## **Chapel Hill**

## Friends Meeting Newsletter

## **April, 2016**

## **Monthly Query:**



Am I ready to offer assistance as part of my religious community serving its members? Am I equally willing to accept graciously the help of others?

## Monthly Worship Tip from the M&W Committee

Not all vocal ministry will be equally meaningful to all present. Remember, ministry that does not speak to your condition may nevertheless be valuable to others. Be patient. Take care to separate the message from the minister.

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## **Upcoming Forum Schedule**

April 3: Alcohol Use on the Meeting's Property

Small group discussion exploring the query: How would you like to have the Meeting's policy on alcohol use on our property read, and does your own experience play a part in your views? Lead by Tom Munk, Kitty Bergel, and Tom Ludlow for Care and Counsel Committee; Moderator: Matt Drake

Additional forums this month tbd

### **First Day School News**

#### **April 3: First Day Potluck and Baby Welcoming!**

Join us as we joyously welcome the newest member of the CHFM community, born January 30: Jolene Jacqueline Hart-Stanley, daughter of beloved FDS-alumni Lauren Hart and Will Stanley. The middle and high school teens will combine for a cooking project/ special surprise led by Jennifer Leeman. If your family is staying for potluck, please remember to bring your own plates, cups, and utensils if possible!

#### **April 3: Multicultural/World Religions Unit Begins**

This week marks the beginning of the last unit of the FDS year, when we focus on learning about other world religions. Please consult with your child's pod teachers if you have any questions, comments or ideas of topics to be covered. We will visit a faith community on a FDS-wide field trip next month.

April 10: Old Testament Field Day (rescheduled)

**April 10: Chapel Hill/Carrboro CROP Hunger Walk** See the article below.

### **Welcome Spring with CROP Walk!**

CROP Hunger Walk 2016 is here! The walk takes place in Carrboro and Chapel Hill the afternoon of Sunday, April 10. **To join our Meeting's team or donate,** visit the team page: https://www.crophungerwalk.org/chapelhillnc/Team/View/17909/Chapel-Hill-Friends-Meeting

For more information about the event, go to www.ifcweb.org/events and look for CROP Walk.

If you have any questions about the Church World Service CROP Hunger Walk website, feel free to ask Asta (astacrowe@gmail.com). If you would like to aid in the general effort to involve CHFM, call Ann Drake at (919) 928-0537 or email Max Drake (maxdrake@bellsouth.net).

## **Calls for Spirited Action**

Join AFSC each month through May as they engage in conversation about the work of AFSC and how Quakers can be involved in evolving movements for social change. These monthly calls are an opportunity to learn from AFSC staff and others about specific focus issues and campaigns and to hear ideas of how to get involved. Each one is also an opportunity to speak with other Quakers from the around the country about strategies for how to engage in collective social change work.

Each call will be held 8:30–9:30 p.m. EST. You can join by dialing (866) 740-1260 and entering access code 2419995#.

Upcoming calls include...

#### April 21st

**Humanize**, **not Militarize**: Responses and resistance to militarism--learn how you can bring the traveling exhibit to your community and host events to challenge the narrative of militarism in the US and around the world, with Mary Zerkel

May 19th

**Love knows no borders:** Accompanying the movement for migrant justice and transformation with Jenn Piper and Pedro Rios. Register online at http://afsc.org/calls-spirited-action.

## **Project Connect**

Project Connect is an annual event that provides essential services to people who are experiencing or at-risk of homelessness. This year's event was on March 29. For more information and to volunteer in the future, please go to... https://www.facebook.com/OrangeCountyPEH/

### **New QuakerSpeak Video**

"Who is John Woolman?," a new QuakerSpeak video, came out this month. "Quaker icon John Woolman balanced activism with an inward contemplative spirituality." Michael Birkel, Professor at Earlham School of Religion, shares more.

http://quakerspeak.com/who-is-john-woolman/

## **Elohim Monard Speaks at Durham Friends Meeting**

Durham Friends Meeting is pleased to announce that Elohim Monard, a Duke/UNC Rotary Peace Fellow (http://rotarypeacecenternc.org), will share his experiences as an intern with the Nonviolent Peaceforce at forum on April 3 at 11:30 AM at Durham Friends Meeting: 404 Alexander Avenue.

AFSC has nominated the Nonviolent Peacforce for a Nobel Prize. Nonviolent Peaceforce is an unarmed, paid civilian protection force that fosters dialogue among parties in conflict and provides a protective presence for threatened civilians. "Unarmed civilian protection is a method for direct protection of civilians and violence reduction that has grown in practice and recognition. In the last few years, it has especially proven its effectiveness to protect women and girls," according to a UN report of October 2015 cited by AFSC in its nominating letter. "Awarding the Nobel Peace Prize to Nonviolent Peaceforce would highlight and strengthen their work and the work of other similar organizations, at a time when worldwide tensions seem to be at a boiling point, and their work is vital and relevant," AFSC wrote.

Bio of Elohim Monard, Master in International Development Policy, Duke University Elohim was born in Pucallpa, a city in the Peruvian Amazon where he witnessed marvelous landscapes and people, in contrast to inequality and deprivation across the rainforest. He studied Communications for Development at Universidad de Lima and sums up what he learned in a single statement: the maximum expression of communication is dialogue. His professional career and personal journey have focused on civil society projects to generate networks of people and institutions, broadening opportunities for young people, recognizing their social and economic enterprises, and encouraging their citizenship. Before starting the Rotary Fellowship, Elohim contributed to trigger social innovations related to cooperation, peaceful coexistence and public service. After his Master's studies, he wants to design and implement public policies with a conflict prevention and transformation approach, as well as being involved in political affairs, to enhance democratic dialogue and institutional stability.

More: http://rotarypeacecenternc.org/2015/07/07/elohim-monard-afe-blog-nonviolent-peaceforce-brussels-belgium/

## **Contacting Senators Re: Merrick Garland**

Debbie Hoodiman shares with Friends.

I will be calling our two NC Senators, Richard Burr and Thom Tillis, as well as the Senate Majority Leader Mitch McConnell, every day, starting tomorrow, to urge them to fulfill their obligation to give Merrick Garland a fair and timely confirmation hearing. If you are so inclined, I encourage you to do the same.

