

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting Newsletter

July, 2011



Monthly Query:

How do we help members and attenders balance the needs of their lives with the needs of the Meeting?

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From the ECC:

Summer is in full swing and things are popping up all over our lawns and gardens! Instead of using a chemical weed killer that poisons your neighborhood, why not go natural? At first, investing time to go pull weeds by hand can seem burdensome, but after a while in practice it can become a deeply calming and meditative experience. There are also many benefits to the life that can spring up in our neighborhoods. For example, milkweeds attract butterflies, Wild Violet blooms are full of vitamin C, and yarrow leaves, when rubbed together, are Nature's neosporin. Also, dandelion leaves are excellent in salads, the root of Queen Anne's Lace is the original carrot (be careful not to confuse it with lookalike Water Hemlock, that's how Socrates bit the dust!), and dry stinging nettle leaves make a great medicinal tea for what ails you, especially good for sore throats. You can rub a plantain leaf and place it on a sting and it will quickly mellow, and clover flowers provide food for honeybees. Perhaps you will be amazed at the vast ecosystem that can flourish simply by running your lawn mower at a higher setting off the ground. Or you can ditch your lawn mower altogether for more garden space and natural area. Exploring our backyards can be very enriching, linking us not only to that which surrounds us, but also to the interconnectedness of all living things.

In Peace,

Your Environmental Committee

Upcoming Forum Schedule

Forums will return in the fall!

Sue Fletcher Memorial Service

Friday, July 15, 1pm, Carol Woods

The memorial service to honor the life of Sue Fletcher will be Friday July 15, 1 PM at Carol Woods. A reception will follow in the lounge.

Bake Sale to Benefit Mission Trip

Sunday, July 17, noon-ish, in the Meetinghouse

Hello, My name is Jessica. This summer I hope to take a mission trip to Antigua, Guatemala. I will be building a house, which takes two weeks. I will be leaving on July 31 and returning August 20. I chose Guatemala because it is still recovering from the effects of a 36-year civil war that ended in 1995. The longest civil war in Latin America, it disrupted the progress of the nation and the lives of all Guatemalans for over a generation. Because of the civil war and earthquakes, many fled to Guatemala City from rural villages around them. This led to a major population increase so fast that government and development could not keep up. Going to Antigua, and pairing with Habitat for Humanity, I will be helping to build houses to support one of the many families currently living in Guatemala City. This will help them acquire basic resources and education.

On the 17th of July, I plan to have a bake sale to help raise funds for my trip after late meeting. I will be selling cookies, brownies, and other baked goodness! I would be very thankful for the donations!
Peace, Jessica Harper

Care and Counsel “Resource List”

The Care and Counsel Committee works to address the spiritual needs of our Meeting community. This includes arranging support for those who are sick, ministering to members and attenders who are in some type of life crisis, arranging a Meeting to celebrate a birth or marriage or conduct a memorial or finding some way to assist our community members with finding a solution to a problem. This support is often expedited by the formation of a Clearness Committee to discuss the issue and try to establish how it might be most effectively considered. Care and Counsel is available to listen to important issues that are weighing on members of our community and to offer support or arrange a Clearness Committee.

As part of this responsibility, Care and Counsel is sometimes tasked with finding appropriate resources to address a need, be part of a Clearness Committee or just be willing to listen to someone in confidence and provide support. It would be very helpful to our committee to maintain, and periodically update, a list of resources within the Meeting who would be willing to provide such support. This includes such services as providing a meal to someone at their home, visiting someone who cannot travel anymore, serving on a Clearness Committee or providing some specialized skill that you might be willing to share. This resource list will be maintained in confidence and used only by Care and Counsel to try to assemble the most effective group to serve the needs of our community.

The resource list we are assembling will hopefully allow the committee to quickly identify those who are willing and able to meet needs as they arise and provide better support for our spiritual

community. Please add your name to the resource list in the appropriate categories or in the general category, with a description of the kind of support you feel most able to offer:

- 1: Provide a meal to someone at home
- 2: Visit someone who is unable to get out but would like visitors
- 3: Serve on a Clearness Committee
- 4: General

Forms will be placed in the foyer with a box to submit them or you can provide your information via email by sending it to:

careandcounsel@chapelhillfriends.org

All information provided will be maintained in confidence.

Please contact Chris Stanley, Clerk of Care and Counsel, or any committee member (Marilyn Dyer, Beth Kurtz-Costes, David Brower, Julia Cleaver, Madelyn Ashley, Perry Martin or Gwen Pomeroy), if you have questions or concerns.

Quaker House Seeks Director

Deadline August 1

Quaker House, since 1969 an active peace witness in Fayetteville, NC, near Fort Bragg, seeks a DIRECTOR to begin summer/fall 2012. Qualifications: Alignment with Quakerism and its peace testimony; proven leadership skills, fundraising, writing, management skills; comfortable in a military-oriented environment. Appropriate salary and benefits, including housing/utilities in recently renovated historic house for Director and small family.

For more information: <http://www.quakerhouse.org>.

Inquiries to: betsybrinson@yahoo.com. Closing date August 1, 2011.

Etta Quette Answers Your Quaker-Meeting-Related Questions

Dear Etta,

If I enter the meeting room and someone is speaking, should I try to find a seat or wait?

Anxious

Dear Anxious,

If there's a seat right by the door, by all means slip into it. Otherwise, how about pausing quietly by the door and waiting to move until the speaker has sat down and a few seconds of silence have elapsed? Some of our members don't hear as well as they would like, and walking across the room during a message both is distracting and makes it harder to hear.

Women's Voices Chorus Benefit

Sunday, July 17, 4pm, United Church of Chapel Hill

"A Musical Feast for the Senses," a concert by Women's Voices Chorus will benefit CASTLE, the Center for Acquisition of Spoken language Through Listening Enrichment, part of The Carolina Children's Communicative Disorders Program. From classical to folk to gospel, all the songs celebrate the senses. Sunday, July 17, 4 pm at United Church of Chapel Hill, 1321 Martin Luther King Jr. Blvd. For more information contact wvcinfo@yahoo.com or visit www.womensvoiceschorus.org. Free admission, donations are encouraged to benefit CASTLE.

Solar Cooking Here and Abroad

Submitted by Emily Buehler

If you hate the thought of turning on your oven in the summer, you might try solar cooking. It saves energy and money. Solar cooking uses reflective foil to intensify the sun's rays, slowly cooking food placed over the foil. Foods ranging from science-experiment potatoes to Solar Pot Roast and Solar Pinto Beans can be cooked with the sun. Solar is being promoted in third world countries where it can greatly benefit residents: it protects their health from the fumes of cook fires, it saves them the time/labor of searching for firewood or the money spent on fuel (which can be used to buy food instead), and it protects limited wood resources. Solar cookers bring freedom in particular to the women who do the cooking; for example, girls can go to school instead of searching for firewood.

