

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting Newsletter

July, 2015



Monthly Query:

How do I express my appreciation for the children, Young Friends, and Young Adult Friends in our meeting and recognize the gifts and the ministry they bring?

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Monthly Worship Tip from the M&W Committee

When one is moved by the Light to speak, such ministry is often preceded by a physical uneasiness, a “heart pounding weakness,” from which our name Quaker is derived.

Upcoming Forum Schedule

Forums will return at the end of summer.

A Message from Annie Dilorenzo

Hello friends,

Some of you may remember me as Linda's daughter. I haven't been to meeting in a while as I'm in school at Warren Wilson and spend most of my summers at Camp Celo. I have been lucky enough to go to the Celo friends meeting during the summers! I would love to reconnect with you all. I have a small support group/ group that I email with updates on my life. Some folks from meeting and others from the wider community make up the group. If you would like to be on my email list and get updates, email me and I will add you! I will be out of town July 4–26 working just one session at Camp Celo. Before and after that I'm looking for odd jobs if anyone has anything or knows of anything. My email is adilorenzo.s14@Warren-Wilson.Edu

Wedding Announcement

Alice Carolyn Carlton and David Ferris Curtin invite you to share our joy as we join our lives in marriage.

Saturday, August 15, 2015, 11 am

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting, 531 Raleigh Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514

Reception to follow on site.

In lieu of gifts, please consider a donation to any of the following organizations:

American Friends Service Committee: www.afsc.org

Friends Committee on National Legislation: www.fcnl.org

New Hope Audubon Society: www.newhopeaudubon.org

Interfaith Council for Social Services: www.ifcweb.org

Quaker House: www.quakerhouse.org

So we can plan numbers for Vimala's catering, please RSVP: amberalice47@gmail.com

Cat Sitter Needed

Wendy Michener needs a cat sitter and garden waterer. She lost the cat sitter offer she got from the Christmas tree—do you remember who you are? And there was someone who offered at the rise of meeting but she didn't get the name. Please contact Wendy if you are either of these people or if you can help. 919-539-0015

Zaytuna Becomes First Accredited Muslim College

Reprinted from *Christian Century*, April 15, 2015

Submitted by Marilyn Dyer

Zaytuna becomes first accredited Muslim college

Zaytuna College, a five-year-old institution in Berkeley, California, is now the first fully accredited Islamic university in America.

It was recognized in March by the Western Association of Schools and Colleges, an academic organization that oversees public and private colleges and universities in the United States.

The accreditation means that Zaytuna, which owns two buildings and has 50 students and a faculty of 15, is officially an institution of higher learning. It is only a few blocks from its esteemed neighbor, the University of California, Berkeley.

"It really signifies that we have new possibilities of relationships with faculty colleagues across the nation," said Colleen Keyes, Zaytuna's vice president of academic affairs. "It puts us in a relationship with both undergraduate faculties and graduate seminaries and schools of theology, of which there are a lot here in Berkeley."



Colleen Keyes

Zaytuna's students are both U.S.-born and foreign-born and come from Pakistani, Arabic, Turkish, African-American, and Latino backgrounds. All Zaytuna's current students identify as Muslims, but there is no religious requirement for admission, Keyes said.

However, Zaytuna—the Arabic word for the olive tree—remains unique among American colleges and universities in that it requires students to learn Arabic so they can study Islamic texts, including the Qur'an, in their original forms. And it offers only one degree—a bachelor of arts in Islamic law and theology.

Students spend their entire first year immersed in a classic liberal arts curriculum that includes rhetoric, logic, English grammar, composition, and the great works of Western literature. At the same time, they study Arabic and Islamic law, history, science, and math. They must memorize and recite a chunk of the



PHOTOS COURTESY OF ZAYTUNA

ISLAMIC LIBERAL ARTS: Mark Delp teaches formal logic to first-year students at Zaytuna College.

Qur'an before they can graduate, as well as perform community service.

Students "understand there is not a dichotomy between Islam and the West," Keyes said. "The role of Muslims in America is to think about Islam in a non-Islamic environment and think about how we are American and Muslim at the same time."

Male and female students take classes together, though they must promise not to date while at the school. Tuition is \$15,000 a year, and housing is an additional \$9,000.

Raja Ali, a 30-year-old Zaytuna sophomore, said she chose Zaytuna despite its lack of accreditation when she entered in 2013. But the school's new status means a great deal to her.

