



Newsletter of the

Ithaca Monthly Meeting

of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

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Newsletter

Submit contributions to clarkberg@cornell.edu. See the IMM Calendar, back page, for the next deadline.

Barry's Barn Dance: It Is Just a Lot of Fun

The Barry's are having their last and final barn dance on Sunday, August 27 from 7 to 10 p.m. at 219 East Lansing Road. The occasion is Frank Barry's 80th Birthday!! TOIVO will be playing and we will have a caller for some of the dances. Munchies and birthday cake will be served. People can bring goodies if they wish but it is not necessary. We hope to have a whooping good time and would love to see many of you there. For those of you who have been to our barn dances before you know that you do not have to be an expert dancer to participate. It is just a lot of fun. We would love to have children come as well. All of our grandchildren will be there. If you could let us know if you are coming that would be great. It would help to plan for food.

— *Barbara Barry*

Correspondents Wanted

Two members of the Attica Prison Worship Group have reached out; they would very much like to hear from Friends. They feel isolated in prison and cut off from the wider Quaker fellowship. The two men are Michael Rhynes, 85C0181 and Joseph Sain, 10A5039 (when addressing the envelope, you must write the prison ID number after the name) at Attica Correctional Facility (CF), PO Box 149, Attica, NY 14011-0149. Envelopes must also include your name in the return address. If you feel uncomfortable using your home address, please ask if you can use the Meeting address as a return address, but you must include your name so the letter will get to you when they write back.

I am now corresponding with several of the men I knew from AVP work in Elmira CF.

— *Susan Wolf*

No Meeting for Business Occurred in July

Because Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business was canceled last month, there are no Minutes in this newsletter.

There is still time to support Women Swimmin'

Women Swimmin' for Hospicare is a community swim (not a race!) and fundraiser to benefit Hospicare & Palliative Care Services. On Saturday, August 12, more than 300 women will swim across Cayuga Lake, escorted by about 170 volunteer boaters in canoes, kayaks or stand-up paddleboards. The funds raised through Women Swimmin' help Hospicare provide compassionate, skilled end-of-life care to our friends and neighbors throughout Tompkins and Cortland counties. To learn more, to volunteer or to support Marin Clarkberg, Gail Steinhart, Melissa Travis Dunham or any of the women who are swimmin', please visit womenswimmin.org.

Women's Chair Yoga, most Mondays and Thursdays 11a-noon

Women of all ages are welcome to gather for gentle, yet powerful restoration of heart, mind, soul, strength. No experience or equipment needed. The summer schedule might vary sometimes. Please check with Nancy Gabriel the day before: 339-7123; ntg2@cornell.edu. We offer a donation to the teacher.

Tai Ji Quan, Tuesdays 7:30-8:30p

Peaceful. Although being a martial art, this class is a welcoming and warm retreat focused on well being and health. The most likely self defense situation that we hope our class helps prepare for is avoiding slips and falls. Contact Chris Dunham for more information. Donations to cover costs.

August 2017 Calendar of Ithaca Monthly Meeting

Men's Fellowship Lunch Thursday, August 3, noon

The \$10 lunch buffet at Diamond's Indian restaurant provides a great opportunity to get together! For more information, contact Lynn Podhaski at lynnpodhaski@yahoo.com or Liam Murphy at liamgbmurphy@verizon.net.

Hiroshima and Nagasaki Remembrance Sunday, August 6, 6p

There will be a one-hour silent vigil (rain or shine) seated around the Peace Pole in front of the Burtt House (227 North Willard Way, Ithaca). This vigil will mark the 72nd anniversary of the United States' dropping the first nuclear bomb on Hiroshima on August 6, 1945, and dropping the second nuclear bomb on Nagasaki, Japan on August 9, 1945. This is a vigil of mindfulness and remembrance of the thousands of persons who were killed 72 years ago at the instant of the blasts, and of those who suffered and died from their injuries. All are welcome.

If there are questions, please contact Elizabeth Schneider, Peace and Social Justice Committee, 273-3566, or at Neschneid@aol.com.

Women's Fellowship Friday, August 11, 7p

Join for casual conversation, no agenda, with or without knitting. We will be at Ten Forward, a vegan cafe above Autumn Leaves bookstore on the Commons. There is plenty of room!

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business Sunday, August 13, Rise of Meeting

Join the Quaker decision-making process. Proposed agenda items should be sent to our clerk, John Lewis, by the preceding Monday.

Meeting for Healing Wednesday, August 23, 5:45p

All are welcome to a Meeting for Healing at 5:45 at the Friends Center for Racial Justice at the Burtt House, 227 North Willard Way in Ithaca. It's difficult to describe what happens in Meeting for Healing, and each one is different. They resemble Meetings for Worship, but smaller, and the messages ask for or offer some sort of healing. It's also an occasion for Friends to appreciate each others' gifts and struggles in a different kind of spiritual setting. Dreia Spies can provide more information.

Lynn Grove's Memorial Meeting Saturday, August 26, 4p

Long-time Friend Lynn Grove passed away on May 25, 2017. This Memorial Meeting for worship will be in the Third Street Meetinghouse.

Dish-to-Pass Brunch Sunday, August 27, Rise of Meeting

Bring something tasty to share if you can. All are welcome.

Newsletter submissions due Thursday, August 31, 5p

Please provide your newsletter contributions to Marin Clarkberg: 150 Giles St., 14850, 607-279-4722, clarkberg@cornell.edu.

Coming in September: ARCH Social

ARCH (Aging, Resources, Consultation and Help) will hold its social for elders on Saturday, September 9th from 2-4pm. Remember childhood days when you whiled away hours with coloring or other fun and relaxing pastimes? Come and indulge in some nostalgia with adult coloring. If you have another similar pastime to offer, bring it to share. We will have refreshments and reminisce about how we spent those long hours with friends.

On Sundays

- 10:00a **Meeting for Worship** at the Hector Meetinghouse
- 10:30a **Meeting for Worship** at the Third Street Meetinghouse
- 11:15a **Children in childcare** enter the meetingroom for inter-generational Meeting for Worship.

Other Weekly IMM Events

Mid-week Meeting at the Burtt House Wednesdays at 7:30p

The Burtt House is at 227 North Willard Way, Ithaca.