If your kids are slacking in the heat of summer, Solar Potatoes make a great science project: all you'll need is a bowl, aluminum foil, modeling clay, toothpicks, and chunks of potato (or substitute marshmallows) to cook. Cooking instructions are online at <http://www.scienceprojectideas.co.uk/cooking-with-sun.html>

If you want to get really into it, you can buy or build a solar cooker. A wide-variety of build-it-yourself plans are available online at <http://solarcooking.org/plans/> (Click on a language link under the cooker that you want to build.) A well-known, simple model is the "CooKit." If you don't have time to gather the materials for a CooKit, you can buy a kit for \$25, online at <http://solarcooking.wikia.com/wiki/CooKit>. Money from your purchase supports Solar Cookers International, a nonprofit that promotes solar cooking around the world.

Exciting News (If Recycling Excites You)

Submitted by Emily Buehler

Orange County Recycling can now accept aseptic containers (the ones that soy milk, rice milk, and soups come in) in the mixed paper bin at the curb. This bin can also include gable top cartons (like orange juice cartons) and the boxes from frozen food.

Another exciting bit of recent news is that lids can be left on plastic bottles--lids are now recyclable (and actually in demand by recycling companies.) To see a complete list of what you can include in your curbside bin (minus the recently added aseptic containers and lids), visit the OC Solid Waste Department's website, <http://www.co.orange.nc.us/recycling/curbside.asp> or see the picture on the next page.

You can recycle even more items (like rigid plastics) at the 24-Hour Drop-Off Sites, and still more items (like old computers and VCR tapes, scrap metal) at the Solid Waste Convenience Centers. Learn more about these locations by following the links on the left side of the website mentioned above. (Non-residents of Orange County, note that no one checks id at these locations.)

As a final note, "clamshell containers" (the kind strawberries come in) are not recyclable in Orange County, no matter how much we wish they were. Putting them in the bin contaminates good recyclables and loses money for Orange County. Please re-use or throw them in the trash! (Or stockpile them for the day when we can recycle them! Or take them somewhere that recycles all plastics, like Arlington, VA, or East Lyme CT!)

Bin 1 Bottles, Jars and Cans



Plastic Bottles Water, soda, condiment, liquor, shampoo, detergent, milk, juice & drink bottles. A bottle has a neck smaller than its base. Discard lids and rinse bottles clean. Labels OK.

NO lids, plastic toys, plastic trays, prescription containers, wide-mouth containers such as tubs, cups, or buckets.

Flatten
to Save
Space

Metal Cans Aluminum and steel/tin food or beverage cans. Must be empty. Labels OK. Rinse aluminum and steel, and flatten.

Aluminum Foil and Aluminum Trays

Rinse any food residue.

Aerosol Spray Cans

Must be empty. DO NOT puncture or flatten. Discard plastic caps.

Glass Bottles & Jars

Clear, brown, green and blue. Discard lids and rinse containers clean. Labels OK.

NO dishes, cookware, light bulbs, window glass, mirror glass, pyrex, mugs, drinking glasses, (even clear ones).

**NO
GARBAGE**

Bin 2 All Paper

Mixed Paper Any clean dry paper that you can tear: junk mail, office and school paper, paper bags, paper egg cartons, cereal boxes, frozen food boxes, juice and milk gable-top cartons, paper towel tubes and other single layer cardboard.

Shredded paper must be in a paper bag. Two bag limit on shredded paper.

NO tissue, paper towels, waxy or laminated paper, aseptic drink boxes or other paper that you can not tear.

Phone Books Keep clean and dry.

Magazines and Catalogs

Inserts OK. Keep clean and dry. Remove plastic bags or rubber bands.

Newspapers

Inserts OK. Keep clean and dry. Remove plastic bags or rubber bands.



**NO
PLASTIC
BAGS**



Highlights from Imam Feisal Abdul Rauf's Spring Visit to the Triangle

Report from Bridging the Faith Divide

Imam Rauf, known most notably for heading the controversial interfaith cultural center near Ground Zero, visited the Triangle in March and spoke at UNC and Duke. Nancy Milio and Curt Torell were invited to a small discussion with him hosted by a local Turkish Women's group. The following excerpts from his presentation represent some of the wisdom he shared.

On Religion and Faith:

- We must recognize God's manifestation in each person and see that light within.
- True faith is always following your inner self. All faiths are derived from one God.
- Religion is beautiful conduct. If we start with that then we bring people together.
- The fundamental part of faith is one's relationship with God. You start to look at people through God's eyes. This belief divides those who act ethically and those who do not. When you experience God, you begin to relate to everyone who has the same experience. That's why Rauf says he believes that broadly speaking, humanity is divided into two groups—the ethical and the unethical.
- Ideas of freedom and universal equality come from the Abrahamic faiths of Judaism, Christianity, and Islam. Belief and action matter; the importance of what one names his or her religion should be downplayed.
- The practice of Muslim countries not to tolerate other religions is not according to the Qur'an.
- Living with people of different religions reinforces your own faith and you realize how those other religions exemplify the way you practice your own faith. It is like studying another's language. It doesn't diminish the

appreciation you have of your own language, but it expands it while developing an appreciation for the other. It also helps in understanding the commonalities and, by analogy, helps us be more rooted in our own religion.

On America and Its Founding Principles:

- America's values, such as framed in the Declaration of Independence, are very similar to Islamic values: religious freedom, equality of human beings, life, liberty, dignity, property, family, and the intellect. These are Sharia laws and quite similar to the Ten Commandments. Many Muslims in foreign countries would say that our rights as expressed in this country are more "Islamic" than in their own country.
- The American Revolution got the ball rolling for revolution in the rest of the world and it spread democracy. The influence of America and the American ideals has had a deep impact in the Arab and Muslim world.
- America was founded on the principle of religious freedom. It emphasized the importance of separation of Church and State. But through our intolerance of Muslims, we are losing the soul of America.
- We are at a turning point in America and the Muslim world. We need a sense of global citizenship. Two questions are equally important: How will Americans engage Muslims in the U.S. and around the world (currently 25% of the world population)? And how can American Muslims help mediate the relationship of Muslims worldwide?

