

PRISM

Poplar
Ridge
Information
Sharing
Monthly

The Religious Society of Friends, Poplar Ridge

MAY 2018

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
		1 7:00pm Peace and Social Action Committee @ Buxenbaum's 7:00pm Youth Committee Meeting @ Lockhart's	2 7:00pm Community Read - "Return to Sender"	3	4 7:00pm Merrifield Concert – Jesse Terry	5 Cinco de Mayo 9:00am King Ferry Food Pantry
6 10:00am Meeting for Worship - A.T. Miller after rise of meeting Meditation Garden Clean-up Embrace the lake clean-up	7 7:30pm Meditation Group @ Nelson's	8	9 7:00pm Mid-week Worship @ Sammond/Rhudy's	10	11 6:00pm Anne Frank Tree Project Annual Dinner 6:15pm The Cayuga Prison Worship Group	12
13 Mother's Day 10:00am Meeting for Worship - Larry Bell 11:00am Coffee Hour	14	15 7:15pm Women's Spiritual Nurture @ Otis'	16 7:30pm Quaker Worship in Spanish	17	18 Spring Gathering	19 9:00am King Ferry Food Pantry
20 10:00am Meeting for Worship - Query Sunday Joann Brumm #12 -----	21	22 7:30pm Men's Spiritual Nurture Group	23 Deadline for PRISM submissions 7:00pm Mid-week Worship @ Berggren-Thomas's	24	25 6:15pm The Cayuga Prison Worship Group	26
27 10:00am Meeting for Worship (unprogrammed)	28 Memorial Day 7:30pm Ministry & Counsel @ Otis'	29	30	31		

Birthdays: 1st Dikshing Lama; 2nd Jack Benjamin Gregory; 3rd Charlotte Jane Mumma; 7th Magdalena Wiedermann, Sophie Lucine Buffam, Elizabeth Brice; 8th Sullivan Malcolm Otis; 15th Evangeline (Lynn) Ray; 16th Mateo Labatut Pronto; 20th Mazarine Ferrari; 26th Leif Gunderson; 29th Miles David Weiss; 30th Carmen Reynolds, Jesse Otis; 31st Jackson Otis

Anniversaries: 28th David and Kathleen Connelly

For more information about calendar events, check the PRISM or contact pr.prism@gmail.com

**MINUTES FOR POPLAR RIDGE
MONTHLY MEETING FOR
BUSINESS APRIL 15, 2018**

The Monthly Meeting opened with a period of worship about 11:30 a.m.; the minutes from the March meeting were read.

Attending were Ruth Bradley, David Connelly, Anne Dalton, Jim Frisch, Barry Kahn (by phone), Craig Kukuk, Jeff Layton, A.T. Miller, Suzanne O'Hara, Hannah Richter, Christopher Sammond, Andy Simkin, Jane Simkin, Karen Simkin, Linda Simkin, Paul Simkin, and Charlie Weld.

We approved a returning membership transfer request for Phyllis Rantanen Bunker from the Guatemala Meeting where she had been for 36 years. That meeting is being laid down. Ministry and Council considered that she should be welcomed into membership as soon as possible.

Ruth reported for the Gardens Committee that it needs approval to receive earmarked contributions for maintenance purchases for this year. We agreed.

Suzanne requested that the meeting consider using other website hosting services than the one we have been using. She has been having difficulties with it. They could cost as much as \$120 annually. We approved her looking into hosting services from New York Yearly Meeting and others and making a decision on the best route.

We accepted a request from Donna Beckwith, on the Farmington-Scipio Regional Meeting Ministry and Council Committee, for us to host an extended meeting for worship and potluck for the Regional meeting on a Saturday in October. We will discuss with her the date, preferably the 13th or 20th.

We approved the appointments as recommended by the Nominating Committee, as attached to these minutes.

We appointed Christopher Sammond to the Nominating Committee to serve until 2022.

We received reports from the following committees: Building and Grounds, Gardens, Bulletin Board, Finance, Library, Membership, Outreach, PRISM Nominating, Peace and Social Action, Social, Telephone Tree.

Other reports include the Statistician's report (Karen Simkin) and Wider Parish Representatives (Jane Simkin and Sally Otis).

Religious Education / Youth Committee's report will be submitted after the Children's Day in June.

Jim Frisch read the report of the Farmington-Scipio Regional Prison Committee, prepare Jill McLellan. Our Prison Worship Group Contacts are Jim Frisch and Dill Otis. Ann read the report of that group.

