

## QEW PRESENTS! WORKSHOPS FOR FRIENDS

Quaker Earthcare Witness offers a range of virtual and in-person workshops for your Friends community. To schedule a workshop, email info@quakerearthcare.org.

### ENVIRONMENTAL JUSTICE IN A RAPIDLY CHANGING WORLD

Shelley Tanenbaum, General Secretary, QEW

This year, we are at an important juncture with regard to climate change and ecological collapse. The Story has gotten both more hopeful and more critical. Ecological crises are magnifying and happening more rapidly than predicted. At the same time, people are



waking up to the crises, technology has caught up and we are starting to evolve our relationship with nature. Environmental injustice is holding us back – historically, BIPOC (Black, Indigenous and People of Color) communities have been used as dumping grounds for pollution, toxics and degraded landscapes. Let's explore our changing world view – we are all related.

#### A VISION FROM 2050 Looking Back on Climate Crisis

Hayley Hathaway, Communications Coordinator, QEW

It's the year 2050, thirty years after we faced a global pandemic, economic collapse, and impending climate chaos. Where are we now? How did we get here? Hayley will guide us through an exercise in radical imagination, where we sit with the possibilities of



building a new society. She'll also share about the motivating work that's happening right now on some of the most pressing issues of our time and how to get involved through her lens with Quaker Earthcare Witness and as an activist on local climate issues.

# CONTINUOUS REVELATION Quaker Testimonies as a Template for Living in Right Relationship with the Living World

#### Mary Ann Percy, QEW Steering Committee

How might our lives change if we were to apply our Quaker Testimonies to the entire Living World rather than only to our relations with human beings?! Using Quaker contemplative practices and exercises from



The Work That Reconnects, we will have the opportunity to begin to deepen intimacy with all beings, and to understand how our Testimonies direct us toward harmonious and reciprocal relationships which respect the inherent integrity of the Earth community. And we will begin to experience how we are led to witness this reciprocity both to and in the world. The content will be largely experiential, and also include a brief presentation, opportunities for reflection and worship-sharing.

### TAILORED EARTHCARE WORKSHOPS

Beverly G. Ward, QEW Co-Clerk & Southeastern Yearly Meeting Field Secretary for Earthcare

- » Angelic Earthcare Troublemaker training: Beyond Bystandin'
- Climate Justice in Our Community (Location specific climate justice issues)
- » Permaculture is Not Just Agriculture
- » Transportation, Migration, and Climate
- » Underwater Homeowners Association
- » Water: Sea Level Rise, Flooding, and Water Quality
- » Waterline Communities: Displacement, Gentrification and Why Quakers Should Care
- » Climate Justice and the Breath of Life: Air Quality and Frontline Communities
- » Introduction to Project Drawdown with Quakers



## FINDING WAY FORWARD Friends Care for the Earth

#### Mary Jo Klingel, QEW Mentoring Clerk

Today, Friends are fully aware of the tragedy of our failure to care for the Earth. Friends are likely to ask us, "What can I do?" Mary Jo's interactive and optimistic workshop will address that question directly, grounded in Friends Testimonies. We will come together in

community and seek collectively to guide Friends to support one another and our Earth.



#### SOUNDS OF SILENCE

#### **Brad Stocker, QEW Co-Clerk**

"Do not break the silence unless you can improve upon it." – William Ralph Inge

We often mistakenly assume silence is the absence of sound and there is hardly ever a time that is so. It has been said that hearing is the last sense to die and so, we are encouraged to speak to those

in a coma or near death. In this workshop we will explore silence in some of its varieties of uses and abuses. We will aim to become more mindful about how silence is functioning in our lives and effects our care for Earth.



## BUILDING THE HEART MUSCLE TO TAKE ON THREATS TO THE EARTH

#### Pamela Haines, Central Philadelphia Monthly Meeting

To build our muscles as climate justice activists, we will identify stretches involving listening and connecting, engaging in conflict and repair, listening for and speaking truth, facing grief, and cultivating hope and courage.



#### REGENERATIVE AGRICULTURE Sustainable is Not Enough

#### Carol Barta, QEW Steering Committee

Why is "sustainable" not enough in the world of agriculture? What will it take to produce nutrient dense food on healthy soil? Regenerative agriculture is a systems approach to restoring the health of our food system. We'll explore the component parts of regenerative

agriculture and discuss why "whole system thinking" is the best way to feed the world.



## FINANCIAL AND ECONOMIC ROOTS OF THE CLIMATE EMERGENCY

#### **Pamela Haines**

The dynamics and priorities of our economy are a key driver of the climate emergency, and the economy is now driven to a significant extent by the financial sector. You don't have to be an economist to explore these connections and identify key issues and areas of opportunity.

# JOIN THE HOMEGROWN NATIONAL PARK REVOLUTION Your Native Planting Can Restore Ecosystems

#### Jim Kessler, QEW Steering Committee

Doug Tallamy has challenged all of us who care about the Earth to begin creating a Homegrown National Park by planting local natives on 1/2 of the acreage of our lawns. I second this challenge. Ordinary folks can save bees, butterflies, and songbirds while increasing free



ecosystem services like carbon sequestration and pollination. Workshops are available for homeowners, gardeners, and rural audiences drawing from over four decades of personal experience.



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