

# Chapel Hill Friends Meeting Newsletter



**June 2010**

## **Monthly Query:**

*“How do we nurture our meetings for worship with attention to business so that they are held in a spirit of worship and in dependence on the guidance of the Spirit? When unity is not present, how do we honor the search for corporate unity while waiting patiently for divine guidance?”*

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*“If we all made one small change, we could change the world.”*  
—Starbucks

## **Forum**

### **Sunday, June 6, 9:45am, in the Meetinghouse**

Our last forum for the year will feature Allie Scales discussing the Quaker Tapestry:

“The Quaker Tapestry is a series of 77 embroidered panels, or wall hangings, telling stories of Quaker thought, ideals, and history. The concept began in a First Day School class. In the making, the project reached inward to Quaker meetings and friends, to bring together people of all skills and ages, and with its completion, has reached outward to inform, connect and bring joy to many thousands of Friends and non-Friends. It is an engrossing and beautiful work of art, but essentially, the Quaker Tapestry has been a project for community.

“My interest is in working with CHFM to create a panel in the manner of those of the Tapestry, that would contain illustrations that represent our Meeting both historically and currently. The product would be beautiful, but as in the QT, the emphasis would be on the process—all the different ways that such a project could involve our ‘elders,’ midlifers, newcomers, and children; in telling stories, making drawings, and stitching the panel.” —Allie Scales

## **Welcoming Parties for New Members!**

There will be special welcoming events to celebration the membership of these Friends in our Meeting:

Mike Jokinen—Monthly Potluck on Sunday, June 6 in the Schoolhouse

Wren Hendrickson—Sunday, June 27, from 5:00 to 7:00pm at the Leeman Munk house

Everyone should join us—old Friends and new, members and attenders.

## **IFC Needs**

The IFC (Inter Faith Council) item for June is canned beans. Please add to your shopping carts nonperishable items of your choice to donate for the first Sundays in July and August. Thank you!

# **Eating & Entertainment for the Earth!**

**Saturday, June 19, 6:00/6:30pm in the Schoolhouse**

The Environmental Concerns Committee is pleased to present the second in its successful summer film series! June's film will be "Garbage! The Revolution Starts at Home." "Garbage!" is a new feature length documentary by filmmaker Andrew Nisker. It candidly portrays the threat to our environment as the McDonald family tracks their waste output for three months. As they discover where their garbage goes and at what cost to the environment, the McDonald household engages the audience with an 'open-door reality-check.' It includes meticulous tracking of consumption and waste, right down to the children's lunchboxes, that results in not only candid comments, but also some rather enlightening and even humorous moments.

The beneficiary of this month's program will be RENA, the Rogers/Eubanks Road Neighborhood Association, and our guest will be Rev. Robert Campbell, who was recently honored with the Pauli Murray Award for Human Relations in a ceremony hosted by the Orange County Human Relations Commission. RENA is a local 501c3 neighborhood association who is our Orange County landfill host community. Their goals are to address the injustices that affect the health and safety of residents in the neighborhoods which abut the Orange County Landfill, and to ensure that Rogers-Eubanks community residents and all North Carolinians have affordable access to safe drinking water, sanitary waste disposal, and safe communities. Pam Schwingl and Miriam Thompson are supporters and Miriam is a board member of RENA, and there are others in the Meeting who have been involved with Minister Campbell and others in this group.

The evening starts at 6:00pm with our spaghetti supper; the film itself will begin at 6:30pm. The Environmental Concerns Committee is suggesting a donation of \$10.00/adult and \$5.00/child, or whatever you can afford. Please call Pam Schwingl at 489.1802 or Robin Harper at 768.9870 if you have any questions. Childcare will be provided during the documentary with advanced notice.

## Teen News

by Emily Ashley

“I can’t think of any time at Meeting here it’s not been worth my time,” said Andrew Meriwether at the Meeting for Worship with Attention to Graduation. “Everyone is friendly; they welcome you with open arms.”

May 23 was the Meeting for Worship with Attention to Graduation for the high school graduates of 2010. The turn-out to the ceremony was enough to feel warm, but not overly crowded to make the graduates feel overwhelmed. The graduates were given queries about how the Meeting shaped them over the years, why attending meeting was important to them, and how they will carry in their future endeavors what the meeting has taught them.

“All I need to do to carry my Quaker values to the wider world is to be myself,” said Spencer Kennedy. He believes the Meeting has shaped him so much, that it’s become a part of him. Graham Durovich adds that Quaker Meeting is just an element of need for her, and the graduates all agreed. “Quaker Meeting for me is a time to be with myself, surrounded by this community. It’s truly a gift that I greatly thank the Meeting for. The five Quaker testimonies have really become how I live my life.”

“There is no need to actively spread Quakerism, but to be yourself and let your identity show,” said Meriwether. Like the other graduates, Quakerism has become a part of Madeline Parker. “I realized I can take my Quaker identity anywhere I am. I don’t have to be at Meeting, or at school, but even if there isn’t a Quaker atmosphere, I can make one.”

When asked about the high school group’s connection, the four graduates smiled at each other and everyone in the room could see the friendships at work. “We’re a community within the community,” said Madeline Parker. Kennedy described the group as a safe haven for him, and many others. “Nothing bad will happen. It’s so chill. Icing on the cake.” Meriwether added that everyone is always so relaxed, and that the group is very cohesive, accepting and enjoyable.

Although these four graduates will be greatly missed, we hope that they will visit frequently and each take with them a part of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting.

# FDS Field Trip to Center for Muslim Life

by Andrea Wuerth

This spring, the FDS (First Day School) has been learning about various world religions and traditions. Inspired by efforts of Nancy Milio and the Peace and Social Concerns committee to establish closer ties to our Muslim brothers and sisters, we organized an FDS visit to the Center for Muslim Life at Duke University. On May 30, a group of 15 kids and a few FDS teachers and parents were welcomed graciously by Abdullah Antepli and his children—Zeynep (8) and



*Top "row": Milena Wuerth, Herbert Struemper, Mark Hulbert, Kathleen MacNeil, Emilia Stern, Emma Hulbert, Abdullah Antepli.*

*"Row" beginning with Hannah Potthoff (in light blue shirt), Zeynep Antepli, Lily Wuerth, Henry Schneider (holding prayer rug), Wade Stern, Stella Hulbert, Phoebe Hulbert.*

*"Row" beginning with Evangeline Rioux (in pink shirt), Grace Schneider, Finn McNeil (holding prayer rug), Beckett Stern (in front of prayer rug on left), John and Thomas McDonnell (on right of prayer rug). Not pictured: Lorenzo Rioux, Leslie Rountree, Andrea Wuerth, Margot Stern.*

Yakup (5), as well as a member of the Duke University Muslim Student Association. After partaking of a delicious cake, Abdullah asked the kids what sorts of images came to their minds when they thought about Muslims. What followed was a very interesting, honest sharing of ideas and thoughts. Zeynep recited a prayer in Arabic from memory, demonstrated how she performs her prayer ritual on a prayer rug, and talked about her favorite Muslim celebrations. Our First Day kids asked about all sorts of topics: how to wear a headscarf; how to properly handle the Koran; whether Muslims read other scriptures as well; whether the color and design of the prayer rug is significant and how to perform the five daily prayers while travelling or at school. When Abdullah heard that there are no prayer rugs in our meeting house, he spontaneously presented us with the one the kids are holding up in the picture below. We closed by Abdullah teaching the children how to say “Assalamu allaikum” (“Peace be with you”), just as he had taught the adults a few weeks earlier during his engaging Forum presentation. We hope to continue building a relationship with Abdullah, his children and Duke Muslim students by inviting them to come speak to us again.

## **Proposed Gulf Oil Spill Worship/Study Group**

**by Ruth Hamilton**

Acting on a strong leading to reach out to Louisiana to help with the Deepwater Horizon Drilling Disaster, on Memorial Day I talked with Brad Ott, contact for the New Orleans Friends Meeting. I asked what an individual or a Friends Meeting could do to help with the oil spill. Their small Meeting has been reduced to half as a result of Katrina. The 20 members are very despondent about the oil spill. They are hosting Meetings that want to come down and gather information. As for myself, I am suggesting that we at CHFM form a worship study group around the oil spill. Would you join me in such a group? If so, please let me know of your interests.

Brad Ott says that since New Orleans is 80 miles from the spill, they do not suffer like Baton Rouge and other coastal communities. They are in danger from the oil dispersants (chemical agents such as surfactants, solvents, and other compounds used to reduce the effect of oil spills) that are going under the levees

and threatening their water. And there is the threat that with the loss of wetlands, they have lost their hurricane protection. There are several researchers in the small New Orleans Meeting that Brad will contact about how funding can help. This is the great site that Brad has headed up: <http://communitiesonthehorizon.org/> (A Resource Center for Communities Affected by the 2010 Deepwater Horizon Drilling Disaster.) He said that working with this website has helped him maintain sanity. I know many of us want to get the best source of news that we can and I was happy to find these sources.

