ABOUT THE GUIDE TO ANNUAL SESSIONS!

Information that repeats day-to-day is in the Guide to Yearly Meeting Annual Sessions. If you don’t have a copy yet, download the Guide from https://neym.org/housing-options or pick one up at the Info Desk (Fine Arts Ctr).

The Yearly Meeting News will provide the day’s schedule, along with special announcements and a few reminders.

REMINDERS

Your Sessions Photos Wanted:
Please see the full policy for taking photographs at Sessions at https://neym.org/photography-recording-policies or email office@neym.org.

Participants and staff in youth programs are expected to abide by their program’s agreements. Contact the program coordinators with any questions.

Support Quaker Ministry! Contribution box and GiveMonthly information available throughout the week at Info Desk and at neym.org/donate.

Volunteers Needed: Help in the bookstore, carry a tray at mealtime, play with kids under the tent in the afternoon, drive shuttles. Find something to do and volunteer through the Info Desk or email volunteers@neym.org.

Practicing Noticing Patterns of Faithfulness and Oppression together: This year in Business Meeting, the NPWG encourages all Friends to share their noticing, with support available from Noticing Patterns. The prompts I feel; I hear; I see; I wonder; I know are helpful starters. The Clerk will also call for noticing, as led.

The NEYM shuttle service will end on Thursday at 11:00 a.m. If you think you will need a golf cart after that, please email access@neym.org by dinner on Wednesday.

Pool Hours: Mon-Wed, 3 to 5 p.m.

Listening Session: Faith & Practice Revision will hold a listening session (continued next page)

EVENTS ON MONDAY

6:30–7 a.m. Early Morning Programmed Worship: Nikki Holland, Dir. of Belize Friends Ministries, FUM staff (Herrick Auditorium, Stafford)

Early Morning Unprogrammed Worship: (outside on the patio of the Campus Ctr or if it’s raining, under the tent at the dining hall)

6:45–8:45 a.m. Breakfast

8:30–9:00 a.m. Bible Half Hour (Fine Arts Center)

9:30–11:15 a.m. Meeting for Worship for the Conduct of Business (Fine Arts Center)

11:15–1:30 p.m. Lunch

11:30–12:15 Noon

BIPOC Drop-In (Jeffords 213) Under the tent, Huden:

Let Yemen Children Live: Act to end U.S. complicity in the Yemen war. After a vigil in memory of children lost, Friends Comm. on Nat’l Legislation staff will help you lobby your member of Congress.

Palestine/Israel Visit with activists for Palestinian rights, learn what you can do and hear about a fund to subsidize travel to the region

Right Sharing of World Resources: Learn about RSWR educational opportunities and grants for women’s groups in Africa/India from Jackie Stillwell (Gen’l Secretary) and board members.

Meet Cuban Friends Kirenia, Yadira, Jose Luis, and Kenya in a video call. Bring a friend!

12:15–1:15 p.m. Listening Session on the Faith and Practice Marriage chapter (Fine Arts Center, Room 120) See details on page 2.

12:30–1:15 p.m. Jnana Hodson (Dover FM) reads from his forthcoming history, Quaking Dover (outside the General Bookstore)

1:30–3:00 p.m. Plenary (Fine Arts Center)

3:30–4:45 p.m. Home Groups

4:45–6:45 p.m. Dinner

5:00 p.m. Woolman Hill Info: Meet with Board Members for updates. Bring your curiosity! (on the hill in front of Huden)

6 p.m. Twelve-Step Program (Stafford, 1st floor lounge, near 122) and online (Please email Juliet Wright at julietann@comcast.net to get the link.)

6:00–6:45 p.m. BIPOC drop-in (Jeffords 213)

6:15–6:45 p.m. Vespers (outside the Campus Center)

6:30 p.m. Finance Committee listening session open to all Friends (Fine Arts Center, Room 120 and online) For online link email finance@neym.org

7:00–9:00 p.m. Contradance (Pavilion)

EARLY ON TUESDAY

6:30–7 a.m. Early Morning Programmed Worship: Judith Nandikove, Nairobi YM, Chair of QREC Africa and the Africa Oral Archives Project (Herrick Auditorium, Stafford)

Early Morning Unprogrammed Worship: (outside on the patio of the Campus Ctr, or under the tent if it’s raining)

Zoom Link: If you’re on campus but want the Zoom link for Sessions events, please email office@neym.org.

Displays: Photographs, a beautiful quilt, and information about several Quaker organizations are upstairs in the Campus Center.
on Monday afternoon at 12:45 in Room 120, Fine Arts Center. This is a time to ask the committee to fine-tune text, or give them better wording for a paragraph, or even a great extract. You may also email the committee at fandp@neym.org.

