

# Adelphi Friends Meeting *All are Welcome* 7/22/07

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## Meetings for Worship at Adelphi:

Every Sunday 10:00 AM

1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday 9:00-9:40 AM

2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday Outdoor Worship 9:00-9:40 AM

Singing: 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup>, 4<sup>th</sup>, 5<sup>th</sup> Sunday, 9:40-10:00 AM /3<sup>rd</sup> Sunday, 9:00-10:00 AM

Business Mtg 2<sup>nd</sup> Sunday, at rise of meeting, childcare available

Potluck: 4<sup>th</sup> Sunday, at rise of meeting

Contributions: Please place in box in the foyer, or give to Melanie Gifford, 4216 Sheridan St., University Park, MD 20783

Information for newcomers/visitors: at rise of meeting in library of the building next to Meeting House by Outreach Committee Assisted Listening Device is available. *Please ask greeter for a headset.*

To receive electronic Announcements & Newsletter: [Mailinglist@adelphifriends.org](mailto:Mailinglist@adelphifriends.org)

Silent Announcements: Contact: Beth Anderson, 301-474-0559 or [afm-silent-ann@earthlink.net](mailto:afm-silent-ann@earthlink.net),

Deadline: Thursday evening. Newsletter: Contact: Ann Marlowe, [afm-newsletter@earthlink.net](mailto:afm-newsletter@earthlink.net).

Deadline: Last Sunday of the month.

To Schedule an event at Adelphi: Contact: John Wolfrum, Resident, (cell phone: 571-220-5115 or email: [rumwolf@gmail.com](mailto:rumwolf@gmail.com)) with date, time, expected attendance & contact person & telephone number.

To Schedule a Second Hour: Contact: Carole Hoage, 301 890 4159.

Pastoral Care Committee: Please feel free to call any member of the committee: Robalee Chapin at 301.565.4636 & Karen O'Brien at 301.588.3287 (co-clerks); Maggie Cahalan at 301.441.8973; Chase Clement at 301.270.3862; Rob Duncan at 301.277. 2426; Somers Knight at 301.585.3420; Rob Oerter at 301.982.5610; Wendy Oliver at 301.270.0850.

Meetings for Worship at Takoma Preparative every Sunday, 10:30 AM, at **Sangha, 7014 Westmoreland Avenue, Takoma Park**

## SILENT ANNOUNCEMENTS

**July 22, 2007**

## UPCOMING EVENTS AT ADELPHI FRIENDS

**Just 2 more Sundays OPEN!** Please volunteer to lead one of our summer classes on the theme of "Friendly Gifts". We need enthusiastic adult volunteers to help lead our combined 1<sup>st</sup> thru 12<sup>th</sup> grades from 10:20 to 11:30 am. You will be assisted by an RE committee member, who also brings a snack for the class. For our theme "Friendly Gifts" we invite you to share with the children your special gift, skill, or interest, such as cooking gardening, dancing, crafts, knitting, science, social action, etc. Bring your gifts for all to enjoy! This is a great opportunity to try out leading a class if you are considering helping teach First Day School this Fall. Sign up on the colorful chart in the foyer. Please contact a member of the RE committee if you have any questions. RE committee members are: Lynn Brown, Beth Anderson, April Downs, June Confer, Pat Nutter, Angela Toda, Stephanie Bean.

**Saturday September 8: 9am to 1 pm: RE Teacher Retreat. MARK YOUR CALENDAR!**

**Sunday September 9: Opening Day for the Religious Education Classes**

**Sunday September 23rd: Adelphi's first NO-GUILT, LOCAL FOODS POTLUCK** after Meeting for Worship! Outreach & Fellowship and Quaker Earthcare Witness are challenging us to bring to potluck in September dishes that contain at least one local food. For example, this could be a dish

containing some basil from your garden, vegetables or fruit from a farmer's market or CSA (or even from Giant Food's local food section), or chicken/meat/eggs/cheese from local farms. We want this to be a fun challenge, and hope that families can involve children in the planning and cooking. If you have any questions, please direct them to a member of either committee. Members of Quaker Earthcare Witness will be practicing their local food culinary skills when they bring dishes to potluck in July and August. Feel free to practice with them! We will record on a chart the foods that are products of our area.

## **JOYS AND CONCERNS**

### **COMMUNICATIONS WITHIN THE COMMUNITY**

**Friendly Reminder:** The RE Committee would like to remind parents of preschoolers and the preschool teaching team that **we need one adult volunteer to sign up to assist in the preschool class** each summer Sunday from August 5 through September 2. Cheryl Fox is leading the class and one additional volunteer who already knows the children in this class is needed weekly to provide appropriate coverage. Please use the sign up sheet on the preschool classroom door. Thank you!