He also suggests visiting <http://www.labucketbrigade.org/>. The Louisiana Bucket Brigade is a 501(c)(3) environmental health and justice organization working with communities that neighbor the state's oil refineries and chemical plants. The EPA-approved "bucket" is a simple, community-friendly tool that fence-line neighbors use to take air samples. Taking air samples is a powerful experience for community members who are used to being ignored, overlooked, and disrespected by corporations and government. Dorothy Jenkins, President of Concerned Citizens of New Sarpy, used to call the refinery to complain about the odors. A low ranking operator would tell her not to worry, that the black plume of smoke that billowed for hours near her home was not harmful. Now Mrs. Jenkins has a bucket. When refinery managers and government regulators tell her that there is nothing to worry about, she answers, "Why, then, was there a benzene reading of 14 in my air sample, a reading that violates the state standards?" The bucket gives community members power to hold institutions accountable to provide a safe and healthy environment.

Brad Ott said that East Coasters can take hazardous material training and learn how to help out should the spill come up the East Coast. Many of us who want to go down and clean birds, etc., need to know that the air quality is sickening along the coast. Brad suggested that if we want to help, just come visit New Orleans and support tourism. The Meeting would love to have Friends join them in worship. So far, the city gets brief petroleum smells coming in. He also says the sea food is carefully monitored and that it is safe to eat.

I told Brad that Quaker Earthcare Witness has one environmental grant that is available for an environmental project. He is sharing this information with the Meeting and says that there is one researcher who may be interested in the grant. He also said that a project may bring the Meeting together and help them have a focus. Also, Brad says that many who live in New Orleans and the coastal cities

are upset about the news that is available about the spill. He feels that trust is at the lowest ebb and that they are very disappointed in government efforts.

## **Seeking Home for Haitian Sisters**

**from Kathleen Davidson, Director of Admissions at  
Carolina Friends School**

Carolina Friends School has offered admission to two Haitian girls, Sergina and Jessica Princy, nieces of a local Durhamite, Daniel Auguste. Sergina will be a first-year Upper School student, and Jessica will be a first-year Middle School student. Their home and school were demolished in the recent earthquake, as was their mother's small bakery. The CFS Upper and Middle School were already over-enrolled for 2010-11 when Daniel came to us with his request, and there was a strong sense of unity among staff that we want to offer his nieces this opportunity.

First, they need a home. Daniel and his wife Crystal are hoping to find a family who would be interested in having these girls live with them, ideally for the next four years. Daniel is a recent college graduate hoping to go to graduate school; Crystal is an ESL teacher at Burton Elementary School. They will be actively involved in the girls' lives, but they are not able to house them in their small apartment. They have friends who are willing to take the girls short-term, until a longer-term family can be identified.

Daniel and Crystal attend the United Church of Christ, and their community is engaged in fundraising to help support the girls. The girls will receive tuition assistance from CFS, and money that is raised above the tuition balance due to CFS will be made available to help a family to support them. Their church is searching for a family, but we are all aware that this is a lot to ask of a family, so we are also searching through the CFS and local Meeting communities, in the hope that a family feels led to take this on.

Sergina has a limited knowledge of English from school, and Jessica has not yet begun to study the language. Crystal and Daniel will offer ESL and tutoring support, and the girls will also receive counseling to support them through the transition. Although it is customary for CFS to accept students only if they are proficient in English, the School has had some experience with students who have very limited experience with the language. In part because of the language

issue, we are hoping that the girls will be able to arrive in time to attend CFS for a three-day Exploratorium during the last week of school (starting June 7), so that they can meet students and start learning English as soon as possible.

Daniel leaves for Haiti on Wednesday, May 13, and he will carry the I-20 forms necessary for the girls to receive student F-1 visas for four years at CFS. Assuming that all goes well and Jessica successfully completes the Middle School program, it is likely that she would apply for another four-year visa to enable her to attend Upper School here, and the hope is that Sergina would attend college in the States as well. But all F-1 visas are granted based on the premise that eventually students will return to their home country.

Here is what Daniel says about his nieces:

“Sergina and Jessica love school and have been in top of their classes since they have been in school. Sergina was in 9th grade and Jessica was in 5th grade before the quake. Sergina loves Science and Math, and Jessica loves reading, writing and Arts. The girls are very nice, well-behaved and loving.

“Please, help us give these girls a chance to have an education and to develop to the fullness of the potential. In Haiti, girls are very vulnerable to sexual trafficking, child slavery and prostitution – even before the destruction of homes, businesses and government offices by earthquake; now it is a lot easier for single moms like my sister, Mirlande, who lost everything due to the quake to give their children away to child slavery, which will transform into sexual, physical and psychological abuse. Please, help us save the lives of these girls. If you are interested please, contact Crystal or me anytime. Email: [auguste.daniel@gmail.com](mailto:auguste.daniel@gmail.com) or [crystal.auguste@verizon.net](mailto:crystal.auguste@verizon.net); phone: 412-478-8441 or 412-657-8675.”

Persons interested in learning more from CFS are also welcome to contact Kathleen Davidson, Director of Admission, by email to [kdavidson@cfsnc.org](mailto:kdavidson@cfsnc.org), or by calling 919.383.6602 x.240 during school hours or 919.602.7674 (cell phone for after-school calls). I have not yet met Crystal, but I know that anybody who becomes a friend of Daniel Auguste will be glad they have. Here is a link to a recent article in the Durham Herald-Sun about the family: [http://www.heraldsun.com/view/full\\_story/6622210/article-HAITIAN-FAMILY-PULLING-TOGETHER-AFTER-QUAKE](http://www.heraldsun.com/view/full_story/6622210/article-HAITIAN-FAMILY-PULLING-TOGETHER-AFTER-QUAKE)

# **Disability: the Dark and the Light**

by Dirk Kelder

In preparing for a forum on disability recently, I wrote something to read that I thought would stimulate thought and conversation about the topic. At the end of the forum I was asked to put it in the newsletter (and perhaps online). The following is a slightly revised version of what I read.

The word disability has a bad connotation for most people and as a result it is often pushed away and not faced directly. Even the term is avoided, often leading to a denial of the difficulty. A positive view of the situation is important but if it comes at the expense of acceptance, this usually includes a hidden expectation that things will not turn out well. This is unfortunate because negative expectations can only lead to negative consequences and any hidden positive possibilities will never be given the chance to surface. Although no one welcomes it, it has often turned out that a disability has been appreciated for the gifts it brought. As a friend wrote, "There is a strong gift that can come from living with a disability, that one can be forced to focus on what really matters in life and to reach deeper understandings while pondering existence."

When a disability arises, it calls forth "something" within the person to meet the challenge that he or she faces. In this meeting there occurs basically a negotiation on what the person is willing or not willing, and able or not able, to do, to let go of, etc. It is a confrontation in which the person decides whether or not to accept the disability on its own terms because it seems to me there is no negotiation on that. The person basically does an inner evaluation, usually unconsciously, of what resources they can access to deal with the situation. It may be that they do not have adequate resources to fully overcome the challenge and are forced to submit to the intrusion. This reminds me of an invasion of a country by an army more powerful than its own and the best response in this case is to surrender. But the surrender only needs to happen on an outer, not an inner, level and this is a critical issue. If it turns out that I need to surrender to the disability, it will have been because I surveyed the situation and made my own decision. I need not give in to the disability on an inner level. Even though the disability may render me incapable of something, it need not diminish me as a person.

## **To meet or not to meet**

To meet or not to meet the disability is the basic question or decision that is

central to how that disability unfolds. It seems to me the decision of whether or not to come to terms with a disability determines whether it is accepted or rejected. Rejection of a disability is pointless and resistance (to use a cliché) is like “fighting city hall.” It not only blocks a possible recovery, but irrespective of an eventual recovery, it especially blocks a creative adjustment to the disability where something new can emerge. Disability is not an either/or situation, in the sense that neither resistance nor total surrender is effective in any way. We need to come to terms with ourselves and find our strength there. But disability definitely is an either/or situation in terms of deciding, willing or being able to meet the disability face to face and come to terms with it, which ultimately means coming to terms with oneself. If I can do this, I may be disabled, but I will not be defeated. I am reminded of people confined to a wheel chair who have come to do amazing things with that chair.

The situation of confronting a disability when it occurs reminds me of the Chinese term for crisis, “wei-ji.” I have heard it claimed that this term has the double meaning of danger and opportunity. On further research I discovered this to be untrue, for while “wei” does mean crisis, “ji” does not signify opportunity. “Ji” by itself indicates quick-wittedness and/or resourcefulness, and together with “wei” it indicates a perilous situation when one should be especially wary. It is not a juncture when one goes looking for advantages and benefits. Nevertheless this idea has validity if we change the word “crisis” to “challenge,” for as well as failure and perhaps danger, a challenge can indeed provide us with new opportunities.

Although confronting a disability is definitely a crisis, it can also be seen as a challenge, for being overcome by it is not a foregone conclusion. Having a firm foundation within oneself enables one to keep a middle ground between resistance and surrender. As long as one is not overtaken by the notion of disability and relegates it only to an area outside of one’s self or soul, it will not have the crippling power it might otherwise have.