"I just feel so much joy, and I am very excited about the future for the college and all the new students that will come," she said. —Kimberly Winston, Religion News Service

Concerning the Haiti Trip

Submitted by Catherine Alguire

I am so grateful, community of friends/Friends, for your blessings and support as I venture forth as the initial "scout" to Haiti. I leave on Thursday for 9 days at the orphanage (volunteering as an occupational therapist and landscape architect) and then will go meet our CHMF teens and other chaperones. The teens are doing a fantastic job organizing the first ever week long summer day camp for 9 to 11 year olds. If you would like a better understanding of the significance of the mission and work of "FEJ" (Foundation Enfant Jesus), please visit their website: <http://www.fondationenfantjesus.org/>

Look at the descriptions on the menu—especially "what we do." Know that I will keep loving watch over your teen children! They are remarkable people and so nurtured by your parenting. The teens will present details of the trip at the Forum on August 30th—so, save the date! Thank you for holding us in the Light as we share ours with those far away.

Quaker Family in Need of Assistance

Submitted by Jennifer Rioux

We attended Chapel Hill Meeting from 2002 until 2010 when we moved out of the area. I am a single Mom with two children, ages 10 and 14, and I was very involved with the Chapel Hill First Day School.

After experiencing a number of significant challenges over the past 5 years, we are looking to move back to Chapel Hill to reconnect with friends and our spiritual community where we felt so much at home.

We are currently looking for affordable housing to begin at the end of August or beginning of September. We want to be in the Chapel Hill / Carrboro area, preferably in the Carrboro School District, so my children can reconnect with their friends in Middle and High School.

I am an educator/researcher and practitioner of Ayurvedic Medicine and Yoga therapy. I am also an expert on the Integrative Medicine movement. I am currently looking for an appropriate teaching position at UNC/Duke or one of the local colleges or at a research institute. In the meantime, I will be reopening my private practice in Ayurveda and Yoga Therapy and would be happy to have many referrals for patients. I have been in practice for fifteen years and have previously taught at UNC in the Anthropology Department and conducted research at the University of Arizona and University of New Mexico medical schools.

Please contact Jennifer Rioux at 520-302-8568 if you have information to share on potential residences or employment possibilities. References: Leslie Rountree 619-0636 or Margot Stern 244-3847

Thank you SO MUCH for helping us relocate and reconnect!!

June 7 Forum Follow Up

Submitted by Leticia Benitez

Good morning,

It was a pleasure meeting you all Sunday! Thank you for coming to the forum and providing a space for me to share my story and the work I have been doing with American Friends Service Committee.

Many of you wanted to stay involved with both programs, our Immigrant Rights and Peace & Economic Justice, I'll include the contact information for both programs below. Another way to stay in touch with us frequently is through our Facebook page, www.facebook.com/afscnc, use the link and "like" our page! I will also add you all to our contact list so you can receive updates.

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I hope to see you all again in the near future!

Sincerely,
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Dominican Republic Water Project

Submitted by John Hite

Students, teachers/staff and parents at Carrboro High School (CHS) are making a difference in a community that they have connected to in the Dominican Republic. During the week before Spring Break, there were two muralists from the Dominican Republic at CHS painting two murals in the upper inner stairwells of the D and E Wings with the assistance of students, staff, and parents. In a reciprocating gesture, student Leah Simon and teacher John Hite spearheaded efforts to raise at least \$15,000 to get a water project funded in La Cumbre in the region that the muralists are from. Families in this region do not have running water and have to walk or take mules to a small river/stream several times a day to bring back 50–70 gallons of water.

There was a Silent Auction/Mural(s) Unveiling on Tuesday, May 26 in the evening with Leah and John teaming up with a handful of helpful individuals to plan for the event, to solicit donated goods and services, and to execute the event to produce a wonderful night of music, food, and fun. Prior to the night of the auction, through friends, family, and the CHS community, they had managed to raise about \$12,000. The night of the auction procured about \$6,000 in bids and donations with another \$1,500 in donations coming in via checks and online over the next 24 hours. As of early June, they had already raised over \$21,000. The people of La Cumbre were so inspired by the amounts raised, even as of early May, that they have already started working on the project. While the costs will likely be more than \$15,000 (as expenses always are) this has put La Cumbre in a great position to accomplish what they want and need as they continue to work tirelessly, and they will know that CHS stands by them and will continue to stand by them.

To have done all this fundraising and planning in a two month period, and to plan a Silent Auction in a month's time is an impressive feat of accomplishment.

