

Second Hour Programs

July 3rd *Abe Lincoln & the Quakers*

LaDeana Mullinix will discuss this topic based on a Pendle Hill pamphlet.

July 10th *Let My People Read!*

. . . or *How George Fox Got His Bible*. In 16th C. England possessing a Bible in English meant execution. Then came a translation that is a jewel of English literature – the *King James Version*. How? Presented by Richard Phillips.

July 17th *Worship Sharing*

Worship sharing is a themed worship led by an individual and often centering on a query or queries. Led by Deirdre Phillips.

July 24th *Islam and Us*

A presentation by a visitor from the local Muslim community.

July 31st *Fifth Sunday Potluck*

A time to informally socialize. A great time for enquirers to visit.

Aug. 7th *Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business*

The Quaker process in action. A spirit-led business meeting.

Aug. 14th *Being Mortal*

Visitor Dr. Landrum will discuss this book, and the end of life issues that it considers.

(See note over page).

Aug. 21st *Worship Sharing*

Sherron Hays and Jane Purtle will lead on "Prayer".

Often in the stillness of the night, when all nature seems asleep about me, there comes a gentle rapping at the door of my heart. I open it; and a voice inquires, "Pokagon, what of your people? What will their future be?" My answer is: "Mortal man has not the power to draw aside the veil of unborn time to tell the future of his race. That gift belongs of the Divine alone. But it is given to him to closely judge the future by the present, and the past.

*—Simon Pokagon (1830-1899)
Native American Potawatomi*



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Meeting for Worship is on Sundays. It begins with worshipful singing and sharing at 9:30 a.m. followed by one hour of silent/waiting worship which starts at 9:45 a.m.

After worship on most Sundays there is a break for fellowship with coffee, tea, and snacks, which is then followed, at about 11:15 a.m., by an enlightening and enjoyable, "second hour" program.

Visitors and enquirers are always
very welcome.

The Quaker library is in need of a **small folding table** or card table to be used as work space. If anyone would like to donate one it would be appreciated. Also we could use a small waste can.

The book "*Being Mortal*" by Atul Gawande, which will be the subject of an **August second hour**, is now available in the library. In this book Gawande, a practicing surgeon, describes aging, mortality, dying and death, current practices and how they may change to our advantage. . . or disadvantage.

An **online catalog** of the books in our library is available by following the "Friends Library" link on our webpage:
<http://www.fayettevillefriends.org>

Thank you to all those who make our library possible.

Since 1996 *Right Sharing of World Resources* has received \$71,000 from recycled postage stamps. All **stamps are valuable**; particularly foreign stamps, commemoratives and the US *Forever* stamps. Stamps should be cut from envelopes with at least 1/8" of paper around. Envelopes of foreign mail or pre-1946 should be kept whole. More details from LaDeana Mullinix or -

<http://www.midcoastfriendsmeeting.org/stamps.htm>

Our *Ministry and Oversight Committee* would like more people to be involved in presenting a *Worship Sharing* second hour. This would be **on a third Sunday of the month**. Worship sharing is a form of worship that helps us listen to each other in a deeply spiritual, loving, and prayerful way. It draws us into a safe, sacred space in which we can speak openly from our hearts and explore our own experience. It helps us encounter each other in "*that which is eternal.*" Worship sharing is very much like silent meeting for worship except that the participants are asked to respond to a query or set of queries on a theme. The best queries are simple, open ended, and oriented toward individual experience. They might relate to some poetry or short reading that you bring for us. (*What touched me most deeply? What way does this open for me?*). They might be about our spiritual journeys (*How is God moving in my life today? Where do I turn in times of trouble? What brings me joy?*). They might be related to an issue that is exercising your thoughts (*What is it that frightens me most about this? What do I long for most in our community?*). They should be chosen prayerfully, there are no stock queries. Contact M&O clerk Deirdre Phillips with your proposal.

When we set up *Spiritual Friendships*, we said we'd check with people after 6 months to see how things were going. Since it's now 6 months, there will be a meeting at Deirdre and Richard Phillips' on July 22nd at 6:00p.m. to talk about those Friendships and also to invite people to come who haven't been in a Spiritual Friendship but are interested.

The **book study group** meets next on Friday, July 15th at 6:30p.m., in the home of Karen Takemoto and LaDeana Mullinix. (*Note the later time*). Karen will lead the discussion. Be prepared to discuss chapters *three* and *four* of *Healing the Heart of Democracy* by Parker Palmer.

Early reminder: August will be our next **support Community Emergency Outreach month**.

Our Quaker table at the Fayetteville **Farmers' Market** will be on Sept. 10th.

It is half way through the year and time to review how you have kept up with your pledges. Checks for **payments** to our meeting should always be made payable to "*Fayetteville Friends Meeting*". Place them in the wooden box at meeting or send/give them to your Treasurer: Richard Phillips.