Rep

Latin American Concerns

Latin American Concerns Committee will meet Saturday morning at breakfast, southeast corner of Dining Room. --- By Donna Smith

After Annual Session

Save the Date: Berkeley Mtg Open House

Berkeley Friends Meeting is having an OPEN HOUSE on Sunday, Sept. 16, 12:45-3:30 pm, 2151 Vine St., North Berkeley

Reception, Music, Photo Display, Tours! Come help us celebrate the accessibility of our newly-renovated Meetinghouse!

-- Contacts at PYM: Heather Levien and Sarah Tyrrell

General Announcements

Carson Lounge

Stop by Carson Lounge tonight (or any night) for conversation, maybe play a card game, or get started on a jigsaw puzzle. You will also find Quiet Room materials here, which include State of the Meeting reports and inspirational texts.

Questions? Ask Sarah or Bronwen, Arrangements Clerks

Guatemala Scholarship Program

will be selling crafts to support scholarships for Mayans studying in Guatemala. We are located in Maple. There will be additional crafts arriving

Sunday. Cash or check only please. Any questions? see Donna Smith.

Volunteering at Annual Session

A great way to meet people and help out at the same time is to volunteer for a task. Stop by the information tent to find out where you can help out today and every day during Annual Session. We have something for everyone!

Information Tent

The information tent is set up on the patio outside the dining hall. Here you will find answers for many of your questions about where to find things, what's going on, different activities during Annual Session ... and, of course, a friendly smile.

In Case of MEDICAL EMERGENCY

9:00 am - 5:00 pm, go first to the information tent on the patio outside the dining hall; if no one is there to assist you, go to the Walker Creek office.

5:00 pm - 10:00 pm, go to the information tent or Teacher's Lodge, Room #3

10:00 pm - 9:00 am, go to Teacher's Lodge, Room #3

Emergency contact person - Bronwen Hillman

Maintenance Issues

During the day - come to the information tent or find Sarah or Bronwen

After 8:00 pm - find Bronwen in Teacher's Lodge, Room #3

Dietary Needs

Walker Creek will post food information on a board in the dining hall. Vegetarian, vegan and other special diet meals are served separately from the main buffet line. Jan Turner will be available in the dining hall to answer questions about the food served at Walker Creek. If you don't know Jan, ask at the information tent and we'll point her out to you.

Read Online: www.pacificyearlymeeting.org/daily-miracle

Submissions by 9:00 pm: To: PYMSecretariat@gmail.com, Subject: For Daily Miracle: ...

Hearing Enhancement

If you find it difficult to hear during plenary sessions or Meeting for Worship in the big tent, there are some headsets available beside the stage, and the sound system can support up to 4 Bluetooth devices.

Questions? See Gary Wolff at the sound table in the big tent.

Golf Cart

Would you like some assistance moving luggage from a vehicle to your lodging? Would you like to see the Walker Creek campus without having to walk a long way? Look for Sarah or Bronwen in the big tent or come to the information tent to arrange for a ride.

WiFi

The Walker Creek public WiFi network is www.wcair.org with password 4theKids.

Online Information

Speaking of WiFi, most of the documents and information you have on paper can also be found electronically on the PYM 2018 Annual Session webpage:

<https://www.pacificyearlymeeting.org/annual-session-minutes-reports/2018-annual-session-info-reports-minutes/>

Submitting to the Daily Miracle

We welcome your submissions by email (best) or on our paper form. Paper forms can be found, filled out, and left in a box in the plenary tent or at the Secretariat itself. Look on the web for email instructions (link below). Deadline is **9:00 pm (8:15 pm if submitted on paper in the plenary tent)**. This will give us time to do our work AND get some sleep.

Meeting For Memorials List 2018 – A Request

*Please review the following list of names to be remembered Sunday at Meeting For Memorials and see or email Valerie Nuttman (vnuttman@gmail.com) by **Saturday at 6pm** with any additions or corrections.*

Nancy Brock Beck (Redwood Forest)
 Harriet Blume (Inland Valley)
 Phoebe Calma (Palo Alto)
 John Dackawich (Visalia)
 Shirley Jean Dackawich (Visalia)
 Mary Davenport (Redwood Forest)
 James Ellis (Orange County)
 Micki Graham (Strawberry Creek)
 Barbara Graves (Strawberry Creek)
 Neil Hendricks (Reno)
 Charles "Chuck" Hubbell (Claremont)
 Bill Lovett (Visalia)
 Josie Angeline Malcolm (Central Coast)
 Dona Maree' (Davis)
 Jim Myers (Inland Valley/Las Vegas Worship Group)
 Grace Noda (Davis)
 Meg Palley (Grass Valley)
 Leslie Preston (Berkeley)
 Warren Riner (Claremont)
 Dewey Val Schorre (Ojai)
 Jim Shuman (Santa Monica)
 Barbara Bell Smith (Monterey Peninsula)
 William (Bill) Spencer (Humboldt)
 Sharon Stewart (Grass Valley)
 Benj Thomas (Redwood Forest)