## **Universal**

Although many of us don’t want to admit it, disability is universal. It is part of our humanity and to deny it only creates worse problems. Whether it be due to aging, health problems, relationship or communication problems, or whatever, each of us has our own version of it. Life is such that we all encounter some area

in our lives where, due to a blind spot, a weakness or some other incapacity, we find ourselves unable to deal with it. An exploration of the similarities and differences between disability, failures, weaknesses and other shortcomings may prove to be quite illuminating in many ways. As a friend wrote to me recently, “If we allow ourselves to each understand our own handicaps, things that disable us in one way or another, it helps us to tap into a better understanding of the workings of life.”

### **Help and support**

With a disability, the outer world has invaded the personal world. If a person has not come to terms with their disability and fully succumbed to it, they are going to be happy only when they can be passive and fully rely on other people and let themselves be taken care of. They attract to themselves so-called “helpers” who find their self-worth in looking after others who are totally passive, and this of course only promotes more dysfunction. The disabled person is fully dependent on the “helper,” who finds his or her self-worth in this arrangement, a clear situation of co-dependence.

Like simplicity, helping is one of the most complex things to put into practice. I am reminded of when a butterfly emerges out of its cocoon. This is a critical time for the butterfly as it struggles hard to get itself out of its confinement. If someone witnesses this, and their sympathy propels them to help, when the butterfly finally emerges, it will not have fully developed the strength in its wings to fly, and it will fall to the ground and die. Like a butterfly, a person needs to find their own inner resources to deal with their own personal challenges. But unlike a butterfly, a person can be helped by someone who has truly accepted his or her own weaknesses and shortcomings and who has developed the sensitivity and awareness to provide this help to another without interfering with the person’s own efforts.

The issue of our response to disability is a fascinating one and can provide many new insights into how to best deal with disability, whether our own or of others. Much can be said that can make a significant difference in the effectiveness of those who aim to provide support, whether they be family, friends, support groups, hired help, and even (or sometimes especially) professionals. A desire to fix things or make things better is a necessary and often primary concern. But having any expectations of them or doing what they themselves need

to find the resources to do, will sabotage any effort to help. A primary issue here has to do with projection, which is very effective in blocking the emergence of that critical “something” within a person that makes it possible for them to come to terms with a disability and not be completely ruled by it.

### **Hidden gifts**

The person who finds it within him or herself to meet the disability and is not willing to fully surrender to it, has the possibility to bring out strengths and resources that they did not know they had, parts of themselves that they had avoided or perhaps even rejected or suppressed. One of the most valuable things that a disability offers is the necessity and opportunity to come to oneself in a new way that can bring new awareness, insights and possibilities. While this does require that “something” within that will not be intimidated by the circumstances encountered, disability can be understood to be quite an opportunity. When this is understood and acknowledged, the way we deal with disability will be positive and effective.

### **Other aspects**

The above offers a brief introduction into another way of looking at and dealing with some aspects of disability. But the subject of disability covers a large territory and I have only scratched the surface. For example, the idea of expectations, both of oneself and of others, plays a large role in how a disability plays itself out. And there are many types of disability. It can be obvious or invisible. It can be physical, mental, emotional or spiritual. It usually refers to a lack of ability to do, but we don't often talk about a disability in being. Examples of this are: an inability to be present, compassionate, true to oneself, hopeful about the future, to trust in the goodness of life, find balance in our lives, connect with others in a meaningful way, find meaning and purpose in life, and others. Surely these are as important as our ability to do, and yet it seems to me we do not consider them as such in terms of how we live our lives from day to day, or am I wrong? One last aspect I can think of at the moment is the rich topic of “wounded healer,” where a person's wounds can become a source of strength to bring wholeness to others.

Much can be written about disability but I hope I have given another perspective and some new ideas that can make a positive difference. Having a

disability involves the necessity not only of coming to terms with it, but more, with oneself. If this is understood and worked with, a disability can provide the opportunity to deal with issues that are normally not just overlooked but often rejected, issues can that lead to valuable personal growth that may not have been possible otherwise. In this light I wish you the ability to accept and work positively with your own disability, whatever that might be. As Isaac Pennington wrote in 1678, “There is that near you which will guide you. O wait for it and be sure you keep to it.”

## **Some Muslim Facts and Arabic Words\***

### **from Nancy Milio, for the Bridging the Faith Divide Subcommittee**

Muslims worldwide: 1.3 billion--80% Sunni; 15% Shiite [Sufis may be either Sunni or Shia]

Shiite-majority countries or having large Shia minorities: Iran, Iraq, Lebanon, Yemen, Azerbaijan; Bahrain, Kuwait, Xinjiang Province in China, India and Pakistan

American Muslims: 6-8 million

Seminal Muslim documents: The Holy Qur'an; The Hadith [sayings of Mohammed]

Five Pillars of Islam:

- o Shahadah: profession of faith that “there is but one God, Allah, and Mohammed is his prophet.”
- o Salat [Namaz in Persian and Urdu]: the 5 daily prayers, beginning at dawn and ending just after sunset.
- o Sawm: fasting during Ramadan
- o Zakat: charity to the poor at 2.5% of one's profit/income.
- o Hajj: pilgrimage to Mecca at least one during lifetime, if health and finances permit.

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\* I am indebted to Rose Aslan, a Muslim scholar at UNC, for her contributions to this material. She is part of the core group seeking to found a new mosque/center in cooperation with our Meeting.

Other religious beliefs:

- o A good person will be resurrected and enjoy paradise [jannah] However, Muslims' interpretation of Paradise varies widely. The Sufis understand paradise to be the state of union with God, constantly in his presence, while others believe they literally will spend their time in gardens, drinking wine and good foods, etc.

- o Sins exist and repentance is possible, e.g., pride, arrogance, gossiping, slander, lying, theft, murder, adultery, disrespect of parents, greed, oppression of the poor, abuse of family members, negligence in practicing the 5 Pillars.

- o Separation of state and religion is hotly debated. Many modern scholars stress that the state and religion should be separated. Many oppose that idea. One scholar at Duke, Mohsen Kadivar, an Iranian cleric and exile from Iran because of his views, opposes the Iranian concept of *walayat al-faqih*, where the Muslim jurist is head of state. He believes clerics and politicians should each have their place, but that the two should not be combined; he would probably support the idea of Islam being recognized as a state religion.

Sharia law, which is re-interpreted by Islamic scholars as contemporary conditions evolve, is not a single document. It consists of interpretive rulings based on the Qur'an; this interpretive law is called *fiqh*. Sharia/*fiqh* is generally used in Iran, Pakistan, Afghanistan, Saudi Arabia, Nigeria, Sudan. Selected aspects of Sharia family law are used in Indonesia, Bangladesh, Turkey, India, Malaysia, Egypt, Morocco, and many other Muslim-majority countries.

Indicative of the many intercountry variants, in Egypt, the Mufti signs off for cases of the death penalty, and is actually an employee of the Ministry of Justice, although most of his opinions are not enacted by the state. Sharia courts also operate in some European cities, e.g., London, Paris, Amsterdam. For some selective family interventions, local legally recognized Muslim arbitration centers operate in Chicago. In most Muslim countries, a tradition of patriarchy is practiced, with complementarity of men-women roles; great variation exists.

Ummah is the worldwide community of Islamic believers, i.e., all Muslims are brothers and sisters who ideally have a collective responsibility to their families, mosque and all other Muslims.

*Look for more in the next newsletter!*

# **Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business**

## **Chapel Hill Friends Meeting May 16, 2010**

### **Opening worship**

The meeting opened with worship on the query: "How do we nurture our meetings for worship with attention to business so that they are held in a spirit of worship and in dependence on the guidance of the Spirit? When unity is not present, how do we honor the search for corporate unity while waiting patiently for divine guidance?"

### **Review**

Review of Minutes for April 18 Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business. Friends approved the minutes as published in the newsletter.

### **Youth Religious Education Committee Annual Report**

Wren Hendrickson, clerk of the Youth Religious Education Committee, gave their annual report (attached). Friends accepted the report with great appreciation.

### **Recommendation for Membership of Wren Hendrickson**

Jan Hutton for Ministry & Worship Committee, reported that a clearness committee consisting of Perry Martin, Dirk Spruyt, Dottie Henninger and Pat Mann has met with Wren regarding membership. Ministry and Worship is pleased to recommend Wren for membership in the meeting. Friends approved. Wren's biography is attached.

Tom Munk and Jennifer Leeman volunteered to convene a welcoming party committee, along with Dirk and Perry.

### **Nominating Committee**

Jeff Brown, clerk of nominating committee, presented the list of individuals being nominated to serve on committees (attached). There are 145 slots on

18 committees. The current roster includes 113 individuals giving of their time and service, including 7 youth. The meeting will hold the nominations roster over until the June meeting for approval. Friends who have questions or comments should contact Jeff Brown.

### **Finance Committee's Recommendation for the 2010-2011 Budget**

Terry Mehlman, clerk of the Finance Committee, presented the recommended budget for 2010-2011 (attached). The overall income and expenses are the same as last year. Within that, Building and Grounds budget line was increased (because of cleaning and HVAC service contracts), and the committee recommends increasing the physical replacement fund by \$500. Ministry & Worship is discontinuing the News & Observer ad, which accounts for the decrease in their budget. Discretionary Fund is about half of what it was last year. Benevolences were set at the same level as last year.

