

FRIENDS MEETING AT CAMBRIDGE

Announcements — March 23, 2008

No pain, no palm; no thorns, no throne; no gall, no glory; no cross, no crown.

William Penn, 1682

Sunday March 23

9:30 a Forum: *Childhood Remembrances of Easter*
—Thomas Patrick Ash

10:30 a Meeting for Worship

12:00 n Potluck Lunch

12:45 p Bereavement Group

5:00 p Meeting for Worship

Monday March 24

7:00 p Finance & Trustees Joint Meeting

7:00 p Quaker Tradition & Practice

7:15 p Membership Cmte

7:30 p Our Worship Experience

Tuesday March 25

5:30 p Prison Fellowship

7:00 p Regina Dawn Akers

Wednesday March 26

8:30 a Meeting for Worship

6:00 p Sharing Circle

7:00 p Dialog with Friends United Meeting

Sunday March 30

9:30 a Forum: *Can FMC be an Open and Affirming Meeting?*
—Friends for Racial Justice Cmte

1:15 p Adjourned Meeting for Worship for Business

5:00 p Meeting for Worship

7:00 p Advisory Cmte

Worship under care of Friends Meeting at Cambridge in other locations

Sundays at 10:00 South Shore Preparative Meeting, 86 Turkey Hill Lane, Hingham

Sundays at 10:30 Brookhaven Worship Group, 1010 Waltham Street, Lexington

Adjourned Meeting for Worship for Business

1:15 p Sunday March 30

All are welcome, newcomers and old-timers! We want to make childcare available so families can attend business meeting. If you think you will be attending please let Bruce Steiner know as soon as possible. 978-371-1233
bsteiner@alumni.princeton.edu

Two job openings working with young people

The part-time Youth Program Coordinator works with Junior and Senior High students. Duties include organizing social, service and worship activities, including weekend retreats, with youth and adults; ensuring compliance with the Meeting's policies on Child Abuse Prevention and Response and screening volunteers to work with teens and pre-teens; outreach and maintaining contact with Meeting youth; and participating in relevant committee meetings and other activities.

The part-time First Day School Assistant purchases and organizes supplies and snacks for the First Day School classes, and assists with special events like the Christmas Pageant and Art Show.

These two positions may be combined. For complete job descriptions contact 617-666-8814 erodley@mos.org
rgrunko@yahoo.com

Center Resident Job Opening

FMC has an opening for one of our live-in Center Resident positions. It involves 10-15 hours of work per week, including general housekeeping, yard work, and hosting for groups using the facilities. Applications should include a cover letter, a resume, and three. John Field 617-354-3383
fmcfacility@iecc.com

From Susan Furry:

Eight years ago, God greatly blessed me by bringing me here to work for Friends Meeting at Cambridge. These years have been rich with challenges, accomplishments, learning, and much love. But now the time has arrived for me to retire from this job in order to have time and energy for other forms of ministry to which God has been calling me. I wish I could fully express my loving gratitude to the wonderful Friends of Cambridge Meeting, for support in my work and for personal support and help when I have needed it. It has been a privilege to participate in the life of this meeting and in its witness to the world.

Secretarial Job Openings

We are seeking a part-time person to work in the office on a temporary basis, until a new Secretary is hired. Contact Susan Furry 617-876-688- fmcQuaker@iecc.com

Personnel Committee has begun work on a search for a new Secretary. Watch for more specific information soon.

Compost Collection

Sunday March 23

After the potluck lunch today, Ellie Kobek has organized collection of food waste and food-soiled paper products for delivery to Cambridge DPW.

Window on Energy Savings

Up to 25 percent of a home's energy loss takes place through its windows curtains. By attending to the draperies on your windows, you can add some part-time insulation to your home and save a bit more on energy use. Close the curtains to make your house warmer on cold days and cooler on hot ones. For more insulation, try "thermal-backed" curtains. (from CQEW)

PARKING: On Sundays, please reserve the Meeting House lot and driveway for people with limited mobility. Thank you.