Senator Richard Burr: Senator Thom Tillis: Senator Mitch McConnell:

202-224-3154 202-224-6342 202-224-2541

## No Way to Treat a Child: Documentary Screenings

Working to End the Military Detention of Palestinian Children

Over the past decade, nearly 8,000 Palestinian children living in the occupied West Bank have been arrested by Israeli forces and prosecuted in an Israeli military detention system notorious for systematic abuse and wide-spread ill treatment of Palestinian children.

Jennifer Bing, director of the Palestine-Israel program for the American Friends Service Committee, will speak about AFSC's advocacy campaign focused on ending military detention of Palestinian children (www.nowaytotreatachild.org). She will share testimonies of Palestinian children through the documentary "Detaining Dreams" and the impact their detention has on communities in the West Bank.

1:30 p.m. \* Saturday, April 2, 2016 Raleigh Friends Meeting \* 625 Tower St. \* Raleigh, NC 27607

7:00 p.m. \* Sunday, April 3, 2016 Community Church of Chapel Hill \* 106 Purefoy Rd \* Chapel Hill, NC 27514

7:00 p.m. \* Monday, April 4, 2016 New Garden Friends Meeting \* 801 New Garden Road \* Greensboro, NC 27410

No Way to Treat a Child Co-Sponsors: AFSC Area Office of the Carolinas, Charles M. Jones Peace and Justice Committee of the Community Church of Chapel Hill Universalist, New Garden Friends Meeting; www.nowaytotreatachild.org/, 919-942-2535.

## Screening of The Wanted 18

Through a clever mix of stop motion animation and interviews, *The Wanted 18* recreates an astonishing true story: the Israeli army's pursuit of 18 cows whose independent milk production on a Palestinian collective farm was declared "a threat to the national security of the state of Israel." In response to the Israeli occupation of the West Bank, a group of people from the town of Beit Sahour decide to buy 18 cows and produce their own milk as a co-operative. Their venture is so successful that the collective farm becomes a landmark, and the cows local celebrities-until the Israeli army takes note and declares that the farm is an illegal security threat. Consequently, the dairy is forced to go underground with the cows continuing to produce their "Intifada milk" and the Israeli army in relentless pursuit.

7:00 p.m. \* Sunday, April 10, 2016 \* St. Phillip's Episcopal Church 403 E. Main St. \* Durham, NC 27701

# Vigil for Compassionate Mental Health Care for our Incarcerated Service Members and Veterans

Monday, April 11, 5:00 PM, on sidewalk in front of the Airborne and Special Operations Museum, 100 Bragg Boulevard. For information, contact 910-323-3912. To sign the petition, please go to www.quakerhouse.org.

Joshua Eisenhauer, who suffers severe combat related PTSD/TBI after two intense combat tours in Afghanistan with the 82nd Airborne Division, is incarcerated in an open room with 30 other prisoners, allowed to see a social worker only about once every two months. The prison abuts a shooting range, which worsens his trauma.

Approximately one in ten prison inmates have served in the military. Many suffer from PTSD and/or Traumatic Brain Injury which increases the likelihood of violent, aggressive, and impulsive behavior and requires a regular regime of therapy and medication. The suicide rate for veterans imprisoned is five times that of the general population. Jails and prisons need to include veteran status as a part of intake screening. Incarcerated service members and veterans with PTSD and TBI must receive the mental health care that they so desperately need. Their chances of being successfully reintegrated into society upon release are very poor if they do not receive treatment. Our service members and veterans deserve to have a chance to heal from the wounds of the wars they fought for our country. By not receiving adequate mental health care, these wounded warriors too often end up living tortured and traumatic lives in prison.

## Looking for a Stationary Bike

Dirk Spruyt and Perry Martin are interested in buying or borrowing a stationary bike. Please contact them if you have any leads.

### **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 <a href="mailto:library@chapelhillfriends.org">library@chapelhillfriends.org</a>. 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 March 20, 2016

#### Minutes

#### Tom Munk, Clerk; Robin Harper, Recording Clerk

**Worship and query:** Do I maintain as part of my personal and family life those daily practices that focus on continued spiritual growth, with disciplined worship, inward retirement, and communion with the divine spirit?

One Friend felt this to be an overwhelming query, that we could hear six months of the year and still be working on it.

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

We welcomed first-time attender Stephanie Pritchard.

#### 2. Approval of February minutes—Clerk

Approved

#### Building and Grounds—Don Hopper

Don described the various certifications we need before we can secure building permits from the town of Chapel Hill.

Trinity Design Build has the proper architectural certifications, and so they can create the preconstruction planning and drawing proposals needed. The cost for this would be \$5850, with 10% deposit required. Burke Design Group has the engineering certifications (HVAC, plumbing, electrical, structural), and the cost for their services would be \$2650. These two companies will provide us with a set of approved documents and drawings, with which we can pursue acquiring permits. We would not be obligated, however, to employ the companies to do the actual work; the above figures would give us the ownership of these documents outright. If we can proceed with these plans, we can get our permits by June 10, start work by June 15, and be finished with the work by end of August.

Friends celebrated progress on the renovation project. In response to questions, Don reminded Friends that no specific expenditures have been approved at this point. The above figures do not include fees that will be due to Chapel Hill, which are a percentage of the cost of the work. Don felt that we could probably have the full project cost estimate by April's MWAB.

We approved the expenditure of up to \$10,000 to pursue the creation of design and engineering documents for the Meetinghouse renovation, with the expectation that we will have final estimated figures no later than the May MWAB, so that the work can be done this summer.

#### 4. Benevolences Proposal—Naveed Moeed and Hank Elkins, for Peace and Justice (ATTACHED)

P&J considered some new benevolences this year, but did not feel they had sufficient experience or involvement with the organizations yet to add them. They recognize that their proposed budget is subject to Meeting contributions, and could be revised downward. Quaker Earthcare Witness has been eliminated as a benevolence, since they and NC Warn are doing much the same work. NC Warn was favored as there is more Meeting involvement with NC Warn, they are focused on NC, and in particular are concerned with the reduction of the use of fossil fuels, an issue we are all currently concerned about.

Jan Hutton, co-clerk of Ministry & Worship, recognized some discrepancies in the budget under the M&W Benevolences. She and Naveed will meet to resolve those.

Friends are asked to review this budget and bring any concerns to the co-clerks of P&J (Naveed and Hank). The committee will bring the final version to the April MWAB, at which time we hope to approve it.