Friends suggested a few modifications, such as reducing the expense line for YRE, since football parking has been sufficient to meet their transportation needs in the last year. Friends will be asked to take a second look at and approve a budget in the June meeting.

### **Peace & Social Concerns Committee's Recommendation for 2010-2011 Benevolence Spending**

Hank Elkins, clerk of Peace & Social Concerns, presented the recommendations for the 2010-2011 benevolence spending (attached). Friends engaged in discussion about the reduced level of support for CFS. It was pointed out that although the Meeting provides the school with the use of the school building, CFS pays for all of the upkeep of that building, the upkeep of the playground, and half the cost of the upkeep of the parking lot. It was also pointed out that for several years, the Meeting has eventually decided to give more to CFS than Peace & Social Concerns initially recommends. Friends acknowledged that there are differing views. One suggestion made was that perhaps CFS should be placed under another committee, such as Ministry & Worship.

The clerk agreed to continue discernment on this issue with others in the coming month and bring the issue back to the meeting.

### **Memo from Environmental Concerns Committee**

Dirk Spruyt distributed a memo from the Environmental Concerns Committee (attached) discussing the fact that it is time for the Meeting to rethink how it considers benevolences. The clerk pointed out that in discussing this year's benevolences, representatives from the Environmental Concerns Committee provided input to Peace & Social Concerns and Peace & Social Concern's Committee's recommendations reflect that input. This memo is in addition to that input.

### **Announcements**

- Next Sunday is graduation Sunday. Our four graduating seniors will lead the Forum.
- The June potluck will be a welcoming for Michael Jokinen, who was recently accepted as a member of the Meeting.
- A memorial service for Louise Debreczeny's mother, Gillian, will be held on Sunday, May 30, at 2:00pm.
- The Bridging the Faith Divide Subcommittee submitted a report, which is attached.

### **Attending:**

Hank Elkins, Hank Maiden, Nancy Elkins, Matt Drake, Lynn Drake, Ruth Zalph, Marilyn A. Dyer, Robin Harper, Dirk Kelder, Bettie Flash, Larry D. Tabor, Terry Mehlman, Ruth Hamilton, Micheal Jokinen, Miriam Thompson, Ken Grogan, Ann Kessemeier, Daniel Wright, Emilie Condon, Judy Purvis, Wren Hendrickson, Dirk Spruyt, Perry Martin, Jan Hutton, Mike Green, Max Drake, Francis Cole, Jeff Brown, Tom Munk, Alice Carlton, Curt Torell, Marsha Green (recording clerk), Jennifer Leeman (clerk)

## **Youth Religious Education Annual Report**

The Youth Religious Education Committee continues to develop, oversee, and support all curricula and activities involving young Friends in Grades 6 through 12. This report covers committee work from March 2009 to date. The primary strength of the committee continues to be the commitment of the youth engaged in First Day School and extracurricular activities and their willingness to express their interests. To achieve our goals we benefit from

(1) a focused and effective First Day School Coordinator (2) a reliable teacher for Middle and High School groups (3) consistent leadership for the High School program that has built trust and communication between youth and adults, and (4) an opportunity for our youth to engage in the activities planned by the Southern Appalachian Yearly Meeting.

#### *Attendance and Programming*

The number of youth fluctuates from year to year and currently is diminished from recent highs because of demographics. The challenge of lower number is balanced with greater communication with those active to brainstorm to provide activities of interest to attendees. Representation of youth in the YRE committee meetings this year has been good. Youth have played an active role in event planning and decision making. In particular, the high school youth have indicated a desire to engage in discussions with a variety of adults from the Meeting. The Committee drafted a schedule for regular adult-led discussions with people from our Meeting, as well as outside visitors. In these sessions we combined High School and Middle School ages with great success.

The Middle School curriculum was led by Dan Hilgenberg in the Fall, and Andrea Wuerth in the Spring. The Middle School curriculum has been following the CRE trimester schedule of Quaker Studies, Bible Studies, and Multi-Culturalism. Outside of class, the Middle School group participated in a lock-in at the Meeting House together with the High School Youth. Recognizing the small size of the Middle School group, the Committee has worked at identifying ways to continue to engage the youth.

The High School curriculum follows youth interests to line up a variety of topics that generate lively discussions. Topics have included visits from the UNC Muslim Student Association, environmental concerns, politics, Quakerism, and ethical decision making, as well as visits from Meeting adults talking about their own experiences on a variety of topics. John Hite has continued to provide excellent leadership for the high school group.

#### *Southern Appalachian Yearly Meeting (SAYMA)*

Chapel Hill youth have consistently attended and energized retreats held by the Southern Appalachian Young Friends (SAYF) along with attending the

Yearly Meeting. Travel arrangements to the retreats are planned in conjunction with the Durham Friends Meeting. Local leadership for SAYF retreats is from Wren Hendrickson, Buffie Webber, Madeline Parker, Michael Grathwohl, Annie Dilorenzo, and Joseph Bishop. The Chapel Hill Group together with the Durham youth have led weekend retreats and traveled around the region to the benefit of many of our youth and their counterparts. SAYF is a nurturing community in which many of our youth have flourished, and at the same time, the SAYF community has benefited from the participation of those in our vibrant youth group.

#### *NC Choices for Youth*

Curt Torell and Alice Carlton from the NC Choices for Youth continue to assist young Friends in understanding issues and opportunities and the need to declare a CO status if so inclined. The CHFM practice of assisting out youth with Conscientious Objector Guidance is a model for interested Meetings that participate in SAYF. Curt and Pam Schwingl have agreed to present a workshop at the upcoming SAYMA meeting in June.

#### *Finances and Fundraising*

Our youth program benefits from our ability to raise funds through paid parking on Sundays of UNC football games. The majority of Committee expenditures are covered by these funds enabling any CHFM youth to participate in our activities. Additional funds are available to the Committee through the Meeting's annual budget. This fall, our youth and supportive adults raised \$5310 from parking for football fans. Annually, the youth operate the Alternative Gift Market to provide the Meeting with an understanding of along with an opportunity to support organizations identified by our youth as worthy of financial support.

Respectfully submitted by Wren Hendrickson, clerk, and Youth Religious Education Committee current members: Melissa Bishop, Annie DiLorenzo, Andrew Meriwether, Madeline Parker, Bill Young, Brendan Young, Buffie Webber, Maura Murphy, Andrea Wuerth, and Lauren Hart.

## **Biography of New Member Wren Hendrickson**

Wren Hendrickson is married and has two children in their twenties who live in Asheville. Professionally, she and her husband, Ted, make jewelry and own Goldworks, a custom jewelry store at University Mall. They have also just opened a jewelry/craft gallery in Asheville, jointly with their children. Wren has been attending CHFM for about 15 years, and has been active in working with our Meeting youth, as well as wider Friends community youth, serving on the YRE and also the steering committee of Southern Appalachian Young Friends (SAYF).

## **Nominations Committee Recommendations**

**Listed by name, year term ends, and term number**

### **Adult Religious Education**

Mary Bastin 13, 1  
Francis Coyle 13, 4  
Dan Darnell 13, 2  
Hank Elkins 11, 2  
Nancy Elkins 11, 2  
Jan Hutton 11, 2  
Dirk Kelder 12, 1  
Andy Nelson 12, 1  
Bill Schweke 12, 1

### **Buildings and Grounds**

Margie Brache 11, 3  
Bill Cleaver 11, 1  
Kathy Davis 13, 1  
Peter DeLeeuw 11, 3  
Daniel Hilgenberg 11, 1  
John Hite ex-officio n/a  
Robert Rogers 12, 1  
David Schneider 12, 1  
Tom Smith 13, 4

### **Care and Counsel**

Madeline Ashley 13, 1  
David Brower 12, 2  
Julia Cleaver 12, 1  
Lynn Drake 11, 2  
Marilyn Dyer 12, 2  
Beth Kurtz-Costes 12, 1  
Perry Martin 13, 2  
Gwynne Pomeroy 13 1  
Chris Stanley 12 1  
Carolyn White ex-officio n/a

### **Children's Religious Education**

Eloise Grathwohl 13, 1  
Lauren Hart ex-officio n/a  
Bill McDonell 13, 1  
Leslie Rountree 12, 1  
Brad Schultz 11, 1  
Meredith Tomlinson 13, 1  
Jochen Wachter 12, 1  
Andrea Wuerth 11, 1

**Carolina Friends School Board**

Mike Bishop 11, 3  
Linda DiLorenzo 12, 1  
Marsha Green 11, 2  
Hugh Meriwether 12, 3

**Environmental Concerns**

Catherine Alguire 11, 1  
Lauren Carreto 11, 1  
Maria Darlington 13, 2  
Robin Harper 13, 1  
Emily Harper youth n/a  
Perry Martin 11, 1  
Andy Nelson 12, 1  
Emily Nelson 12, 1  
Tom Smith 13, 2  
Dirk Spruyt 13, 2

**Finance**

Jim Bartow 12, 1  
Asta Crowe 11, 3  
Matt Drake 11, 1  
Bob Durovich 11, 1  
Michael Jokinen 12, 2  
Judy Purvis ex-officio n/a  
Buffie Webber 12, 2

