

## Atlantic City Area Friends Meeting

December 12, 2013

Dear Friends,

Please mark your calendar and plan to celebrate! We will hold a **holiday potluck brunch** on Sunday, December 22 after Meeting for Worship (10 am). Bring family and friends!

As the holdiay season approaches, we appeal to you to support the Meeting. The first way to help is by being involved in all aspects of Meeting life. Second, we need financial support. Our operating expenses are modest, but we have been hit very hard by the contracting economy. What do we presently need money for?

- PROPERTY and GROUNDS: In 2012 and 2013, we brought maintenance of the new Meetinghouse up to date, with exterior refinishing, a new heating system and repair of some storm damage. We have developed the **enclosed plan** to RESTORE our old (1828) meetinghouse (explained on the reverse of this letter).
- Our budget supports many ACTIVITIES social justice projects, scholarships to Quaker retreats and conferences, our library, the Roberts Fund (for long term property maintenance), outreach activities and care of members. *Our activities are chosen by the Meeting and arise out of personal and group spiritual concerns.*
- Beyond this, we support PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING of the Religious Society of Friends, which undertakes work for peace, social justice and education in the wider world. Activities range from a Quaker presence at the United Nations to wonderful Middle School and High School events. More information can be found at www.pym.org.

Please come to Monthly Meeting for Business (second Sunday of each month) with your concerns, projects and dreams. Let us join you in holding these in the Light and seeing how we can support them. Additionally, PLEASE CONTRIBUTE WHAT YOU CAN to cover our present needs and support future endeavors.

I will try to answer any questions you have. I can be reached at 609 965 2196.

Alice Gitchell, Interim Clerk

2013-2014 Atlantic City Area Friends Meeting Pledge Form

I/We donate/pledge: \$\_\_\_\_\_\_ to the ACAMM General Fund\_\_\_\_ Roberts Fund\_\_\_\_ Name: Address: E-mail: Mail to: Jamie Cromartie (Treasurer), 221 S Vienna Ave, EGG HARBOR CITY NJ 08215. Checks should be made out to Atlantic City Area Friends Meeting.