On Terrorism:

- Extremism arises from radical ideologies. Homegrown Muslim radicalization is a myth. The common enemy is extremism and radicalization, not Islam or any other religion. Moderates of all faiths (and non-faiths) must stand against extremists and radicals of all faiths (and non-faiths).
- The issue of homegrown terrorism is particularly important to Muslims because they are the true victims of this. Rauf is offended to hear the

words “Muslim” and “terrorists” put together. It affects the image of Islam particularly as it is portrayed with suicide bombers in Islamic countries like Iraq, Afghanistan, and Pakistan. People like the N.Y. Times Square bomber are being radicalized not in U.S. mosques but in countries like Pakistan and Afghanistan. They travel there and then come back to the U.S.

The Real Battlefield:

- The real battlefield is between the moderates of all faiths, ethnicity, and nationality against the radical extremists in all religions. The extremists from both sides fuel each other, and they attract the attention of the media, a powerful force that adds fuel to the fire and arouses people’s emotions. It becomes vicious cycle. But we also have moderates all around the world.
- We need to understand the dynamics of extremism and conflict, like we do the dynamics of physics. Then, we can engineer solutions. Extremists, and the radical ideas that fuel them, are our enemy. Islam is not America’s enemy.
- How perception frames reality is a big concern. We must work on the myths and the indoctrinations. Islam must be seen as American, not alien, and we must evolve an American Islamic identity. The dominance of one’s old country is holding American Muslims back.
- The groups that hate Islam and promote that hatred in fact make it more dangerous for our national security.

On the “Ground Zero Mosque”:

- The dream of Park 51, which Rauf has had for over 20 years, was to bring people together in a center for athletics, discussion, and cultural events so people could interact in common ways. It was meant to be like a YMCA, which sought to bring together young people of different Christian faiths to understand each other in play and sports.

- The branding of the Park 51 Center as a “Ground Zero Mosque” caused considerable divisiveness and fear in the U.S., but it created great excitement in Muslim nations. When the Arab World heard this label and that both the mayor of NYC (who is Jewish and in the largest Jewish populated city) and the President supported it, the whole stock of America increased.
- Rauf didn’t anticipate that in a country that believes so much in separation of Church and State that the Center initiative would become such a political issue. .

On Ways to Enhance Dialogue and Understanding (Bridging the Faith Divide):

- We must go beyond interfaith dialogue and engage in interfaith partnerships. Stop worrying about teaching each other and shift the focus to learning from each other.
- It’s hard to disprove a negative. You cannot engage dishonesty. You have to stand for truth. Vicious attacks based on extreme ideologies are not helpful. Questions based upon lack of knowledge are difficult to answer.
- We need to heal the wound that 9/11 caused in misrepresenting Islam. This involves four areas: political correctness, ethical correctness, emotional correctness, and legal correctness. We have to stand for truth: “the truth will set you free” and “falsehoods imprison us.”
- Do things together, invest together, develop personal relationships together, and work together. Then, when tensions happen, the relationship building acts like a shock absorber that prevents the tension from exploding.

The Afghan Sister School Partnership (ASSP) Report from Barbara Conger, member of Bridging the Faith Divide Committee and link between CHFM and CFS

Last year ASSP purchased a library for the Tob Chi Village School, a primary and now secondary coeducational school located in Bamiyan Province. This library package purchased through the Dupree Foundation in Kabul included 500 books in Dari and shelving. ASSP also arranged for the purchase of additional material such as maps and globes to supplement the library. ASSP is now in the process of seeing if they can further supplement the book collection.

Most recently ASSP has provided funding for an entire science lab for the Tob Chi Upper School as well as training for teachers in the use of the equipment.

The letter and diary exchange program between the schools, a central element of the partnership, continues. Translations and postage is an increasing cost since ASSP can no longer use AFSC services which were essentially free of charge. ASSP now often works through, AFCO, the local NGO made up of former employees of AFSC.

ASSP has received money from the Manning fund and wants to offer support to the Tob Chi school/community related to education for girls. ASSP is considering the best way to offer this support and is thus trying to get a needs assessment done. Amy Smoker identified a perfect candidate for this assignment for this spring, but unfortunately this person has an illness in the family which has taken precedent. Thus ASSP is now looking for another candidate who would be appropriate to do an assessment of

what might be the most appropriate intervention to promote girls education in Tob Chi.

Meanwhile, Japanese funding via an international NGO will enlarge the Tob Chi School by 8 classrooms and provide latrines and a wall among other things. These are costs way beyond what ASSP could afford and it is wonderful for the school to get these infrastructure improvements. ASSP had been in close contact with funders during this process and has learned that the buildings would be able to accommodate solar panels if that were something worth ASSP pursuing (this is in line with ASSP considering, among other things, supporting the introduction of computers).

In April ASSP sponsored Phil Grabsky, a filmmaker who was in town for a showing of his documentary, *The Boy Mir*, to visit with Upper School students and staff. At the same gathering, AFSC director for Education and Advocacy, Peter Lemm shared information about AFSC and it's work. The hope is to build strong ties with the regional office of AFSC.

Finally, ASSP is now in the midst of considering what activities would be appropriate to celebrate its 10th year anniversary. The School Life Committee is ready to support their efforts. Viviann will let the partnership group know we're willing to support them in making connections at CFS and Durham and Chapel Hill Friends Meetings.

Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends
Appointed Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business
June 2, 2011
Carolyn White, clerk; Robin Harper, recording clerk

Worship and query: As a Meeting, do we come together in expectant waiting for the promptings of the Divine Spirit? How do we foster a living silence in which we are drawn together by the power of God in our midst?

Welcome, recognition of first time attenders and review of the agenda

1. Budget as presented at the May 19 Meeting for Business (Discussion) (Judy Purvis)

Judy noted that the proposed \$64,000 budget is a good estimate for next year based on what we've actually brought in this year (\$60,000). She also noted that the lines for the Leadership Development Fund and Youth Religious Ed. were reduced because the funds are not needed. Judy answered questions from Friends, noting that we will not fall short this year because committees have under spent, but we also won't know about any surplus until benevolences and taxes on football parking are all paid. One Friend pointed out the \$5480 difference between last year's benevolences and the proposed benevolences budget for next year.

Final approval of the budget is scheduled for the June 19 MWAB.

2. Preparing the meeting house for the next 50 years (Discussion) (John Hite)

What needs to be done?