## 5. Report from the First Piedmont Friends Yearly Meeting--Alice Carlton, Emilie Condon, Naveed Moeed

To clarify, Alice reminded us that 2015 was PFYM's "inaugural" meeting; 2016 was their "first" meeting. She shared with Friends highlights of the meeting:

Progress made on writing the PFYM handbook (eventually will be their Faith & Practice) Decisions made on what Quaker organizations with which to affiliate—AFSC, FCNL, FWCC,

others

Repository for PFYM records will be Guilford College Naming and Nominating Committees made reports

Positions filled: Marian Bean as clerk, Gary Hornsby as assistant and rising clerk, and other positions

"On Our Hearts" letters from member meetings shared

Our Friends found the meeting to be a gathered experience, and had a sense of stepping into a new tradition. Naveed led a session on Peace and Justice, and progress was made in bringing all PFF and PFYM meetings into greater participation in social witness.

Accepted with thanks.

#### 6. Annual report from Hospitality Committee—Alice Carlton (ATTACHED)

Alice read the report detailing the many, many ways the Hospitality Committee makes life in our Meeting better and more welcoming. Alice reminded Friends to be aware of the official clean-up checklist that needs to be adhered to whenever they use the Schoolhouse kitchen space.

One Friend thanked Hospitality Committee for their gracious and plentiful provisions for the Quaker House Board meeting yesterday. Several Friends expressed appreciation to Alice and the committee *Accepted with thanks*.

#### 7. Statement on bequests--Kitty Bergel, for Finance Committee (ATTACHED)

Finance has been working for some time on a statement to make it easy for Friends to understand how to leave gifts to the Meeting in their estates. Kitty read the proposed statement. She drew Friends' attention to the fact that gifts can be restricted or unrestricted, and to the impacts of both options. Friends were encouraged to contact Finance if they have questions or concerns.

Discussion ensued about ways to disseminate the statement.

We approved the document, with other forms of dissemination left to the Finance Committee. It was also approved for website, and to be sent to PFYM. The Committee will add the approval date to document.

## 8. Adding a diversity statement to our website—Jan Hutton, for Ministry and Worship Jan read the statement:

"We joyfully embrace the full spectrum of the light within, made visible through the participation of people of all beliefs, cultures, backgrounds, abilities, races, sexual orientations, and gender identities."

Jan shared some history on the proposal to add this statement as a "banner" to our website. She described the three-month process of discerning the statement—drawing from other meetings, and speaking with individuals. Currently the statement only appears in M&W's welcoming brochure. While working to create the "New to Friends?" page on our website, it came to their attention that many other meetings of our size have a prominent diversity statement appearing on their websites. Thus they felt this would be a strong and meaningful addition to our website as well.

Appreciation and great thanks were expressed to M&W for wrestling with this issue. A deep and tender sharing followed around the use of the word "races." Should we say "ethnicity" instead? "Ethnicities and races"? Leave out all categories and just say "all humans"? Several Friends shared that even though "human" describes everyone, as newcomers they would look for specific words that

describe themselves. One Friend spoke to the fact that even though race is biologically meaningless, it is socially powerful. He mourned that the idea of racism was ever invented. But in America, where we know what it means, there are still many misconceptions about it. So race needs to be mentioned in this statement.

We approved using the statement and placing it in a banner on our website, with the replacement of "races" with "ethnicities and races."

#### 9. Announcements from the listserv—Clerk

- •Forum on 3/27 is on Easter, and our reactions to it
- •Forum on 4/3 is continuing work from MWAB from last July—use of alcohol in Meeting space—a video, and queries from PYM, will be available as prep for this forum
- •Information Meeting/Work Session with Devin Ross, Lead Organizer for Orange County Justice United, today
- Fundraiser today in Arcadia Common House for a family whose breadwinner is being detained indefinitely in a deportation center
- •Finance Committee says please remember to make your contribution
- \*IFC will present its "Food for All" proposal on 3/22 at Carrboro Elementary School
- •Intergenerational games this Saturday, 3/26, at the Leeman-Munk home
- Project Connect, an event to end homelessness, will be held on 3/29
- Crop Walk is 4/10
- Vigil for compassionate mental health care at Ft. Bragg on 4/11
- •Monthly Worship Tip: If you feel moved to speak in Meeting for Worship, take a moment to test your message. Is it from the Inward Light? Is it meant only for me, or for the entire Meeting?

Other announcements?

• Faith Connections annual conference on 4/1 focusing on teen depression

#### We closed with worship.

**Attending:** Perry Martin, Dirk Spruyt, Alice Carlton, Dave Curtin, James Harper, Dottie Heninger, Monteze Snyder, Ruth Zalph, Ben Ray, Stephany Pritchard, Ken Grogan, Richard Miller, Jennifer Leeman, Aaron Haynes, Carolyn Stuart, Wendy Michener, Jan Hutton, Naveed Moeed, Julia Cleaver, Lynn Drake, Matt Drake, Tom Ludlow, Emilie Condon, Asta Crowe

## BENEVOLENCES 2014-15 PEACE AND JUSTICE COMMITTEE

CAROLINA FRIENDS SHOOL
INTERFAITH COUNCIL
QUAKER HOUSE
QUAKER EARTHCARE WITNESS
FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION
AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE
NC WARN

BOLIVIAN QUAKER EDUCATION FUND
ALAMANCE ORANGE COUNTY PRISON MINISTRY
PEOPLE OF FAITH AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY
PLANNED PARENTHOOD NC (PPCNC)
ORANGE COUNTY JUSTICE UNITED
ORANGE COUNTY PEACE COALITION
RIGHT SHARING OF WORLD RESOURCES

#### **CAROLINA FRIENDS SHOOL**

#### **Address**

4809 Friends School Road, Durham, NC 27705 www.cfsnc.org (Updated March 2016)

#### Description

Background: Friends in our Meeting joined Durham Meeting Friends to create Carolina Friends School on donated land in 1962 – at a time when NC was delaying integration of its public schools – to demonstrate that black and white students could learn together and to provide a progressive, child-oriented form of education. A part-time pre-school opened in the basement of our meetinghouse in 1965 and continues to operate as a full-time pre-school in the schoolhouse. It regularly receives "five star" evaluations from state inspectors.

