



THIRD HAVEN FRIENDS MEETING

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"You do not read in all the Holy Scriptures, that any of the Holy men of God were Cambridge or Oxford Scholars, or University men, or called Masters; but they were plain men, and laboured with their hands, and taught freely, as they had received it freely from the Lord."

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Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business
Eleventh Day, Ninth Month, 2022

Opening Silent Worship – Clerk Molly Brian opened the meeting with a period of silent worship at 11:40 a.m.

Attending: (hybrid) 23 Gwen Beegle, Mia Brown Echerd, Larny Claggett, Susan Claggett, Tom Corl, Stephanie French, John Hawkinson, Marsie Hawkinson, Kristina Herold, Katherine Johnson, Larissa Kitenko, Marie Leonard, Connie Lewis, Steven Meixner, Cynthia Quast, Dee Rein, John Schreiner, Jonathan Slocum, Ben Tilghman, Paige Tilghman, Kevin Walsh, Jonathan Williams, Mary Yancey.

Comments on Ninth Query, Equality and Justice (read at Meeting for Worship)
Members were struck by the inclusivity of the statements but the ending might have included that of God in us and all of creation.
Pointed questions to parents were found to be positive also.

Approval of minutes from Sixth Month business meeting **Approved**

Clerk's Desk- Molly Brian

An all-clerks meeting might occur in Fall to check on activities and ideas for the nominating committee. Tentative date is Oct 8 9-11 a.m. Everyone is welcome.

End of fiscal year Treasurer's Report- Ben Tilghman Accepted

We closed Fiscal Year 2021-2022 in very comfortable shape. We achieved over 125% of budgeted income at \$89,793.28, while actual expenses were almost exactly 100% of budgeted at \$70,327.33. It should be noted, however, that a good portion of this

overage is due to donations given specifically for the Building/Planning fund, and will be segregated in future reports. Our budgeting needs some tightening up in that many individual categories showed significant overages or unders last fiscal year, although, happily, we proved quite accurate in the aggregate. The Treasurer will work with individual clerks of committees to bring their projections into better alignment with actual activity. Despite a rather unsettled economy, FY2021-2022 was a very good year for Third Haven. We enter the next fiscal year in a strong cash position, with adequate reserves for contingencies. Report spreadsheets may be seen at <http://www.thirdhaven.org>

Comments: Perhaps monthly donations would be useful. Any delivery of donations is appreciated, but the timing is not critical due to our savings of operating expenses. Donor Advised Funds might be something Friends could explore through a financial institution. Our sales tax exemption has been renewed.

Scholarship Annual Report - Marsie Hawkinson Accepted

For the past many years Third Haven has held Scholarship funds to encourage the further education of our members. This fund and committee were started and encouraged by Mark Beck and others. Over the years funds were specifically invested at Friends Fiduciary Association for this purpose by a number of people.

Our Current list of students is as follows:

Anna Sofia Neil – Senior -Georgetown University -	\$1,500.
Atticus Leibman – Junior - University of Maryland -	\$1,500.
Max McCall – Sophomore - Vanderbilt University -	\$1,500.
Zadoc Bond – Sophomore - Haverford College -	\$3,000.
Lucy Bond – Freshman - University of Maryland -	\$1,500.
TOTAL -	\$9,000.

Serena Claggett – graduated from Annapolis High School in May. She is taking a “Gap Year” with travels in Europe, but plans to begin at Lewis & Clark College a year from now.

Coming along are:

Maeve Mufson – 10th grade – St. Andrews

Molly McCall –

Liam Owsley-Ewing

Finley Owsley-Ewing

Riley Jane Owsley-Ewing

Funds at Friends Fiduciary Assn.

Operating Fund \$8,579.04

Endowment Fund \$141,622.44

Funds at Shore United Bank: \$3023.70 with a \$1500 outstanding check.

