

Second Hour Programs

Sept. 13th *A Helping Hand*

Our visiting speaker will be Philip Newberry who will speak to us on his experience of helping people with fines and other legal issues.

Sept. 20th *Worship Sharing*

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.

Sept. 27th *Tools for Friendship*

Bettina Lehovec take us on the next step of *Spiritual Friendship* by introducing us to some tools we may wish to employ.

Oct. 4th *Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business*

The Quaker process in action. A spirit-led business meeting. All are welcome to attend.

Note: This will be Fall Quarterly weekend.

That Lives in Us

*If you put your hands on this oar with me,
they will never harm another, and they will come to
find they hold everything you want.*

*If you put your hands on this oar with me, they
would no longer lift anything to your mouth that
might wound your precious land—that sacred earth
that is your body.*

*If you put your soul against this oar with me,
the power that made the universe will enter your
sinew from a source not outside your limbs, but from
a holy realm that lives in us.*

*Exuberant is existence, time a husk.
When the moment cracks open, ecstasy leaps out
and devours space; love goes mad with the
blessings, like my words give.*

*Why lay yourself on the torturer's rack of the past
and future? The mind that tries to shape tomorrow
beyond its capacities will find no rest.*

*Be kind to yourself, dear—to our innocent follies.
Forget any sounds or touch you knew that did not
help you dance.*

You will come to see that all evolves us.

*If you put your heart against the earth with me,
in serving every creature, our Beloved will enter you
from our sacred realm and we will be, we will be
so happy.*

by Jalalud'din Rumi

*(From Love Poems From God: Twelve Sacred Voices
from the East and West by Daniel Ladinsky)*



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September 2015

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.**

There will be a **Quaker potluck** on **Saturday, September 26th at 5:30p.m.** It will be at Brentwood Community Park and will be hosted by Mary Elsie Marchant. Brentwood Community Park has always proved a great venue for our potlucks. It is pleasantly situated next to the river on scenic US71 about 20 miles south of Fayetteville. There are picnic tables, restrooms, and a walking trail.

Our meeting will shortly be reconvening a ***Nominating Committee*** with Karen Takemoto as clerk. It will consult members and attenders to determine who should be recommended to serve as officers of the meeting for 2016. The committee will need some new faces – probably a member or someone who has been attending who is familiar with our (sometimes reclusive!) members and attenders. If you feel led to help with this please let Karen know.

Until the completion of South Central Yearly Meeting's *Faith and Practice* we follow the guidance of Pacific Yearly Meeting's version. It is available online here:
<http://tinyurl.com/faithandpractice>

The **Arkansas/Oklahoma Fall Quarterly Meeting** will be once more at Robbers Cave State Park, Wilburton, OK From the evening of Friday October 2nd 'til Sunday October 4th. Cost \$45 per adult – a bargain reduced from last year (children under 14 free)
Register by Sept. 28th with Jan Michael of Stillwater Meeting.
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A **rummage sale** will take place on November 7th. At our usual location of the hall at Rolling Hills Baptist church. We will need helpers to set up on the Friday (Nov. 6th). Then people to help with the selling on the Saturday. And a separate "A-team" clean-up crew to come in and take over that job late on the Saturday afternoon. Margaret Britain will be lead for the sale, and Karen Takemoto will head up the clean-up crew. Let them know how you can help. Also start eyeing your things to see what you might want to donate to the sale. We need lots of stuff. And keep those dates free!
November 6th/7th

Richard Tiffany will give a presentation about his *alternatives to violent revolution* fact finding trip to **Tunisia** on Tuesday September 15th, at 4:00p.m. at the U. of A. in Fayetteville in the Student Union, Room 312.

Our first Quaker **movie night** in August was stimulating and enjoyable. The next planned movie night has to be rescheduled and the new date will be determined at the next meeting of the Education Committee. Watch your e-mail for details.

Much of the good work our meeting done is with **your financial support**. You can donate to our meeting, cash or check (payable to *Fayetteville Friends Meeting*), by placing your donation in the wooden box at meeting (it is usually to be found on the table near the snacks). For those of you who make a yearly pledge, **now** may be the time to check your pledged contributions for the year are up-to-date.

There are exciting changes to our Quaker **library**. Jane Purtle has been working with Bettina Lehovec on getting our database up-to-date with the aim of putting it online as a Google Doc "*real soon now*". See Jane if you need to know how to borrow books – and then borrow some and make room on the shelves for all the great new books we want to add.