Program: The Carolina Friends School carries out the faith, practice, and testimonies of the Religious Society of Friends. These include the use of silent worship, the focus on building community, training in non-violent responses to conflict, the loving ways in which teachers relate to the students, and the encouragement given to students to "find their Light," to nurture their unique gifts, and to share them with the world.

This school year, CFS is running a three-unit training in Quaker clerking for staff; and will offer a course in Quaker Advocacy in our Upper School, which will include attending the Friends Committee on National Legislation's Spring Lobby Weekend in Washington, DC.

Activities: CFS welcomes a wide variety of students, including many who, because of racial, cultural, sexual, physical disability, learning challenges, and other reasons are not served well in the public schools. Student diversity is reflected by minorities now representing 24% of the student body. Included are African-Americans, Africans, Asians, Latinos, Native Americans, multi-racial, and multi-faith students. Teachers have an average of 20 years of experience, and half have graduate degrees.

#### **Meeting involvement**

The Meeting's annual benevolence contribution to Carolina Friends School is designated to financial aid, enabling students who quality for financial aid to attend CFS. CFS provides tuition aid to just over 25% of CFS students, a higher percentage than most other independent schools in our area. The difference between tuition charged and the actual cost of educating a child is more than \$2,600 per student. This is the policy in order to keep tuition as low as possible. Donations are a primary way CFS closes that gap and pays for the essentials of education at CFS. The major contribution CHFM already makes to CFS is the inkind donation of the educational building for use of the CFS Chapel Hill Lower School. A conservative estimate of the value of that donation is at least \$12,000 per year. For its part, CFS maintains the educational building, the playground and half the cost of the parking lot.

The School Board includes Quakers nominated by the Chapel Hill and Durham Friends Meetings. Matt Drake, Buffie Webber, Bill Jenkins, and Pat Mann serve on the board from Chapel Hill Meeting. Friends are invited to volunteer to tutor, to teach a special class session, and to participate in CFS worship. Over the years, the experience of parents and children at CFS has attracted many members and attenders to our Meeting.

#### **INTERFAITH COUNCIL**

#### **Address**

110 W. Main Street, Carrboro, NC 27510, www.ifcweb.org (updated March 2016)

#### Description

Background: The Inter-Faith Council for Social Service (IFC) was founded in 1963 to address the significant gaps that existed in the social safety net of our community. Seven local church women created the IFC "to discover unmet needs and to respond through the coordinated efforts of volunteers." With no paid staff or office space, IFC began providing crisis intervention assistance to people in dire need. Today it is a not-for-profit non-denominational social service organization with a small staff providing basic services to combat poverty, hunger and homelessness in Chapel Hill and Carrboro. IFC is the principal agency in Orange County for mobilizing our community to address homelessness, hunger, and economic disparity Activities: In 2016, IFC has continued to provide XXX meals and shelter to about XXX people.

#### Meeting involvement

Members in 1963 of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting, notably Gerry Gourley and Mildred Ringwalt, were instrumental in its founding. Members of the Meeting's IFC representatives (2015-16) were: James Bartow, Emilie Condon, Asta Crowe, Ann Drake, Max Drake, Lauren Hart, Dottie Heninger, Karen Merry, and Carolyn Stuart. Individual members prepare and serve lunch for about 90 people in the Community Kitchen every first Thursday and provides food items each first Sunday, "IFC First Day". Many members and attenders participate in the annual CROP walk and RSVVP programs.

#### **QUAKER EARTHCARE WITNESS**

#### <u>Address</u>

173-B N. Prospect St., Burlington, VT 05401-1607 <a href="https://www.quakerearthcare.org">www.quakerearthcare.org</a> — mailing address: Quaker Earthcare Witness, P.O. Box 6787, Albany, CA 94706, 510-542-9606 (updated March, 2016)

#### **Description**

**Background**: Quaker Earthcare Witness is a spiritually-centered movement of Quakers and like-minded people seeking ways to integrate concern for the environment with Friends' long-standing testimonies for simplicity, integrity, peace, and equality. "We are called to live in right relationship with all creation, recognizing that the entire world is interconnected ..."

**Program**: QEW's work consists primarily of 1) material and spiritual support for individual Friends and Friends groups who are working on ecological sustainability issues from a spiritual perspective and 2) publications, programs, projects, and other activities that are aimed at making human activities not only ecologically sustainable but in harmony with the larger purposes of creation.

#### Meeting involvement

In previous years Ruth Hamilton and Michael Jokinen have participated in regional national QEW meetings and represented QEW at Intermountain Yearly Meeting. Ruth has also clerked the QEW Mini Grant Program of the Outreach Committee.

#### **QUAKER HOUSE**

#### **Address**

223 Hillside Ave., Fayetteville, NC 28301 <a href="https://www.quakerhouse.org">www.quakerhouse.org</a> (Updated January 20, 2014)

#### **Description**

Background: Quaker House celebrated its 45<sup>th</sup> anniversary in 2014. It was a sanctuary for GI's protesting the Vietnam war and continues to serve estranged military personnel both on site, in the brig, and through its GI Rights Hotline. Fayetteville is the home of Ft. Bragg, one of the largest military bases in the country. It provides the economic base for the very conservative town. The Chapel Hill Friends Meeting was instrumental in the founding of Quaker House after a soldier from Ft. Bragg came to our meeting asking for help. Ft. Bragg is now building a drone testing base and it has expanded its Special Forces and psychops operations.

Activities: In its sixth year under directors Lynn and Steve Newsom, Quaker House continues to go from strength to strength. They continue to serve the community through their Domestic Violence Victims' Support Program and Alternative to Violence Project training.

Relationships with Fort Bragg are good: Lynn and Steve attend Chaplains' Meetings at Ft. Bragg and the chaplains came to visit Quaker House for the first time in Quaker House history. The directors attend Behavior Health Professional Meetings which include members of the military; Lynn is on the Board of the Rape Crisis Center.

Quaker House continues to work with QUIT (the Quaker Initiative to End Torture) and NCSTN (North Carolina Stop Torture Now) to work against torture, to support John Kiriakou, and encourage people to send postcards asking Senators Burr and Feinstein and President Obama to release the Senate Select Committee on Intelligence report on torture.