Friends - The world needs more Quakers even as we do here at Third Haven. We can start by encouraging children in this Meeting – First Day School. Make this a place they want to be every First Day and go on to be Peace seeking people in life. Susan and the

First Day School Committee put a lot of time and effort into this. But the whole Meeting needs to get behind them and encourage them.

This Committee is looking into summer camps which are run by Friends. There is a summer camp in Catoctin which has an affiliation with Baltimore Friends and at least one, possibly in New Jersey, which is connected with PYM. Growing our local summer camp is also a possibility to be discussed by the committee.

A letter from Sofia Neal was read.

Planning Committee Update- *Tom Corl*

After some delays, on Friday 9.2 at 10:00 am on Zoom, Ben Tilghman, Bill Lane, Steve Meixner and Tom Corl met with Joshua Kiehl and Christopher Miller of John Milner Architects (Chadds Ford, PA) and landscape architect Jonathan Ceci (Baltimore MD). Our purpose was to discuss Milner's revised proposal for a master plan letter of agreement and get a better understanding of the nature of the deliverables and the planning process. They showed us a number of drawings, elevations, site plans, floor plan and landscape designs from their previous work — to illustrate the character and quality of the deliverables that we should expect. We asked questions to get clarification and had a good discussion. Those of us who participated were satisfied. We felt reassured and comfortable with proceeding with the revised Milner master plan proposal letter.

The term of the Milner proposal offer was to expire before the PC can take the proposal to the 10.9 meeting for business for consideration and possible approval. So, the proposal, from Joshua Kiehl, was updated to 9.2.22, but is otherwise unchanged from the previous version. The PC will discuss this proposal and how to proceed. If the PC approves at their 9.21 Zoom meeting, the PC will present the proposal to the 10.9 meeting for business for consideration and possible approval by the Meeting.

Molly Brian and Tom Corl have arranged for a fundraising workshop to be held in the common room, at the rise of meeting for worship after hospitality, on First Day 9.18. Our guests and workshop presenters-facilitators will be Grace Sharples Cooke, formerly of PYM, who knows a great deal about fundraising in Quaker communities and capital campaigns, and knows Third Haven well; and Signe Wilkinson, who worked on the Chestnut Hill Friends Meeting meetinghouse renovation, including a James Turrell Sky Space.

The workshop will cover Fundraising in the manner of Friends, and Quaker experience in fundraising; Chestnut Hill Friends Meeting renovation and fundraising experience, and advice for developing the necessary fundraising organization, capacity and methods, for Third Haven to be successful in the capital campaign for the master plan, building program and land use improvements. All were encouraged to attend.

New Business

Testimonies and Concerns presented items for consideration:

Our Meetings contribution to Talbot Interfaith Shelter includes preparing a dinner on the 17th of every month through the facilitation of Sarah Sayre. T&C proposes that we use this commitment as an opportunity to build fellowship. We would like to ask Meeting members to consider volunteering to meet in the Common Room on the 17th of each

month at 4pm to bring food and cook a dinner to then be delivered to TIS. We will invite suggestions for what the meal should be each month and ask those volunteering to contribute the groceries. T&C can facilitate as the clearing house by posting a signup sheet on the refrigerator under the hospitality signup sheet. It would also be an opportunity to bring new visitors or family to help out. We hope this activity will serve as a reincarnation of Marilla's Lunches, a way to build fellowship among our members and feed hungry people in our community.

T&C also determined they would like to focus the Meeting's attention and resources on the issue of affordable housing for this year. Last year we focused on Environment and many members chose to join the local Coop This is still an option for those who are interested. If you are interested, please contact Paige Tilghman.

Our Detention Center Library volunteers are scheduled for the next 3 months with 2 people serving one day a month. We could use some more volunteers. Volunteering would mean you would need to fill out a form and be trained on the computer. There is no interaction with detainees; we are just making it possible for them to get books. If anyone is interested, see Paige Tilghman or Stephanie French.

Finally, we want to encourage everyone to contact your county League of Women Voters now to volunteer for anything we can do to get eligible voters to the polls and to register new eligible voters to ensure we have a fair and robust election process this year in Maryland.

