

# Yearly Meeting News

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Wednesday

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## WEDNESDAY EVENTS

- 6:30–7am — **Early Morning Worship** [see WORSHIP]  
8:30am — **Bible Half-Hour** [see WORSHIP] (*Janikies*)  
9:15am — **Meeting for Worship for Business** (*Janikies*)  
11am–6pm — **Bookstore Open** (232–244, 250)  
Lunch — **Nonviolent Peaceforce (NP)** ~ We will meet to talk about NP. (*under the tent, weather permitting*)  
Lunch — **YAFs are alive and well in YOUR meeting!** For YAFs, YFs, and OAFs interested in YAF/YF programming and outreach on the MM level. Especially for those currently engaged in “YAF herding”! Come for inspiration and to share ideas. (*under the tent*)  
Lunch — **Christ-Centered Friends Gathering** (*under the tent*)  
1:30–3pm — **Anchor Groups** (*Location on back of nametag*)  
3:15pm — **Committee Fair, Day 2** (*Rotunda*)  
4:15pm — **Committee Clerks Orientation** ~ New clerks, old clerks, and interested Friends are invited to this clerks’ orientation by the YM office Wed. We will answer questions and go over the committee calendar, deadlines, processes, and office services. (*BC Nick’s Place*)  
4:15pm — **Friends Business Oversight Committee** ~ A possible response to the Friends Home collapse, to massive unemployment, and to a desire for good corporate citizenship. (*M36*)  
4:15pm — **New England Friends Schools Panel Discussion** ~ Representatives of the Friends schools in New England join Matt Glendinning, Head of Moses Brown School, to discuss the theme of Sessions as it relates to their schools. (*347*)  
4:15pm — **FGC Gathering 2012** ~ Might you be a workshop leader at the FGC Gathering next summer? Gathering workshops are unique opportunities for extended ministry to/with Friends. Find out more! (*M38*)  
4:15pm — **Earlham School of Religion** ~ Steve Angell will meet with anyone interested in finding out more about Earlham School of Religion or Earlham College. (*M37*)  
4:15pm — **Parents of Teens: A Conversation** ~ Gather to reflect on issues arising among us on parenting Quaker teens. How can the NEYM be of service to you? (*Townhouse L-2*)  
4:15pm — **Worship-Sharing on Faith and Activism** ~ With Steve Chase. (*382*)  
4:15pm — **Meeting for Healing with John Calvi** ~ After a brief introduction to laying on of hands, we will have a meeting for healing where anyone can receive from the community gathered. (*M4*)  
4:15pm — **Female in Palestine: A Photo Exhibit** ~ Women and girls attempting to live normal, free lives in the occupied territories of Palestine. (*Rotunda mezzanine*)

- 4:15pm — **M&C Open Meeting to Hear Concerns** (*342*)  
4:15pm — **Susan Stark Concert/Sharing** ~ After many years away, Susan Stark is back visiting and sharing her newest album, *Connected at the Heart*. This and previous albums are available in the bookstore. As always, concert will be part sing-along. Come immerse yourselves in the music! (*Janikies*)  
4:30pm — **Prayer Room for Mourning to End Racism in Our Religious Society** (*350*)  
Dinner — **Intentional Quaker Community** ~ Discussion for those interested in exploring New Hampshire community based on Quaker values. (*under tent*)  
6pm **Bookstore Closes** (see details under announcements)  
6pm — **Daily Twelve-Step Meeting** (*354*)  
6:15pm — **Vespers: Singing for all ages** (*outside Rotunda*)  
7pm — **Meeting for Worship for Business** (*Janikies*)  
8pm — **Coffee House** (*Salmanson Dining Hall*)

## THURSDAY EVENTS

- 6:30–7am — **Early Morning Worship** [see WORSHIP]  
8:30am — **Bible Half-Hour** [see WORSHIP] (*Janikies*)  
11am — **Closing Worship** (all ages)
  - Reading of Epistles from Sessions programs
  - Presentation of Statistics12:00–1pm — **Lunch** (*Salmanson Dining Hall*)  
1:30pm — **Permanent Board** (*347*)  
2pm — **Check-out ends** ~ Drop keys in box at Info Desk in Rotunda or Hall 16 Lobby. *See you at NEYM August 4–9, 2012.*

## WORSHIP

- Early AM Worship — Wed–Thurs 6:30–7:15am**  
**Outdoor Worship** (*outside Bryant Center ~ if rain, 251*)  
**Worship for Healing** (*250 Note: this is a revised location*)  
**Bible Half-Hour — Wed–Thurs 8:30am**  
Maggie Edmondson, pastor of Winthrop Center (ME) Friends Church, will give the Bible Half-Hour. (*Janikies*)  
**Grace at Meals — 7:30am, 12:15pm, & 6:15pm**  
Friends will raise hands as a signal to join in prayer for grace.  
**Vespers — 6:15–6:45pm** ~ Intergenerational Worship (*outside Bello Center, inside if rain*)  
**Quiet Worship Space**  
Wed & Thurs, 8:30am–10pm, *except during Anchor Groups.* (*Interfaith Chapel*)

Thank You, Thank You, Thank You, Volunteers for all your help to make YM 2011 so successful!

See you next year ~ 2012 NEYM Sessions August 4–9

This is the last issue of the YM News — Keep in touch with NEYM at [neym.org](http://neym.org)

## ACCESS RESOURCES INFORMATION

*Access Resources, Jana Noyes–Dakota and Barbara Dakota, Coordinators. Volunteer or request assistance at the Info Desk*

**Volunteers STILL needed to carry luggage & trays and drive shuttles** (adult w/driver's license) **Contact:** Barbara Dakota, Shuttle Coordinator, at the Info Desk.