To learn more about their efforts, please explore

<https://sites.google.com/a/chccs.k12.nc.us/mr-hite-s-useful-links/dr-water-project>

To contribute directly online: <http://dominicanrepublicwaterproject.mydagsite.com/home>

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WCHL Radio Interview with Leah Simon and John Hite:

<http://chapelboro.com/news/pre-k-12-education/carrboro-students-raising-money-for-dominican-republic/>

This was in Sunday, May 10th's newspaper:

<http://www.heraldsun.com/chherald/x219726506/Water-and-art-A-cultural-exchange>

Daily Tar Heel Article: [Muralists, students create art in Carrboro](#)

Join Us at the Community Kitchen

The first Thursday of every month is our Friends' opportunity to prepare lunch at the Community Kitchen. We gather at 9 am and close at 12:30 pm. Volunteers are welcome anytime during those hours to help prepare the meal (there is always a choice of foods, salads to make), set up, and serve. We have lots of fun and have some really creative cooks. Please join us on the first Thursday—good food, good friends, good laughs.

Quaker Books Summer Reading List 2015

A list of books to read this summer offered by Quaker Books of FGC:

<http://www.quakerbooks.org/list/summer-reading-2015>

BYO Plate

We celebrate the often large attendance at potluck and we thank the meeting for continued help with potluck cleanup. However, large attendance does create a lot of dishes to wash. Therefore, we request that Friends bring their own plates, cutlery, and glasses to potluck and take them home to wash. We know of other groups that use this practice successfully and we propose it as another way to be environmentally friendly. We recognize not everyone will remember to do so. Those who do will be allowed to be first in line for potluck. Thank you.

Reminder: Hillsborough Worship Group

The Hillsborough Worship Group meets on Sundays at 11am at the Hillsborough Yoga Downtown studio at 121 West Margaret Lane. There is parking next door at the library. This group is under the care of the Durham Meeting and has a minute of support from our meeting.

Calling for Book Reviews

Have you read an inspiring book from the Meeting library lately? Or have you read a book we don't have in the library that you feel would be worthwhile to have in the collection? The Library committee would like to invite members and attenders to consider writing brief book reviews for the newsletter. Share the insight or inspiration you received from your readings. Please send a copy of your review to the library committee as well at library@chapelhillfriends.org. We are always looking for suggestions for new books to add to our library. Thank you. The Library Committee

**Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends
Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business
June 21, 2015**

Minutes

Tom Munk, clerk; Robin Harper, recording clerk

Worship and query: *As a meeting, how do we support the spiritual growth of our children, young Friends and young adult Friends? To what extent do we make this the whole meeting's responsibility? What opportunities do we make to learn from them as well as teach them?*

A Friend shared about the blessing not only of our young people but also of their families and the people who nurture them. It's important to nurture the families, too, and we do.

1. Welcome, recognition of first time attenders, review of agenda—Clerk

We welcomed first time attender Eloise Grathwohl.

2. Approval of May minutes—Clerk

Approved.

3. Report from Eloise Grathwohl Membership Committee, for approval—Jan Hutton

Eloise's Clearness Committee consisted of Carolyn Stuart, Lynn Drake, Jennifer Leeman, and Jan Hutton. Jan described the joyful experience of meeting with Eloise, and coming to discernment. Her biography is attached.

Approved.

One Friend told a story of teaching the small children in FDS with Eloise, who was lead teacher, along with other adults. The children were getting rambunctious, and she began talking very softly, telling a story. She had everyone's rapt attention. It was a wonderful experience teaching with her. Another described encounters with Eloise as times of deep sharing. During the clearness committees, she experienced Eloise's vulnerability, and her willingness to ask herself and others deep questions.

Carolyn Stuart will convene a welcoming planning committee consisting of Dottie Heninger, Alice Carlton, and herself.

4. Request for Clearness Committee for Membership for Joanna Selim—Clerk

Tom read Joanna's letter. Her request has been forwarded to M&W, and a clearness committee will be formed.

There was some general discussion around the archiving and publishing of such membership letters. M&W will continue to discuss this and bring a recommendation to MWAB.

