

# SOUTH EDINBURGH MEETING

## August 2011



#### **MEETINGS FOR WORSHIP**

**Every Sunday** at 10.30 am at the Open Door, 420 Morningside Road, EH10 5HY, with separate Children's meeting.

Every weekday at Victoria Terrace: 8am for 30 mins Mon-Fri.

At Portobello: 1<sup>st</sup> Sunday at Old Parish Church Bellfield St, EH15 2BP at 7.30 pm for half an hour; and 4<sup>th</sup> Sun at 10.30 am at CHANGES Community Health Project, 108 Market Street, Musselburgh EH21 6QA. (till November at least)

**At Barony St**: **4**<sup>th</sup> **Sunday**. 7pm at 33 Barony St (buzzer 7 via Albany Lane doors). More info: Tony Gross or Marjorie Farquharson.

Central Edinburgh meeting has an early Sunday morning meeting at 9.30am in addition to the regular 11.00am meeting at Victoria Terrace. (Note: no children's meeting during August, but see above right)

## SPECIAL COLLECTION

August's special collection is for the **Thandi Orphanage and School** (South Africa). Deidre Armstrong will speak to this.

#### **LOCAL MEETING EVENTS**

**Local meeting for business** 21<sup>st</sup> Aug after Meeting.

Children at Central meeting 21<sup>st</sup> and 28<sup>th</sup> – Emma will be running workshops on Object Theatre and Puppet-Making.

30 people are signed up for our weekend at Wiston Lodge on 2-4 September, but there is room for more! Mary Jane is organising activities with the help of Emma, and Alastair is looking after the money. Talks by Kirstyn Cameron and Rachel Howell. Contact Mary Jane at 669 5129 or email maryjane@camell.me.uk. Forms also at Meeting.

(No mini-mart in August or September).

#### OTHER QUAKER EVENTS

**Singing Group** meets on second Tuesday of each month at Victoria Terrace, but will take a break in August and next meets Sep 13th.

**Quaker Lesbian and Gay Fellowship** meets on 2<sup>nd</sup> Wednesdays, 7pm at the Glasite Meeting House, 33 Barony St (buzzer 7 via Albany Lane doors) Contact Mary Woodward or edinburgh.glgf@gmail.com or 07543 975 590.

Reading the bible with Friends Third Tuesdays, 7pm at Victoria Terrace. Currently looking at Romans. More info at http://bit.ly/9JgoU0. Contact Henry Thompson.

**Edinburgh Women's Interfaith Group** 3<sup>rd</sup> Wednesday of each month at 7pm. Shared (vegetarian) food followed by discussion or talk. Usually at Methodist Church, Nicholson Square. Contact Alison Burnley or Bronwyn Harwood.

**Book Group**. Usually Third Sundays at 1.15pm at Central Edinburgh: talong a break in August, then to Palestine/Israel with S Yizhar's *Khirbet Khizeh*, moving to South Africa in October with JM Coetzee's *Youth*. Qs to Rachel Frith.

Save resources by downloading me from quakerscotland.org/south-edinburgh

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## **Area Meeting dates 2012**

2012			2013
Sat 14 Jan	11-4	Central Edinburgh	Sat 12

Central Edinburgh

South Edinburgh

Sun 26 Feb 2-5.30 South Edinburgh
Sat 31 Mar 11.30-4 Kelso
Sat 12 May 2-5 Central Fife
Sat 7 Jul 2-5.30 Polmont
Sun 16 Sep 2-5.30 South Edinburgh

Sat 12 Jan 11-4 Central Edinburgh Sun 24 Feb 2-5.30 South Edinburgh

## From the children

Sat 20 Oct 11-4

Sat 1 Dec 2-5.30

### The Unicorn and the Sea Monster

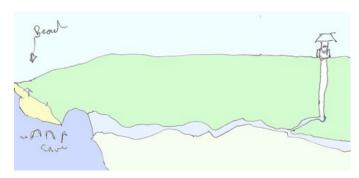
In this fragment of a story, a little girl Unicorn finds a Sea Monster in her drink when she draws a pail of water at the well.

She wasn't watching too carefully, and the first she knew of it was a terrible scratching spiky feeling as she tried to swallow. She took the thing out of her mouth and was surprised to see a little sea monster, so she screamed. But the sea monster said politely "Please help me". "Sorry to frighten you, bu tI really need help to get back to the sear, because my mum and dad will be worried, and I'll be in trouble if I'm not back before dark." So the Unicorn took the sea monster back to the sea on her back, but that made her late home, and she was sent back to bed witout any supper.



Athena

Some have asked how a Sea Monster came to be in the well. Here is the answer:



But we do need a way to finish this story in which justice is done, peace prevails, and all live happily ever after. Ideas please?