**Hospitality**

Jeff Brown 13, 2  
Alice Carlton 13, 1  
Annie Cleaver youth n/a  
David Curtin 12, 3  
Ann Filiaci 13, 1  
Lauren Hart 13, 1  
Beth Kurtz-Costes 12, 1  
Stuart Phillips 13, 2

Gwynne Pomeroy 12, 2  
Joanna Selim 12, 1  
Carolyn Stuart 13, 1

**Interfaith Council**

Emilie Condon 11, 1  
Francis Coyle 11, 3  
Ann Drake 11, 2  
Sue Fletcher 11, 2  
Lauren Hart 11, 1  
Max Drake 13, 1  
Dottie Henninger 11, 1  
Marie Hopper 11, 1

**Library**

Ann Booth 12, 1  
Kay Eager 13, 2  
Sue Fletcher 9, 1  
Dirk Kelder 11, 1  
Ann Miller 12, 1  
Robert Rogers 12, 1  
Allie Scales 12, 1  
Anne Smith 13, 2

**Ministry and Worship**

Max Drake 12, 2  
Wren Hendrickson 13, 1  
Dottie Henninger 11, 1  
Jan Hutton 12, 2  
Lloyd Kramer 13, 1  
Pat Mann 12, 2  
Terry Mehlman 11, 1  
Judy Purvis 12, 1  
Bonnie Raphael 12, 1  
Larry Tabor 12, 1  
Carolyn White ex-officio n/a  
Jeff Brown 10, 1

**Peace and Social Concerns**

Ed Brown 11, 1  
Kay Eager 12, 1  
Hank Elkins 11, 2  
Nancy Elkins 11, 2  
Ruth Hamilton 13, 1  
Hank Maiden 12, 1  
Tom Munk 11, 1  
Ann Shy 12, 1  
Dirk Spruyt 12, 4  
Miriam Thompson 11, 1  
Ruth Zalph 12, 1

**Piedmont Friends Fellowship**

Annette Broadwell 12, 1  
Terry Mehlman 13, 1

**Publications and Records**

Emily Ashley youth n/a  
Emily Buehler 13, 2  
David Curtin 11, 2  
Marsha Green ex-officio n/a  
Mike Green ex-officio n/a  
Jessica Harper youth n/a  
James Harper 13, 3  
Sam Leeman-Munk 13, 1

**Quaker House Board**

Tom McQuiston 12, 2  
Pam Schwingl 12, 2  
Curt Torell 12, 2  
Ruth Zalph 12, 1

**Shotts & Leadership  
Development Fund**

Asta Crowe 12, 2  
Linda DiLorenzo 11, 1  
Mike Green 12, 2  
Stuart Phillips 11, 1  
Leslie Rountree 12, 1

**Youth Religious Education**

Caleb Cole youth n/a  
Annie DiLorenzo youth n/a  
Michael Grathwohl youth n/a  
Lauren Hart ex-officio n/a  
Wren Hendrickson 11, 4  
John Hite 13, 1  
Jennifer Leeman 13, 1  
Tom Munk 13, 1  
Maura Murphy 12, 1  
Andrea Wuerth 12, 1

Recommended by the Nominations Committee:

Jeff Brown, convenor; Anne Filiaci, John Hite, Susan Inglis, Tom Munk, Leslie Rountree, and Buffie Webber

## Budget Recommendation for 2010-2011

	FY2010	FY2011	% Change from FY2010 to FY2011	% FY2011 Budget
Buildings & Grounds				
Insurance	\$5,550.00	\$5,550.00	0.00%	8.08%
Utilities	\$5,500.00	\$5,720.00	4.00%	8.32%
Maintenance & Improvement	\$3,250.00	\$4,750.00	46.15%	6.91%
Landscaping	\$1,000.00	\$1,000.00	0.00%	1.45%
<b>MEETINGHOUSE UPKEEP</b>	<b>\$15,300.00</b>	<b>\$17,020.00</b>	<b>11.24%</b>	<b>24.76%</b>
Children's Religious Education	\$5,100.00	\$4,500.00	-11.76%	6.55%
Youth Religious Education	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.00%	2.91%
Adult Religious Education	\$300.00	\$200.00	-33.33%	0.29%
<b>RELIGIOUS EDUCATION</b>	<b>\$7,400.00</b>	<b>\$6,700.00</b>	<b>-9.46%</b>	<b>9.75%</b>
Publications & Records	\$1,800.00	\$2,100.00	16.67%	3.06%
Ministry & Worship	\$1,300.00	\$500.00	-61.54%	0.73%
Environmental Concerns	\$650.00	\$500.00	-23.08%	0.73%
Hospitality	\$450.00	\$450.00	0.00%	0.65%
Library	\$400.00	\$500.00	25.00%	0.73%
Finance	\$300.00	\$250.00	-16.67%	0.36%
Peace & Social Concerns	\$300.00	\$400.00	33.33%	0.58%
<i>National Quaker Service</i>	\$2,000.00	\$2,000.00	0.00%	2.91%
Care & Counsel	\$100.00	\$100.00	0.00%	0.15%
<i>Meeting for Suffering</i>	\$135.00	\$135.00	0.00%	0.20%
Nominations	\$25.00	\$25.00	0.00%	0.04%
<b>OTHER MEETING COMMITTEES</b>	<b>\$5,325.00</b>	<b>\$4,825.00</b>	<b>-9.39%</b>	<b>7.02%</b>
<b>OVERSIGHT FUNDS</b>	<b>\$2,135.00</b>	<b>\$2,135.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>3.11%</b>
Leadership Development	\$1,750.00	\$2,000.00	14.29%	2.91%
Buildings & Grounds				
Physical Plant Replacement Fund	\$1,500.00	\$2,000.00	33.33%	2.91%
<b>FUTURE NEEDS OF THE MEETING</b>	<b>\$3,250.00</b>	<b>\$4,000.00</b>	<b>23.08%</b>	<b>5.82%</b>

## Budget Continued

<b>SUBTOTAL</b>	<b>\$33,410.00</b>	<b>\$34,680.00</b>	<b>3.80%</b>	<b>50.46%</b>
<b>Benevolences &amp; Configency Fund</b>	<b>\$35,320.00</b>	<b>\$34,050.00</b>	<b>-3.60%</b>	<b>49.54%</b>
Peace & Social Concerns - Internal	\$20,320.00	\$20,320.00	0.00%	29.56%
Ministry & Worship	\$2,100.00	\$2,100.00	0.00%	3.06%
Adult Religious Education	\$150.00	\$150.00	0.00%	0.22%
Peace & Social Concerns - External	\$10,200.00	\$10,200.00	0.00%	14.84%
Discretionary Fund	\$2,550.00	\$1,280.00	-49.80%	1.86%
<b>TOTAL</b>	<b>\$68,730.00</b>	<b>\$68,730.00</b>	<b>0.00%</b>	<b>100.00%</b>

**Peace & Social Concerns Committee**  
**Description of Benevolences and**  
**Recommendations**  
**2010-2011**

**GUIDELINES FOR RECOMMENDATION FOR THE PEACE AND  
CONCERNS COMMITTEE:**

Our four guidelines for benevolences:

- ? Quaker administered
- ? Involvement of our members in the benevolence
- ? Preference for local as opposed to more distant benevolences
- ? To restore the earth — to increase our commitment to the environment.

**BENEVOLENCES RECOMMENDED IN 2009**

ALAMANCE/ORANGE PRISON MINISTRY

PO Box 804, Graham, NC 27253-0804 The Alamance/Orange Prison Ministry funds a full time Chaplain at the Orange Correctional Center, a minimum security prison in Hillsborough and has nearly completed building a Religious Services Center or “Peace Center.” The Ministry serves prisoners while they are incarcerated and works with outside groups for the transition of prisoners to civilian life. Friends can participate in this ministry by going to Yoke Fellows at the prison on Tuesday evenings, 7:30-8:30 (except the last Tuesday of the month). In addition, male volunteers can become community sponsors authorized to take prisoners out on leave for up to six hours. Francis Coyle, Asta Crowe, Betsy Hewitt, Jan Hutton, Ann Kessemeyer, Hank Maiden, Toby McNulty, Tom McQuiston, Paul and Joyce Munk, Ruth Zalph, and Hank Elkins participate in this prison ministry. [updated April 2010]

AMERICAN FRIENDS SERVICE COMMITTEE (AFSC)

1501 Cherry St., Philadelphia, PA 19102 [www.AFSC.org](http://www.AFSC.org)

“Quaker values in action”

“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. The AFSC community works to transform condition and relationships both in the world and in ourselves, which threaten to overwhelm what is precious in human beings.”

Founded by Quakers in 1917, AFSC was a co-winner of the Nobel Peace Prize in 1947. AFSC’s major efforts are focused on criminal justice, economic justice, humanitarian assistance, immigration/migration, peacebuilding/conflict prevention, and youth.

The Area Office of the Carolinas, located in Greensboro, has worked closely with NC Choices for Youth – an initiative of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting – to provide alternatives to military service to young people from all walks of life. Other local program initiatives focus on immigrant rights, a humanitarian response program that provides emergency relief kits to people in need, and the Carolinas Peace and Economic Justice program. The office also provides support for young people who may be conscientious objectors and who would like to make their high schools “peace friendly.”

