



# PRISM

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The Religious Society of Friends, Poplar Ridge

**JULY 2017**

Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
						1 9:00am King Ferry Food Pantry
2 10:00am Meeting for Worship - A.T. Miller	3 7:30pm Meditation Group @ Nelson's	4 Independence Day  7:00pm Youth Commitee Meeting @ Lockhart's	5	6	7	8
9 10:00am Meeting for Worship - Rebecca Shillenback	10	11 7:30pm Ministry & Counsel @ Otis'	12	13 7:00pm Mid- week Worship @ sammond's	14 6:15pm The Cayuga Prison Worship Group	15 9:00am King Ferry Food Pantry  7:00pm Merrifield Concert - Mike Agranoff
16 10:00am Meeting for Worship - Jane Thickston  11:30am Monthly Meeting for Business	17	18 7:15pm Women's Spiritual Nurture @ Otis'	19 7:30pm Quaker Worship in Spanish	20	21	22
23 10:00am Meeting for Worship (unprogrammed)	24	25 7:30pm Men's Spiritual Nurture Group	26 Deadline for PRISM submissions	27 7:00pm Mid- week Worship @ Berggren- Thomas's	28 6:15pm The Cayuga Prison Worship Group	29
30 10:00am Meeting for Worship - Queries	31					

Birthdays: 2<sup>nd</sup> Phineas Temelko-Post; 5<sup>th</sup> Scott Lockhart; 12<sup>th</sup> Carl McCaffery; 14<sup>th</sup> Sigrid Mortensen, Piper Emily Green; 18<sup>th</sup> Brenda Rose Simkin; 19<sup>th</sup> Zachary Nelson; 23<sup>rd</sup> Bill Fairhurst, Erika Richter; 26<sup>th</sup> Silas Warren-MacCormick, Jeffrey Layton; 28<sup>th</sup> Dillwyn Otis; 29<sup>th</sup> Marilyn Brice; 31<sup>st</sup> Charles Weld

Anniversaries: 8<sup>th</sup> Dillwyn and Sally Otis

For more information about calendar events, check the PRISM or contact [pr.prism@gmail.com](mailto:pr.prism@gmail.com)

## **POPLAR RIDGE MONTHLY MEETING FOR BUSINESS MINUTES FOR JUNE 2017**

No meeting was held in June 2017.

### **LIBRARY NEWS**

The library committee has removed some titles from the social justice section of the library. You are encouraged to take a look at them to see if a book has special meaning for you or the Meeting. If you are attached to any of the books we will return it to the shelf.

### **REMEMBRANCE COMMITTEE**

The remembrance committee is looking forward to sending birthday greetings to all participants in our meeting. They will be using the information in our directory. If your birthday or contact information is not in the directory and you would like to get a birthday card, send your birthday and address to Karen Simkin at 2233 Moonshine Rd, Aurora, NY 13026, call 315-364-8674 or email [klsnl22@gmail.com](mailto:klsnl22@gmail.com).

The committee would also like to be made aware of people who could receive a note for any other reason (get well, sympathy, special day, or just to cheer a day). Feel free to let them know if you are aware of a good excuse to send a note to someone. Donated cards and postage are always welcome.

### **50<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY FOR SALLY & DILL**

Congratulations to Sally and Dill Otis on their 50<sup>th</sup> wedding anniversary on July 8<sup>th</sup>, 2017.

### **MERRIFIELD CONCERT**

On Saturday, July 15th, A.T. Miller and Craig Kukuk will be hosting a concert at their home featuring Mike Agranoff, an accomplished and fun-loving veteran of the folk music world and great performing singer-songfinder, as he calls himself. Mike takes great delight in discovering the little-known hidden gems, polishing them with his own distinctive style, and bringing them to the light of day where they sparkle. The man will capture your attention, and then your heart. He's been on the scene for many, many years, listening to the fine details of what makes this genre of music so special to the soul, so able to make us laugh and cry and think. Have a listen at [www.mikeagranoff.com](http://www.mikeagranoff.com) and then plan to bring family, friends, or just yourself to 2345 Center

Road, Scipio Center, NY 13147, the cobblestone house at the corner of Center and Black, with parking along Black Street. Feel free to come early and enjoy the garden, and then to sit in community for music and among each other for a long interactive intermission with coffee and tea, and then a bit more music in a friendly, intimate setting. They start at 7pm so that it all does not go too late, but certainly feel free to linger. \$15 is collected at the door to support the artist.

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

### **TOMATO SOUP – A POEM**

We were like tomato soup and grilled cheese. It's simple, and easy, and everyone knows how to do it, but not everyone gets it right. Sometimes they burn the edges, or maybe by the time one is cooked, the other is cold and you have to try again. But they go together, in the end. They make sense. It's reliable, tomato soup and grilled cheese. You can have a thousand fancy dinners, with wine and caviar. Whisper sweet nothings in the darkness of a bar. Fleeting, flaky meals are these. But I guarantee, when you think of me, it'll be tomato soup and grilled cheese. And oh, how happy that makes me.

--Arianna Abrams, Jul 2015



## NYYM QUAKER SOCIAL WITNESS

Welcome to a section dedicated to New York Yearly Meeting's religious witness on social concerns. From this hub, you can go to:

- [Actions We Have Taken](#)—public stands that New York Yearly Meeting has taken on matters of social concern, known as "minutes of conscience."
- *Let Your Life Speak*—an introduction to:
  - the ways that our faith informs our social activism;
  - our collective stands on certain concerns—the Quaker "testimonies"—to which Friends believe God has consistently led us; and
  - resources on leadings, ministry, witness life, and the testimonies.
- [section under development]
- [Witness committees](#) of New York Yearly Meeting
- [Quaker social witness concerns](#)—a hub for:
  - concerns for which Friends have historical testimonies and for which New York Yearly Meeting has established social witness ministries, and
  - concerns under discernment—issues on which the Yearly Meeting is currently seeking greater clarity.
- [The Sharing Fund](#)—how we support our social witness financially.
- [Social Witness Resources](#)—links to resources on various aspects of social witness and activism
- [Other Quaker witness-oriented organizations.](#)
- [section under development]

### *Witness Committees of NYYM*

- [Witness Coordinating Committee](#)
- [Alternatives to Violence Project Committee](#)
- American Friends Service Committee
- Committee for the Barrington Dunbar Fund for Black Development
- [Friends Committee for Black Concerns](#)
- Bolivian Quaker Education Fund
- Committee for Conscientious Objection to Paying for War
- [Earthcare Working Group](#)
- [European American Quakers Working to End Racism \(EAQWER\) Working Group](#)
- Friends Committee on National Legislation
- Friends Peace Teams
- [Indian Affairs Committee](#)
- National Campaign for a Peace Tax Fund
- National Religious Campaign Against Torture
- Prisons Committee
- Quaker Earthcare Witness
- William Penn House
- [Committee on World Ministries](#)

-- <http://www.nyym.org/?q=SocialWitness>



Bayard Rustin

Contact Joanne Rogers (315-673-7061, 607-345-8468 cell, [SCL42carryu@gmail.com](mailto:SCL42carryu@gmail.com), or [SCL42carry.com](http://SCL42carry.com)) for help with transportation.

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

### **POPLAR RIDGE FRIENDS MEETING**

Clerk – Andy Simkin  
Assistant Clerk – Hannah Richter  
Treasurer – Jeff Layton  
Musicians – Claire Howard, Jeff Layton, Cathy Mullarney  
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 is a youth centered service. 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 1<sup>st</sup> day messages. Visit us on Facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/poplarridgefriendsny>.

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