

SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

December 2018



MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP

South Edinburgh: every Sunday at 10.30 am at the Open Door, 420 Morningside Road, EH10 5HY, with separate children's meeting.

Central Edinburgh on Sundays holds a small, quiet, shorter meeting at 9.30 am in addition to main meeting at 11.00. Victoria Terrace.

Portobello: 2nd and 4th Sundays at 11am, Bellfield, 16B Bellfield Street, Portobello, EH15 2BP. With children's meeting. 1st Sunday evening meetings 7.30-8 also at Belfield.

Broughton St Mary's: 4th **Sunday**. 7pm in the Drummond Room at Broughton St Mary's Church, 22 Bellevue Cresc.

Kings Buildings: 1st and 3rd Tuesdays 1-1.30. UoE Common Room, Muslim prayer rooms, opp. Weir Building. sarah.martin@ed.ac.uk

More meetings are listed in Sesame, or see quakerscotland.org

SPECIAL COLLECTION

In December is for **Aid and Abet**, which works with people leaving prison to live anywhere in the Edinburgh / Lothian area. aidnabet.org Alistair Cameron will speak to this.

Susan Robertson welcomes suggestions for charities that we might support in 2019.

LOCAL QUAKER EVENTS

Diversity and inclusion – All are welcome to discuss Growing our Meetings as Welcoming, Diverse Communities as an all-age event at Victoria Terrace from 2pm on **Sat 1 Dec**.

Everyone is welcome to the **South Edinburgh Quakers Christmas Party** at 71 Nile Grove on **Sun 9 Dec**, 5-7pm. All welcome. Please bring some food, and if you can, an idea for a game suitable for all to join in. Young people are welcome to bring a friend if they like. Please call David or Deirdre on 447 7862 if you're coming.

Rock Trust donations for young homeless people – useful toiletries, warm accessories (scarves, gloves), non-perishable food are especially welcome. Please bring to Meeting on **Sun 9 Dec**.

Wiston Lodge Meeting and Lunch – we are invited to join Lanark Meeting at their all-age Meeting at 10.30 am on **Sun 16 Dec** – followed by singing and playing music and a vegetarian lunch. Please let Meg know 2 weeks before about lunch, especially any special diets – 01899 850228 or meg.beresford@gn.apc.org It is always a very pleasant time, sometimes spectacularly beautiful in December. David and Deirdre, and others, may be able to offer lifts.



OTHER QUAKER EVENTS

Carols and mince pies are promised at Victoria Terrace at 7pm on Tue 18 December

Book Group will resume in the New Year.

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MORE NEWS AND DATES

The Welcoming – a show following the lives of migrants to Edinburgh, weeks or years before. 3.30-4.30 on **Sun 2 Dec** at Assembly Roxy, 2 Roxburgh Place EH8 9SU. Tickets at http://bit.ly/2Dfqxye More about the organisation at www.thewelcoming.org

Opposing War Memorial – an appeal for a monument in Princes St Gardens to commemorate conscientious objectors. More information and an opportunity to contribute at http://bit.ly/2CjQeUp

"There are lots of Memorials to those who fought in wars. Time for an Opposing War Memorial."

Andrew Farrar is our rep on the Edinburgh Peace and Justice Centre group promoting this.

Experiment with Light – explore what it means to 'wait in the Light' as early Quakers did. At five residential centres in 2019: see www.experiment-with-light.org.uk

Experiment in International Living – EIL UK is looking for families to host international students for a weekend or longer. Contribution to costs offered. More info at http://eiluk.org or from Worcester Friend mary.griffiths@eiluk.org.uk 01684 562 577

MIGRANTS 80 YEARS AGO



85 years ago in 1933, just after Hitler came to power, the German Emergency Committee was set up by British Friends. 80 years ago in 1938, Kristallnacht finally horrified UK politicians and led to a relaxation of immigration controls. After campaigning and fundraising, the first of the Kindertransport set out on Dec 1st. 10,000 refugee children travelled to the UK over the next 9 months.

Read about Quakers' part in this at http://bit.ly/2DH0erq and hear some moving 1938 recordings from children, and their later recollections (including tributes to Quakers) at www.bbc.co.uk/programmes/b0075mvb

ALSO ON THE INTERNETS

Our **Wikipedia page of the month is Kindertransport** (512 page views per day).



Good news Friends. The BreadStapledToTrees subreddit has hit 100,000 subscribers.

Quaker relevance: 1%

Meanwhile on Facebook



From Hannah Reade, a moxa poem which is learnt by high school students in Japan. By Fujisawa no Sanekata (image by Hannah):

Can I let you know what consumes me? Unknown to you, my heart blazes like red hot moxa aflame with love for you.

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