Reading Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends September 2023 Notes and Calendar

RMM September Calendar

Thursday, September 14 The Investment subcommittee of Trustees will meet via Zoom at 7pm to discuss the concerns about the meeting holding investments with Vanguard. This is an open discussion. All members are welcome. Please contact Jim Lamborn if you need the Zoom link.

Saturday, September 16, 1—4pm The 6th Street Meeting House will be open for Reading's Historic House Tour. See the Autumn newsletter at our website for details.

Tuesday, September 19, 6:30-8PM. Zooming with the Spirit (formerly known as Exploring our Beliefs). The topic will be Simplicity. Contact: Roger Lawn

First Day, October 1 World Quaker Day Meeting for Worship followed by the first potluck of Autumn.

We will welcome our new member, Becky Little and two associate members, her children Lucas and Amelia Little.

First Day, October 8 First Day Meeting for Worship will be followed at 11:30am with Meeting for Business

Notes from September 10 Meeting for Business

About twenty Friends gathered at the 6th Street Meeting House and via Zoom to consider a variety of issues.

Trustees seek a new way to manage our parking lot. After many years of service, Taylor Lamborn is stepping down from this position. Roger Lawn, clerk, suggests we install a gate like Trinity Lutheran uses for their parking lot. The meeting approved looking into the cost of a gate but specified that no money be spent.

Every Monday, Taylor spends about an hour picking up trash around the property. Trustees need someone or a new system to assume this responsibility. Friends suggested forming a committee to consider how best to get this done.

The Meeting accepted with enthusiasm the request from Becky Little and her children for membership in our meeting.

Chris Field announced that she believes she has found someone we can hire for child care on Sunday mornings. The candidate has experience in early childhood education and she has clearances. The Meeting approved going forward with this plan.

Bonnie Knutsen described a new plan for communications. She and Heather Ehrlich will prepare a seasonal newsletter 4 times a year and email news with a calendar after each Meeting for Business. The Meeting approved this schedule.

There are many opportunities for participating in the spiritual life of the Meeting. If you would like to present Opening Exercises on Sunday mornings, contact Chris Field. If you are interested in forming a Worship Sharing Group or a Sunday morning study group, contact Chris Field or Michele Uhrich.

Our 12 new trees planted at Maiden Creek are "happy and fine" according to cemetery superintendent, John Loomis. Friends suggest that we name them after the 12 apostles. John said we do have two named trees, Jack and Betty.

Roger Lawn will recycle your Styrofoam. Bring it to the kitchen. Be sure small pieces are in a clear plastic bag. Bags are available in the kitchen drawer if you need one.

We will meet again on First Day October 8.
- Bonnie Knutsen, notetaker