Comments: Consider becoming an election judge for a 15-hour day following some training. Justice Matters is a national organization that studies an issue and procures funding for the topic, most recently homelessness.

Trust Circles will begin training a cadre this Fall. Those interested in participating may contact Jonathan Slocum.

Closing Silence Worship 12:40 D. Rein, Recorder

Old Meeting House Restoration Project

Under the auspices of the Trustees of Third Haven Friends Meeting Inc. and the careful guidance of Trustee Bill Lane, the Old Meeting House is undergoing an extensive and expensive, yet much needed restoration project. Built in approximately 1684, this building was originally on the ground. Later, according to Carl Lounsbury, architectural historian and professor at William Mary, a call for all Quakers to help yielded enough people to physically lift the building and insert timber blocks underneath to raise it. Since then, approximately every 30 years the building has needed restoration due to the limited life span of the original materials and construction techniques. Currently all tasks are being performed by skilled tradesmen using historically accurate materials. Willie Graham, LLC., project manager and former curator of architecture at Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, set forth the scope of work and proposal for oversight and maintenance plan including historical assessment of the building, measured drawings,

design and specifications for repair work, tree ring sample dating (dendrology), oversight of craftsmen, and sources of materials and suppliers.



Recently the Vernacular Architecture Forum visited Third Haven for a presentation by Mr. Graham and Mr. Lounsbury explaining in great detail unique features of the Old Meeting House. Mr. Lounsbury described the original 20x60 foot building with the longer length running North to South. Facing benches sat on the South and North sides and a small extended section was built on the West side as an entrance. Later enlargement removed the vestibule entrance and added a 12-foot addition to the West side with entrances as we see it now, moving the main entrance to the South and added facing benches with turned balusters to the East with additional windows, creating a symmetrical building as was typical in meeting houses of the period. Having scoured historical records and using dendrochronology to date parts of the building, these men determined

appropriate historically accurate materials and techniques for this restoration. A book on historic meeting houses, including Third Haven, by Mr. Lounsbury is in the works.



Carl Lounsbury answers questions



Willie Graham consults University of Virginia Architecture History students and others.



Jeff Klee, Graham associate and Mick Worthington, dendrochronologist

Other contributors to the project are Matt Webster, building conservator and director of architectural conservation and research at Colonial Williamsburg Foundation, Brent Fortenberry, director of the Center for Heritage Conservation, and James Mosner, historical window restorations. An historical monograph describing the Old Meeting House's creation and maintenance through the years is currently in draft form and will be available for viewing soon.

Visitors to this event at Third Haven enjoyed detailed study of all parts of the structure as well as light refreshments provided by Third Haven members and attenders.

Announcements

Our newsletter circulates during the first week of each month to enable readers to review the minutes of the most recent meeting for worship with attention to business.

Full list of announcements may be found at

<http://www.thirdhaven.org/announcements.php>

Calendar of Activities <http://www.thirdhaven.org/calendar.php>

Online directory <http://www.thirdhaven.org/members/dir.php>

First Day School is gearing up for the Fall. Our first welcome back children's' program will be on Sept 11 at 10am. The children will be studying and understanding more about our Testimonies- starting with Peace.

Dates of FDS are-

Sept 11 & 25- Peace

Oct 9 & 23- Community

Nov 6 & 20-Simplicity

Dec 4 & 18- Peace

Special gatherings-

Oct 21- Halloween Fun 5 pm

Dec 2- wreath making tba

Dec 18- holiday program- 10am- noon

This Fall, the FDS would like to be part of a service project in our local or regional community. Any ideas kindly submit to Susan Claggett or Sarah Hildebrand. Please be prepared to lend a hand if you are able for these community projects.

Many thanks and looking for return of our children soon.

