



PRISM

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Monthly

1st Religious Society of Friends, Poplar Ridge

MARCH 2019

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
					1 7:30pm Quaker Worship in Spanish	2 9:00am King Ferry Food Pantry
3 9:00am Adult Education - Quaker Testimonies 10:00am Meeting for Worship - A.T. Miller	4 7:00pm Meditation Group @ Nelson's	5 7:00pm Peace and Social Action Committee @ Buxenbaum's	6	7	8 6:15pm The Cayuga Prison Worship Group	9
10 Lenten Series 9:00am Adult Education 10:00am Meeting for Worship - Rebecca Shillenback 11:00am Coffee Hour - Welcome Don Simkin	11 7:00pm Youth Committee Meeting @ Otis'	12	13 7:00pm Mid- week Worship @ Sammond/ Rhudy's	14	15 7:30pm Movie Night – Hologram for a King @ Meetinghouse	16 9:00am King Ferry Food Pantry
17 Lenten Series 9:00am Adult Education 10:00am Meeting for Worship - Phyllis Bunker 11:30am Business Meeting	18 7:30pm Men's Spiritual Nurture Group	19 7:15pm Women's Spiritual Nurture @ Otis'	20	21	22 6:15pm The Cayuga Prison Worship Group	23
24 Lenten Series 9:00am Adult Education - Quaker Testimonies 10:00am Meeting for Worship (unprogrammed)	25 7:00pm Ministry & Counsel @ Otis'	26	27 Deadline for PRISM submissions 7:00pm Mid- week Worship @ Berggren- Thomas'	28	29	30
31 Lenten Series 10:00am Multigenerational worship - Rosa & Robin Grube						

Birthdays: 2nd Elizabeth (Leigh) McGonagle, Eleanor Joy Simkin Mumma; 8th Jill Charles Gomez, Trey Anthony Otis, Luther Hallett; 9th Maryl Mendillo; 12th Ed Maassen, Mia Boynton, Carter Robert Otis; 16th Linda Simkin; 18th Henry Brice; 19th Bill Tyler, Richard Loosemore; 21st Susan Weisend; 23rd Phyllis Bunker, Linda McGonagle; 26th Meghan Charles; 28th Heidi Richter; 29th Mary Fairhurst; 30th Kylee McCleary

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

**MINUTES FOR POPLAR RIDGE
MONTHLY MEETING FOR BUSINESS
FOR JANUARY 27, 2019**

Present were Ruth Bradley, Jim Frisch, Barry Kahn, Dill and Sally Otis, Christopher Sammond, Andrew, Jane, Linda and Paul Simkin, Charles Weld.

Andrew Simkin, assistant clerk, opened the meeting at 11:45 with a few moments of silence,

Minutes of December 16 Meeting for Business were read for information.

Budget

In addition to the budget, comparisons for the past three years were offered. There was a question regarding the large amount in the operating fund. Investing some is recommended. The finance committee will look into options including CDs, Treasury direct and Friends Fiduciary. Changes from 2018 are noted in comments. The Jamison fund is depleted and no longer available for outside contributions. The issue was raised of increase in contributions to NYYM which had led to the 5 years of data.

Meeting Approved increase of our share to NYYM to \$8000.

Meeting Approved increase of our donation to San Pedro to \$250

The treasurer received a request for statistics on the number of households supporting the meeting and the range of contributions. The treasurer sent 69 letters of acknowledgement of contributions. The average attendance is requested from Ministry and counsel.

The budget was approved as published with increases as noted.

Ministry and Counsel

For Ministry and Counsel Charles Weld reported that Adult education sessions to consider the testimonies will begin February 17 with Simplicity. February 24 Peace and will end on March 24. They are following the acronym S P I C E S. A hand out of edited material from AFSC regarding the testimonies is in the February PRISM. Suzanne has proposed additional communication to encourage people to attend.

Youth Committee

Youth Committee reported on a letter from the UNICEF CEO regarding donations from the Halloween Carnival. The letter and the amount of the donation will be posted. It will be discussed; with youth. The value of the UNICEF Carnival in the future is affirmed.

Three young men are interest in participating in YSOP and Greg Otis has offered to be the chaperone. Next year the committee will request that families of participants pay in advance. The dates are March 15,16, and 17.

Building Committee

Parking lot Dill reported that Chris Jansen is ready to begin as soon as weather permits—April or May.

Other

State of Society is due in March for NYYM Spring Session in April. Query is “how are we making testimonies a way of life?” Meeting Approved asking Ministry and Counsel to come to February Monthly Meeting with a plan for responding.

Roger Simkin’s death has been confirmed and we are ready to have services here when the family requests.