AFSC is working with Handicap International in Haiti. With \$50,000 of emergency funds from AFSC, medical equipment is now in the hands of mobile response teams and more than 450 emergency packages containing needed blankets, cooking sets, water filters, and other needed supplies have arrived for use in Haiti. AFSC is also developing plans for longer range work in Haiti. [updated May 3, 2010]

#### BOLIVIAN QUAKER EDUCATION FUND (BQEF)

11253 Boston Road, East Concord, NY 14055 [www.BQEF.org](http://www.BQEF.org)

Bolivia, South America’s poorest nation, has the continent’s highest proportion of indigenous people. These people were oppressed in Bolivia for centuries, and still have only a fraction of the economic means and political power of those of European extraction. Bolivia’s 30,000 indigenous Friends constitute the third largest Quaker population in the world. The Bolivian Quaker Education Fund works with Bolivian Quakers to fund scholarships in public universities for Quaker students, English and computer education in Quaker schools for students and their parents in Quaker schools. BQEF also funds Alternatives to Violence (AVP) workshops. A number of AVP facilitators have been trained and are close to operating without international assistance.

Alicia Lucasi, a Bolivian Quaker teacher, served as an intern at Carolina Friends School 2008-9. Hosts for Alicia from our Meeting have included Mike and Marsha Green, Pam Schwingl and Pat Mann, Aura and Brad Schwartz. Marnie Clark and Hank Elkins sponsor students. Hank serves on the board, has visited Bolivia for BQEF, and serves as clerk of the BQEF Finance Committee. Friends are invited to sponsor university students and to volunteer to teach English or computer literacy in Quaker schools in Bolivia [updated April 2010].

#### CAROLINA FRIENDS SCHOOL (CFS)

4809 Friends School Road, Durham, NC 27705 [www.cfsnc.org](http://www.cfsnc.org)

CFS was started in 1962 by members of the Chapel Hill and Durham Friends Meetings on donated land. Adding a class level each year, it has grown to 485 students and over 80 faculty, pre-K through 12. Its annual budget is now \$8,000,000 with an endowment of \$7,386,071 as of February 28, 2010. Tuition ranges from \$9,280 for half days in the Early School to \$14,370 for the Upper School students. Tuition aid of \$729,000 is distributed among about 100 students. In 2009/2010 the difference between tuition charged and the actual cost of educating a child is more than \$2,339 per student. There are 480 students at CFS. This \$2,339 per child is really a form of tuition aid that each child receives, even if the parents are paying "full tuition." The total gap between what tuition covers and the actual cost of running CFS is more than \$1,120,000. Donations are a primary way CFS closes that gap and pays for the essentials of education at CFS. The major contribution CHFM makes to CFS is the in-kind 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 \$1,000 per month or \$12,000 per year.

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 experience and half have graduate degrees. The School Board includes Quakers nominated by the Chapel Hill and Durham Friends Meetings. The main campus is on 121 rural acres between Durham and Chapel Hill and includes 14 classroom buildings, libraries, science and computer labs, art and music studios, theater, gym, meeting hall, playgrounds,

and ball fields. During the summer the school hosts workshops and day camps. Mike Bishop, Ani Flash, Linda DiLorenzo, Mary DeCoster, Hugh Meriwether, Marsha Green, and Nancy Milio 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 [updated May 1, 2010].

#### FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON LEGISLATION (FCNL)

245 Second Street, NE Washington, DC 20002 [www.FCNL.org](http://www.FCNL.org)

Every two years, FCNL consults with Quaker meetings, churches, and organizations around the country to help discern priorities for lobbying and public education work during the next Congress. Currently, the central priorities are summarized by the visionary statements: "We seek a world free of war and the threat of war. We seek a society with equity and justice for all. We seek a community where every person's potential may be fulfilled. We seek an earth restored." Each of these visionary statements is actualized by careful, practical analysis of the realities of the current opportunities in Congress. On this basis, FCNL and its thousands of supporters go to work encouraging Congress to do the right thing. As Congressman Jesse Jackson, Jr. stated, "for years, the Friends Committee has been our national conscience on human rights, poverty, and humanitarian aid."

Nancy Milio serves as Clerk of the FCNL Policy Committee. All meeting members are encouraged to join the FCNL's email action network. Each week, members receive notification of one thing they can do to advance legislation that promotes positive change in the world. Last year, 153,278 messages were sent to Congress in this way, making a difference on the issues of war, peace, and justice that have involved Friends for so many years, as well as issues of energy and environment, that are growing in importance for Friends. Many other opportunities to work with FCNL are available.

Another of FCNL's witnesses has been its green building renovation near the Capitol in DC. The building received a Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Silver certification in 2007, and hundreds of visitors take the green building tour each year. Despite the economic crisis and difficulty in Congress to pass critical legislation, FCNL staff have been able to move forward on our priority issues, thanks to more than a little help from Friends. Contributions increased sufficiently to allow restoration of staff

salaries after the salary and benefits cuts of the last couple of years. However, funds are not large enough to replace laid off staff. Nevertheless, FCNL continues to bring together opposing groups, whether governmental or other, to educate and find common ground on issues of peace, civil liberties, human needs and the environment. All meeting members are encouraged to join the FCNL's email network. Each week, members receive notification of one thing they can do to advance the world we seek. Many other opportunities to work with FCNL are available. <http://fcnl.org/involved/index.htm> [Updated April 2010]

#### INTERFAITH COUNCIL FOR SOCIAL SERVICE

110 W. Main Street, Carrboro, NC 27510, [www.ifcweb.org](http://www.ifcweb.org)

Since 1963, the Interfaith Council has provided shelter, food, direct services, advocacy and information to people in need. Members of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting, notably Gerry Gourley and Mildred Ringwalt, were instrumental in its founding. In addition to the volunteer work individual members contribute, the Meeting community prepares and serves lunch for about 90 people in the Community Kitchen every first Thursday. We were a part of the 91,886 meals IFC served last year. Over the last year the Meeting has also launched a successful initiative to identify a specific food item that IFC needs and Meeting attenders bring this item to CHFM each first Sunday, identified as IFC First Day. These items added to the 14,201 bags of food IFC provided for hungry families in Orange County this year. A substantial number of Meeting members and attenders participate in the annual CROP walk and RSVVP ("Restaurants Sharing 10 Percent") programs, both in support of IFC. The current year has brought new challenges to the IFC: the recession has increased the need for social service support in our community; the IFC has been given property for a new men's shelter to be built on the model of Project Homestart which currently serves women and children. Plans for the development of the property are underway, but require our ongoing advocacy. Current members of the Meeting's IFC committee are: Emilie Condon, Ann Drake, Dottie Heninger, Gwynne Pomeroy, Francis Coyle, Lauren Hart, Marie Hopper and Graeme Durovich [updated April 2010].

<b>Interfaith Council Service</b>	<b>2006-7</b>	<b>2007-8</b>	<b>2008-9</b>
<b>Meals</b> served at the Community House Kitchen	80,172	78,460	85,136
<b>Bags of groceries</b> distributed	9,129	11,507	14,201
<b>Households</b> that received emergency financial assistance for rent and utilities	585	760	897
<b>People</b> provided with shelter (unduplicated count; numbers have decreased because clients are staying longer due to lack of employment & housing)	836	760	681

**NC COUNCIL OF CHURCHES (NCCC)**

1307 Glenwood Ave., Suite 156, Raleigh, N.C. 27605-3256

[www.nccouncilofchurches.org](http://www.nccouncilofchurches.org)

Mission Statement: “The North Carolina Council of Churches is a statewide ecumenical organization promoting Christian unity and working towards a more just society. The Council enables denominations, congregations, and people of faith to individually and collectively impact our state on issues such as economic justice and development, human well-being, equality, compassion and peace, following the example and mission of Jesus Christ.”

As Chapel Hill Friends travel in the state, seeking to extend our Light beyond the bounds of our small Meeting community, we often find ourselves working in partnership with the North Carolina Council of Churches. For example, the Council recently presented the “Faith Active in Public Life” award to Reverend William Barber, the leader of the Historic Thousands on Jones Street movement, in which Tom Munk, Hank Elkins, and Miriam Thompson are active on behalf of the Meeting. On April 19, 2009 Chapel Hill Friends Meeting united in a minute to request that Piedmont Friends Fellowship consider affiliation with NCCC.

Most of the NCCC budget is to pay staff members. Thus far, the economic downturn has not required the NCCC to cut staff, but they have been required to reduce the frequency and distribution of their Church

Council Bulletin newsletter, cut travel expenses in half, and make other, smaller, internal cuts.

Much of the work for social justice and ecumenism that is the Council's ministry is carried out by volunteers. Current program committees include farm worker ministry, public education, rural life, NC Interfaith Power and Light, and legislative program. The Council is always in need of short-term volunteers who can help with mailings and general office tasks. The Council invites individuals to hold local forums on particular issues.