Quaker House counselors, Lenore Yarger and Steve Woolford, continue to be very busy with soldiers who need help. They take 14,000 calls a year from GI's and others regarding Conscientious Objection applications, PTSD, injury and suicide prevention. There is an increase in Conscientious Objection applicants and soldiers who are being released involuntarily from the military on trumped up charges such as "personality disorder" when they actually have PTSD and/or TBI. Quaker House is blessed to have a psychiatrist who volunteers her time to diagnose these soldiers correctly. Steve and Lenore have been contacted by the media for information on these cases. Quaker House is helping many service members receive the medical benefits they deserve.

Quaker House continues to offer Mindfulness classes which are very helpful to soldiers suffering from PTSD and TBI.

#### Meeting involvement

CHFM is a founding Meeting of Quaker house and Four members of our meeting currently serve on the board: Maria Darlington, Richard Miller, Deborah Gibbs, and Curt Torell.

#### FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION

#### **Address**

245 Second Street, NE Washington, DC 20002 www.FCNL.org (Updated March, 2016)

#### **Description**

**Background**: FCNL lobbies the US Congress and provides educational services to the Congress and the public to build US capacity for peaceful prevention and resolution of deadly conflict, nuclear control and disarmament, demilitarization, immigration reform, cuts in military spending, green jobs, living wages, and countering global climate and is also engaged in strategic and capital development including involvement of young Quakers in policy work. The educational program now includes internet blogs, social media, YouTube videos, articles in the national and international press, including the Guardian. FCNL is bringing youth into sustained engagement and leadership as it draws on the wisdom of "weighty" Quakers. FCNL is also dong more grassroots organizing in the States and broadening the scope of foreign policy involvement

#### Meeting involvement

Nancy Milio served as Clerk and member of the FCNL Policy Committee for 8 years, and continues as a member of the governing General Committee.

#### **AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE**

#### **Address**

1501 Cherry St., Philadelphia, PA 19102 www.AFSC.org (Updated March 2016)

#### **Description**

**Background**: The American Friends Service Committee is a practical expression of the faith of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers). Committed to the principles of nonviolence and justice, it seeks in its work and witness to draw on the transforming power of love, human and divine. Founded by Quakers in 1917, AFSC was a co-winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1947.

Programs: AFSC's major efforts are focused on criminal justice, economic justice, humanitarian assistance, immigration/migration, peace building/conflict prevention, and youth. Its current priorities include: Fostering Peace in Communities, Withdrawing U.S. Troops, Shaping a Just Federal Budget, Eliminating Nuclear Weapons, Strengthening Relationships that Prevent Conflict, Providing Peaceful Alternatives for Youth, Humanely Reforming Immigration Policy, Transforming Criminal Justice Systems, Meeting the Economic Needs of Communities, and Responding to Humanitarian Crises

**Activities**: In 2016 AFSC has continued to work actively on Building Peace, Immigrant Rights, Addressing Prisons, Just economies and ending discrimination. An exhaustive list of all the campaigns running this year is available on the website.

#### Meeting involvement

In 2015 and 2016 CHFM has worked very closely with the Area Office of the Carolinas, located in Greensboro. The office is also working closely with PFYM and we find our activities for their current initiatives (affordable communities (Economic Justice) and Immigrant Rights) to be in close alignment with ourselves. Former Clerk of Peace and Justice, Bill Jenkins, is also on the board of AFSC. Lori Fernald Khamala who is one of the full-time co-ordinators at the Area Office is also a member of our meeting and continues to keep us actively involved.

#### **NC WARN**

#### **Address**

PO Box 61051, Durham, NC 27715-1051, <u>www.ncwarn.org</u>

#### **Description**

**Background**: Even as our society struggles with psychological denial over the climate crisis, NASA climate expert Jim Hansen is now bluntly calling climate change a planetary emergency.

**Program**: To meet this emergency, NC WARN, the foremost environmental justice organization in North Carolina, is waging an effective battle by combining scientific research and activism. NC WARN seeks to create a healthy, just and prosperous North Carolina that produces energy sustainably and uses it efficiently. North Carolinians can do this by: (1) Achieving a 25% reduction in electricity demand by 2025 through efficiency and conservation, (2) Diversifying our electricity mix to include 25% renewable energy by 2025, (3) Eliminating the use of coal to produce energy by 2030, (4) Preventing new nuclear power plants and retiring old facilities as soon as possible.

#### **Meeting involvement**

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#### ALAMANCE ORANGE COUNTY PRISON MINISTRY

#### **Address**

PO Box 804, Graham, NC 27253-0804 (Updated 2016)

#### **Description**

**Background**: (History and Purpose): The Ministry serves prisoners while they are incarcerated and works with outside groups for the transition of prisoners to civilian life. Dave Nickel was installed October 1, 2011 as the Chaplain to succeed Ken Barker.

**Programs**: The Alamance/Orange Prison Ministry funds a full time Chaplain at the Orange Correctional Center, a minimum security prison in Hillsborough and has recently built and inaugurated a Religious Services Center or "Peace Center".

Activities: Friends can participate in this ministry by going to Yoke Fellows at the prison on Tuesday evenings, 7:00-8:00 (except the last Tuesday of the month). Twice during the year CHFM sponsored well-attended worship services at OCC. In addition, male volunteers can become community sponsors authorized to take prisoners out on leave for up to six hours. The Ministry, along with volunteers from CHFM and the Our Children's Place, sponsored Parenting Day in January 2013 to 2015 for children of incarcerated fathers. Our work as a meeting has also expanded with the incorporation of a new Transition and Support Committee.

#### **Meeting involvement**

Bobby Ackley, Emilie Condon, Asta Crowe, Maria Darlington, Hank Elkins, Nancy Fisher, Kuldip Kuwahara, Rita Kaur Kuwahara, Jason Loan, Tom McQuiston, Richard Miller, Paul and Joyce Munk, David Schneider, Ann Shy, Byron Stevens, Carolyn Stuart, and Ruth Zalph participate in this prison ministry.

#### **BOLIVIAN QUAKER EDUCATION FUND**

#### **Address**

65 Spring Street, Fredonia, NY 14063-2128 <a href="https://www.BQEF.org">www.BQEF.org</a> (Updated February 15, 2016)

#### Description

Background: Bolivia, South America's poorest nation, has the continent's highest proportion of indigenous people. These people were oppressed in Bolivia for centuries, were not allowed to attend public schools until 1952, and still have only a fraction of the economic means and political power of those of European extraction. Bolivia's 33,000 indigenous Friends constitute the world's third largest Quaker population.