- Place insulation on the inside of about half of the exterior walls downstairs.
- Replace about half of the windows and frames downstairs and all of the library windows with Energy Star windows and frames.
- Replace/repair the frames of the exterior doors, especially the front door.
- Improve the electrical infrastructure to allow for energy-efficient upgrades of the heating, cooling, and ventilating systems.
- Accomplish major insulation work on the ceiling of the foyer.
- Substitute energy-saving fixtures for the meeting room lights and for all the old fluorescent ceiling lights elsewhere.
- Replace the ceiling tiles in the meeting room.
- Replace the plumbing, cabinetry, and most appliances in the downstairs kitchen.
- Replace the carpets upstairs with floor coverings that are more easily cleaned, less allergy affecting, and more environmentally-friendly.

- Repair woodwork and walls in the original portion of the meetinghouse and repaint walls and woodwork throughout the building.

How much will it cost? \$80,000 to \$100,000? We need to think about how we will pay for it.

Many questions were raised surrounding the condition and age of building appliances, the roof, and other particulars.

Judy reminded Friends that there should be no expectation that all of this work could be done with the Physical Plant Reserve Fund, which currently holds about \$25,000. The purpose of this fund, in addition to known building expenses, is also to handle any unexpected repairs or expenses.

Friends expressed their passion and concern surrounding the dilemma of the need to keep our building in good repair but also to maintain our commitment to our benevolences and other items in our budget. It was suggested that we consider our simple Meetinghouse as our “plain dress,” and have any work done in the most minimal, least environmentally-impacting way possible.

Members of Buildings and Grounds spoke about the focus of their efforts in preparing this list. They have brought these items forward as real problems that we need to face and eventually address. Many of the items will be unseen, and will do things like improve our energy efficiency. They are not cosmetic.

These decisions and efforts will involve our whole Meeting—it is beyond the scope of Buildings and Grounds alone. This is why the ad hoc committee has been proposed. Hopes were expressed for the ad hoc committee to work to marry our visions and passions and be in unity.

Much appreciation was expressed to B&G for their deeply considered efforts.

3. Report of the ad hoc committee for benevolences (Discussion) (Members: Max Drake, Pat Mann, Dottie Heninger, Dirk Spruyt, Tom Munk, Hank Elkins, Matt Drake, Judy Purvis, Carolyn White)

After meeting three times and prayerfully considering our task of clarifying the guidelines used by the Meeting committees when determining benevolences to the wider community, the committee came to unity on the following minute:

The ad hoc committee on benevolences recommends that Meeting for Business approve these changes to the budget procedure:

Each year, the Meeting members of Carolina Friends School (CFS) board, the Meeting members of Quaker House board, and the Meeting committee members of the Interfaith Council (IFC) will meet together in the separate groups and recommend a proposed amount to be donated to that organization. The members representing each organization are also responsible for reporting yearly to Meeting for Worship with

Attention to Business to highlight activities and accomplishments, involvement of Meeting members, and needs and challenges of the organization.

All committees overseeing benevolences (CFS, Quaker House, IFC, Adult Religious Education, Ministry and Worship, and Peace and Social Concerns) are asked to consider the following guidelines when evaluating the benevolences under their care:

- Start with the list and amount of benevolence from the previous year.
- Take into account the financial status of the Meeting
- Seek guidance in worship regarding whether benevolences should be added to the list, whether there are benevolences we are no longer led to support and whether the amount we gave last year is still appropriate.
- Research and share with the Meeting the current activities and financial status of each proposed benevolence.
- Give preference to benevolences that: are Quaker-administered or led, are actively supported by Meeting member donations of time, and are local.
- Recognize that some benevolences receive substantial sums from us, sums that make a difference in their ability to carry out their mission. Others receive small sums, sums that are more a token of our support than substantial contributions to their effort.

Friends asked questions about how the finances will be divided among committees and benevolences. An incredible amount of work takes place on Peace and Social Concerns each year to discern who gets what. Who will do this work now?

Friends also discussed the importance of discernment, which should be an open process where we can all listen to each other. We must listen very carefully, and continue to search for opportunities to build community. We must remember that truth is constantly being revealed.

One Friend asked about the process for selecting board members of Carolina Friends School. Have they committed to having any members of CHFYM on their board? This has yet to be determined. Another friend expressed a concern that we need to do a better job of integrating young families into Meeting for Business.

The report was received with thanks. Friends agreed to consider the report and continue further discussion at the next Meeting for Business.

4. Announcements:

Next Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business is June 19. Because we have several agenda items to approve and several annual reports to accept, our meeting time will run as follows: 9:30 to 10:50 AM (MFB); 11:00 to 12:00 (Meeting for Worship); 12:30 to 1:30 PM (MFB). Please bring a snack and plan to stay until 1:30 PM if possible.

Closing Worship

Attending:

Judy Purvis, John Hite, Jan Hutton, Terry Mehlman, Dottie Heninger, Bettie Flash, Sarah Grimme, Ruth Hamilton, Micheal Jokinen, Bobbie Ackley, Ken Grogan, Kathy Davis, Buffie Webber, Bob Durovich, Pat Mann, Tom Munk, Jennifer Leeman, Max Drake, Asta Crowe, Marolyn McDiarmid, Dirk Kelder, Anne Smith, Nancy Elkins, Hank Elkins, Kitty Bergel

Preparing the Meeting House for the Next 50 Years A Discussion About Repairs and Upgrades for the Meeting House

As was mentioned in the Finance Committee's and the Building and Grounds Committee's Annual Reports in April and May 2011 the Building and Grounds Committee has been identifying specific areas of the Meeting House which are in need of upgrading to improve the building's energy efficiency. The committee was charged some years ago by the Meeting to upgrade the Meeting Room.

Over the past few years B&G has used dedicated Bequest funds to replace the original leaky single pane window sash in the Meeting room with energy star insulated sash, upgrade and seal the duct work in the attic, replaced mold infested HVAC distribution boxes in the attic, temporarily(in case later the Meeting decides to repair the chimney) sealed the Meeting Room fireplace and replaced a 5gal flush toilet downstairs with a new 1.6 gal flush toilet. When completing these projects it became apparent that there many more things to upgrade than there were dollars to do them.

We started to think about the upgrading of the Meeting Room and realized that replacing the leaky can lights could be linked with replacing the ceiling tiles with some to be determined material. And that brought up what kind of lighting? And, if we're in there doing that we should take off the base board and the crown molding to and seal the bottom and top plates of the wall framing. So, you might

as well change out the old allergy trap carpet at that time. Things continued to unravel like an onion as the next project revealed other things that should be done whilst taking on a particular task. The list got longer and the price tag grew to something that would require serious dollars and commitment.

So, in order not to be stuck like a deer in the headlights and not be able to act, B&G has come to Meeting with the aforementioned list of identified needs, that was attached to the annual reports, and the notion that it will require funds that have yet to be identified to see these upgrades come to fruition. As mentioned in the B&G annual report, B&G will be coming to MFW with Attention to Business to request that an ad hoc committee be formed to assist B&G in nailing down specifications and pricing for the individual projects.