We began a discussion about consolidating Phone Tree/Directory, Webmaster, and Facebook Contacts under a single Communications Committee. We will refer the idea to participants in the four committees. Sally Otis will be asked to convene a meeting to further that discussion.

There will be no May Meeting for Business.

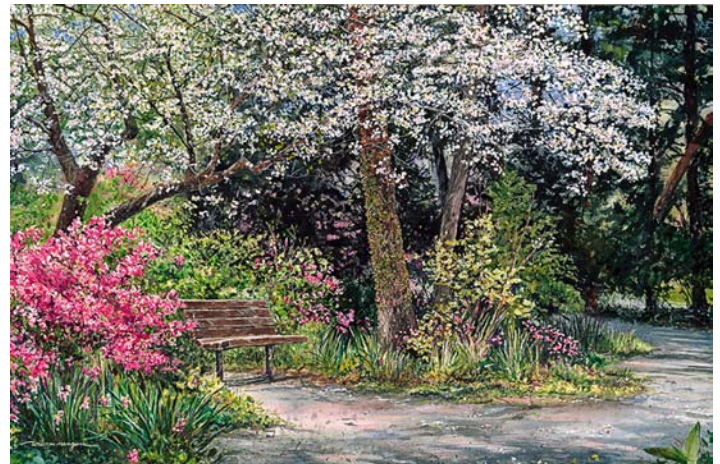
We closed with silence at 1:45 p.m.

Submitted by David Connelly
Recording Clerk

For help with transportation contact
Joanne Rogers at 315-673-7345, 607-345-8468
(cell) or fron10ac@gmail.com

NO MAY BUSINESS MEETING

The May monthly meeting with a concern for business is cancelled due to a conflict with Spring Gathering. The next meeting for business will be held on June 17th on the usual 3rd Sunday date.



Pastoral needs or questions:
Call Craig Kukuk at 734-717-7719.

MEDITATION GARDEN



It is Spring again!

Our garden needs some help. We need fresh mulch and a big branch fell on and broke our red bud tree. The garden was not included in this year's budget. So we are asking for donations to go forward with our Spring clean up. We need between \$300 and \$600 to complete our work. We shall do the labor ourselves. Anything you can contribute will help. Please earmark donations "for garden".

Spring clean up needs volunteers. It's fun and the more who help the faster it goes. Join us on Sunday May 6 after Meeting for worship. Bring your work gloves and favorite garden tools.

REGISTRATION FOR FARMINGTON-SCIPPO REGIONAL MEETING

The registration form for Spring Gathering, scheduled for the weekend of May 18-20 2018 at Watson Homestead, is ready for completion.

Please take notice of the following before completing your registration form:

THEME

Our Theme this year is Faithfulness, Discernment and Change. You might want to be mindful of the theme as you anticipate our Gathering or put forward requests for Interest Groups, Workshops,

or displays. There is a line for display requests on the form.

FOOD CHOICE

You will notice a change this year in menu choices. This follows from discussion at FSRM Winter Gathering that was generated by a Minute from Perry City Monthly Meeting regarding concern over treatment of animals and environmental hazards associated with factory farming. The spirit of this Minute is reflected in having the vegetarian menu the default choice. Anyone who wants the meat option can check the box provided.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are many opportunities to volunteer. Please indicate your choice(s) on the registration form.

Here is a short link to the form that can be completed and emailed to Registrar Bronwyn Mohlke. <https://goo.gl/EB7qcM>

Contact Bronwyn with questions or concerns.
Phone: (607-220-3219)
email: FSRMSpringGathering@gmail.com

EMBRACE THE LAKE CLEANUP

On Sunday May 6th, 12:00 Poplar Ridge Meeting will again be hosting our annual lakefront cleanup project in cooperation with the Cayuga Lake Watershed Network's "Embrace the Lake" program. All are welcome to participate. Participants should meet following the rise of meeting at the parking area at the bottom of Poplar Ridge Road across from the Wells College ball fields. The network will again provide gloves and trash bags.

If it's a nice day feel free to bring a bag lunch along to enjoy by the lake

ANNUAL REPORT OUTREACH COMMITTEE 2017-2018

Members: Anne Dalton (Clerk), Mary Lou Charles, Mary Jo Grange, Sally Otis, Christopher Sammond, Bess Simkin and Paul Simkin
The Outreach committee has met five times since the last annual meeting.

We undertook revisions and updates to the website (<http://www.quaker.org/poplar/>) and regular updates of our Facebook page. Julie added a link to Friends Journal "Quaker Speak" on our Facebook page.