**Wanted! A ride to BYM on the afternoon or evening of Friday, August 3.** I live near the Takoma Metro, and can help with paying for gas, driving, and I can make you delicious gratitude cookies (if desired). Contact Laura Gleason, (301) 509-2523, [mitzi33@aol.com](mailto:mitzi33@aol.com) Thanks in advance.

**Are you interested in exploring what spirituality is?** Do you want to know more about how an individual can cultivate spirituality in daily life? You are welcome to join the newly formed yahoo group. Just send an email to: [afm\\_spiritual\\_exploration-subscribe@yahoogroups.com](mailto:afm_spiritual_exploration-subscribe@yahoogroups.com) By joining this listserve, you can offer your thoughts as to what you are looking for in this group. We expect to meet monthly as a "large group" and rotate leadership for these monthly meetings among ourselves. We will also form small groups (of 4 or 5 people) which will meet monthly to discuss their daily spiritual practice. If you have questions or want more information about the spiritual exploration group, email Melanie Gifford <[giffordem@verizon.net](mailto:giffordem@verizon.net)> An opening retreat is planned for Saturday September 15 (from 10 am to 4pm). Please email Beth Anderson ([BethLAnderson@yahoo.com](mailto:BethLAnderson@yahoo.com)) if you would like to attend this retreat.

**Additional Families Needed for Co-operative Summer day camp:** How would you like to have your child(ren) cared for at no cost for 4 days, and you invest one day of care? The Wolfrum and Newheart families are planning to join forces for the two weeks from July 23 to August 3 and the two weeks of August 20 to 31. This was a big hit last year and we are looking to share summer care again this year. Contact John Wolfrum or the Newhearts if you are interested.

**An amendment in Congress to remove funding from the "School of the Americas" (SOA),** where the U.S. trains elite Latin American military officers, failed by a narrow margin of 203-214 on June 21. Six Congressmen from Maryland -- including our local Members Al Wynn, Steny Hoyer, and Chris Van Hollen -- voted to close the School. Eleanor Holmes Norton, who is currently granted a vote on amendments, also voted to close the SOA. The "SOA Accomplices" who voted to keep the School open included Jack Murtha, James Clyburn, and two Marylanders, Dutch Ruppersberger (a Democrat from suburban Baltimore) and Roscoe Bartlett (a Republican from the northern counties of Maryland).

The SOA increasingly focuses on training the Colombian military, which is responsible for repeated massacres of labor leaders and peace communities. Argentina, Venezuela, Uruguay, and Costa Rica no longer send personnel to the SOA for training because of the School's anti-democratic past and present. If you wish to push for closing the School (which is now called the Western Hemisphere Institute for Security Cooperation), contact your friends in the districts of Ruppersberger, Bartlett, and

other SOA Accomplices, and encourage them to contact those Members and the candidates running against them in 2008. Contact John Stith at 301-486-4504 if you would like to help build a group to visit your Member of Congress's office about the SOA.

**Peace and Social Concerns Committee is beginning a monthly event called Preparation for Worship**, intended to help us become more aware of the amazing spiritual lives and experiences of those in our community, as we all wrestle with peace and social concerns in our lives, our work, and our spiritual growth. On the third First Day of each month, we will gather in silence in the basement of the White House at 9:30am. For each Preparation for Worship, there will be one invited speaker. The committee particularly welcomes sharings that address our theme this year of "Living Peace", but we remain open to any speaker's leadings in this sharing. All present will hold that person in the Light and listen (it is not a discussion group!). If anyone feels led to be a speaker at any upcoming Preparation for Worship, please contact Matty Lau or Stephen Schwenke, or anyone on the committee, so that this can be scheduled.

**Peace and Social Concerns Committee, with the support of Library Committee, is establishing a special Peace Library section in the Meeting's library**, as a resource for those interested in or engaged in peace and social concerns activities. Please contribute any appropriate books, DVDs, videos, or related material to help us establish this resource. Simply leave these materials in the library, with a slip of paper marked "Peace Library".

**Update on Students from the CAR (Central African Republic) :** Three of the four African students now have housing. For more information contact [evanne@us.ibm.com](mailto:evanne@us.ibm.com) (301926-8380). Donations for the students can be sent to Tom Hubers, 9301-B Wescott Place, Rockville, MD 20850 (Checks should be made to Friends of Jesus Church and a note that the check is for "African students' fund." The church is gathering resources to pay \$640 per month tuition for each student and for their books and maintenance.