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"Working for Peace, Justice, and Unity since 1935." As Chapel Hill Friends travel in the state, seeking to extend our Light beyond the bounds of our small meeting community, we often find ourselves working in partnership with the North Carolina Council of Churches. For example, the Council was a major player in efforts to ensure that health care is provided to all the people of our nation. The Council is also an active participant in the Historic Thousands on Jones Street (HKonJ) movement, in which Tom Munk and Miriam Thompson have been actively involved. In recent years, the Council has worked for justice, peace and Christian unity, working on behalf of immigrants, care of God's creation, sustainable local agriculture, and health care. North Carolina Interfaith Power and Light works with faith communities to address the causes and consequences of global climate change, and promote practical solutions, through education, outreach, and public policy advocacy. By speaking for the least of these, the Council has been a crucial faith voice for progressive social justice in North Carolina. At the request of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting for Business, Piedmont Friends Fellowship is currently considering formal affiliation with the Council. Much of the Council's work is carried out by volunteers.

#### NC INTERFAITH POWER AND LIGHT

North Carolina Interfaith Power & Light (NCIPL) is a program of the North Carolina Council of Churches. It is one of the 30 state affiliates of the national Interfaith Power and Light which works with over 10,000 congregations to promote positive environmental change around energy and global warming. The mission of NCIPL is to work with faith communities in

North Carolina to address the causes and consequences of global climate change, and offer practical solutions, through education, outreach and public policy advocacy. They've held programs in almost 200 congregations in North Carolina and conduct regular outreach to more than 800 congregations.

Of particular importance is their participation in the Black Brown Green Alliance and Project Energize, an effort to weatherize 300 low-income homes in western NC by June 2010. Low-income households typically spend one fifth of their annual income on home energy bills – more than six times that of other income groups. For more information: <http://www.ncipl.org>

### NC WARN

PO Box 61051, Durham, NC 27715-1051, [www.ncwarn.org](http://www.ncwarn.org)

In operation for 20 years as an environmental justice organization, NC WARN combines science, activism and research to organize for a safe, sustainable energy future in North Carolina.

NC Warn has been one of the primary forces in putting together a statewide coalition to make NC a coal free state by 2025, challenge nuclear plants construction, promote energy efficiency, support legislation that would create incentives for energy conservation - especially among low income residents who are hard hit by rising energy costs. NC WARN continues its leadership for replacing coal and nuclear energy with renewable energy sources like solar and wind power. They are also bringing coalition forces together to challenge State Agencies and Commissions regarding Duke Energy and Progress Energy delays in reducing coal production and investing in renewable energy.

NC WARN has been working with a number of environmental allies across the state for several years now to stop Duke's Cliffside coal plant, now under construction. Late last year that alliance decided that we needed to broaden our campaign to phase out all the coal plants in North Carolina if the state is to do its part to mitigate the urgent crisis of climate change. We can't hit what we don't aim at, and we need to aim at making it public policy to end coal burning in the state.

This spring NC WARN worked with Dr. John Blackburn, former chair of the Economics Department and former Chancellor at Duke, on his analysis that showed the feasibility of this goal. Accordingly, the new alliance, which is

still in formation and will be announced in several months, has adopted the following mission statement:

We seek to create a healthy, just and prosperous North Carolina that produces energy sustainably and uses it efficiently. North Carolinians can do this by:

- Achieving a 25% reduction in electricity demand by 2025 through efficiency and conservation
- Diversifying our electricity mix to include 25% renewable energy by 2025
- Eliminating the use of coal to produce energy by 2030
- Preventing new nuclear power plants and retiring old facilities as soon as possible.

NC WARN also works closely with the NC SAVE\$ ENERGY coalition to pass an ambitious energy efficient program for the state that is independent of the utilities and with the Grassroots Energy Network and the Black, Brown, Green Alliance in Durham on developing green collar jobs targeted at low-income and at-risk people. And we are continuing our work as a vigorous watchdog on the nuclear industry and especially safety issues at the Shearon Harris Nuclear Plant.

At the request of NC Warn, Ruth Zalph, Miriam Thompson, and Hank Elkins have testified at the NC Utilities Commission. Lauren and Alex Carreto, Dirk Spruyt, Perry Martin, Hank and Nancy Elkins, and Ruth Zalph participated in an April 20, 2009 rally in Charlotte against Duke Energy's coal-burning plants. Miriam Thompson participated in the 2010 NC Warn coalition retreat and strategy meetings [updated April 2010].

#### ORANGE COUNTY JUSTICE UNITED IN COMMUNITY EFFORT (ORANGE JUICE)

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 the lives of low- and middle-income residents in Orange County.

This is done through:

- ? institution-based leadership development;
- ? the building of relationships within and between institutions;

? the identification of and research on issues of mutual self-interest;  
? and disciplined, organized action.

<http://www.ocjusticeunited.org/>

#### ORANGE COUNTY PEACE COALITION

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 Community Church, the Church of Reconciliation, Elders for Peace, St. Thomas More Church, Ethical Humanist Society and others. Ann Shy, Ruth Zalph, and Hank Elkins participate in the bi-monthly planning meetings.

#### PEOPLE OF FAITH AGAINST THE DEATH PENALTY

110 W Main St, Carrboro, NC 27510 [www.pfadp.org](http://www.pfadp.org)

People of Faith against the Death Penalty 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. They attempt to stay abreast of news and events concerning this issue. They avail themselves of opportunities to testify and advocate for inmates on death row, conduct vigils, and pursue a moratorium on executions. Nancy Elkins participates in this organization. This summer of 2009, PFADP plans a pilgrimage throughout eastern North Carolina to educate the population about the death penalty.

#### PLANNED PARENTHOOD OF CENTRAL NC

1765 Dobbins Drive, Chapel Hill [www.plannedparenthood.org/centralnc/](http://www.plannedparenthood.org/centralnc/)

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 through offices in Chapel Hill, Durham, and a new office in Fayetteville.

#### QUAKER EARTHCARE WITNESS (QEW)

173-B N. Prospect St., Burlington, VT 05401-1607 [www.quakerearthcare.org](http://www.quakerearthcare.org)  
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. Ruth Hamilton, Michael Jokinen, and Rob Jones have participated in national QEW meetings. Rob Jones serves on the QEW Board. This year Ruth Hamilton represented QEW at Intermountain Yearly Meeting.

### QUAKER HOUSE

223 Hillside Ave., Fayetteville, NC 28301 [www.quakerhouse.org](http://www.quakerhouse.org) Quaker House was started when a soldier from Ft. Bragg traveled to the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting to ask for help. Beginning with support for dissident GIs protesting the Vietnam War, Quaker House is still supporting the troops through its GI Rights Hotline, organizing peace actions, and serving as a bridge between the increasingly estranged military and civilian subcultures in America. Maria Darlington, Curt Torell, Pam Schwingl, Tom McQuiston, and Ruth Zalph serve on the Quaker House Board of Directors. Curt Torell serves as Treasurer, and Pam Schwingl serves as Clerk of the Personnel Committee.

Quaker House does not have an endowment or a large reserve fund, but as of February 2010, Quaker House had successfully raised funds to provide a cushion of six months of operating expenses.

### RIGHT SHARING OF WORLD RESOURCES (RSWR)

101 Quaker Hill Drive, Richmond, Indiana 47374-1926, [www.rswr.org](http://www.rswr.org) Right sharing means wealth redistribution or jubilee justice. RSWR is a Quaker organization that supports local initiatives for micro-enterprises in the "two-thirds world". It provides grants of \$5,000 or less for start-up projects which must become self-sustaining. These are usually given to women in self-help groups with micro-credit plans. Susan Inglis is involved with RSWR.

### RURAL SOUTHERN VOICE FOR PEACE (RSVP)

1036 Hannah Branch Rd., Burnsville, NC 28714 <http://www.listeningproject.info/>  
RSVP serves as the U.S. / International Listening Project Training and Resource Center.

Rural Southern Voice for Peace - For over 20 years, RSVP has been working with community-based organizations to conduct "Listening Projects." These Listening Projects are designed to teach people to listen carefully to each other when they are in situations where those involved are socially or politically polarized. One example of a recent project involved bringing people in Yancey County together to initiate sustainable development planning. Ed Brown and Ed King work with RSVP [updated April 2010].

#### SCHOOLHOUSE OF WONDER

5101 B, N. Roxboro Rd., Durham NC 27704 [www.schoolhouseofwonder.org/](http://www.schoolhouseofwonder.org/)  
Located in the outskirts of Durham in the Westpoint on the Eno Park and staffed by experienced naturalists, this program utilizes the rich setting (450 acres) of woods, river, its wildlife and long history. It hosts children and parents from Durham and Orange counties to discover, be excited and curious about the wonders of nature, how it works and supports us. Hands-on, personal experience is emphasized in each of the half a dozen program choices which vary in focus and duration.

With a staff of 6 and budget of \$208,000 last year the program hosted 1527 students on day field trips and 485 for week-long day camps. A dedicated staff on minimal wages has kept this unique program alive. Next year it will have to make up the loss of a \$10,000 transition grant. Dirk Spruyt was a volunteer staff member for a full academic year.  
[www.schoolhouseofwonder.org](http://www.schoolhouseofwonder.org/) [updated March 2010]

#### TRANSITION CARRBORO/CHAPEL HILL

This local effort is to make Chapel Hill and Carrboro better prepared for the impacts of diminishing oil supply, climate extremes and economic crises. It is a bringing together of community individuals and organizations to figure out how we can arrange and create ways of living more reliant on local resources. While the experiences of other towns is helpful, (there are more than 50 across the U.S.) each Transition town is unique and responsible for creating its own path.