5. Nominations Roster for 2015-16, for approval—Carolyn Stuart

Carolyn began by recognizing members of the Nominations Committee: Jennifer Leeman, Ken Grogan, Karen Merrey, Sean Chen, Ed Bowen, Joyce Munk, and herself. Since its publication at last month's MWAB, a few changes have been made to last month's slate of nominations:

- The reorganized Peace & Justice Committee will consist of Naveed Moeed, Ed Bowen, Nancy Elkins, and Hank Elkins.
- Eloise Grathwohl will serve on Care & Counsel.
- Matt Cooper cannot serve on ARE because of a scheduling conflict, but will serve on Publications & Communications.

The above changes, and the overall slate, were approved with gratitude for the work of the committee.

6. Alcohol policy, Care & Counsel—Deborah Gibbs

Our current policy is stipulated on our building use form: no alcohol, drugs, tobacco, or firearms are allowed on Meeting property. However, on past occasions an exception has been made for small glasses of champagne for a toast. There is a wedding coming up very soon, and because of past ambiguity, C&C's recommendation is that we make one last exception in this particular case, but going forward there would be a strict no alcohol policy, of any kind, both for outsiders using our space as well as Meeting members and attenders. This question originally came to B&G, as the committee who manages space rental, but they felt that is was more of a question for C&C, which is how it came to that committee.

Alice Carlton clarified that she and Dave Curtin, on whose behalf the request was made, have withdrawn their request for a champagne toast in the multipurpose room following their wedding. Tom thanked them for being willing to forego this tradition in respect of our policy.

Friends expressed both support and opposition to C&C's recommendation. Some felt that we should not impose our will on Friends or on others. Others felt that we should be consistent and treat everyone equally. We discussed the variety of family traditions around weddings, and recognized the damage that alcohol has done to society and individuals.

Tom asked that Friends hold this issue in worship, and come ready to address it at a future MWAB. However, we finished our business early, so the Clerk brought us back to labor on the issue further.

Friend expressed that there's nothing wrong with a little toast, as an exception to our policy. She also suggested postponing this item until the fall when more people are present.

Friend expressed her discomfort with separating "inside" people from "outside" people. In a spirit of equality and integrity, she felt that the policy should apply to all who use the space.

Friend responded to an earlier suggestion that people have their receptions at another location. Not everyone has the money to rent more than one facility, and we are already set apart by the fact that Meeting members and attenders do not have to pay to use the Meetinghouse. So there is already an established inequality.

Friend urged us to consider what message we want to send to the outside community? Do we want to stand for something? What is the purpose of our setting a standard?

Friend questioned why these particular items are on the list. Some are obvious (guns); some are not (alcohol). Why not sugar? She would like to hear discussion about the choice of items on the list.

Friend expressed confusion about why, in our society in general, there is a connection between alcohol and weddings? Why are these two things connected at all?

Friend mentioned how the policy is already compromised during football parking. We ask them not to drink, but many do anyway.

Friend expressed that this is a very complex issue, for a number of very important reasons. There is conflict among some very understandable but contradictory values. Alcohol causes many problems in our society. It is also a tradition of expressing joy in many families. He urged us to listen to each other very carefully.

Friend described his year of abstinence. Has found it difficult, because of all the social occasions where one is really expected to drink. Maybe this is an opportunity for us to create a safe space for those who cannot or do not wish to drink.

Tom proposed that C&C discuss this at their next committee meeting, and come up with a proposal to bring to a future MWAB, not in the summer. Deborah agreed to take it back to the committee.

7. Purchase of Computer and Operating Software—Maura Murphy

Finance Committee recently purchased a new laptop for \$780, per previous approval by MWAB. Records will now be safer, and not kept only on an individual's personal computer. Money for this purchase came from the Contingency Fund. Maura thanked the Meeting for making funds available for this need.

8. Purchase of Servant Keeper Software—Maura Murphy

Finance Committee has come to see a need for fundraising tracking software. Maura has done extensive research on various kinds of software, and found that many products, in addition to fundraising tracking, will also keep archive and directory records.

Maura met with representatives from Publications & Communications and Archives, to compare the committees' varying needs. They settled on Servant Keeper as the product of choice. James Harper spoke about the uses that P&C could make of it. He mentioned the need P&C has had for a less cumbersome way to produce the directory and keep track of changes. This software actually has a directory-making function. He also described how the various users of the software will not be able to see private information that is being entered by the other users. Julia Cleaver talked about the ways that Archives could make use of it. Since the beginning, our Meeting's membership records have been kept in a ledger, which has its limitations. Recently she has begun keeping it in a rather cobbled-together spreadsheet, as well. This software program has multiple functions that will make keeping up with and modifying these records much easier. It also has a printing function so we can have hard copies for our archive needs. Ann Miller described the spreadsheet that Finance has been using, which has been good, but Servant Keeper will be much more user-friendly. Maura described that one of the big benefits of this product is that it is a relational database, so the various committees' information can inform each other. She sees that it will also have future benefit for CRE, and other committees.