Joy Jacobs Wilcox has requested that there be a joint memorial service at Poplar Ridge meeting for her and her late husband Robert after she passes. Meeting approved the request and the clerk will be in touch with her.

Submitted by Jane Simkin substitute Recording Clerk



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

MINUTES FOR POPLAR RIDGE MONTHLY MEETING FOR BUSINESS FOR FEB. 17, 2019,

The Monthly Meeting opened with a period of worship about 11:48 a.m. The minutes from the January 27, 2019 meeting were read.

Attending were David Connelly, Craig Kukuk, Cathy Mullarney, Suzanne O'Hara, Dill Otis, Sally Otis, Hannah Richter, Christopher Sammond, Don Simkin, Jane Simkin, and Paul Simkin.

- We accepted membership of Donald Simkin's transfer from the Farmington Friends meeting to Poplar Ridge Monthly Meeting.
- We received a letter from the King Ferry Food Pantry offering thanks for our donation from the surplus of our Winter Cheer Boxes. The letter said the pantry serves 100 household visits a month, a total of about 6,000 meals.
- We approved the Nightingales, the a-cappella singing group, who wish to sing in our Meetinghouse before our 10 a.m. worship on Sunday _____? _____ and to invite Friends to join them.
- We shared our thoughts for this year's State of Society question, "How are we making Friends' testimonies a way of life?" Our testimonies are simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality, and stewardship. Notes from the meeting will be compiled and sent as our report to New York Yearly Meeting.

We ended with a moment of silence at 12:55 p.m.

Submitted by David Connelly, Recording Clerk

MOVIE NIGHT – HOLOGRAM FOR A KING

Join the Peace and Social Action Committee at the Meetinghouse on March 15th, 7:30 pm to view the movie "Hologram for the King".

"Cultures collide when an American businessman (Tom Hanks) is sent to Saudi Arabia to close what he hopes will be the deal of a lifetime. Baffled by local

customs and stymied by an opaque bureaucracy, he eventually finds his footing with the help of a wise-cracking taxi driver (Alexander Black) and a beautiful Saudi doctor (Sarita Choudhury)."

https://www.rottentomatoes.com/m/a_hologram_for_the_king

Contact Trudy trudybuxenbaum@gmail.com for more information.



SATURDAY SUPPER - UNDERGROUND RAILROAD IN LAKE COUNTRY

Bring family and friends to the Meetinghouse on March 30, 6:00 pm, to hear about the "Underground Railroad in Lake Country" by Barb Taylor, a Poplar Ridge native. Barb has researched the UGRR in our area and will present a slide show featuring the pathway of freedom seekers from Elmira to Oswego. All welcome. Bring a dish to share.

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

QUAKER TESTIMONIES

Join your friends in the next Adult Education sessions while we explore the Quaker testimonies of Simplicity, Peace, Integrity, Community, Equality and Stewardship. The program will run for six consecutive Sundays starting on February 17th (2/17, 2/24, 3/3, 3/10, 3/17 and 3/24), at 9 am, before Meeting for Worship. Each week we will discuss the meaning of a different Quaker testimony in our lives. A group leader will help us to focus on a single testimony and will encourage sharing.

For more information, feel free to contact a member of PRMM's Ministry and Counsel committee (Phyllis Bunker, Jim Frisch, Suzanne O'Hara, Dill Otis, Charlie Weld) or Craig Kukuk, Hannah Richter or Andy Simkin.



SAN PEDRO NEWS

Hello friends of San Pedro, El Salvador,

We are so excited to announce that we have a special treat for you this year for the annual dinner at Wells College March 16. Dr. Miranda Cady Hallett will be with us to speak! Miranda, daughter of Larry and Laura Buffam, is the spark who started this project going back in the late 1990s. She is now Assistant Professor of Cultural Anthropology and Human Rights Center Research Fellow at the University of Dayton. Miranda is a legal anthropologist who has conducted ethnographic fieldwork in El Salvador since 1998 and with Salvadoran immigrant communities in the US since 2004. Her talk is entitled "El Salvador, Central America, and Immigration: An

Inside Look". She's amazing, and we hope you can come, eat great food, and hear what Dr. Hallett has to say.

We will also briefly share news from our very recent delegation trip to El Salvador.

There are many needs in San Pedro, so if you cannot make it to the dinner but would like to join our generous contributors to support projects like scholarships for our 9 university and high school students, and the new sewing project to sew children's school uniforms, please do. No amount is too small (or of course too large). There are three ways to donate:

- Send a check made out to San Pedro Sister Community to Cathy Mullarney, 537 Levanna Rd, Aurora, NY 13026
- From our website donate button via paypal sanpedrosistercommunity.blogspot.com
- Through our US 501(c)3 partner FACES at <https://faithinactiones.wordpress.com/> (earmarked check)

Thank you, and we hope to see you on March 16! Reservations are due March 9 (no money until arrival at dinner. Info below and flyer attached.) You can reply to this email or use reply info on flyer.