Friends Journal "Quaker Speak" is currently in season four. We purchased seasons 1, 2 and 3 which will become part of our library for borrowing. We also purchased 10 copies of a new compilation disc from Quaker Speak which is for newcomers. They will be given as gifts to interested Newcomers.

We hosted Chad Dell, of the Manasquan Friends Meeting, to present "Inreach + Outreach = Upreach, a 'Seeking the Spirit" workshop for our Meeting. He came on March 4, 2018. He also gave our morning message at Meeting. We had Soup and Sharing followed by a workshop. Members of Ithaca and Perry City were invited, and several attended. This event was coordinated with Ministry and Counsel.

The green 4x6 information cards have been very useful. Anne or a member of M&C collects them and forwards the information to Suzanne (email addresses) and Craig.

Since some people do not realize we are an open society and anyone is welcome to attend, AT was present at an information table at the Halloween Carnival on October 28, 2017. There were pamphlets, flyers, business cards and booklets available. He answered questions as they arose.

Submitted by Anne Dalton, Clerk April 2018

PRISM COMMITTEE 2017 ANNUAL REPORT

Members: Mary Lou Charles (clerk), Laura Buffam, Scott Heinekamp, Suzanne O'Hara, Jane Simkin

Twelve monthly Poplar Ridge Information Sharing Monthly (PRISM) newsletters were generated during the 2017 fiscal year. 139 copies are sent by email. Approximately 28 printed copies are made of which 16 are mailed by USPS. The rest of the printed copies are left in the meetinghouse for distribution. The monthly Query with related text from the NYYM Faith and Practice or other Quaker related source were include in the newsletter along with regular announcements and scheduling.

The PRISM committee also maintains the email communication for the meeting through pr.prism@gmail.com.

The committee required no meetings during the 2017 fiscal year.

Submitted by Suzanne O'Hara



MERRIFIELD CONCERT – JESSE TERRY

For May, A.T. and Craig are hosting their first ever **Friday** concert on **May 4th** at 7pm (at least it's at the usual time...). They are taking this dramatic step in order to be able to offer this fantastic artist, songwriter and performer, Jesse Terry. A true musical journeyman, Jesse Terry has made it his mission to share his love of music fully and completely, without regard for shading his emotions or tempering his convictions. By his own definition, he's never been a cautious individual, but rather one who finds inspiration and optimism in the solace and joy making music brings him; and that which he can impart to others. "Things happen for me at the right place and time when I'm focusing on my art and connecting with people," Jesse suggests. "I've always had the desire to spread peace and unity through my music. This gives me a tangible purpose, even when life doesn't seem to make much sense. It's about inclusiveness," Jesse insists. "I love that music can bring all kinds of people together." (listen to his music and learn more at www.jesseterrymusic.com)

The concert is in the intimate setting of their home at 2345 Center Road, Scipio Center, at the corner of Center Road and Black Street, with parking on Black. They hope to have a few May flowers in the garden by then--at least the early ones! They like to encourage community and interaction before the concert, during a long intermission with tea and coffee provided, and with folks welcome to stay afterwards. Bring yourself, or come along with others--they have plenty of room, and feel free to spread the word. In order to support the artist, \$15 is collected at the door. Contact A.T. (atmiller@cornell.edu) for more information.

**NOMINATIONS FOR 2018
POPLAR RIDGE FRIENDS
COMMITTEE ASSIGNMENTS**

(convener designated by *)

Clerk - Hannah Richter

Assistant Clerk – Andy Simkin

Recording Clerk - David Connelly

Treasurer – Ruth Bradley (Jeff Layton IT support)

Musicians - Mary Jo Granger Claire Howard, Jeffrey Layton, Cathy Mullarney

Building and Grounds

Larry Buffam

Kathleen Connelly

Dave Eckhardt

Jody Gunderson

Stef McGonagle (as needed/heavy equipment)

*Dill Otis

Paul Simkin

Bill Tyler

Scott Lockhart-consultant

Gardens Committee

Ruth Bradley

Anne Dalton

Peter Dalton

Claire Howard

Craig Kukuk

*Leigh McGonagle

Linda McGonagle

Hannah Richter

Heidi Richter

Rebecca Schillenback

Bulletin Boards

*Stephanie Nelson

Anne Dalton

Sally Otis

Facebook Contact

Julie Lockhart

Finance

Ruth Bradley

*Andy Simkin

Larry Buffam

Jeff Layton

Suzanne O'Hara

Paul Simkin

Historical Materials

*Jane Simkin

Anne Dalton

Librarians

Phyllis Bunker

*Stephanie Nelson

Sally Otis

Ministry & Counsel

Jim Frisch ('19)

