

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

Newsletter: Twelfth Month, 2024



Monthly Query: *In what ways do I see our meeting as a beloved community?*

Monthly Worship Tip from the M&W Committee: *Turn attention inward and listen in the silence for what the Spirit may reveal.*

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Monthly Calendar

First Sunday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 8:15 - 9:15 am - Early worship in the meeting room● 9:30 - 10:30 am - Forum via Zoom● 11:00 am - 12:00<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Worship in the meeting room○ Online worship via Zoom● After meeting - Potluck in the schoolhouse
Second Sunday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 8:15 - 9:15 am - Early worship in the meeting room● 9:30 - 10:30 am - Forum via Zoom● 11:00 am - 12:00 - Blended Meeting in the meeting room and via Zoom
Third Sunday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● 8:00 - 9:00 am - Early worship in the meeting room (reverts to 8:15 the following week)● 9:00 - 10:30 am - Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business via Zoom● 11:00 am - 12:00<ul style="list-style-type: none">○ Worship in the meeting room○ Online worship via Zoom
Fourth Sunday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Same as Second Sunday
Fifth Sunday	<ul style="list-style-type: none">● Same as First Sunday, but without potluck



Upcoming Zoom Fora

<https://www.chapelhillfriends.org/forums.html>

- December 1:** The Intersection of Race and Belonging, presented by Astra Titus (Racial Equity Subcommittee sponsored forum)
- December 8:** Keeping the Lights on: Finance Committee sponsored forum on contributions
- December 15:** MFWAB
- December 22:** Worship sharing for Christmas: What holiday songs and lyrics hold special meaning for you and why?
- December 29:** Worship sharing for the new year: Query forthcoming
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Upcoming Events

Work Morning ~ Building Community ~ Sat. Dec. 7, 9am - 12

Come and join the fun! Help us spruce up the grounds at the CHFM Meetinghouse on Saturday, December 7th 9:00 AM - 12:00 PM. We can use everyone's help. Please bring your rakes, loppers, shovels, gloves, garden tools, etc.

Palestine Day at Durham Friends Meeting, Sun. Dec. 8, 5-7 PM

Tom Munk shares with Friends:

On Sunday, December 8th, from 5-7PM, the Action for Palestine Ad Hoc Committee will host a Palestine Day at Durham Friends Meeting. We will bring together Friends from Eno Meeting, Raleigh Meeting, and Chapel Hill Meeting for collaboration, education, and action. This will be held under the care of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee. We will:

- Learn how Quaker communities are responding to Israel's ongoing genocide

- Identify next steps for DFM in supporting Palestine's liberation
- Hear from speakers who have been engaged in the work
- Raise money for Ramallah Friends School and Tent of Nations Farm

Childcare and a simple dinner will be provided.

National Zoom Call for Worship, Wed, Dec 11, 8:00-9:30 pm

Ann Miller shares with Friends:

Please REGISTER [HERE](#) to join us on WEDNESDAY, DEC 11, from 8:00-9:30PM EASTERN TIME for a national zoom call for worship, reflection, and discernment as we all process the results of the recent election.

These words from James Nayler, early Quaker leader, continue to be meaningful to us as we seek a way forward in these challenging times:

"Art thou in darkness? Mind it not, for if thou do, it will fill thee more, but stand still and act not, and wait in patience till light arises out of darkness to lead thee. Art thou wounded in conscience? Feed not there, but abide in the light, which leads to the grace and truth, which teaches to deny and put off the weight, and removes the cause, and brings saving health to light." _

— James Nayler, 1659 __

THE QUAKER CALL NATIONAL STEERING COMMITTEE

Marian Beane, Bruce Birchard, Sam Caldwell, Gretchen Castle, Mary Ellen McNish, Diane Randall, Jim Waddington, and Michael Wajda (Clerk).



Announcements

2024 Alternative Gift Mart

John Hite shares with Friends:

For the upcoming holiday, visit our website for the [Alternative Gift Mart 2024](#). If you are making donations electronically, please fill in [this Google doc form](#) so the Youth will know how much they have raised on behalf of each charity.

American Friends Service Committee Updates

Betsy Brinson and Whitney Fry share with Friends:

AFSC released its monthly newsletter for November, linked [here](#). This newsletter provides key resources and summarizes ways to engage in global peace and justice efforts.

One specific item to note: On November 12th, AFSC's leadership (i.e., General Secretary Joyce Ajlouny, the Global Policy and Strategy team, and program leaders) hosted a webinar about how to prepare for the new administration. The webinar (video linked [here](#)) covered topics of just migration, global peace, and economic and climate justice. Speakers highlighted what is at risk and how we can take action. AFSC discussed their own commitment to these issues in the months and years to come, and they provided practical recommendations for Friends to engage.