**Special Dining Needs:** Castleton University Dining Service welcomes us, ready to cater to our special needs. Menus will be posted; ingredients will be listed when possible. Gluten-free items will be noted; please leave these items for the folks who need them. If you have allergies and are unsure about whether an item is safe for you, please feel free to ask Castleton Dining Service staff or Jana Noyes-Dakota, NEYM Access Coordinator, access@neym.org.

**Dining Hall Suggestions:** Please leave trays for those with young children and mobility challenges. Encourage parents with small children to go to the head of dining lines and offer to help. A few reusable “clamshell” boxes may be available to carry out food for mealtime meetings. Consider bussing tables for others to reduce trips.

**No Running Zones:** Please do not run in front of the cafeteria and other busy areas! Please be careful not to bump into Friends. Please remember to wear your mask when not actively eating. Outside seating is available again this year.

**Enjoy the Sessions Video Library** from wherever you are. A new experiment this year, the Library is a growing collection of short videos from New England Friends to share how the Spirit has been at work in their life, meeting, or ministry over the last year. Some videos are already posted and can be accessed at https://neym.org/sessions-video-library.

**You are invited to chat with Kathleen Wooten,** Online Experience Coordinator and YM Social Media Manager, about outreach and social media/web presence and policy in our meetings. Find her in the dining hall, after Meeting for Business, or reach out on Twitter/Facebook/Instagram @Quakerkathleen or the NEYM media platforms!

**Nurturing Faithfulness:** Are you in discernment about a potential call or a leading? Do you want more tools for nurturing your community? Are you looking to deepen your spiritual practice? The Nurturing Faithfulness program offers powerful Quaker practices and a loving community to encourage your next steps. Join Hilary Burgin “unwind time” on Tuesday for lunch (noon–1:30 p.m.) under the tent.

**New England Yearly Meeting partners with Everence** to offer financial education services to those in NEYM, along with providing insurance and retirement services for staff. An organization with Mennonite roots, Everence also helps individuals and organizations (including monthly meetings) integrate faith and values with finances. Stewardship Consultant Lyle Miller will be hosting conversations at a table under the tent, Monday at lunch. Lyle will be on campus through Tuesday breakfast and is also available by text at 574-202-3121.

**Celebrate and appreciate Betty Ann Lee**’s 20 years of service as JYM Coordinator at Sessions! Share an affirmation or fond memory in the notebook at the Info Desk.

**Remembering Penny Jackim:** Friends are invited to leave remembrances for Friend Penny Jackim, member of Providence MM, artist, and creator of Ahimsa Graphics, in a box located at the General Bookstore.

**Wind Down Times:** There are a few opportunities for Friends to hold “Wind Down Times,” Mon-Wed at 9:00 p.m. These are opportunities for Friends to gather in person around a specific topic, hobby, or interest. To reserve a room please complete the form at the Info Desk. Please note: audio-visual and tech support are not available for these gatherings. See the options at https://neym.org/wind-down-times-annual-sessions.

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**Healing Center**
*(In the tent in front of the Coffee Cottage on the path to the Auditorium)*
Please join us if you need some healing.
Mon 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Tues and Wed 12:30-2:30 p.m.

**Sacred Space**
*(In the Coffee Cottage on the path to the Auditorium)*
Please join us if you need some grounding.
Mon thru Wed 7:30-9 a.m., 9-10:30 p.m.
Mon 3:30-5:00 p.m.
Tues and Wed 1:30-2:45 p.m.

**Monday Bookstore hours:** General, 10:00 a.m.–9:00 p.m.; Children and Family, 9:30 a.m.–9:00 p.m.

*Come in today to sign up for a volunteer shift in either bookstore this week, and get a free treat!*

The Children & Family Bookstore in the Campus Center has welcoming space with books for little and bigger kids plus their caregivers and teachers.

Books for young and old adults, t-shirts, crafts, and—if you get lucky and the barista is in—a nice, hot latté are in the General Bookstore in Jeffords.

Beautiful crafts made by NEYM’s many artists in residence, delicious Fair Trade chocolate bars, and more are for sale in both stores. Purchases support the Yearly Meeting and our wonderful independent book suppliers, many of which are Quaker entities.

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The **Yearly Meeting News** is available Monday–Wednesday mornings at breakfast, the Info Desk, and on the web at neym.org/sessions. Drop off submissions at the Info Desk Monday thru Tuesday by 1:30 p.m. or submit in email to ymnews@neym.org.

Announcements not specifically related to Sessions will not be included in the YM News.