



# Quaker **WEDNESDAY** Update

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## **Welcome to Friends arriving midweek!**

In order to orient you and help you move into the rhythm and flow of the week thus far, please be certain to stop at the Yearly Meeting conference office and pick up the program. There are also various reports, minutes, and other written materials there that will help you prepare for business.

## **Wednesday's Business Agenda**

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

### **Agenda for Wednesday 10:45-12:25**

Welcome from Silver Bay CEO Steve Tamm

Memorial minute, Vince Buscemi

Report from our representatives to the Friends United Meeting Triennial

Meeting for Discernment Steering Committee report on yesterday's sessions

Introduction of Peter Cook, Executive Director of the NYS Council of Churches

Final report from our outgoing General Secretary, Christopher Sammond

Period of open worship to follow

Report from our Children and Youth Secretary, Melinda Wenner Bradley

The first year of the Partner Project

## **Today is "Thank Anita Paul Day!"**

Aren't you glad there's ARCH (Aging Resources Consultation and Help)? Take some time today to thank co-founder of the ARCH program Anita Paul, and wish her a happy retirement! Join us as we celebrate her 10 years of service with ice cream and watermelon today in Gullen Lounge at 6:30pm.

## **Learn more about the New York State Council of Churches**

Peter Cook, Executive Director of the New York State Council of Churches, will be with us all day today. He and Sara Niccoli, one of our representatives to the Council, will have a brief presentation to the body during business today. (Please read the two related reports in the Consent Agenda.) Peter will also be hosting a Meals-with-Meaning during **lunch today**, at Morse Hall, focusing on Bridging the Urban-Rural Divide and Re-Entry, Chaplaincy and Raise the Age issues. Grab a tray of food at the cafeteria and carry it across the road to Morse Hall. Note you will return your dishes and trash to the cafeteria afterward. Peter will also be joining the Witness Coordinating Committee meeting in the afternoon after 4:15.

## **Quaker crafts for sale on the Inn porch 1:30-2:30 today**

Friends Peace Teams' Peacebuilding in Latin America will be selling crafts from Guatemala, Colombia and Ecuador. We also have 8"X10" landscape photos that PLA's Communication Specialist, Allie Prescott took on a world tour this past spring. Please support the wonderful peace-making work of PLA. Thank you. —*Shirley Way*

### **Young Adult Friend worship in boats time change**

Today's **meeting for worship in boats** on Lake George has been postponed until sometime after 5pm to enable Friends to attend the Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change interest group in the Paine Hall rotunda. Check the bulletin board near the NYYM conference office for the exact time.

### **Ministry Coordinating Committee Meeting location change**

The Ministry Coordinating Committee location has changed from Paine Hall Rotunda to See Memorial. Wednesday at 2:45pm.

### **Tagless Tag Sale**

Items for Wednesday's Tagless Tag Sale may be left behind the counter in the back of the auditorium any time. Ideally each box or suitcase is labeled NYYM tag sale. But **anything left back there on Wednesday morning will be put out to be sold for the sale** except items under the counter on the right as you enter the area.

We already have a lot of things to be sold and we could use quite a few volunteers Wednesday morning from 10:30am until the sale opens at 1:30pm. Of course we'll also need people to sell during the sale. Please indicate your willingness to volunteer by signing up under TTS on the message board.

### **Healing Center hours**

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

Thursday 1:30–5:00

Friday 1:30–4:00

The Healing Center is in Sproul Pavilion.

### **Hymn singing every morning in the Chapel**

Join us for a 1/2 hour of singing from "Worship in Song" every morning at 7:00am in the Chapel. Your favorites will be sung! —*Fred Dettmer*

### **Choose your meeting's books at Mosher book table**

Each monthly meeting receives \$50 worth of books. Pick your books early while the selection is good. We close Thursday at 9pm. Book bags need to be completed by 5:15pm on Thursday.

### **Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change workshop is 2:45-5:30 in Paine Rotunda**

The Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change workshop on fostering right relationship with Indigenous people will run 2:45-5:30pm on Wednesday in Paine rotunda. Please be prompt.

### **T'ai chi among Friends!**

Under the small tree on the inn-side of the Auditorium lawn 1:30-2:30 Thursday and 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*

### **Dinner with Earthcare Working Group**

Earthcare Working Group invites you to a “Dinner with Meaning” Thursday evening, location to be announced. 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.

### **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 Thursday.

### **Broadway Show Tunes Sing-Along**

Join us for Broadway Show Tunes Sing-Along every evening at 6:30 PM on the deck of SYCAMORE COTTAGE (next door to Hemlock). This year featuring songs by Stephen Schwartz, Marvin Hamlisch, Burt Bacharach, Richard Rodgers, Leonard Bernstein, Frank Loesser and more! Hosted by Fred Dettmer.

### **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.