A Friend recommended that everything be backed up on the cloud, not just the information described so far. The committees will discuss this.

The cost of the software package is \$1200, with a \$360/year ongoing charge for storage and the three "seats," or users, that we will need for the three committees. This money would also come from the Contingency Fund. The Contingency Fund was only budgeted for \$1000 this year. Finance has discussed this shortfall, but with contributions this year exceeding expectations, and other things, they feel this is a good investment and that we can afford it.

This expenditure was approved.

Much appreciation was expressed for the huge amount of research that Maura did, and for her sharing it with the other committees and the clarity with which she did so.

9. Presentation of 2015-16 Budget, for approval, with modifications—Ann Miller (ATTACHED)

Ann pointed to the money that was added under "Expenses—Obligations" for the Servant Keeper software as described by Maura. This is the only change from the budget presented last month. Budget indicates a hoped-for increase in contributions of around \$4000, given the amount that contributions exceeded last year's budget.

Approved with many thanks.

10. Publications & Communications Annual Report—Emily Buehler (ATTACHED)

Emily read the report, and thanked the many people who help the committee with their work.

Tom described C&C's new role in the directory production process, and urged everyone to please update their information.

Accepted with thanks.

11. Revised description of Piedmont Friends Fellowship—Alice Carlton (ATTACHED)

Alice read the proposed new descriptions.

Friends approved these new descriptions for publication in the directory.

12. Announcements from listserv—Clerk

The Clerk read from the newsletter about upcoming events. In addition:

- Adults can still register for FGC—there is still time!

- Friends who attended the Prayer Vigil on Friday at St. Paul's AME church described it as a very moving experience, with standing room only and many colors of people in attendance. Quoted Rabbi Feldman, who spoke at the vigil: "Help us to find You in each other's eyes." Many other words of healing were spoken.
- Naveed announced that a request for a formal statement about the events in Charleston has come to P&J, and they are working on writing this.
- Contact Mary Key if you are interested in a Sunday afternoon worship group.

We closed with worship.

Attending: Ann Miller, Kitty Bergel, Eloise Grathwohl, Ruth Zalph, Marilyn Dyer, James Harper, Emily Buehler, Alice Carlton, David Curtin, Jennifer Leeman, Sally Poland, Deborah Gibbs, Emilie Condon, Bettie. L. Flash, Ken Grogan, Maura Murphy, Dottie Heninger, Carolyn Stuart, Jan Hutton, Richard Miller, Richard Shepherd, Julia Cleaver, Barbara Williamson, Paul Munk, Joyce Munk, Hank Elkins, Omar Brown, LaPril R. Brown, Teresa A. Brown

ELOISE RAYMOND GRATHWOHL BIOGRAPHY
4/29/1953

Eloise Grathwohl grew up in Paducah, Kentucky, where her obstetrician father modelled integrity and courage by opening his waiting room to African-American patients in the 1950s and starting the first Planned Parenthood organization in that part of the state. She came to Chapel Hill for college at UNC and has lived in NC ever since. In the 80s and 90s, she and her husband Steve held leadership positions in the Haw River Assembly and the Conservation Council of North Carolina (now the NC League of Conservation Voters). She teaches English at Meredith College in Raleigh and serves on the board of the nonprofit Clapping Hands, which brings at-risk youth and children of privilege together in a respectful, diverse, and joyful camp community. She is grateful for the spiritual grounding the Meeting has given her family and especially the formative influence of Carolina Friends School, First Day School, and SAYF on her son Michael, who graduated this spring from Earlham College. After twenty years as an attender, she is also grateful for the gentle realization that the Meeting has become her spiritual home and for a clear leading to become a member of the Religious Society of Friends.