Program: The Bolivian Quaker Education Fund (BQEF) works with Bolivian Quakers to fund scholarships in public universities for Quaker students. BQEF has also introduced Alternatives to Violence (AVP) workshops in the three major cities and in the country's largest prison. A number of AVP facilitators have been trained and are functioning without international assistance. Together, BQEF and their sister organization in La Paz, BQE-Bo, own and manage a residence for secondary students who come to the Andean town of Sorata from distant mountain villages. Since Alicia Lucasi assumed management of the residence, the students have made remarkable academic advances. One student has won the mathematics award for the region and a university scholarship. More than 117 Bolivian Quakers supported by BQEF have now graduated from Bolivian universities and technical schools and are now assuming leadership roles among Quakers and in the larger community.

#### Meeting involvement

CHFM has always contributed to the BQEF general fund and not to a particular student. BQEF asked Miriam Alave Condori, a dentistry student, to write personally to Chapel Hill Friends Meeting to tell of her progress and illustrate with photographs the nature of her study. Miriam Alave's scholarship was drawn from the pool in the general fund for all students and was not directly dependent on contributions from Chapel Hill Friends. Miriam graduated in 2014 in dentistry at the Public University of El Alto.

During the academic year 2008-2009, Alicia Lucasi, a Bolivian Quaker teacher, served as a visiting teacher at Carolina Friends School. Hosts for Alicia from our Meeting have included Mike and Marsha Green, Pam Schwingl and Pat Mann, Aura and Brad Schwartz. Hank Elkins served on the BQEF Board of Directors 2007-11, clerked the Finance Committee and visited Bolivia on behalf of BQEF in 2007.

Since tuition is free at Bolivia's public universities, a scholarship to sponsor a Quaker student for an entire academic year costs only \$800 and helps pay for books, meals, transportation, and other costs. Friends are invited to volunteer to work with scholarship students on their English university materials access skills, to teach English or computer literacy in Quaker schools in Bolivia, and to work with the students and staff at the residence for secondary students.

Anahi Ticona Serrano, a scholarship student featured in BQEF's May 2015 newsletter, is represented BQEF and BQE-Bo at the FWCC-Peru plenary this January. Work is currently underway for Anahi to obtain a visa so she can travel to the US this summer and visit among Friends meetings and gatherings here. Hank and Nancy Elkins continue to be heavily involved in the support of BQEF

#### PLANNED PARENTHOOD NC (PPCNC)

#### Address

P.O. Box 3258, 1765 Dobbins Drive, Chapel Hill <u>www.plannedparenthood.org/centralnc/</u> (Updated January 20, 2014)

#### **Description**

**Background**: Planned Parenthood of Central North Carolina, Inc. (PPCNC), an affiliate of Planned Parenthood Federation of America, was founded in 1982 by a group of five retired women who were committed to the Planned Parenthood mission.

Program: Planned Parenthood of Central North Carolina provides education programs, health care, and advocacy to help reduce unintended pregnancy and sexually transmitted infections, especially among teens, people with limited incomes, and the uninsured. PPCNC offers confidential and affordable care, including birth control consultation and supplies, emergency contraception, gynecological exams, cancer screenings, pregnancy testing, STI testing and treatment, and HIV testing. Last year, PPCNC's three health centers in Chapel Hill, Durham, and Fayetteville provided 13,260 preventive health care visits, including more than 1,200 Pap tests and clinical breast exams and 8,000 screenings for STIs. PPCNC dispensed 13,412 cycles of birth control, including pills, the patch, the ring and 2,005 long-acting contraceptives. PPCNC's Education Department has had a long-term, positive impact on the sexual health of our community. The goals of PPCNC's education programs are to delay initiation of sexual activity, improve contraceptive use for sexually active young people, and prevent pregnancy and STIs among teens and emerging adults. The programs promote positive sexuality, healthy behavior, and responsible choices through medically-accurate, comprehensive sexuality education.

Consideration: Unfortunately, the North Carolina Legislature has begun implementing changes that will dramatically affect a patient's ability to access care. In March, 2013, the state legislature decided not to expand Medicaid coverage to low-income individuals making less than \$15,000, which effectively denies greater access to lifesaving medical care for nearly half a million North Carolinians. Further affecting North Carolinians is the recent passing of the Targeted Regulation of Abortion Provider (TRAP) bill could hold abortion clinics to the standards of outpatient surgery centers, which will require costly renovations at two of our three health centers.

In 2015 Planned Parenthood supported the production of the film Grandma, a story about a young girl and her grandmother and attitudes towards abortion. Alongside this the local PPCNC have suffered significant adversity during all of the campaigns they have run this year and yet they continue to be visible and vocal with appreciation coming from a large variety of supporting groups including NOW and other womens' rights groups.

#### Meeting involvement

There is significant support within the meeting for Planned Parenthood. Naveed Moeed and Ruth Zalph have been involved in events.

#### PEOPLE OF FAITH AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY

#### <u>Address</u>

110 W Main St, Carrboro, NC 27510 www.pfadp.org (Updated January 20, 2014)

#### Description

**Background**: People of Faith against the Death Penalty (PFADP) is a grassroots effort that seeks to educate and mobilize faith communities to act to abolish the death penalty in North Carolina and the United States. Founded in 1994 in North Carolina, it is a nonpartisan, nonprofit, and interfaith organization. **Program**: The organization motivates citizens to testify and advocate for inmates on death row, conduct vigils, and lobby state legislators to abolish the death penalty. On Christmas morning there is a vigil and carol singing outside death row at Central Prison in Raleigh. PFDP was a strong supporter and activist in the passage of the Racial Justice Act in the North Carolina legislature. Since the law's repleal, PFADP continues to try to get it reinstated.

**Activities**: While located in Carrboro, its staff travels widely throughout the state and has begun getting businesses to take a position against the death penalty.

#### Meeting involvement

Nancy Elkins participates in this organization.

#### **ORANGE COUNTY JUSTICE UNITED**

#### **Address**

PO Box 9484, Chapel Hill NC 27515 (919) 328 3966 - <a href="http://www.ocjusticeunited.org/">http://www.ocjusticeunited.org/</a>

#### Description

**Background**: Justice United is a broad-based, multi-racial, multi-faith, multi-issue, strictly non-partisan citizens' power organization dedicated to making change on social justice issues (affordable housing, healthcare, education, living wages) affecting residents in Orange County.

