

NYYM Wednesday Minute

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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 that will help you prepare for business.

Invitation to Meeting for Discernment—A Reminder. The twelfth and thirteenth sessions of Meeting for Discernment will take place today from 10:15 – 12:00 and 1:45 – 4:00 in the Auditorium. See the Sunday *Minute* for details.

Wednesday night business agenda:

- Minute on the Powell House report given on Monday
- Memorial minute for Alma Ruth Steward
- Epistle of Young Adult Concerns Committee
- Report of the Young Adult Field Secretary
- Consent Agenda
- Priorities Working Group recommendations

The Consent Agenda. The Consent Agenda will be brought to tonight's business meeting for approval. Friends are asked to familiarize themselves with its contents prior to that.

Change in the *Program* this evening. Instead of meeting for business in worship at 7 pm, please return to your small group locations from Monday evening. We will have small group discussion of the PWG recommendations from 7:00 to 7:45. Then we will take 15 minutes to return to the Auditorium. We will enter our meeting for worship with attention to business at 8:00, ending at 10:00.

Nurture Our Garden. Remember to go to our forum Nurture Our Garden (www.nyym.org/?q=NurtureOurGarden) and tell us what small step you will take to Help Our Garden Grow—to help us realize the changes we envision in our leadings and priorities.

The adult Attenders List is available at the Yearly Meeting conference office for \$2.00. Buy now! The list will not be available after Friday.

Ride Board: The ride board is in front of the Yearly Meeting conference office in Gullen Lounge. If you need a ride, please list your need on the board. If you would like to provide a ride for someone else, please check the board and then leave a message on the message board for anyone for whom you can provide this transportation.

Meals with Meaning

Wednesday lunch, Gullen Lounge—Light behind the Walls. Come and share your prison ministry and Alternatives to Violence Project joys and challenges. Interested in prison ministry or AVP? Come and learn about how to get involved in these rewarding experiences.

Wednesday lunch, Inn Conference Room—Northeastern Regional Meeting. Members of the Region will meet during lunch in the Inn Conference Room for some brief business. Questions? See David Herendeen.

Wednesday dinner, Gullen Lounge—Earthcare Working Group. Everyone is invited to enjoy spirited dinner conversation with the Earthcare Working Group (EWG). There is joyous community fellowship to be found in affirming our oneness with, and safeguarding of the Earth. Be part of the EWG sharing and brainstorming as we plan how we'll "walk the green talk" while implementing the NYYM Priorities from 2014-2015. The Earthcare Working Group looks forward to welcoming you.

Wednesday dinner, Dining Hall—FWCC Committee. Gloria Thompson, Mike Clark, and Sylke Jackson invite you to join them to discuss the recent gatherings of the Friends World Committee for Consultation in North Carolina and El Salvador. We will meet today at dinner time (5:30) under the clock in the dining hall. Please come and learn about the leadings of Quakers across the Americas and the world.

FWCC Committee meeting—The Committee will also meet from 11:15 to 12:30 in Bayview Suite 1. All are invited.

Worship for Racial Healing. A Meeting for Worship for Racial Healing, sponsored by the Task Group on Racism, will be held in Inn Suite 130 today at 4 pm.

Reminder: David Gerhan brings the message to Vespers in the Silver Bay chapel this evening from 7:15-7:45 pm.

Movies for children of all ages—today at 7:00 in Field Memorial.

The Mosher Book Table. Shop early for the best selections. Please pick up your meeting bags by Thursday at 3:00 pm. We are closed Friday and Saturday. Book table hours are Thursday 10:15 am – 3:15 pm and 7 – 9 pm.

ARCH. What concrete steps can we take as a Meeting to open awareness of new ways of living in and sharing our world and its resources? See the ARCH display table for details on Senior Housing.

Healing Center. The Healing Center is open today from 4 to 5 for a Meeting for Healing with a guided meditation. It will be open on Thursday and Friday from 11:30 to 3:30.

Contra Dance reminder. The Contra Dance will be held in the boathouse after Café Night on Thursday evening.