Our Meeting House is about fifty years old. Much of it has not been upgraded since it was built. The two previous renovations left some things in place that should probably have been taken care of at that time. The exterior is in pretty good shape right now after last summer's patch and paint. B&G wishes to see the upgrades done properly and cost effectively. Restraint will be used regarding material waste and materials used in the process. It is our goal to have a welcoming and energy efficient Meeting House for the foreseeable future.

We rough estimate things to cost in the \$100,000 range. If we hire a general contractor that will add a certain percentage on top of the raw cost to cover their work pulling permits, coordinating subcontractors and seeing to it that things get done in a timely fashion. The ad hoc committee will have to pull the final numbers together. We have about \$25,000 of funds available to make a start. This is a multi-year undertaking that will require the commitment and cooperation of many members and attenders of the Meeting.

Thanks to John and Kathy for their help
Don Hopper for Building and Grounds Committee

Buildings and Grounds Committee is working on a list of meetinghouse improvements that include the following. You can expect this list to grow.

(From Finance Committee Annual Report)

- A. Place insulation on the inside of about half of the exterior walls downstairs.
- B. Replace about half of the windows and frames downstairs and all of the library windows with Energy Star windows and frames.
- C. Replace/repair the frames of the exterior doors, especially the front door.
- D. Improve the electrical infrastructure to allow for energy-efficient upgrades of the heating, cooling, and ventilating systems. 400amp vs. our 200 amp service
- E. Accomplish major insulation work on the ceiling of the foyer.
- F. Substitute energy-saving fixtures for the meeting room lights and for all the old fluorescent ceiling lights elsewhere.
- G. Replace the ceiling tiles in the meeting room with new tiles or drywall. To seal air leaks.
- H. Replace some plumbing, cabinetry, and most appliances in the downstairs kitchen with energy star rated goods.
- I. Replace the carpets upstairs with floor coverings that are more easily cleaned, less allergy affecting, and more environmentally-friendly.
- J. Repair woodwork and walls where needed in the original portion of the meetinghouse and repaint walls and woodwork throughout the building.

(Additions)

- K. Install sound system in the Meeting room to improve accessibility for fragile listeners
- L. Purchase chairs to accommodate overflow seating in Meeting Room.
- M. Reconfigure duct work down stairs to allow the block walls to be insulated properly
- N. Sealing the attic to bring the HVAC equipment into semi-conditioned space

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting June 19, 2011

(Carolyn White, clerk; Jennifer Leeman, acting recording clerk)

1. We opened with worship and consideration of the query: *How does our Meeting help members and attenders resolve conflicts in loving and constructive ways? How do we extend this help to people and communities outside the Meeting?* One Friend expressed appreciation for Jan Hutton's compassionate listening work as an approach to addressing conflict both in the Meeting and in the wider world.
2. Friends approved the minutes from the May Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.
3. Approval of Nominating Committee Recommendations – Buffie Weber presented for Jeff Brown the list of changes to nominating committee recommendations for individuals to serve on committees and in other roles in 2011-2012 (enclosed). Questions were raised about our relationship with the Friends School Board and whether our representatives should be individuals actively involved in our Meeting.

Friends approved the list of recommendations from Nominations with the exception that decision on the Friends School Board members will be delayed until Nominations has more information.

4. Report from Building and Grounds – Don Hopper reported. He referenced the list of items that need to be done that was presented at the last Meeting

for Worship with attention to Business. Several of the renovations on the list put other steps in motion. Overall, the renovations are more work than B&G has time or energy to plan or manage and also will cost more money than is currently available.

Meeting approved creation of an ad hoc committee to develop a proposal for additional renovations to bring to MWB. Nominations will be asked to identify five members for that ad hoc committee.

The ad hoc committee will help move towards unity on desired renovations, estimate costs, and develop a proposal for moving forward.

Meeting approved B&G continuing the work of sealing the building using current funding. B&G will come back to Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business with price estimates for sealing the attic, insulating the downstairs, and additional work sealing the envelope of the building.

B&G will bring the steps in sealing the envelope to Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business in phases. Friends thanked B&G for their work.

5. Approval of the 2011-2012 Budget. Matt Drake presented the proposed budget, which was the same as presented at the previous two Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business. The proposed budget differs from previous years' in basing the budget exclusively on contributions. Income from rentals will go directly into the physical plant fund. Income from football parking will go towards young friends' expenses and towards income tax, which is required since this is an unrelated business income. The remainder will go towards the general fund. Because of these changes, the planned budget is based on an estimated \$64,000 in contributions. This represents a drop from last year's \$70,060 budget. The

majority of this reduction is taken from benevolences (a drop from \$34,700 to \$29,220). The amount going into the physical plant fund will increase from \$2,000 to \$8,000 (an increase of \$2,000 in the budget and \$4,000 from rental income).

Friends approved the budget as proposed with appreciation for the work of finance committee.

The process for how we will reduce benevolence spending will be considered at a future meeting.

Friends expressed sadness about the drop in our commitment to benevolence spending given the very difficult financial times many of the committees we support are experiencing. Friends suggested opportunities to pursue other avenues for raising money for benevolences.

6. Jan Hutton, clerk of Ministry and Worship, presented a proposal to change the time that Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business starts from 9:30 to 9:00 AM to allow more time for prayerful consideration of Meeting business. The decision on this proposal will be deferred to a future Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business. Friends suggested moving the start time for later Meeting for Worship to 11:15 AM. Another Friend spoke to the history of the early meeting (now at 8:30) and concern about reducing or changing the time of that meeting. She also noted that very few people come to worship at early meeting prior to Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business. Friends talked about how hard it was for people with children to attend in the current time period and the possibility of including CRE in the discussion. However, young parents don't attend regardless of when Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business occurs. Carolyn and Jan have talked to a number of those who attend early meeting. One concern raised was that folks would not arrive

at 8:30 to start worship with them and would arrive at 9:00 and interrupt worship. Another possibility involved having one meeting for worship with Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business after it so that business could extend as long as it took. Friends are asked to send suggestions to members of Ministry and Worship.

7. Peace and Social Concerns – Annual report and approval of letter. Tom Munk, committee clerk, asked for approval for a letter to David Price voicing appreciation for his recent actions opposing and concern for those supporting military actions and investments (enclosed).

The Meeting approved the letter with appreciation for its words of thanks to David Price in addition to words of concern.