Intervisitation Among Friends March 30, April 6 & 12

Experience Quaker worship and how Quaker faith works in the lives of individuals who worship in three settings in New England: North Shore Meeting (unprogrammed), Smithfield Meeting (programmed), and Iglesia Evangelica Amigos (evangelical; translation provided). The group will meet and carpool to the each location. Tuition \$40

Please note! If you are interested in this course, sign up right away! Registration is low, and the course may have to be cancelled unless more people sign up. Registration forms in holders under office bulletin board www.bhfh.org

Piano Bench

Several young folks are taking lessons on the piano in the Friends Room. Alas, we have no bench. If you have one to lend contact Rachel Goodwin 617-288-3697

Their Voices Will Be Heard

Pieces 3 p Sunday March 30

The Youth Program Cmte organized a visit yesterday to the New Repertory Theater in Watertown to see *My Name is Rachel Corrie*, about a young woman who was killed attempting to stop an Israeli bulldozer from demolishing a civilian home in the Gaza Strip, and next Sunday will go to see *Pieces*, an autobiographical account of a young woman's two years in the Israeli army. The performances both plays are followed by a post-show talkback with the actress and a member of the artistic staff of New Repertory Theatre. The Theater is also presenting "Their Voices Will be Heard: Artist Responses to the Israeli-Palestinian Situation," a series of staged readings, panel discussions, films, and an exhibit related to the two plays. To reserve tickets or inquire, contact Priscilla Ewen, 617-513-2981, priscilla.ewen@gmail.com We need to know as soon as possible who is planning to attend. www.newrep.org

Bereavement Group 12:45 p Sunday March 23

The bereavement group is a small drop-in group where participants can openly share grief and other feelings of loss regardless of whether recent or longstanding. George Campbell 617-527-8169 Mary Hopkins 617-389-2566

Quaker Tradition And Practice 7 to 9 p March 24, 31; April 7, 14

We will explore how Quaker history, belief, practice, and witness have evolved over the past 3½ centuries. This is an opportunity for everyone in the FMC comReadings are suggested but not required. Contact Tom Ash to register. 617-876-1868 fmcResident@iecc.com

Regina Dawn Akers 7 p Tuesday March 25

The Saturday morning A Course in Miracles group invites Friends to meet our guest and dear friend Regina Dawn Akers. Inspired by Peace Pilgrim and ACIM, she gave up her place in the corporate world to scribe the book *The Holy Spirit's Interpretation of the New Testament*, soon to be published. She will speak from this experience.

Friends United Meeting 7 p Weds March 26

Ministry and Counsel is sponsoring a visit from Sylvia Graves, General Secretary of Friends United Meeting, who will speak of the historical context for FUM, its spirit-filled ministry, and explore the challenges and complexities of the FUM personnel policy

FGC Gathering registration starts March 27

This year New England Friends are well-represented in the Gathering program. On Friday FMC's Mary Gilbert will speak on Freshwater Faithfulness. Peterson Toscano speaks Thursday, and Benigno Sánchez-Eppler will lead the daily Bible half hour. The Gathering will be in Johnston PA June 28 to July 5. Online and mail registration begin soon. www.fgcquaker.org/gathering

Spring Garden Cleanup Day Sunday April 6

Come help celebrate spring, express appreciation for our lovely environment, and contribute to our green composting by joining other families in our spring cleanup at rise of Meeting. If you bring your own rake, that will leave the Meeting rakes for others to use at the same time. If the weather is inclement on April 6, we will do the best we can the following week between rise of Meeting and Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.

Risk Reduction Training 12:30 p Sunday April 6

Come and learn about FMC's Child Abuse Risk Reduction Policy, practices, Massachusetts mandated reporter law, and risk reduction principles. Childcare and light lunch will be provided. RSVP to Rebecca Grunko 617-666-8814 or rgrunko@yahoo.com

If I lived as if resurrection were real
and allowed myself to die for the sake of new life,
what might I be called upon to do?
What strange and difficult tasks might be laid upon me,
what comforts taken away?

—Parker Palmer, 1990

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