



Quaker **THURSDAY** Update

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Thursday's Business Agenda

Today's meeting for worship with a concern for the life of the yearly meeting begins at 10:45am.

Agenda for Thursday 10:45-12:15

Welcome of visitors arriving mid-week

General Services Coordinating Committee/Search committee report

Recommendation of new general secretary

Reports from our field secretaries and ARCH

Report from interim young adult field secretary, Emily Provance

Report from our children and youth secretary, Melinda Wenner Bradley

Report from our ARCH coordinator, Callie Janoff

General Services Coordinating Committee/Sessions Committee on Pay as Led proposal for Summer Sessions 2018

The Consent Agenda will be addressed at Friday morning business meeting—please read it now at <http://www.nyym.org/?q=SummerSessions2017#AdvanceDocuments>

Thursday is All ARCH All Day!

(ARCH = Aging Resources, Consultation, and Help)

8:45-9:15 Community Worship with ARCH Friends in the Auditorium

12:30-1:30 ARCH Visitors Lunch: share ARCH Visitor stories in Gullen Lounge

1:30-2:30 Interest Group: What Is ARCH Doing In Prisons? in Munn Hall

2:45-5:15 Committee on Aging Concerns Meeting, open to all in Gullen Lounge

Kids & Friends Activities Tent

Join the fun at the **Kids & Friends Tent** on the lawn above the tennis courts! **From 1:30-2:30 on Thursday** and Friday, we'll have games, puzzles, art materials, and stories. Families and Friends of all ages are invited to drop by. Hosted by the children and youth field secretary.

Healing Center hours

Today, Thursday, the Healing Center is open 1:30–5:00.

Friday: 1:30–4:00

The Healing Center is in Sproul Pavilion.

How can we be fully inclusive as a community?

How do we formulate and start the discussions that Yearly Meeting needs to have, and continue to have, as a whole, in order to be a fully inclusive community? Any person who is awake between **8:00-8:40am Thursday** is invited to join this discussion. Bring your breakfast to Morse Hall. Questions? Ask Columbine Loza or Zach Clausen.

Choose your books at the Mosher book table

We have many books this year. The Mosher Fund gives each monthly meeting \$50 worth of books. Please make your selection and check your books out **by 5pm on Thursday**. The book table closes for good at 9pm on Thursday.

Dinner with Earthcare Working Group

The Earthcare Working Group's meal with meaning **Thursday evening** will be in the upper level of Morse Hall, directly across the street from the north exit of the dining hall. Please get your tray of food and go out the north exit (close to the ice cream store) and cross the street to Morse Hall. We will explore two questions: How is your meeting moving toward eating more local food? And how is your meeting presenting care of the Earth to your children? —*Sunfire*

Film on Quaker Indian Boarding Schools

A film about Quaker Indian boarding schools will be shown in Inn room 108 during the committee time slot on **Thursday, 2:45-5pm**. Hosted by Indian Affairs Committee. Everyone is welcome.

New York Quarter's African Education Committee display

Check out the new table display about the NYQM African Education Committee's work in Tanzania and Kenya. Location: the table closest to the exit leading to the dining hall. —*Marna Herrity*

Conscience and war at Friday's lunch

Join Bill Galvin of the Center on Conscience and War in Gullen Lounge on **Friday** for a luncheon conversation about the center's ongoing work to support conscientious objectors. Topics include:

- The latest on the prospect of women being included in draft registration
- Possibilities for ending registration
- How meetings can be prepared to respond to increasing militarization in these uncertain times
- Real penalties for people of conscience who cannot cooperate with war-making

Saturday lunch

Summer Sessions ends before Saturday's lunch. If you'd like to purchase Saturday's lunch, either to stay or as a takeaway box lunch, you can do that at the Inn front desk up **until 1:00pm today**.

T'ai chi among Friends!

Under the small tree on the inn-side of the Auditorium lawn 1:30-2:30 Thursday and/or Friday. (If it rains, we will flow under the Auditorium overhang.) We will focus on several simple partner practices to "help each other learn to relax." No experience is necessary, only a spacious heart-mind. —*Ty Griese*

Opportunities to sing

- Broadway Show Tunes Sing-Along every evening at 6:30pm on the deck of Sycamore Cottage.
- 1/2 hour of singing from "Worship in Song" every morning at 7:00am in the Chapel.

Check your messages

There are many messages waiting for Friends at the Inn front desk. Check the red LED sign on the wall next to the desk for your name. And don't forget to check the NYYM bulletin board across from the conference office in the Inn.

Please order your adult attenders list

We are accepting prepaid orders for \$5. And please check the list posted on the table outside the conference office to make sure your entry is correct.

Letters to absent Friends

Please write letters to absent Friends, including men in our prison worship groups, at tables opposite the NYYM office. Stationery, cards, and pens are provided.

Faith and Practice

Copies of *Faith and Practice* are available in the YM Conference Office. Please pick up copies for your meetings and worship groups while you are here. They are \$7.00 each if you pick them up and \$10.00 each if we mail them to you. Your meeting can mail us a check after you return home.

Have an item for the *Update*? Or for the August *InfoShare*?

Email submissions to Sarah Way, communications director, at communications@nyym.org, or drop it in the *Quaker Update* submissions box outside the NYYM conference office before 4pm Thursday. Items from Friday's *Quaker Update* will be incorporated into the **August *InfoShare*** which will be sent to the NYYM global list. Please email *InfoShare* submissions—including news, events, announcements from your monthly meeting or committee—to communications@nyym.org by August 4th.