Tom also presented the Peace and Social Concerns Committee's annual report (enclosed). The Meeting accepted the report with appreciation for the committee's work.

8. Environmental Concerns Committee annual report. Lauren Carreto, committee clerk, presented the committee's report (enclosed). The Meeting accepted the report with appreciation for the committee's work.
9. Library Committee annual report. Anne Smith, committee clerk, presented the committee's report (enclosed). The Meeting accepted the report with appreciation for the committee's work.
10. This Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business was extended for an hour after the rise of the later Meeting for Worship. Three reports were postponed until July: Publications committee, Bridging the Faith Divide Committee and report of the Spiritual State of the Meeting. These reports are available on the Meeting's website.

The Meeting ended with worship.

Attendance: Jennifer Leeman, Carolyn White, Max Drake, Judy Purvis, Barbara Williamson, Marilyn Dyer, Lloyd Kramer, Jan Hutton, Emily Buehler, Anne Smith, Ruth Zalph, Curt Torell, James Harper, Bettie Flash, Deborah Gibbs, Larry Tabor, Matt Drake, Lynn Drake, Don Hopper, Nancy Elkins, Hank Elkins, Miriam Thompson, Nancy Milio, Tom Munk, Alice Carlton, Dave Curtin, Richard Miller, Carolyn Stuart, Tom McQuiston, John Hite, Margaret Vimmerstedt, Carl Vimmerstedt, Lauren Carreto

Changes to Nominations Committee Report

CFS Board: Marsha Green and Hugh Meriwether continuing

CFS Board addition: Buffie Webber and one more to be determined

Building and Grounds addition: Don Hopper

ECC addition: Barbara Williamson, Marolyn McDiarmid, and Perry Martin

Hospitality deletion: Beth Kurtz-Costes

P&SC addition: Bill Jenkins, Jasmine McKewen and Rita Kuwahara

Pub and records deletion: Jessica Harper

Confirmation of givers of time and service who are continuing their roles (not specified in the May report/June newsletter)

Rep to Friends for LGBTQ Concerns: Terry Mehlman

Bridging the Faith Divide (subcommittee of P&SC): Nancy Milio, Barbara Conger, Miriam Thompson, Curt Torell

Clerk: Carolyn White

Treasurer: Judy Purvis

Recording clerk: Robin Harper

Trustees: Bettie Flash, Emilie Condon, Lois Ann Hobbs

Letter to David Price

Dear Representative Price,

We write as part of our continuing conversation about the role of the military in our nation's political and economic system. We believe it is too large.

We write to thank you for many positive votes on this issue in recent weeks, and to question some of your other votes. Each of the votes we refer to has been researched by Peace Action and Friends Committee on National Legislation. We would appreciate your reply to this letter.

The votes we are referring to primarily took the form of amendments to the National Defense Authorization Act for Fiscal Year 2012 (H.R. 1540). In the end, you provided one of only 96 votes against the Act. We are glad that you voted that way, but we are interested in knowing the reason.

We are very grateful that you supported an almost successful amendment (A044) supporting an accelerated transition away from military operations in Afghanistan. Support for this amendment has grown each year in Congress; we are hopeful that it will succeed in the near future. At a minimum, it has sent a strong signal to the President that Congress wants to see an end to this war.

We are very grateful that you voted to strike from the bill the authorization of the use of military force (Amdt. 155). Again, the vote was close, but we lost. We hope for a better outcome next time.

Thank you for voting to maintain the United States Institute of Peace (Roll 372). We believe that the best approach to war is to prevent it. Sadly, this vote was also a narrow defeat for that view.

Thank you for opposing funding for ground troops in Libya. In this case, you were part of an overwhelming majority that is helping to conserve our dollars and the lives of our young people.

We thank you, too, for voting to reduce funding for the “ground-based midcourse defense system” by \$100 million. Sadly, even in this time of horrific budget-slashing, you were in the minority on this close vote.

We ask for an explanation, however, of your vote to maintain our troop levels in Europe (Amendment #26). We believe in engagement around the world, but we do not think that U.S. military bases in foreign countries are the form that engagement should take. In particular, we note that the U.S. could save \$6.8 billion by removing troops from Germany alone.

We are sad that you supported continued funding for the Osprey aircraft (Amendment #2). Again, this appears to us as a vote for a kind of spending that can only have negative consequences.

Finally, we regret that you did not support Roll Call 364, to require U.S. ground troops to withdraw from Afghanistan and to require the Secretary of Defense to submit a withdrawal plan to Congress within 60 days of enactment. We cannot express deeply enough how tired we are of these wars that use our precious resources to create horror instead of opportunity.

We end by thanking you for your communications with us.

Carolyn White, for the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

Annual Report
Peace and Social Concerns Committee
June 2011
Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

- **Benevolences:** The Committee studied charitable organizations as potential recipients of Meeting funds, wrote descriptions of those organizations it recommended to the Meeting, and presented a well-considered benevolence budget to the Meeting.
- **Community Collaborations:** The Committee provides official representation and often, leadership, in many local organizations that support the Meeting's Peace and Social Concerns agenda, including:
 - Orange Justice United In Community Empowerment (JUICE)
 - The Orange County Peace Coalition
 - Historic Thousands on Jones Street (HKonJ)
 - NC Choices for Youth
 - TIMELEAP (Triangle/Triad Middle East Legislative, Education, and Advocacy Project)
 - NC Warn
 - Coalition for Peace and Justice
 - Elders for Peace
- **Presenting Forums such as:**
 - Learning from housekeepers about their situation on the UNC campus
 - "Beating our Swords into Plowshares" with David Price
 - "The Survival of Quaker Priorities in the New Political Environment" with Nancy Milio
- **Helping the Community Engage:** Throughout the year, the committee kept the community informed about ways in which they could help to create a more just and peaceful world, such as
 - weekly vigils on East Franklin Street

- visits to region by inspirational leaders, such as Joe Volk,
 - marches and rallies on topics such as immigration, torture,
 - a “Souls to the Polls” event sponsored by Orange JUICE,
 - the HKonJ rally in Raleigh for a people’s agenda.
- **Drafting Letters for Approval by the Meeting for Business on Topics such as**
 - Our support for a new Interfaith Council homeless shelter
 - Our support for the Peace Tax Fund, in response to a request via PFF
- **Oversee the Quaker Leadership Fund, supporting powerful Quaker service by**
 - Nancy Milio with the Friends Committee on National Legislation,
 - Ruth Hamilton with Quaker Earthcare Witness, and
 - Terri Mehlman with Friends for Gay, Lesbian, Bi-, Transgender, and Queer Concerns
- **Co-sponsorship of Activities like:**
 - A forum for Senatorial candidates at the Stone Center, with the NAACP and OCPC
 - The development of Against the Tide, a documentary about prisoner re-entry, developed here in Orange County
 - A forum for our representatives in Raleigh (Verla Insko and Ellie Kinnaird), with the Women’s International League for Peace and Freedom
- **Islamic Community:** The committee supported the establishment of an Ad Hoc committee to help develop our Meeting’s relations with the local Islamic Community.
- **Health Care Reform:** The Committee, with the support and advice of other Meeting members and attenders, continued a dialogue with the staff of Senator Kay Hagan to advocate for strong health care reform.

