

# YEARLY MEETING NEWS

## 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. Please do not take photos from the front of the auditorium. Please do not be disruptive and please do not post photographs of individuals without permission. Please find 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. 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.

**BIPOC Friends from Sessions** are invited to hybrid gatherings, mostly for fellowship and once for worship. Fellowship on Sunday 12:00-1:00 p.m. More details can be found at <https://linktr.ee/NEYMevents>.

**BIPOC Room** (Jeffords 213)

### 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 possible. Gluten-free items will be noted; please leave these

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## EVENTS ON SUNDAY

6:30-7 a.m.

**Early Morning Worship—Programmed:** Kristina Keefe-Perry (Three Rivers), recently back from the FUM, USFWI, and QMI triennials held in Kenya. (Herrick Auditorium, Stafford Bldg.)

**Unprogrammed:** (Campus Center, outside on the patio with Quaker Earthcare Witness or, if it's raining, Huden Dining tent)

**Breakfast** (Huden)

**First-time Attender Orientation** (Huden, Alumni Room)

**All-Ages Worship:** Please join us for an experiment in worship on the theme of "Waiting." Friends Meeting at Cambridge will be leading this example of their monthly hybrid intergenerational worship, where we find Spirit not only in silence, but also singing, story, movement, and activities. (Fine Arts Center and Online)

**Check-in** (Fine Arts Center Lobby)

**Bible Half Hour** (Fine Arts Center)

**Bookstore Open** (Jeffords)

**Lunch** (Huden)

**Earth Quaker Justice Team (EQJT) Lunch** (outside Huden)

**Recently Returned from Palestine:** Meet Devon Kurtz, recently returned from Palestine/Israel! His focus was on Israeli prisons. (Huden, tent)

**Plenary** (Fine Arts Center)

**Capture the Flag** at the field to the left of the Castleton Gym. An NEYM intergenerational tradition! Bring a water bottle and wear sunscreen. We will not play in a thunderstorm. Questions? Text Gretchen Baker-Smith 508-287-6441.

**Meeting for Business** (Fine Arts Center)

**Bookstore Open** (Jeffords)

**Dinner** (Huden)

**Obadiah Brown Benevolent Fund information session:**

Meet the trustees and learn about the fund. Information is available in the Fine Art Center lobby. (Huden, Alumni Room)

**Twelve Step Program** (Stafford, library and online, get Zoom link at <https://linktr.ee/NEYMevents>, "Links and Locations for Informal Gatherings")

**Woolman Hill News** Join us to hear the latest news from Woolman Hill and share your program ideas! (Huden, tent)

**Meeting for Business** (Fine Arts, Auditorium)

**Check-in continues** (Fine Arts Ctr Lobby)

## EARLY ON MONDAY

6:30-7 a.m.

**Early Morning Worship—Programmed:** Karla Jay, FUM Global Ministries Coordinator, from Inglesia dos Amigos in Indianapolis, IN. (Herrick Auditorium, Stafford Bldg.)

**Unprogrammed:** (Campus Center, outside on the patio with Quaker Earthcare Witness or, if it's raining, Huden Dining tent)

**Breakfast**

6:45-8:30 a.m.

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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 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 reusable “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](http://neym.org/donate).

**Pool Hours:** Monday to Wednesday 3:00 to 5:00 p.m.

**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), please 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 others.

**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*)

**Hybrid Meeting with Cuban representatives to 2023 Sessions:** 7 p.m. on Monday. Hear from the representatives and from Benigno Sanchez-Eppler (Northampton) about his recent trip to Cuba. If your meeting might be interested in having a sister meeting, there are opportunities we are looking to fill. Location: *Hybrid Studio in the FAC, follow the signs to FAC 120*. Email [carolynstone10@gmail.com](mailto:carolynstone10@gmail.com) to receive the special Zoom link.

**Puente de Amigos Committee Lunch:** Join us on Monday between 11:30 a.m. and 1:15 p.m. in a small dining room off the main dining room. Ask us questions! Talk to Friends who have visited our sister meetings in Cuba.

**Puente de Amigos Committee display:** Learn about our activities past and future. (*Fine Arts Lobby*)

## 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:

Sunday: 11:30 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.

### Sunday Bookstore Sharing:

12:15 to 1:00 p.m. **Mary Lee Morrison** will read from *Coming Up to the Sacred Hilltop: A History of Woolman Hill Quaker Retreat Center*.

5:45 to 6:45 p.m. Please join us for conversation and readings with plenary presenters **Joseph Bruchac** and **Jesse Bowman Bruchac**.



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>.

## MINISTRY AND COUNSEL

- Seeking a handful of Friends to read condensed memorial minutes into the gathered silence at the memorial meeting on Monday afternoon. Please see Carl Williams or email: [mc-clerk@neym.org](mailto:mc-clerk@neym.org)
- Stop by and share your (your meeting's or your own) hopes and concerns, joys and tribulations with Yearly Meeting Ministry and Counsel in the music room in the Fine Arts Center:  
Sunday, 2:30–3:00, 5:00–6:00  
Monday, 11:15–12:00, 5:00–6:00, 7:00–7:30  
Tuesday, 11:15–12:00, 5:00–6:00

The Yearly Meeting News is available Sunday–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 Sunday thru Monday by 1:30 p.m. or submit by email at [ymnews@neym.org](mailto: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.