CHFM Final Budget for Fiscal Year July 1, 2015 to June 30, 2016

6/21/2015

INCOME	2014-2015	2015-2016	Increase (Decrease)	% change
Contributions	64,900	68,925	4,025	6%
Building rental	1,500	500	(1,000)	-200%
Parking space rental	5,100	5,100	-	0%
Carry forward	1,500		(1,500)	
Miscellaneous (Interest income etc.)			-	
INCOME TOTAL	73,000	74,525	1,525	2%
EXPENSES				
EXPENSES	2014-2015	2015-2016	Increase (Decrease)	% change
Obligations:				
Bank Fees	50	50	-	0%
FDS Coordinator/Childcare	6,000	6,000	-	0%
Insurance	4,400	5,400	1,000	19%
Software License Fee		360	360	100%
UBIT, Storm water Drainage Fee	1,100	1,100	-	0%
Utilities	7,335	6,000	(1,335)	-22%
Obligations Total	18,885	18,910	25	0%
Committees:				
Adult Religious Education	200	200	-	0%
Archives	-	200	200	100%
Buildings and Grounds	10,000	11,000	1,000	9%
Care and Counsel	100	100	-	0%
Children/Youth Religious Education	2,500	2,500	-	0%
Finance	50	50	-	0%
Friends Transition and Support	1,200	1,500	300	20%
Hospitality	300	300	-	0%
IFC	200	200	-	0%
Library	400	400	-	0%
Ministry and Worship	1,000	1,000	-	0%
Nominations	10	10	-	0%
Peace and Justice	300	300	-	0%
Publications and Communications	1,750	1,750	-	0%
Committees Total	18,010	19,510	1,500	8%
Annual and Continuing Funds				
Care and Counsel- continuing	500	500	-	0%
Contingency- annual	1,000	1,000	-	0%
Leadership Development- continuing	500	500	-	0%
Meeting for Suffering- annual	135	135	-	0%
National Quaker Service- annual	2,000	2,000	-	0%
Physical Plant/Meetinghouse Renovation- continuing	4,000	4,000	-	0%
Returning Citizens Financial Assistance- continuing	1,000	1,000	-	0%
Youth Service Learning- continuing	800	800	-	0%
Annual and Continuing Funds Total	9,935	9,935	-	0%
Benevolences:				
ARE- Guilford College Friends Center	125	125	-	0%
M&W- FGC, FJ, PFF, SotS, FLGBTQC	1,400	1,400	-	0%
P&J- IFC, CFS, QH, FCNL, AFSC, QEW, BQEF, & 7 others	24,645	24,645	-	0%
Benevolences Total	26,170	26,170	-	0%
EXPENSES TOTAL	73,000	74,525	1,525	2%

PUBLICATIONS AND COMMUNICATIONS COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT
JUNE 2015

This past year, P&C continued to manage the twice-weekly e-news, the website and online calendar, In The Light announcements, monthly newsletters, and the annual directory.

Highlights:

- We spent a lot of time considering the process of updating the directory. We would like this process to be less frustrating and time consuming. Some initial changes: we created a timeline and set of guidelines to work with, we created an online form that Friends can use to submit updates/confirmations in addition to the usual methods (paper, email, phone), and we generated a list of emails to send an announcement to, in order to reach Friends who are not subscribed to our e-news. We will continue to explore better methods of storing the directory information.
- We are working with Archives and Finance to come up with a better way to keep track of members and attenders.
- We printed large-print directories for Friends who requested them. If anyone new would like a large-print directory, please let us know.
- We continue to offer electronic newsletters and directories for Friends who prefer them. The automated process of downloading a directory (i.e., Friends email directory@chapelhillfriends.org and receive a password and instructions) saved time.
- We are trying to use the more correct name of “e-news” in place of the archaic “listserv” for our biweekly email.
- We’ve made some good changes to the website, which are now live, and plan to continue this.

Reminders:

Contact information:

- Newsletter, e-news, and In the Light announcements go to news@chapelhillfriends.org
- Directory updates go to directory@chapelhillfriends.org
- Please stop using our old address, publicationsandrecords@chapelhillfriends.org

Submissions:

- Get permission before submitting personal information about another person.
- Specify “e-news” and/or “newsletter” in the subject line when you submit.
- The newsletter is posted online and therefore public.
- The e-news goes to 200+ recipients, some of whom are not Meeting members.

Thank yous:

Thanks in advance to the Friends who are going to help with directory phone calls!
Friends who transport our newsletters: Maria Darlington, Anne Filiaci, and Lynn Drake.