Transition Carrboro/Chapel Hill was launched last September 2009. Since then a small group of volunteers has been preparing for the great Unleashing on May 15th. The purpose of this gathering of the community —

organizations, politicians and individuals — is to launch a courageous look into our future and how we can better prepare for its challenges some of which include a deeper, more aware sense of community fostering local food, power, crafts, housing and other essential resources for a more fulfilling, equitable and sustainable future.

The first Transition community is Totnes, Great Britain, started in 2006. Now there are Transition communities in 40 countries. What has been learned is available in the well written and illustrated The Transition Handbook by Rob Hopkins a copy of which is in our library. Dirk Spruyt and other members of the Meeting are participating in this exciting venture. [www.transitioncch.org/](http://www.transitioncch.org/)

#### TRIANGLE LAND CONSERVANCY (TLC)

Established in 1983, this organization acquires, protects and conserves natural areas and working lands, 45,000 acres, in a six county region including Orange. TLC seeks a balance between growth and conservation. It works to protect the quality of the water we drink and of the air we breathe, and to leave a healthy environment for future generations to enjoy.

A small staff and many volunteers make and maintain trails, organize hikes for public enjoyment and fulfillment. Examples are the white pine forest on the Deep River, Moccasin Creek; rare Piedmont prairie in Wake County

The TLC mission is to protect important open space—stream corridors, forests, wildlife habitat, farmland and natural areas—in Chatham, Durham, Johnston, Lee, Orange and Wake counties to help keep our region a healthy and vibrant place to live and work.

**BENEVOLENCE BUDGET RECOMMENDED BY THE PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE**

<b>Benevolence and Social Concerns</b>	<b>Y2 0 087</b>	<b>Y2 0 098</b>	<b>Y2 0 099</b>	<b>Y2 0 110</b>	<b>Y2 0 1101</b>
Interfaith Council	7,000	7,000	8,000	8,000	8,000
Carolina Friends School*	** 7,880	8,370	*** 7,000	6,000	6,000
Quaker House	7,000	8,000	6,000	5,000	5,000
Friends Committee on National Legislation	1,400	1,500	2,000	2,500	2,500
Quaker Earthcare Witness	800	1,000	2,000	2,000	2,000
NC Warn	100	300	300	2,000	2,000
American Friends Service Committee	1,200	1,200	1,500	1,500	1,500
Bolivian Quaker Education Fund	0	600	1,000	1,000	1,000
Alamance/Orange Prison Ministry	400	400	400	400	400
NC Council of Churches (Power & Light)	100	400	400	500	500
People of Faith Against the Death Penalty	300	300	300	200	200
Right Sharing of World Resources	300	300	300	200	200
Orange County Justice United in Community Effort (Orange JUICE)	0	0	0	100	100
Schoolhouse of Wonder	300	0	50	50	50
Planned Parenthood of Central NC	0	100	50	50	50
Rural Southern Voice for Peace	100	100	50	50	50
Orange County Peace Coalition	0	0	50	50	50
Transition Towns Carrboro – Chapel Hill	0	0	0	50	50
Triangle Land Conservancy	0	0	0	50	50
<b>Total Recommended by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee</b>	<b>\$27,380</b>	<b>\$29,670</b>	<b>\$29,400</b>	<b>\$29,700</b>	<b>\$29,700</b>
<b>Adjusted by Meeting</b>	<b>\$3,620</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$1,370</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>
<b>Total Approved by Meeting</b>	<b>\$31,000</b>	<b>\$29,670</b>	<b>\$30,770</b>	<b>\$29,700</b>	<b>\$29,700</b>

\* The Meeting contributes to CFS the use of the Educational Building. The value of that contribution is conservatively estimated to be \$1,000 per month or \$12,000 per year.

\*\* CFS 2007 amount increased to \$11,500 by Meeting

\*\*\* CFS 2009 amount increased to \$8,370 by Meeting

## **Memo from the Environmental Concerns Committee--Benevolences**

ECC criteria for selecting organizations for inclusion on environmental benevolence list:

- Established or potential capacity for making our human presence on earth more benign.
- Protecting natural resources for future generations.
- Helping young people to understand, appreciate and help restore us humans as contributors to a healthy natural world.
- Focus of efforts may appropriately vary from local to global.

ECC list of recommended environmental benevolences:

NC Warn	4000
Triangle Land Conservancy	3000
Student Conservation Association	2500
Interfaith Power and Light	2000
Quaker Earthcare Witness	2000
Schoolhouse of Wonder	1000
Carolina Friends School, environmental*	1000
Transition Carrboro/Chapel Hill	<u>500</u>
	<b>\$16000</b>

As members of the earth community we humans have done little to slow let alone reverse our poisonous impact on the earth. As a leading industrial society, we are the most polluting, the most damaging to eco-systems, large and small. It is timely that we face our collusion and our need to take a path that may lead to a more hopeful future. As Friends we feel an urgent calling to witness to the earth's need for our love that celebrates life in its miraculous forms.

Suggested questions to consider:

1. Of what relative importance are environmental issues like air pollution and climate change, declining supply of cheap oil, fresh water, arable land, sea food, lumber, minerals, population growth?
2. What opportunities do we have to influence the impact of these

issues? as individuals? as a Meeting (benevolences are but one)?

--Andy & Emily Nelson, Catherine Alguire, Lauren Carreto, Maria Darlington, Pam Schwingl, Tom Smith, Robin Harper, Perry Martin, Allie Scales, Ruth Hamilton, Rob Jones, Dirk Spruyt

## **Bridging the Faith Divide Subcommittee Report**

*As-salam alaykum ("Peace be upon you")*

*wa alaykum as-salam ("and upon you peace")*

The committee sponsored a forum entitled CFS and the Afghan Sister School Partnership on May 2 presented by Amy Smoker, a parent of students at CFS. Her slide show highlighted the special work of CFS in developing relationships and raising funds for schools in Afghanistan, and in particular the efforts of educating young women.

A group of Muslims from the Chapel Hill area, many of whom visited our meeting and helped with forums, are starting to form a new Mosque in Chapel Hill. Providing temporary space at our meeting for their Friday prayers and services is being considered, and Curt is helping their founding members draft a vision statement. We see this as a wonderful opportunity to serve and lend assistance to this venture.

Nancy Milio disturbed an information sheet, "Some Muslim Facts and Arabic Words," for both our materials table and available on our website. We appreciate the assistance from Sister Rose Asalan in its preparation and review. The committee continues to collect resources, glossaries, websites, and other materials for the meeting's educational use.

Our committee hopes to sponsor more forums this next year and asked ARE to hold some dates available. Exactly what topics and who might present was left open as our relationships and work with the local Muslim community develops over the summer.

The committee has been delighted by the support and welcome that the meeting has extended this past year to our American Muslim brothers and sisters, and we see relationships and trust building inshallah (God willing).

--Respectfully submitted and fi amman Allah (go in the protection of God), Barbara Conger, Graeme Durovich, Kay Eager, Nancy Milio, Miriam Thompson, & Curt Torell

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**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

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**Calendar** *(All events at Meetinghouse unless otherwise indicated.)*

<b>Sun. 6/6</b>	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	9:45am	<b>Forum: "Quaker Tapestry" - Allie Scales</b>
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
	12:30pm	<b>Potluck &amp; IFC (beans) &amp; Welcome for Mike Jokinen - Schoolhouse</b>
		Environmental Concerns Com. - Schoolhouse
Tue. 6/8	7:30-8:30pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Wed. 6/9	10am-12pm	Quaker Issues & Insights - Marilyn Dyer Home
Fri. 6/11	4:30-5:30pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Sts.
<b>Sun. 6/13</b>	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
		Refreshments - Library
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
Tue. 6/15	7:30-8:30pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Wed. 6/16	10am	Quaker Women's Gathering - Bettie Flash Home
Fri. 6/18	4:30-5:30pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Sts.
Sat. 6/19	6pm	<b>Eating &amp; Entertainment for the Earth - Schoolhouse</b>
<b>Sun. 6/20</b>	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	9:30am	<b>Meeting for Worship w/Attention to Bus.</b>
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
		Refreshments - Library
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
Tue. 6/22	7:30-8:30pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Wed. 6/23	10am-12pm	Quaker Issues & Insights - Marilyn Dyer Home
Fri. 6/25	4:30-5:30pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Sts.
<b>Sun. 6/27</b>	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
		Refreshments - Library

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	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
	5-7pm	<b>Welcome for Wren Hendrickson - Leeman/Munk Home</b>
	10pm	<b>Deadline To Turn In Items For Newsletter!</b>
Wed. 6/30	10am-12pm	Quaker Issues & Insights - Marilyn Dyer Home
Thu. 7/1	9am-1pm	CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter
Fri. 7/2	4:30-5:30pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Sts.
<b>Sun. 7/4</b>	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
	12:30pm	<b>Potluck &amp; IFC (your choice) - Schoolhouse</b> Environmental Concerns Com. - Schoolhouse



*Curious? See page 5.*