*Charlie Weld ('20)

Dill Otis ('21)

Suzanne O'Hara ('22)

Phyllis Bunker ('23)

Andy Simkin (*ex officio* as MM Asst. Clerk)

Hannah Richter (*ex officio* as MM. Clerk)

Craig Kukuk (*ex officio* as pastoral care provider)

Music

Rebecca Damiani

Claire Howard

Barry Kahn

Sigrid Mortensen

*Cathy Mullarney

Nominating

*Rebecca Schillenback (2019)

Craig Kukuk (2020)

Anne Dalton (2021)

Christopher Sammond (2022)

Outreach

Anne Dalton

A.T. Miller

Sally Otis

Rebecca Schillenback

*Christopher Sammond

Bess Simkin

Paul Simkin



Please notify Nance Simkin
(Donald.simkin@yahoo.com) to send a special
note of remembrance from the meeting.
Donations of cards are welcome.

Peace & Social Action

Karen Brennan Dil Otis
*Trudy Buxenbaum Janet Reohr
Mary Jo Granger A.T. Miller
Andy Simkin Paul Simkin
Jane Simkin Suzanne O'Hara

PRISM

*Mary Lou Charles
Laura Buffam
Scott Heinekamp
Suzanne O'Hara
Jane Simkin

Prison Worship Group Contacts

Jim Frisch (Auburn CF)
Dill Otis (Cayuga CF)

Religious Education/Youth

Kathleen Connelly
Alyssa Gunderson
*Julie Lockhart
Scott Lockhart
Annie McCleary
Sally Otis
Charlie Weld

Remembrances

Ruth Bradley
Nance Simkin

Social

Laura Buffam
Ann Burch
*Trudy Buxenbaum
Jim Frisch
Cathy Mullarney
Hannah Richter
Heidi Richter
Janet Shea
Andy Simkin

Statisticians

*Karen Simkin

Telephone Tree/Directory

Laura Buffam
David Connelly
*Sally Otis
Jane Simkin

Trustees

Dill Otis
Hannah Richter
Andy Simkin

Webmaster

Suzanne O'Hara

Wider Parish Representatives

Sally Otis
Rebecca Schillenback

Meetings for Discernment Reps

Rebecca Schillenback (Summer Sessions)

Yearly meeting Representatives

Rebecca Schillenback (Summer Sessions)

Funds Committee

Clerk or designee of M&C
Clerk or designee of RE/ Youth
Clerk or designee of Finance
Clerk or designee of Peace & SA



PR 2018 Budget

Category	2018 budget	PD YTD	Comments
Pastoral expenses	\$1,500.00	\$298.00	
Pastoral Care Compensation	\$12,000	\$4,000	
Speaker Honorarium	\$4,000	\$750	
Building Maintenance	\$750		
Housekeeping	\$1,500	\$450	
Reimburse Gen/Cap Fund	\$0		
Contribute to Gen/Cap Fund	\$2,500	\$2,500	
Fuel Oil	\$3,000	\$1,455	
Electric	\$1,000	\$292	
Insurance	\$1,073	\$1,038	
Snow Plowing	\$300	\$190	
Conferences	\$300		
Misc.	\$400	\$70	Friends Journal listing
Treasurer expenses	\$250	\$63	
Motto Calendars	\$200.00		
Outreach	\$125	\$50	
Peace & Social Action			
Prism	\$250	\$22	
Religious Edu.			
Scholarships			
Social Committee	\$100		
NYYM	\$7,000	\$3,500	Paid quarterly
Regional Meeting	\$516		
Human Services Cayuga	\$40.00		
Am. Friends Service	\$100.00		
AVP	\$100.00		
Bolivian Quaker Edu.	\$100.00		
Camp Gregory	\$250.00		
CCAIM	\$50.00		
Center on Conscience	\$100.00		
Christian Peacemakers	\$100.00		
FCNL	\$400.00		
FGC	\$50.00		
Friends World Com.	\$50.00		
Non-Violent Peace Force	\$50.00		
NYS Council of Ch's.	\$25.00		
The Sharing Fund	\$50.00		
San Pedro	\$100.00		
UNICEF	\$10.00		
Jericho Road Community	\$100.00		
Wider Parish	\$100.00	\$100.00	
	\$38,539		
-\$1,700 from Jamison Fund			YTD Contributions for 2018
Total	\$36,839	\$14,778	\$5,463
			14.83%