**Program**: This is done through: (1) institution-based leadership development, (2) building relationships within and between institutions, (3) identification of and research on issues of mutual self-interest, 4) training sessions in which the participant congregations are invited to be educated on a variety of topics ranging from voting rights to public speaking (Justice United Academy)

Activities: Priorities for the next two years include, but are not limited to 1) Day laborers 2) Affordable communities 3) affordable housing in particular 4) disaster management in communities (with focus on Hillsborough and surrounding areas) 5) immigrant issues.

In 2014-15 Orange County Justice United have instigated and completed successful actions at two communities (with regards to tenant conditions). Also El Centro Hispano is launched this year, which was a long-term project. We see numbers of active communities in Justice United grow with large number sin attendance at events and actions. The power of community organizing has taken great shape and effect in the form of OCJU in the last year in particular (2014-15)

They have also recently concluded a very successful Better Bus Campaign increasing bus service to the underserviced Rogers Road community.

#### Meeting involvement

Dottie Heninger, Carolyn Stuart, Alice Carlton all serve on sub-committees with Justice United. Justice United has developed closer ties with CHFM.

#### ORANGE COUNTY PEACE COALITION

#### Address

Not available

#### Description

The Coalition organizes events for Memorial Day, Hiroshima Day, vigils, demonstrations, forums, and other activities within Orange County to promote peace.

In addition to Chapel Hill Friends Meeting, participating organizations include the Coalition for Peace with Justice, Community Church, the Church of Reconciliation, Elders for Peace, the Ethical Humanist Society, Peace Action, Peace 1st, St. Thomas More Church, Veterans for Peace, Women's International League for Peace and Freedom –Triangle Branch, and others.

#### Meeting involvement

Ruth Zalph and Hank Elkins participate in the bi-monthly planning meetings.

#### RIGHT SHARING OF WORLD RESOURCES

#### <u>Address</u>

101 Quaker Hill Drive, Richmond, Indiana 47374-1926, www.rswr.org (updated January 20, 2014)

#### **Description**

**Background**: Right sharing means wealth redistribution or jubilee justice. Right Sharing of World Resources (RSWR) is a Quaker organization that supports local initiatives for micro-enterprises in the "two-thirds world".

**Program**: It provides grants and loans of \$5,000 or less for start-up projects which must become self-sustaining. Many grants are designed to empower women to own economic assets through self-help groups or micro-credit.

#### Meeting involvement

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## Benevolence Budget 2015 – 16

Benevolences Recommended by the Peace and Justice Committee	2012-13	2013-14	2014- 15	2015-16
Carolina Friends School*	5,000	<del></del>	5,000	5,000
Interfaith Council	6,600	6,730	6,600	6,600
Quaker House	4,350	4,530	4,350	4,350
Friends Comm. on Natl. Legislation	2,650	2,730	2,650	2,650
Amer. Friends Service Committee	1,800	1,880	1,800	1,800
Quaker Earthcare Witness	1,300	'	1,300	100
NC WARN***	1,350	***0	***1,000	2,200
Bolivian Quaker Education Fund	670	750	670	670
Alamance/Orange Prison Ministry	270	350	270	270
NC Council of Ch. (Power & Light)	180	260	180	0
People of Faith Agst Death Penalty	90	120	90	90
Right Sharing of World Resources	90	120	90	90
Orange County Justice United in Community Effort (Orange JUICE)	90	295	300	320
Schoolhouse of Wonder	0	0	0	0
Planned Parenthood of Central NC	45	300	300	320
Rural Southern Voice for Peace	0	0	0	0
Orange County Peace Coalition	45	70	45	50
Total Recommended by the Peace & Social Concerns				
Committee	\$24,620		\$24,645	\$24,770
Adjustment by the Meeting	000	0	000	0.50
Friends General Conference	600	600	600	650
Friends Journal	200	200	200	200
Piedmont Friends Fellowship	300		300	400
School of The Spirit	200		200	200
FLGBTQC	100	100	100	100
Friends Center at Guilford College	1,4 <b>00</b>	0	0	150
Total Recommended Min. & Worship		1,400	1,400	1,400
Adult Religious Education	150			
Total Approved by the Meeting				\$26,170

<sup>•</sup> NC Council of Ch. (Power & Light) was not proposed for funding in 2015-16 in favor of increased funding for NC WARN.

#### HOSPITALITY COMMITTEE ANNUAL REPORT MARCH 2016 CHAPEL HILL FRIENDS MEETING

The mission of the Hospitality Committee is to create a welcoming and supportive atmosphere within our Meeting. To that end, we manage the potluck lunch the first Sunday of each month, schedule greeters before the 11 am Meeting for Worship, welcome visitors and newcomers to our Meeting, assist with special occasions such a holiday parties, weddings, and memorial services, and work with the Care and Counsel Committee to provide meals for members in need.

**Potlucks:** Committee members oversee potlucks on the first Sunday of each month following the 11 am Meeting for Worship. We are grateful for help with set up and clean up which seems readily available. To ease the cleanup tasks, we have begun inviting Friends to bring their own plates and cutlery for the reward of a place at the head of the line. We keep track of and purchase supplies such as lemonade mix, utensils, etc. We follow the detailed checklist for clean up requested by the director of the CFS Early School. The list is posted in the kitchen for any Friends who use the space.

**Greeters:** Committee members take turns as greeters for the 11 am Meeting for Worship. The greeter welcomes people into the meetinghouse, giving special attention to visitors who are invited to sign the guest book, make a name tag, and given written material to help orient them to worship. The greeter also acquaints visiting parents with children to the options for childcare and First Day School. The greeter arrives at the door at 10:45 am, rings the bell at 11 am to signal the beginning of worship, and guides latecomers to wait in the library until the children leave at 11:15 am.

Visitors and Newcomers: We host Fellowship after Meeting in the library to foster community and give visitors and newcomers an easy way to meet more of us. The scheduled greeter brings a plate of something enticing. We keep extra cookies and snacks on hand to supplement that offering. Visitors who leave their mailing address also receive a hand-written note of welcome with a special invitation to the monthly potluck on the first Sunday. We use note cards with a Meetinghouse photo on the front. Any email addresses are sent to publications to be added to the listserv. We provide materials for making name tags and urge all members and attenders to remember to wear their name tags. We invited newcomers to lunch before the the CROP walk last spring, again with low attendance.