Submitted by Publications and Communications: Emily Buehler (Clerk), James Harper, Ed Bowen, David Curtain, David Schneider, Sean Chen, Robin Harper (Recording Clerk)

NEW DESCRIPTIONS:
PIEDMONT FRIENDS YEARLY MEETING

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting joined the Piedmont Friends Yearly Meeting (PFYM) in 2015. PFYM is an openly inclusive Quaker yearly meeting seeking to be of service to monthly meetings and worship groups in the Piedmont region of North Carolina and adjacent areas. Member meetings are both un-programmed and semi-programmed, large and small, firmly Christian and more universal, rural and urban, but all share a common commitment to living out examples of a Spirit led life of love and compassion, especially as defined by the traditional Quaker testimonies of Peace, Equality, Simplicity, Integrity, and Community. PFYM relies on Piedmont Friends Fellowship (PFF) for fellowship programming in conjunction with the Yearly Meeting.

PFYM also has an interim committee that meets quarterly to further the social and business agenda of the Yearly Meeting. For updated information as well as driving directions to Meetings and Worship Groups, visit the website <http://piedmontfriendsfellowship.org/>.

PFYM Clerk: (2015- 3/2017) -- Marian Beane (Charlotte Meeting); marian.beane@gmail.com

PFYM Recording Clerk: (2015-3/2018) -- Julie Stafford (Charlotte Meeting); maryju@bellsouth.net

PIEDMONT FRIENDS FELLOWSHIP

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting has been a member of the Piedmont Friends Fellowship (PFF) since PFF's founding in 1968. The organization rose out of a need for meeting across North Carolina to come together to address issues and concerns in a wider Quaker community. The associated Friends Meetings and Worship Groups gather for worship, fun, fellowship, and sharing of messages from the Inner Light. Annually PFF holds a fall workshop, a spring weekend family retreat, and youth programming. The goal is to nurture the Spirit within each of us as we share with new and old Friends. PFF is affiliated with Friends General Conference (FGC), and PFF provides fellowship programming for the new, closely related Piedmont Friends Yearly Meeting (PFYM).

For updated information as well as driving directions to Meetings and Worship Groups, see the complete PFF Directory in the library or visit the website <http://piedmontfriendsfellowship.org/>

PFF Clerk: (2015-2016) -- John Hunter (Durham Meeting); airplanehunter@hotmail.com

PFF Recording Clerk and Assistant Clerk: (2015-2016) -- Jeff Brown (Chapel Hill Meeting); jeffrey.brown65@gmail.com

PFF Treasurer: (2015-2016) – Robert Cooper (Fayetteville Meeting); quakerbob@mail.com

Calendar

(All events at Meetinghouse unless otherwise indicated.)

Sun. 7/5	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
	12:30pm	Potluck & IFC donations
Tue. 7/7	7-8pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Fri. 7/10	5-6pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 7/12	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
Tue. 7/14	7-8pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Fri. 7/17	5-6pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 7/19	8am	Meetinghouse open for worship
	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	9:00am	Meeting for Worship w/Attention to Business
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
Tue. 7/21	7-8pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Fri. 7/24	5-6pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 7/26	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
	noon	Families and Friends Affected by Mental Illness - Schoolhouse
	10pm	Deadline To Turn In Items For Newsletter!
Fri. 7/31	5-6pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
	7pm	Intergenerational Games - Schoolhouse
Sun. 8/2	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
	12:30pm	Potluck & IFC donations – Schoolhouse
Tue. 8/4	7-8pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Thur. 8/6	9am-1pm	CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter
Fri. 8/7	5-6pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting
Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends
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Meetings for Worship at 8:30 and 11:00am
Forum at 9:45am; Child Care from 9:30am-12:15pm
First Day School from 11:15am-12:00pm
Clerk of the Meeting: Tom Munk (919) 537-9203
Resident: John Hite (919) 929-5377

- Newsletter. This newsletter is published every first Sunday under the care of the Publications and Records Committee. Paper copies are available at the Meetinghouse and a PDF is posted on the Meeting website, www.chapelhillfriends.org. The deadline for submissions is 10pm on the last Sunday of the month. Email submissions to news@chapelhillfriends.org or call Emily Buehler, (919) 475-5756. Please include "newsletter" in the subject line.
- Listserv. To send a news or "In the Light" announcement on the Meeting listserv, contact news@chapelhillfriends.org. Please include "listserv" or "in the light" in the subject line. This listserv goes to about 280 people. Do not submit personal information about someone else unless you know he/she wants to share. Subscribe to the listserv at www.chapelhillfriends.org/contact.html.
- Website. To get items posted on our website, send them to news@chapelhillfriends.org.