Susan Claggett, FDS Clerk

October 6 (Thursday)

Quaker Call to Action

REGISTER [HERE](#) for "Quaker Deep Canvassing: Bridging the Divide", on THURSDAY, OCT 6, 7-8:30PM ET, facilitated by Todd Drake, Co-Director of Operations at Pennington Friends House, and Margaret Lew, 15th Street Meeting, NYC. DESCRIPTION. Deep canvassing was started in 2008 as a successful way to have individual conversations with strangers to try to reduce prejudice. Currently, a group of NYYM Friends is in the process of discerning how a Quaker version could help bridge the divisions in our country one encounter at a time. Please join us to learn more,

participate in a mini training, hear about our experiences so far in neighborhoods on Long Island and help us strengthen and refine this project as we move forward.

October 8 (Saturday)

All Clerks Meeting

All Clerks Meeting will be held on October 8th from 9-11am in the Common Room. Clerks of all committees are asked to attend. If you cannot attend, please designate someone from your committee. We will discuss our Planning Committee progress and the needs of each committee going forward. Clerks will receive an agenda in the near future. All are welcome to come.

October 9

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

October 14 to 16

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Spiritual Formation Retreat

Fall 2022 at Pendle Hill. This year's focus is the formation of Spiritual Companion Groups as a tool to discover and revitalize the essence of Quaker practice. During our time together, we will explore these queries: Why are we Friends? How do we embody Quaker faith and practice in daily life? How do Companion Groups support our spiritual growth and practice?

When: Friday, October 14, 2022- 4PM – Sunday October 16, 2022 - 2PM

Who? Those seeking to deepen their spiritual lives. This is an excellent retreat for those new to Spiritual Formation, past participants of the program and those in ongoing SF groups. It is a great way to revitalize your group. It is not necessary to be a Friend/Quaker. <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=wxN9N2> September 15, 2022 is the last day of registration, space is limited. We hope to see you there! In the light, Spiritual Formation Collaborative

Kristina Herold of Third Haven is registered to attend this Retreat and would welcome someone to share the driving with her.

October 15 [Saturday]



A Memorial Service for Joyce Zeigler will be held at Third Haven on Saturday, October 15, 2022, at 3 PM

Mary Joyce Crouse Zeigler, formerly of Ridgely, Maryland, passed away at Arcadia Assisted Living in Denton, MD on Friday, September 02, 2022. She was 88 years old.

Born during a blizzard in the sewing room of Mill Meadows Farm, Queen Anne, MD, (now Tuckahoe Equestrian Center) on February 19, 1934, Joyce was the youngest child of Clifton Gibbel Crouse and Esther King Crouse. Growing up on the family dairy farm, she developed a deep love of animals and nature in general, which had a great influence on her future career. She also enjoyed cooking, sewing, and horseback riding.

After graduating from Ridgely High School in 1952, she married Lewis Cherry and had 2 daughters, Patti and Sue.

Joyce's passion for a painting career began in 1959 while taking her first art lessons from Nancy Ascher in Denton, MD. She subsequently followed a lifelong study of technique and beauty, taking classes, lessons and workshops throughout the United States and Canada, especially Scottsdale, Arizona, where she forged lifelong friendships with some of the greatest contemporary Plein Air teachers and painters. In turn, she shared what she had learned and her own teaching endeavors spanned over roughly forty years. Despite traveling all over North America with her oil paints (en Plein Air), she got the most pleasure from depicting livestock, waterfowl and flowers reminiscent of her childhood.

She remarried on May 29, 1969 to Frank D. Zeigler, Jr., who helped her realize her artistic potential and dreams of travel. After working as a bank teller in Ridgely and Denton as well as Frank's secretary in his Nationwide Insurance business in Denton, she began to enjoy biennial national and international travel with her oldest sister Helena, which lasted for several decades.

Having grown up in 4-H, Homemakers Club and in her mother's kitchen, she mastered her culinary skills. She especially loved baking a wide variety of cookies and delighting people at innumerable social functions. She loved to entertain large groups of friends and family, trying out new recipes with an artistic tweak of ingredients that was legendary. She enjoyed highlighting her skills when she and Frank opened their home as Dunning Studio Bed and Breakfast in the early 90's, where they entertained hundreds of guests – educators, artists, writers, musicians from all over the world.