A less intensive conversation also occurred with the offices of Rep. Price and Sen. Burr.

- **Prison Ministry**

- **Yoke Fellows:** On Tuesday evenings as many as ten CHFM members participated in conversation with prisoners at Orange Correctional Center. CHFM provided healthy refreshments on one of the Tuesday evenings in October.
- **Faith-based support teams:** CHFM members served on support teams for two prisoners released this year, Bill Rasor on May 12 and LeJhoyn Holland on August 24.
- **Employment:** CHFM members have sought out local employment opportunities and have taken prisoners and ex-offenders for job interviews.
- **Re-Entry Partners:** CHFM members in the bi-monthly networking meetings of prison staff, prisoners, ex-offenders, parole workers and volunteers. Two CHFM members serve on the planning committee for this program.
- **Community Resource Council:** Three CHFM members serve on this council composed of volunteers and staff at the Orange Correctional Center.
- **Pre-Release Program:** Three CHFM members serve on the planning committee for this new program.
 - **Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP):** The program seeks to bring AVP to Orange Correctional Center. This is a program which originated with Friends and prisoners in New York and has spread to 35 states and more than 20 countries but has not been implemented in North Carolina prisons.
 - **Augmented health services:** In collaboration with UNC, the program plans diagnostic testing for infectious diseases, education for food purchase, preparation, and eating patterns.
 - **Housing:** A Committee member is serving on the Orange County Partnership to End Homelessness to advocate for more housing opportunities.

- Employment: In collaboration with prisoners and the Orange County JobLink Supervisor, Committee members are implementing testing services at Orange Correctional Center and enhancing resources available at the Center for job searches.
- Education: Committee members are working with Durham Tech Community College to bring more courses to Orange Correctional Center.
- Editing resource manuals: For the eight counties to which most Orange Correctional Center prisoners are released, Committee members editing and writing resource manuals.

Ed Brown; Kay Eager; Hank Elkins, treasurer; Nancy Elkins; Ruth Hamilton; Hank Maiden; Tom Munk, clerk; Ann Shy; Dirk Spruyt; Miriam Thompson; Ruth Zalph

Environmental Concerns Committee Annual Report February 2009 through March 2011

In keeping with Quaker testimonies of simplicity and justice the Environmental Concerns Committee provides a focus for the Meeting's concern with humankind's impact on the environment, and with the rights and well-being of all of earth's life forms and supporting systems. A major concern is for the impact of our current use of fossil fuels and the consequences of their depletion. This committee encourages quiet and active contemplation of nature. We share information internally, with the Meeting, and with larger communities. We participate in a wider support network, publicizing information and opportunities for timely action. And we are the Meeting's contact with Quaker Earthcare Witness.

This Annual Report spans the dates from February of 2009 to May 2011. We began this cycle by sharing our interests, which included promoting simple living,

energy conservation & global climate change solutions; environmental education for our youth, adults & larger community; creating a community garden; & relating with QECW (Quaker Earthcare Witness.)

In March 2009, Rob Jones & Catherine Alguire presented a forum; Rob spoke about a volunteer group that helps local farmers with labor or harvest when needed. Catherine described how to certify your yard as a wildlife habitat with the National Wildlife Foundation. Lauren, Andy & Dirk presented a workshop on the use of “Energy Slaves” at Piedmont Friends Fellowship, exploring our dependence on fossil fuels & our moral responsibility to transition to a less harmful way of life.

We began stocking a shelf in the Library devoted to environmental concerns and organic gardening.. You are encouraged to check out books and DVDs from this growing collection.

An animal-resistant compost container was installed. With the cooperation of Hospitality we began composting after our potlucks. We appreciate the support the Meeting has responded with toward more responsible waste-cycling.

We submitted a mini-grant proposal to Quaker Earthcare Witness that was funded to match committee expenditures. The grant funded the purchase of plants for a “Nibble Garden” designed in consultation with the Early School. This garden was installed on the playground in the fall of 2010, with help from many meeting volunteers, along with consulting and help from Bountiful Backyards. Please enjoy passion fruit plants, grape vine, hazelnut trees, blueberry bushes, and hardy kiwis.

In April 09, our committee supported the work of NC Warn in opposition to plans to build a new-coal fired power plant, Cliffside. Several members of the Meeting attended the march of protest in Charlotte where Ruth Zalph was arrested for her

part in the protest. Efforts continued in October of 2009, when Lauren Carreto testified at the subcommittee on energy policy in Raleigh, against approval of Cliffside. Alex Carreto (age 7) was interviewed by the press regarding his reasons to oppose a new coal fired power plant. We continued our committee's involvement in this issue in Jan of 2011, when Catherine helped draft the following minute, which Pam Schwingl presented at the Duke Energy meeting:

As members of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) we value sustaining the environmental health of our region and our planet. We believe our energy future should be decentralized and from renewable sources, not nuclear and/or fossil fuels. As Duke Energy is the largest provider of energy in the Southeast, we feel it is environmentally and morally imperative that Duke provide an exemplary means of power production through sustainable and renewable sources. The Environmental Concerns Committee, Chapel Hill Friends Meeting.

In November 09, Emily Nelson began supporting our Meeting efforts to make greener choices in our paper goods (paper towels, toilet paper, napkins.) She has continued working on small but meaningful changes that help shift our Meeting's practices toward greener ones. We are grateful for the receptivity of the Hospitality & the Buildings & Grounds Committees in working with these leadings. Not only do we use recycled paper goods now, but we have a basket for Compact Fluorescent Lights & battery recycling in the foyer to guard contamination of our water supplies through improper disposal of these toxic items in landfills.

The ECC cosponsored with ARE, in January 2010, a Pachamama Alliance seminar "Awakening the Dreamer" with speaker Hollister Knowlton, former QEW clerk. The focus was on raising consciousness of our environmental damage and empowering participants to take action.