PR financial assets 5 year snapshot

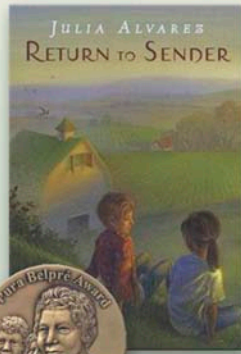
Table 1

Accounts	4/15/18	4/15/17	4/15/16	4/15/15	4/15/14
Operating	\$36,024	\$28,221	\$25,794	\$21,190	\$12,340
General/Cap	\$19,496	\$16,996	\$16,346	\$16,346	\$16,346
Searing	\$358	\$358	\$358	\$358	\$358
Memorial	\$4,957	\$5,243	\$3,743	\$322	\$7,322
Talcott	\$2,212	\$2,212	\$2,212	\$2,212	\$2,212
Youth	\$8,705	\$9,190	\$10,896	\$10,896	\$12,478
Heating/ Insulation	\$1,390	\$1,850	\$0	\$0	\$0
Jamison	\$1,625	\$3,425	\$0	\$0	\$0
Total	\$74,767	\$67,495	\$59,349	\$51,324	\$51,056

2018 Southern Cayuga
Community Read

Return to Sender

by Julia Alvarez



2010 Pura Belpre
Author Award Book

Join Aurora Free Library
& Hazard Library
for a book discussion on

Wednesday, May 2nd

7:00 PM

Emily Howland
School Library

2384 NY-34B, Aurora, NY 13026

Complimentary copies of the book
are available at the Aurora Free
Library and Hazard Library.



SOUTHERN CAYUGA
Anne Frank
TREE PROJECT



Southern Cayuga
Anne Frank Tree Project



Annual Difference
Makers' Night

Immigration & Agriculture

ECONOMIC & HUMAN REALITIES

FRIDAY MAY 11TH · 6:00 PM

Panel Discussion
with Q&A Session

Presenters:

Bill Cook

Dairy Farm Owner/Manager of Aurora Ridge Dairy

Zach & Gopini Nelson

SCCS Graduate, Peace Corp Volunteer in Nepal

Mary Jo Dudley

Director of the Cornell Farmworker Program

Spanish Translation Available



Tours of the Anne Frank
Tree Site will be available.

Southern Cayuga High School
2384 State Route 34B
Aurora, NY

6:00 PM

Difference Maker Dinner
by Kendra's Culinary Cuisine

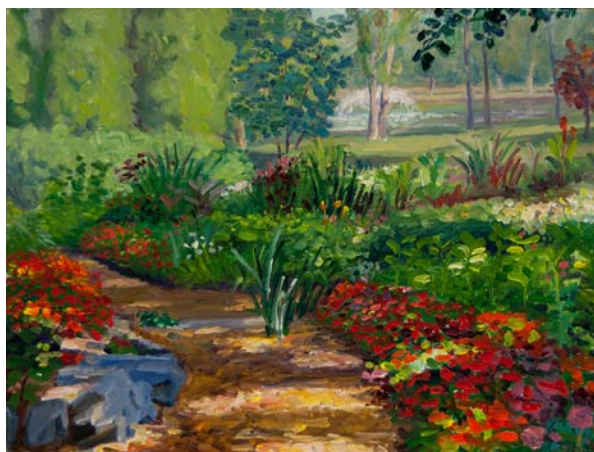
\$5 Suggested Donation

7:00 PM

Panel Discussion &
Award Presentation to our
2018 Difference Makers:
Andrew Simkin &
Brittney Meade



www.sccsannefranktree.org



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Ministry & Counsel Clerk – Charlie Weld

Poplar Ridge Friends meet every Sunday at 10 am for worship. The fourth Sunday of the month is an unprogrammed meeting. The fifth Sunday has a variety of formats. Nursery is available during meeting. The meetinghouse is located at 1868 Poplar Ridge Road, Poplar Ridge, NY 13139.

See <http://www.quaker.org/poplar/> for more information, updated calendar or copies of previous newsletters or 1st day messages. Visit us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/poplarridgefriendsny>.

To change or correct a mailing label please contact Mary Lou Charles at 364-7391 or Scott Heinekamp at 246-7151. You can request PRISM electronically and save the Meeting the expense of postage by emailing pr.prism@gmail.com.

To contribute items for PRISM contact us at pr.prism@gmail.com or
Poplar Ridge Friends Meeting: Attn PRISM
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