In 1983, she and five other professional artists (Martha Hudson, Roberta (Bobbie) Seger, Mary Ekroos, Barbara Jablin and Betty Ruhl) agreed to take a trip to Smith Island, MD, to paint together. They were so productive and had so much fun that they named themselves The Traveling Brushes and traveled to scores of places over several decades, from the Chesapeake Bay area to Nantucket and Colorado. Their "sisterhood" was sustained for the rest of their lives.

In addition to her many awards, in 2015 she was presented with a Governor's Citation from Larry Hogan's office for 50 years of creating and sharing oil paintings depicting Maryland's Eastern Shore scenery and wildlife. She was a charter member and annual exhibitor of the Waterfowl Festival in Easton, MD and the Oxford Fine Arts Show. Joyce also regularly exhibited in the Chestertown Wildlife Show, Chincoteague Art Show, East Carolina Wildlife Show, the Ward World Wildlife Exhibition, the Swiss Bear Wildlife Art Show, among numerous others.

She was also a member of Oil Painters of America, Plein Air Painters of America, Academy of the Arts, Working Artist Forum, Maryland Federation of Arts, Delaware Foundation of the Visual Arts, Caroline County Arts Council, and various other groups. As a member of Third Haven Society of Friends, Joyce and Frank often participated in many Peace marches in Washington, DC and New York City.

She is survived by her daughters, Patti Cherry Shaffer of Greensboro, MD, and Sue Ellen Cherry (Richard Smith) of Ridgely, MD, a step daughter, Ellen Zeigler Jones (Larry) of Richlands, NC, six grandchildren: Brian Jewel (Meredith) of Kissimmee, FL, Michael Jewell (Brienne) of Linthicum, MD, John "J.B." Bishop (Cassie) of Goldsboro, MD, Cody Bishop (Amber) of Greensboro, MD, Wade Myers (Emily Eisenacher) of

Arnold, MD, and Alex Smith of Ridgely, MD; 4 great grandchildren: Lizzie Jewell, Kyle Jewell, Damian White and Gracie Bishop. Also surviving her are 2 of her siblings, Lois Teeter of Kingman, AZ and Merle Crouse of St. Cloud, FL., and a large extended family

In addition to her parents, she was predeceased by her beloved husband on June 29, 2017, and her sister Helena Hand Bak in 2016. Her sister, Verna Calloway, passed away on September 5, 2022.

A memorial celebration in the manner of Friends will be held at Third Haven Friends Meeting House, 405 S. Washington St. in Easton on Saturday, October 15, 2022. The time of the celebration will be determined and announced later. In lieu of flowers, memorial contributions may be made in Joyce's memory to:

Third Haven Scholarship Fund, P.O. Box 2379, Easton, MD 21601, or

Third Haven Meeting House, P.O. Box 2379, Easton, MD 21601

November 24, Thanksgiving Meals Help Wanted!

Asbury Methodist Church is resuming preparation and delivery of Thanksgiving meals to those in need in our community. Third Haven is part of an Interfaith Coalition who are working with Asbury to prepare and deliver meals for 150 people. Third Haven's share of the food is: three 20 lb. turkeys, cooked and sliced, two large lasagna-style pans of green beans, two pans of stuffing, two pans of sweet potatoes and three 9" pies. The food needs to be delivered at 8:30 am on Thanksgiving Day to Asbury, left rear entrance, 18 S.

Higgins St., Easton. The food needs to be cooked but does not have to be hot so it could be prepared ahead of time and left with someone else who could deliver it to Asbury on Thanksgiving Day. We will also need servers to dish up the food into take out containers and people to deliver the food around Easton. If you have questions or would like to sign up to help, please contact Cynthia Quast at quast@goeaston.net or 410-934-4138.