**Special Events:** We organized a Thanksgiving potluck. As it was a small group, the location was again moved to the home of Alice Carlton and David Curtin. A good time was had by all five people who attended. We also assisted the Children's Religious Education Committee with the December holiday party, organizing finger food and helping with set up and clean up. We helped with set up, clean up, and drinks for several memorial services: for Bob Cooper, Bill Flash, and Susanne Gomolski.

**Care:** We collaborate with Care and Counsel to provide meals to members and attenders in need and invite everyone to volunteer in this effort as needed.

Respectfully submitted: Allison Campbell, Alice Carlton (convenor), Sean Chen, Nancy Fisher, Eloise Grathwohl, Wendy Michener, Joanna Selim, Monica Severino, Carolyn Stuart, and Elizabeth Taylor.

## THE CHAPEL HILL FRIENDS MEETING ENCOURAGES YOU TO INCLUDE THE MEETING IN YOUR WILL AND ESTATE PLANS

As you consider including the Meeting in your will and estate plans we encourage you to discuss your intentions with someone on the Finance Committee or someone else who knows you well. Also, you might consider requesting a clearness committee to aid your decision-making.

Working with an attorney is advisable to express properly your intentions in your Will.

Here are several ways you could include "the Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, Chapel Hill, North Carolina" (the Meeting) in your Will:

- A. Express your bequest as a sum of money (\$ ).
- B. Express your bequest as a percentage of your estate (\_\_\_\_\_\_\_% percent of my estate).
- C. Express your bequest as the rest, residue, and remainder of my estate.
- D. Give property to the Meeting. However, since the Meeting is not equipped to evaluate property, we suggest that you give the property indirectly. That is, in your bequest of property to the Meeting, instruct your executor/executrix to sell the property first and then give the proceeds to the Meeting.

Observations about the above choices: A specific amount of money, Alternative "A," may be your first thought. However, Alternative "B", bequeathing a percent of your estate, may be a better for you and your heirs. In Alternative "B", your relative bequest among all heirs will change proportionately as your assets change, either increasing or decreasing over time. In other words, a specific amount isn't "locked in." Alternative "C" offers another way of gaining flexibility with the amount of your bequest to the Meeting.

DO YOU WANT TO GIVE YOUR BEQUEST TO THE MEETING WITHOUT RESTRICTIONS? An unrestricted bequest allows the Meeting to decide how best the bequest could be used according to the needs and desires of the Meeting. Most gifts are unrestricted. To give an unrestricted bequest, please specify that the use of the bequest should be determined by the Chapel Hill Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.

DO YOU WANT TO MAKE A RESTRICTED BEQUEST? When someone makes a restricted bequest, they specify the purpose that the bequest must be used. Some examples of the purpose of a bequest are:

- A. To maintain and/or improve the Meeting's buildings and grounds
- B. To increase the Leadership Development Fund
- C. To increase the Care and Counsel Fund
- D. To increase the Returning Citizens Financial Assistance Fund
- E. To increase the Youth Service Learning Fund

If you are considering a restricted bequest, we encourage you to give careful thought to its purpose. The Meeting must use the bequest for the purpose specified. If the Meeting is not able to use the funds as directed, the Meeting might decline the bequest. If the Meeting accepts the bequest and then is unable to use it as directed, the Meeting must return the gift to the estate or obtain legal assistance to address the use of the funds which effectively would be frozen. Given this would be a complicated and costly process, for a restricted bequest, please consider either 1) stating that The Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business may alter or remove this restriction due to changed conditions that make it impossible, impractical or undesirable to fulfill; or, 2) providing alternate guidance should the Meeting be unable to use the bequest as specified.

NOTE: YOUR WILL IS NOT THE ONLY WAY TO INCLUDE THE MEETING IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS. You can also name the Meeting as a primary or contingent beneficiary of a life insurance policy, a retirement plan (e.g. IRA, SEP, 401 K, 403 (b), ESOP, etc.), and/or a trust.

IF YOU HAVE QUESTIONS ABOUT INCLUDING THE MEETING IN YOUR ESTATE PLANS, PLEASE CONTACT THE CLERK OF THE FINANCE COMMITTEE. Based on your question, s/he will suggest ways for you to receive the answers you seek.

## Calendar

## (All events at Meetinghouse unless otherwise indicated.)

Sun. 4/3  Tue. 4/5 Thur. 4/7 Fri. 4/8	8:30am 9:45am 11am 11am 12:30pm 7–8pm 9am–1pm 5–6pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Forum: Alcohol Use on the Meeting's Property Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship—Carol Woods Potluck and Baby Welcoming—Schoolhouse Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation—Call Hank Elkins CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter Vigil for Peace & Justice—E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 4/10	8:30am 9:45am 11am 11am	Meeting for Worship (Early) Forum: tbd Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship—Carol Woods CROP Walk (see page 2)
Tue. 4/12 Fri. 4/15	7–8pm 5–6pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation—Call Hank Elkins Vigil for Peace & Justice—E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 4/17  Tue. 4/19 Fri. 4/22	8am 8:30am <b>9:00am</b> 11am 11am 7–8pm 5–6pm 7pm	Meeting for Worship (Early)  Meeting for Worship w/Attention to Business  Meeting for Worship (Late)  Meeting for Worship—Carol Woods  Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation—Call Hank Elkins  Vigil for Peace & Justice—E. Franklin & Elliot Rd  Intergenerational Games—Schoolhouse
<b>Sun. 4/24</b> Fri. 4/29	8:30am 9:45am 11am 11am noon 10pm 5–6pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Forum: tbd Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship—Carol Woods Families and Friends Affected by Mental Illness—Schoolhouse Deadline To Turn In Items For Newsletter! Vigil for Peace & Justice—E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 5/1	8:30am 9:45am 11am 11am 12:30pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Forum: tbd Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship—Carol Woods Potluck—Schoolhouse
Tue. 5/3 Thur. 5/5 Fri. 5/6	7–8pm 9am–1pm 5–6pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation—Call Hank Elkins CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter Vigil for Peace & Justice—E. Franklin & Elliot Rd

# Chapel Hill Friends Meeting Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends

531 Raleigh Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 (919) 929-5377

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 Communications 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.
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