We offered an Earth day forum in 2010 featuring inspirational quotes by Muir, Berry, and Thoreau followed by an art project of environmental inspiration. This project was recently expanded by Emily Nelson and bound by Robin Harper into a beautiful book for our environmental book shelf.

In the spring of 2010, with most forum slots already spoken for, the ECC explored other ways to keep reaching out to our meeting as a whole on environmental concerns. We put a monthly quote or tip in our newsletter. We continued to expand our environmental bookshelf. In May we held a spaghetti dinner for the Coalition to Unchain Dogs. We raised enough money to sponsor a fence to help unchain three Orange County dogs.

In June, a second spaghetti dinner benefitted the Rogers/Eubanks Road Association. Pam who works with RENA secured the Rev. Robert Campbell to speak about this local example of environmental racism and the effects the Orange County Landfill has had on the predominantly African American neighbors. We showed the film “Garbage Revolution” in which a family keeps all their garbage for three months, exploring their waste habits in detail. Our next program was a showing of the documentary “Food, Inc.” on October 23. On Jan 29, 2011, we showed the documentary Kilowatt Ours to to the Meeting, wider community, and teens who were having a Lock in. Two follow-up programs were brought to the teen First Day class by Dirk & Tom Smith. In November Emily and Andy also gave an environmental presentation to the teen meeting group.

The ECC has contributed to the annual discussions about which organizations should receive how much of our benevolence donations, emphasizing the need to face new and changing priorities. Dirk represented the ECC on the ad hoc benevolence committee.

In December 2010 we approved a query to clarify our purpose and this is read at each meeting as we begin our work:

"As the Meeting's Environmental Concerns Committee, how can we work together in harmonious spirit to encourage appreciation for, and care of, the natural world around us and share that with the rest of the Meeting community?"

In February 2011, Emily Nelson sent a letter to David Price through the Center For Food Safety on behalf of the committee in support of S. 230/H.R. 521 and S. 229/H.R. 520, concerning possible health risks for consumers as well as a serious potential for overtaking native salmon. In February, a request for action through FCNL on the bill cutting the EPA budget was sent out via the listserve.

We are an open committee and welcome attendance by anyone interested. We meet at the rise of meeting on the fourth Sunday.

Respectfully submitted :

Emily Harper, Perry Martin, Andy Nelson, Tom Smith, Robin Harper, Marolyn McDiarmid, Emily Nelson, Dirk Spruyt, Jennifer Leeman, Tom Munk, Pam Schwingl, Lauren Carreto, Clerk

Annual Report—June, 2011
Library Committee, Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

The Library Committee maintains and improves the Meeting's collection of books, periodicals, pamphlets, audio/visual materials, etc., to further the life of the Meeting. The library has received multiple donations of books and pamphlets from members and attenders in the last year. The Environmental Concerns Committee donated a beautiful book, Moments With Nature, with contributions from members and attenders, including Meeting children, and bound by Robin Harper. The Library Committee has purchased six books upon the recommendations of attenders and members. There is a new books/featured books shelf above the check-out area.

After consideration by the committee and consultation with two of our librarian consultants (one of whom is the Clerk of the Meeting) and with a former member of the Library Committee, the committee decided to discontinue trying to maintain the catalog. Most users of the library find books and pamphlets by browsing. The committee was spending an inordinate amount of time trying to update the catalog and was not making much progress. The committee's time and energy can be better spent keeping books in order and improving the utility of the library.

Reorganizing the categories of books continues. Committee members have been relabeling the spines of books with the category and last initial of the author and relabeling the shelves. The committee is in the process of organizing the section for children and displaying those books so that browsing by parents and children is easy. Sorting and organizing the Young Friends section will also be done and the youth made aware of the availability of books for them.

Even though the committee no longer maintains a catalog, the computer has been an asset in doing other tasks. Dirk Kelder donated a new printer, which has allowed the committee to conveniently print labels for book spines.

Due to the few times that cassette and video tapes are checked out, the committee decided not to transfer them to CD's and DVD's, respectively. There is a small cassette player in the library for listening to cassette tapes. If someone particularly wants to view a video tape, the library will try to get it transferred to DVD.

The Library Committee continues to try to make the library more attractive and user-friendly.

Library Committee members: Ann Booth, Paul Haskell, Dirk Kelder, Ann Miller and Anne Smith.

Calendar

(All events at Meetinghouse unless otherwise indicated.)

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| Sun. 7/3 | 8:30am | Meeting for Worship (Early) |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship (Late) |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods |
| | 12:30pm | Refreshments in Library & IFC donations |
| Tue. 7/5 | 7–8pm | Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation – Call Hank Elkins |
| Wed. 7/6 | 10am–12pm | Quaker Women’s Gathering – Bettie Flash Home |
| Fri. 7/8 | 5–6pm | Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd |
| Sun. 7/10 | 8:30am | Meeting for Worship (Early) |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship (Late) |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods |
| | 12:30pm | Peace & Social Concerns Com. – Schoolhouse |
| Tue. 7/12 | 7–8pm | Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation – Call Hank Elkins |
| Fri. 7/15 | 1pm | Sue Fletcher Memorial Service – Carol Woods |
| | 5–6pm | Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd |
| Sun. 7/17 | 8:30am | Meeting for Worship (Early) |
| | 9:30am | Meeting for Worship w/Attention to Business |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship (Late) |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods |
| | 12:30pm | Bake Sale to Benefit Mission Trip |
| Tue. 7/19 | 7–8pm | Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation – Call Hank Elkins |
| Wed. 7/20 | 10am–12pm | Quaker Women’s Gathering – Bettie Flash Home |
| | 7pm | YRE Committee – Meetinghouse |
| Fri. 7/22 | 5–6pm | Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd |
| Sun. 7/24 | 8:30am | Meeting for Worship (Early) |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship (Late) |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods |
| | 12:30pm | Environmental Concerns Com. – Schoolhouse |
| Fri. 7/29 | 5–6pm | Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd |
| Sun. 7/31 | 8:30am | Meeting for Worship (Early) |
| | 11am | Meeting for Worship (Late) |

	11am	Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods
	10pm	Deadline To Turn In Items For Newsletter!
Tue. 8/2	7–8pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation – Call Hank Elkins
Wed. 8/3	10am–12pm	Quaker Women’s Gathering – Bettie Flash Home
Thur. 8/4	9am–1pm	CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter
Fri. 8/5	5–6pm	Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 8/7	8:30am	Meeting for Worship (Early)
	11am	Meeting for Worship (Late)
	11am	Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods
	12:30pm	Potluck & IFC donations – Schoolhouse
Tue. 8/9	7–8pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation – Call Hank Elkins
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