## From the Archives

A copy of a 1984 six-page document by Ronald Halliday describes the first fourteen years of South Edinburgh Meeting's history from PM Minutes. It is posted on our quakerscotland webpage at www.quakerscotland.org/south-edinburgh.

#### St Ninian's

Our meeting met first on 27th September 1970 at 10 a.m. in the committee room of a church in Fountainhall Road. The congregation of ...

There's lots in there, here are just the 5 locations in which we have met:

1. Fountainhall Church 1970-71 On 27<sup>th</sup> September 1970 South Edinburgh Meeting met for the first time in the Committee Room of Fountainhall Church, which had amalgamated its congregation with North Mayfield Church leaving the building vacant to be occupied by the St Ninian's Word and Witness Movement. The rent was ten shillings (£0 10s 0d, or 50p) each week. The church was later demolished and Newington public library was built on the site, 17-21 Fountainhall Rd EH9 2LN

Right: Fountainhall Rd United Presbyterian Church 1897 from www.mayfieldsalisbury.org/about-us/our-history/139



- **2. Scottish Congregational College 1971-5** From 12<sup>th</sup> September 1971 we met there at 29 Hope Terrace, with an extra room for children on the first Sunday of each month, at which a hymn was followed by a reading from the Bible and then a short period of silence. The Congregational College was sold in 1975. EH9 2AP.
- **3. Grange Home School 1975-6** From 21<sup>st</sup> September 1975 we met in a ground floor room at this (already closed?) school at 123 Grange Loan for £1 per week. It was first let as a boarding house to St Margaret's School and later converted to flats and four other blocks built in the garden. EH9 2EA Additional info from Malcolm Cant's *Marchmont Sciennes and the Grange*, 2001
- **4. Rudolf Steiner School 1976-82** We met in a prefabricated bulding at 49 Polwarth Terrace from 1<sup>st</sup> August 1976. EH11 1NJ
- **5. Morningside Station (The Open Door) since 1982** From 7<sup>th</sup> February 1982 until September 1984 we met upstairs at an initial cost of £3 per week. In 1984 we met for the first time downstairs, where we still meet today. EH10 5HY.



Go to bit.ly/ocYXPJ for the full map experience

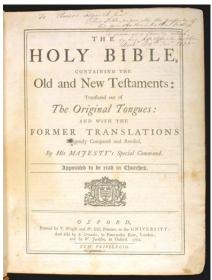
#### More archives?

Do you have any old Minutes, documents, things to do with the Meeting that ought to be treasured and kept? Let us know if so.

And please mention to someone doing Notices if you would be interested to become our **Custodian of Records**. We should have one.

#### **MORE EVENTS**

## King James Bible 1611



There is a small exhibition at St Giles' Cathedral on the King James Bible, which is 400 years old this year.

#### **Old Russian Icons**



2 to 14 August 11am – 4 pm daily 40 Pilrig Street, Edinburgh EH6 5AL

#### www.rufusreade.co.uk

Rufus has assembled a collection of old Russian icons which covers the range of Old Testament subjects (for example Elijah) through the Apocryphal Gospel of James (the birth of Mary) to events from the New Testament (the Baptism, Crucifixion). The Russian Orthodox Church also celebrates the lives of various saints whose names we know (St Nicholas) as others who may be less familiar.

Although this is a selling exhibition, all visitors are most welcome. Refreshments!

#### Quaker week - first week in October

Geoffrey Carnall and Marianne Ferguson Rice are seeking help with ideas and publicity tasks, please call Geoffrey on 447 1156 or Marianne on 332 2996

#### **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

We have no August children's birthdays.

## **UNMISSABLE ONLINE AND OFF**

# www.venue40.org.uk

Drama – music – and from 10-5, also teas, throughout the Fringe at Central Edinburgh Meeting House, Victoria Terrace.



You might like www.date-christians.co.uk (for Christian Singles), but from the Real World(!) some may prefer the *London Review of Books* personal ads. A few are suitable for quoting here:

"Philanthropy is my middle name. It's just a name though so don't be expecting any free rides. You can call me Mr Wallace. My first name is none of your business. Applications to box no. 9741."

"Blah blah, whatever. Indifferent woman. Go ahead and write. Box no. 3253. Like I care."

"To some, I am a world of temptation. To others, I'm just another cross-dressing pharmacist."



Shooglenifty at the Queen's Hall, August 26 and 28th.

#### YOUR STORY/RECOMMENDATION HERE -

The newsletter is usually distributed on and just before the last Sunday of each month. Send things, from Albatrosses to Botox, to Neil Turner, neilturn@gmail.com. The official deadline is the 2nd last Sunday.