



YEARLY MEETING NEWS

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REMINDERS

About Guide to Yearly Meeting 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://bit.ly/3YzWXSh>. The Yearly Meeting News will provide the day's schedule, along with special announcements and a few reminders.

Your Sessions Photos Wanted:

We welcome your photographs for use on neym.org during Sessions; however, please do not take photos from the front of the auditorium or on stage during worship or business. Please do not be disruptive. And please do not post photographs of individuals without permission. Please see the full policy for taking photographs at Sessions at <https://neym.org/photography-recording-policies> and posted at the Info Desk. People with **red circles** on their badges have asked to not be photographed.

The Youth Programs maintain their own agreements or policies on media (including social media). Participants and staff in those programs are expected to abide by their program's agreements. Contact the program coordinators with any questions.

Policy Addressing At-Risk or

Disruptive Behavior at Sessions:

A copy of the Policy is on page 6 in the *Guide to Yearly Meeting Annual Sessions*. Friends are encouraged to review it as we seek to create a place of safety and respect for all who attend.

Castleton University Dining

Service: Castleton dining staff welcome us, ready to cater to our special needs. Menus will be posted; ingredients will be listed when

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EVENTS ON FRIDAY

3:00–5:30 p.m.	Check-in (<i>Fine Arts Center Lobby</i>)
3:00–5:30 p.m.	Bookstore Open (<i>Jeffords</i>)
5:00–6:30 p.m.	Dinner
7:00–9:00 p.m.	Check-in (<i>Fine Arts Center Lobby</i>)
7:00–9:00 p.m.	Dorm Parties, Ingathering Snacks

EVENTS ON SATURDAY

6:30–7 a.m.	Early Morning Worship—Programmed: Niva Muchuma and Sychellus Njibwakale, PhD candidate from the new Programmed Meeting in Nashua, NH- part of the Diaspora of Kenyans in the US, who are a part of Dover QM (<i>Herrick Auditorium, Stafford Bldg.</i>) Unprogrammed: (<i>Campus Center, outside on the patio with Quaker Earthcare Witness or, if it's raining, Huden Dining tent</i>)
6:45–8:30 a.m.	Breakfast (<i>Huden</i>)
8:00–11:00 a.m.	Check-in (<i>Fine Arts Center Lobby</i>)
9:00 a.m.	Bible Half Hour (<i>Fine Arts Center</i>)
10:00–11:30 a.m.	Workshops/Reflection Groups - rooms/links/RSVP at https://linktr.ee/NEYMevents
10:00–11:30 a.m.	Bookstore Open (<i>Jeffords</i>)
11:15–12:45 p.m.	Lunch (<i>Huden</i>)
11:15–12:45 p.m.	Earth Quaker Justice Team (EQJT) Lunch (<i>outside Huden</i>)
11:45–12:30 p.m.	First-time Attender Orientation (<i>Huden, Alumni Room</i>)
12:45 p.m.	Obadiah Brown Ice Cream Social (<i>outside Fine Arts Center, rain Huden Dining</i>)
1–4 p.m.	Check-in (<i>Fine Arts Center Lobby</i>)
1:45 p.m.	Opening Celebration (<i>Fine Arts Center</i>)
3:00–5:00	Meeting for Business (<i>Fine Arts Center</i>)
5:00–6:30 p.m.	Bookstore Open (<i>Jeffords</i>)
5:00–6:30 p.m.	Dinner (<i>Huden</i>)
5:00–6:45 p.m.	Twelve Step Program (<i>Stafford, library and online, get Zoom link at https://linktr.ee/NEYMevents, "Links and Locations for Informal Gatherings"</i>)
7:00 p.m.	Musical Plennary with Anna Fritz (<i>Fine Arts, Auditorium</i>)
7:00–10:00 p.m.	Check-in continues (<i>Fine Arts Ctr Lobby</i>)

EARLY ON SUNDAY

6:30–7 a.m.	Early Morning Worship—Programmed: Kristina KeefePerry from Three Rivers MM, Boston who is back recently from the Triennials of USFWI, FUM, and Quakermen held in Kabarak, Kenya. (<i>Herrick Auditorium, Stafford Bldg.</i>) Unprogrammed: (<i>Campus Center, outside on the patio with Quaker Earthcare Witness or, if it's raining, Huden Dining tent</i>)
6:45–8:30 a.m.	Breakfast
8:00–8:45 a.m.	First-time Attender Orientation (<i>Huden, Alumni Room</i>)
9:00 a.m.	All Ages Worship (<i>Fine Arts Center</i>)

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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 Serving Staff or Jana Noyes-Dakota, NEYM Access Coordinator.

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 “clamshell” boxes are also available to carry out food for mealtime meetings.

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. Find something to do and volunteer! To volunteer, go to the Info Desk.

Shuttle Volunteers Needed: to drive shuttles (adult w/driver's license) contact: Barbara Dakota, Shuttle Coordinator, at the Info Desk.

No Running Zones are the cafeteria and other busy areas! Please be careful not to bump into Friends.

Earth Quaker Justice Team (EQJT) Lunch Daily: What in this world increases your hope? How do you build resilience in your life? Look for the Earth Quaker Justice Team (EQJT) lunch table. (*outside Huden*)

Open Hybrid Meeting of Puente Committee with Cuban representatives to 2023 Sessions: Join us at 7 p.m. on Monday along with the Cuban representatives and other Friends who will be on campus. There will be an opportunity to hear from the representatives and to hear about a recent trip to Cuba by Benigno Sanchez-Eppler of Northampton Meeting. Come especially if your meeting might be interested in having a sister meeting. There are opportunities opening here we are looking to fill. The location on campus will be *Hybrid Studio in the FAC, follow the signs to FAC 120*. Email Carolyn Stone at carolynstone10@gmail.com to receive the Zoom link. We are not using the link used for the rest of Sessions.

PROVOKE ONE ANOTHER TO READ!

Come visit the **All-In-One 2023 NEYM Bookstore** for Quaker & Quakerly books for kids and adults, beautiful crafts by NEYM artists, lattes, and soooooo many delicious Equal Exchange chocolate bars! (*Jeffords*)

Bookstore Hours for Sessions:

Friday: 3:00 to 7:00 p.m.

Saturday: 10:00 to 11:30 a.m. & 3:00 to 6:30 p.m.

Sunday: 10:00 a.m. to 1 p.m. & 3:00 to 9:00 p.m.

Monday: 9:30 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Tuesday: 9:30 a.m. to 7 p.m.



Remember to check your **Guide to YM Sessions** for more information and details about life on campus during Sessions.

Zoom links for all online activities including informal gatherings and hybrid events can be found on the linktree at <https://linktr.ee/NEYMevents>.

The Yearly Meeting News is available Friday/Saturday–Tuesday mornings at breakfast, the Info Desk, and on the web at <https://neym.org/yearly-meeting-news>. Drop off submissions at the Info Desk Saturday thru Monday by 1:30 p.m. or submit by email at ymnews@neym.org. Announcements not specifically related to Sessions will not be included in the YM News. Please check with the Info Desk to post these items.