



Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

Half Yearly Meeting

A Family Friendly Event

November 25 through November 28, 2021

Wekiwa Springs State Park - 1800 Wekiwa Circle, Apopka, Florida

Come for an afternoon, an overnight, or the whole weekend!



Half Yearly Meeting is a family friendly serendipitous 4 days over Thanksgiving weekend when Friends come together for good food and good company in Wekiwa Springs State Park. We have exclusive use of the Youth Camp, a natural setting with rustic cabins, ADA lodging, dining hall, kitchen, and conference hall.

GOOD NEWS!

Registration Fees are Pay-as-Led!

This year, Half Yearly Meeting registrants are invited to choose the amount they will pay to attend. Some registrants may be able to pay more to help cover the costs, others less or nothing. We want you to attend, whatever amount you are able to pay!

SEYM will observe the following Covid-19 protocols:

Full vaccinations required for everyone eligible (age and medical exemptions accepted)

Masks are required for all indoor spaces at all times

Masks are encouraged outdoors when social distancing is not an option.

Outdoor dining will be available

Windows will be kept open in the dining hall weather permitting

Hand sanitizer and KN95 masks for adults and children will be provided.



Meals We prepare all the meals ourselves – help out, get to know Friends from all over SEYM, and have FUN! We will accommodate allergies and other dietary restrictions as much as possible; indicate restrictions on your registration form, or contact HYM Food Coordinator Caroline Kaufmann, kaufmanncl@msn.com, as early as possible.

Thanksgiving Dinner Half-Yearly Meeting kicks off with Thanksgiving dinner at 6 p.m. on Thursday. Volunteer on the registration form if you'd like to bring a side dish to share.

Lodging The Wekiwa Youth Camp has group cabins. Unfortunately, we cannot use tents in this area. Families and friends are housed together as requested. Attenders 18-35 years old can opt to stay together in a "Young Adult" cabin. Gender-neutral housing and ADA compliant cabins are available. The infirmary building has burned down, so there is limited availability of heated cabins with bathrooms.



Youth and Families HYM is a great opportunity for youth and families to connect, play, and relax!

- Youth are welcome to attend HYM with either their parent/guardian, or an adult sponsor who will be present and is willing to be responsible for them the whole time they are there.

Volunteer *HYM Works Because Everyone Pitches In!!!*

- Meal Preparation and Cleanup
- Sunday Cleanup: everyone, please! Sign-up in the dining hall when you arrive.
- Discussion Sessions: lead a discussion about the environment, Quakerism, spirituality.
- Imagination Stations: bring anything that sparks creativity: crafts, games, outdoor games, science projects, etc.
- Talent Show: musical instruments, skits, or stories to share.
- Worship Sharing: set a time, bring some queries.
- Photographer: capture our memories then send your photos to the SEYM office, office@seym.org.

Swimming, Canoeing, Kayaking, Biking Friends can enjoy the Wekiwa Springs swimming area during daylight hours. You may bring your own bikes, canoes, and kayaks, or they can be rented from the Park's concession.

To register go to: <https://seymquakers.org/news-events/half-yearly-meeting/>
Registration deadline: November 18. We cannot accept walk-in registrations this year due to COVID!