Cathy Mullarney for the San Pedro Sister Community team <cathy.mullarney@gmail.com>

SPRING SAMPLER

The Hazard Library & the Genoa Historical Association present a Spring Sampler. Learn new internet skills and have fun with technology!

Thursday mornings from 10 AM – Noon	
March 21	Selling on eBay and craigslist
March 28	Genealogy
April 4	Using Shutterfly
April 11	Using Social Media

At the Rural Life Museum, State Route 34B, King Ferry. Programs are FREE & all are welcome. Those attending are encouraged to bring a smart phone, tablet or laptop. WiFi is available.

Questions: Call 315-364-7975

FGC SPIRITUAL DEEPENING ERETREATS

Spiritual Deepening Program eRetreats invite newcomers and Friends to build an online spiritual community through an exploration of Quaker thought and practice.

Spiritual growth is linked to community, and a Spiritual Deepening eRetreat connects you with other curious seekers in an online exploration of Quaker thought, a deepening of your own spiritual practices, and the sharing of stories from your life and your personal journeys. Each eRetreat is facilitated by a deeply grounded Quaker.

Each week, there will be a new topic with videos, quotations, and activities, and you'll be able to engage at your own time and pace. You'll connect with other participants through private discussion boards and one optional video chat session. Participants are encouraged to explore a personal spiritual practice during the eRetreat.

2019 eRetreat Schedule

- Living into Wholeness (previously offered as Beloved Community): March 17 - April 12, 2019
- Spirituality & Aging: May 12 - June 7, 2019
- Understanding & Healing White Supremacy: September 22 - October 18, 2019
- Becoming a Welcoming Friend: November 3 - November 22, 2019

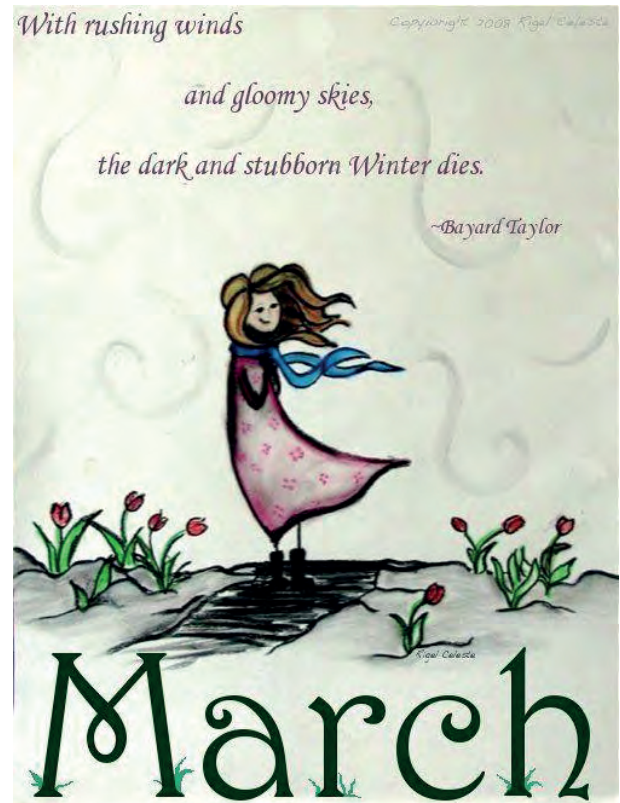
"Reading about [other participants'] experiences and ideas was an awe-some experience in itself for me. I truly appreciate the community who succeeded in going deeper individually and with each other. It is a rare opportunity for Friends to join together in this way." - Spiritual Deepening eRetreat participant

Visit <https://www.fgcquaker.org/deepen/spiritual-deepening/spiritual-deepening-eretreats> for more information.

QUAKER CLASSICS TRANSLATED INTO SPANISH

Friends United Press is pleased to announce the publication of two new Spanish-language versions of

Quaker classics: The Diary of John Woolman and Wilmer Cooper's A Living Faith. You can purchase El Diario de John Woolman and Una Fe Viviente through the FUM Bookstore at <http://friends-united-meeting.myshopify.com/>. We offer these with gratitude to Raices Cuaqueras for the work of translation into Spanish, and encourage Friends to check out their full list of translated texts.



