

Second Hour Programs

Nov. 9th War Poets

This year is the 100th anniversary of the outbreak of the First World War. It produced much evocative and moving poetry. This will be a consideration of some poems of WW1 remembrance led by Richard Phillips.

Nov. 16th Worship Sharing

Led by Deirdre Phillips. Worship sharing is a themed worship led by an individual and often centering on a query or queries. Worship sharing helps us listen to each other in a deeply spiritual, loving, and prayerful way.

Nov. 23rd Rewilding

Eric Fuselier will show us ways to engage with the natural world in a natural way.

Nov. 30th Fifth Sunday Potluck

A time to informally socialize, with whatever refreshments we might bring. A great time for enquirers to visit.

Dec 7th Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

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

Dec. 14th Documentary Film Show

"Buried Treasures, the Unseen Art of Robert Ross" – produced by Richard Tiffany. The film explores the career of the Fayetteville artist and U. of A. professor Robert Ross. Ross, traveled annually to France for landscape artwork and also painted figures year-round in his studio on south Block Street in Fayetteville.

Our Query for November

Recently, Hindus all over the world celebrated the auspicious holiday of Divali or Diwali, the festival of lights. For most Hindus it marks the beginning of the New Year. Historically it symbolizes victory of good over evil and celebrates light and life on both community and personal levels.

On a personal level Divali is a time to turn inward and light the lamps of knowledge and truth in our own hearts. By doing so we allow our brilliance and goodness to shine forth. When celebrating Divali one asks for divine assistance in cultivating and accumulating spiritual wealth, such as kindness, compassion, forgiveness and love.

Divali is a time of reflection and evaluation of our thoughts, words and actions over the past year. It is a time to acknowledge and better understand our prejudices, negative behaviors and bad habits so we may begin the process of transforming ourselves.

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In our own daily lives, how can we be more compassionate, kind, forgiving and loving toward ourselves and others?



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CEO—WARM COATS MONTH

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.**

Meeting is once again helping with Thanksgiving and Christmas food baskets for HIV positive people and their families. This year we need to provide **25 cans of corn and 25 boxes of boxed stuffing** for Thanksgiving and the **same amount again for Christmas**. The Thanksgiving portion of corn and stuffing needs to be delivered by **November 14th**. Please bring to meeting **VERY SOON!**

Mary V. Cochran and Garin Wiggins are to be married, under the care of meeting, on **Thursday November 13th at 6 p.m.** at United Campus Ministries at the University of Arkansas Campus. Remember to let them know if you are attending. There will be “finger food” potluck afterwards.

November Meeting was pleased to confirm that the assistant to Jay Johnson, our Clerk in **2015**, will be Associate Clerk Mary-Elsie Marchant. She will then be our clerk in 2016. Retiring Clerk Betty Blanch will join Ministry and Oversight Committee to replace Richard Tiffany.

Our new **t-shirts**, green with meeting logo, will be available for order in the New Year.

November Potluck will be at the home of Anne Reichart – a bonfire picnic – at **4:00p.m. to 7:00 p.m. on Saturday November 8th**. Anne lives east of Fayetteville on Lake Sequoya Drive.

December potluck will be 5p.m. on Saturday December 13th at the home of Deirdre and Richard Phillips in Prairie Grove. A seasonal celebration.

Our Fall **book study** on *The New Jim Crow, Mass Incarceration* by Michelle Alexander continues. Next session will be on **Friday November 21st** at 6:30p.m. in the meeting house.

Cooperative Emergency Outreach needs blankets and warm coats. They are especially in need of warm coats. Bring your donation to meeting and we will pass them on.

A few copies of Pacific Yearly's *Faith and Practice* are available to be given to new members or attenders who may wish to deepen their knowledge of the Quaker way. Let Jane Purtle know if you need a copy. *Faith and Practice* is also available online: <http://tinyurl.com/faithandpractice>

Folk Music evening. Meeting is hosting Friends from Wichita who are singing their way to a protest at The School of the Americas. Aaron Fowler and Laura Dungan will be “vibrant entertainment shot with lively social concern”. Come and support them by having a fun evening at **7p.m.** at the meeting house on **Wednesday November 19th**. Suggested donation \$5 -\$15, or whatever you can afford. Let Mary V. Cochran know if you can help with refreshments.

Margaret, queen of the rummage sale, will be unfortunately unable to organize our **rummage sale in 2015**. **Please consider becoming our organizer.** It is such a valuable role that raises much cash for a worthy cause. It has been going so long it probably almost organizes itself and just needs YOU at the helm to steer a steady course.

Please be sure to leave spaces for **car parking** at the south/west side of the meeting house for visitors and disabled. Preferred parking for the fit, and those in need of exercise, is at Liquor World just up the road. Please leave the parking area next to the restaurant clear for their customers.