**Golf Cart Shuttles:** for mobility-challenged folks  
7–8am & 4:30–5:30pm: dorms to Unistructure  
12:30–1:30pm & 8:45–9:45pm: Unistructure to dorms

**Special Dietary Needs:** Food Allergies forms available at Registration/Info Desk. Ask dining staff for your meal at each meal.

**NO RUNNING Zone:** in the cafeteria and other high-traffic areas! Please be careful not to bump into Friends. All of us should remind Friends who forget.

**Special Needs Childcare** is available. Parents, please sign up at the Info Desk indicating the times that you hope to have care.

### STAFF AVAILABILITY

#### NEYM Office at Sessions

Jeffrey Hipp and Priscilla Ewen

Hall 16 Suite 307 ..... 508-754-6760 –or– x8860

Wed ..... 1–5:30pm

#### On-Site Sessions Coordinator, Richard Frechette

Contact through NEYM Office or Info Desk ..... x8860

**Information Desk** is staffed by volunteers during meals and major transition times.

Wed–Thurs, in the Rotunda ..... x6996

**Registrar, Laurel Brill Swan, Hall 16 Suite 308** x5709

**Housing Coordinator, Josiah Erikson, Hall 16 Suite 308**

Check-in and report room & key problems to college staff:

Wed ..... 9:30–10:30am, 4:15–5:15pm

**Early Check-Out,** Simply drop your key in the box at the Info Desk or the Lobby of Hall 16. Leave linens bundled on your bed. It's that simple!

Sessions documents available at [sessions.neym.org](http://sessions.neym.org)

## FACILITIES & SERVICES

**Hang on to your Keys!** Lost keys, \$30 each; FOBs, \$10 each.

**First Aid & Medical Emergencies** First-aid kit, hospital info available at Info Desk. In emergency, call Bryant Public Safety 401-232-6911. **Life-or-Death: dial 9 then 911.**

**Handicap Parking** on campus is for State or Bryant issued **official permits** only! Other cars **will be towed!** To get a permit for Sessions ask at the Info Desk.

**RI Fire Code** requires all doors with panic bars be kept closed. Please do not prop open those doors.

For **Unistructure Handicap Parking** go though the big parking lot and around behind Chase Athletic Center.

**Lost & Found** is located at the NEYM Info Desk.

### BRYANT TELEPHONE INFORMATION

On campus, dial the last four digits only. All rooms have one phone. A printed sheet of instructions is posted nearby.

Bryant Conference Office ..... x6921

Campus Security/Emergency ..... x6911

Campus Security/Emergency (cell) ..... 401-232-6911

**Life-or-Death** ..... dial 9 then 911

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

**Revised Nominations** for NEYM appointments are now posted outside Janikies.

**350 Years!** An Illustrated History of NEYM on view in (250)

**JYM Wheels Rules ~ State Law Requires Helmets!** No riding down stairs, near doors. Slow down or stop near walkers. Be especially careful riding downhill, after dark. **Wheels Parking** at Unistructure, same doorway as in past years, despite current construction. Please DO NOT park wheels at other entrances.

**Commuter Meals ~ Cash ONLY** Prices: Breakfast \$9 adult/\$6 child; Lunch \$11 adult/\$7 child; Dinner \$14 adult/\$10 child. (ATM in unistructure)

**Fragrance Free ~** Please use only fragrance free products.

**A Bell Will Ring ~** 5 minutes before the end of each Session, reminding us of pick-up time for children.

**The Women's Center ~** open 8am to late evening, *except during Anchor Groups.* (BC 2C)

**Friends of Color Center ~** open daily, *except during Anchor Groups.* (350)

**Games and Puzzles ~** (Rotunda Mezzanine)

**2011 Pool Schedule ~** Wed: 2–5pm; Adult Lap Swim, Wed–Thurs: 7–7:45am

**Message Boards ~** near the Info Desk. Please visit regularly.

**Volunteers ~** STILL needed to carry trays at breakfast and dinner. Pick up a vest at the Info Desk. Contact Betty Poyton with ?s.

**Walk the Labyrinth ~** enjoy this walking prayer-filled meditation. **Please, no running.** (beyond the dining tent)

**Names of Absent Friends ~** collected at the Info Desk where postcards to each of these Friends will be available for notes.

**Adult Nap Room ~** The nap room is here to help Friends who need some shut-eye! *Open except during Anchor Groups* (279)

**Children's Book Lending Library ~** Please return all books by 9pm Wednesday to the JYM Children's Library Books. (M4)

**Historical Display ~** Outside the Bello Center library.

**M&C Listeners** are available to you; contact the Info Desk.

**Late Breaking News ~** The Development Police absconded with \$2,500 in their hats at Tues morning's business meeting. Thank you! Please keep your dollars coming and we can and will achieve the budgeted \$117,000 in individual donations.

**Classroom Chairs ~** Please do not take classroom chairs outside.

**New England Friends Home Staff Fund ~** The Home Committee is accepting contributions for the 18 staff who will be laid off with the closing of the Home. Please send contributions to NEFH Staff Fund, 86 Turkey Hill Ln., Hingham, MA 02043.

**The Bookstores close at 6pm Wed ~** No sales after that. Pick up consignment items by 9:15 tonight unless you've made arrangements with Sandy Moyer. Thanks to the many volunteers who will help pack the books, those who set up the bookstore, checked in consignments, unpacked books, ran the cash registers and kept the bookstores straightened up.

**FUM Fact ~** The FUM Board recently noted it lacked unity to approve the section of the employee personnel policy that prohibits sex outside of marriage between a woman and a man. (The policy remains in effect, though, as the Board did approve it in 1988.)

*Rooms are in Unistructure unless otherwise noted.  
M=Management Resource Ctr; BC= Bryant Ctr (2<sup>nd</sup> Floor Only)*