FCNL SPRING LOBBY WEEKEND 2019

On Sat., March 23–Tues., March 26 in Washington, DC join young leaders (ages 18-30) at the Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL)'s Spring Lobby Weekend. Hundreds of students, recent grads, Quakers, and young adults will come to Washington, DC, to lobby their representatives. We will lobby for laws that protect the rights and safety of immigrants, migrants, refugees, and their families. We have real opportunities to advance our legislative priorities for the 116th Congress and move closer to the world we seek this year. Join us this March and make your voice heard. Registration is open now and financial aid is available. Visit www.fcnl.org/updates/spring-lobby-weekend-2019-739.

Churches of Southern Cayuga Wider Parish
2019 Lenten Series
as at: 21 February 2019 – evolving status

Lenten series: *Bringing it home: Living your faith in practical ways*

- a. *This year's Lenten Series aims to give you practical ways to express Christian faith in daily life and daily choices.*
- b. March 10:
 1. Location: King Ferry Presbyterian
 2. Presenters: Linda Schwab, Jim Frisch, and Heather Warren
 3. Title: Caring for the Land
 4. Short bio: Jim: Glen Creek Farm; Heather: Lochan Mor Farm; Linda: Glebe Farm
 5. Short description: The panel will discuss how caring for the land shapes their daily lives and choices.
 6. Donations to: Camp Gregory
- c. March 17:
 1. Location: Genoa UM
 2. Presenter: Robert LoMascolo
 3. Title: Bringing Beauty
 4. Short bio: Graduation from Wells College was followed with a Master's of Book Arts from the University of Alabama. He owns a 7,000 pound, 1968 Heidelberg press, an 1899 press, as well as a Vandercook Universal 4. He runs *The Press of Robert LoMascolo* in Aurora.
 5. Short description: Robert will speak on the joy and beauty of creation and how his artwork has been inspired and shaped through his faith
 6. Donations to: Wider Parish
- d. March 24:
 1. Location: Scipioville Presbyterian (assisted by Poplar Ridge Friends)
 2. Presenter: Cathy Mullarney
 3. Title: Connecting Communities, Changing Lives
 4. Short bio: Coordinator of the San Pedro Sister Community Project
 5. Short description: Cathy will share the impact on both communities of this long-term relationship of accompaniment
 6. Donations to: San Pedro Sister Community Group
- e. March 31:
 1. Location: Trinity UCC (assisted by Good Shepherd)
 2. Presenter: Fran Sampson
 3. Title: Mustard Seed
 4. Short bio: Fire department Chaplain
 5. Short description: TBA [Esther]
 6. Donations to: Wider Parish
- f. April 7:
 1. Location: UMA
 2. Presenter: Matthew Binkewicz
 3. Title: Living your faith in practical ways: End of Life and Bereavement Issues
 4. Short bio: Matthew is a graduate of Christ the Savior Russian Orthodox Seminary and the Catholic University of America. After his ordination to the priesthood in 1991 he began his work with the terminally ill.
 5. Short description: TBA [Ellen]
 6. Donations to: Matthew House

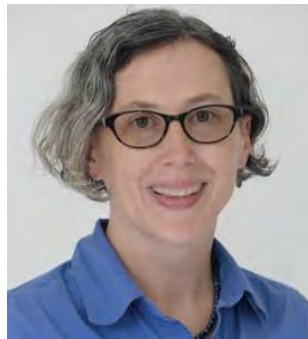


San Pedro Benefit Dinner – 2019

Saturday, March 16 -- 6 PM

Wells College MacMillan Hall - Art Exhibit Room - Aurora, NY

Guest Speaker – Dr. Miranda Buffam Hallett, Univ. of Dayton
**“El Salvador, Central America, and Immigration:
An Inside Look”**



Celebrate and *support* our sister community!!

Reservations required by Saturday, March 9

Cathy Mullarney at sanpedrosistercommunity@gmail.com; 315-730-9039

Recommended Donation: \$30 per person

Wells students and children 6-10 - \$10; children 5 & under free - Pay at the door

Menu

Prepared by Chef Jason Palmer and the staff of Wells' Hallmark Dining

Appetizer: Fried Plantain chips with pureed red beans & cream

Entrées: pollo con cebollas y salsa de crema (Chicken smothered with onions & cream sauce)

Enchiladas de Espinacas (Spinach Enchiladas - vegetarian)

Frijoles rojos y arroz (Red beans & rice)

Pina Curtido (Salvadoran pineapple-pickled cabbage)

Pan de maíz Salvadoreño (Salvadoran corn bread)

Dessert: Flan (rich custard)



POPLAR RIDGE FRIENDS MEETING

Clerk – Hannah Richter

Assistant Clerk – Andy Simkin

Treasurer – Ruth Bradley

Musicians – Claire Howard, Jeff Layton, Cathy Mullarney, Mary Jo Granger

Pastoral Care - Craig Kukuk ([734-717-7719](tel:734-717-7719))

Recording Clerk – David Connelly

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>.

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