Swannanoa Valley Friends Hurricane Helene Relief Fund

Ann Miller shares with Friends:

On behalf of the Swannanoa Valley Friends Meeting, we are now able to provide specifics on how to make a contribution to the Swannanoa Valley Friends Meeting Disaster Relief Fund. As were many in our community, we have been devastated by Hurricane Helene. Our beloved Meeting House and property which sits at the confluence of Flat Creek and the Swannanoa River in Black Mountain, NC were heavily flooded and destroyed beyond repair. We were able to salvage a few items, but for the most part we have lost everything. One of our members documented both the destruction and our recovery efforts here: <https://youtu.be/f04IHRsxJfU>

The difficult and emotional decision has been made by our Meeting to demolish the building. Several of our members were also directly impacted by the hurricane and have lost their homes and/or livelihood. We are gratefully accepting contributions to help with the cost of the meeting house demolition, as well as offering financial assistance to members who are in deep need of support. Our next steps beyond this action are still being discerned over the next couple of months. Thank you for holding us in the Light and for your generosity. We are deeply grateful.

We can accept donations by check or online payment.

To pay by check:

Make check out to Swannanoa Valley Friends Meeting (include Helene Relief in the memo)
PO Box 1032
Black Mountain, NC 28711

To pay online:

<https://www.zeffy.com/donation-form/hurricane-helene-disaster-relief-fund>

Please note, we chose Zeffy as it provides the full amount of the donation to us, with no credit card transaction or other fees. However, once you select an amount, Zeffy will suggest an additional 17% donation to cover their operating expenses. Feel welcome to adjust or delete this amount by selecting "Other" - it is completely optional.

Thank you again for holding us in the light and providing us with material support as we take our next steps. If you have any questions, please let us know. I (Chris de Beer) can be reached at 828-275-4366.



Recurring Announcements

InterFath Council Committee Is Seeking Volunteers

We invite anyone interested in becoming, or knowing more about being an IFC Committee Member to please contact Carolyn White.

We welcome volunteers to help with food preparation and service at ICF every second Thursday for lunch: 10a - 1p, and/or every second Friday for dinner 4p-6:30p. Volunteers are welcome for part of the shift, or the full shift.

Zoom Tech Hosts Wanted

Support Chapel Hill Friends Meeting's Zoom worship and forums by becoming a tech host. The role is much more simple than you would imagine. Trust us! We need your help and will train you. Please contact the Zoom Subcommittee if interested, or have questions:

zoom@chapelhillfriends.org.

Inter-Faith Council Pantry Needs Donated Food Items

Please consider IFC's needs when doing your shopping. There is a basket in the meetinghouse foyer for food donations. IFC has requested the following food items: coffee, hot chocolate, canned protein, canned pork and beans, canned soup (not vegetable), boxed cereal, cake mixes, instant foods, ramen noodles. Thank you!

FRIENDS, PLEASE LIMIT YOUR WEEKDAY MEETINGHOUSE VISITS.

The CFS Early School teachers, parents and guests have priority use of the meetinghouse parking lot from 7:30 AM to 6:00 PM Monday through Friday throughout the calendar year. If you must visit the meetinghouse during weekday hours, please alert John Hite, the Meetinghouse Resident, at least one day ahead. Email: johnthequaker@gmail.com or call: 919-929-5377.

Newsletter & eNews Reminder

Please send items for the weekly eNews email and the monthly print Newsletter to news@chapelhillfriends.org.

- The deadline for weekly eNews is *Wednesday* 5 pm.
- The deadline for the monthly print Newsletter is on the *last day of the month*.

To unsubscribe, email to news@chapelhillfriends.org with the subject line, Unsubscribe.

Note: If you think that you haven't received your weekly enews or monthly newsletter, it helps to add news@chapelhillfriends.org to your contacts. Otherwise it might go to your Spam folder (and likewise for other chapelhillfriends.org mailing lists such as pfym@chapelhillfriends.org).



Recurring Events

Prayers for Healing/Holding in the Light, 2nd and 4th Wednesday, 7-8:30 pm

YOU ARE INVITED TO PARTICIPATE IN Virtual Prayers for Healing/Holding in the Light on the 2nd and 4th Wednesday of each month, 7:00 to 8:30 PM. Join us when you can for as long as you wish - from your own home.

Do you have a name or a group of people to add to - or remove from - the list of those we will hold in our hearts and prayers? If so, please send to: prayers@chapelhillfriends.org. The list of names to be held in the Light will be renewed each month. Names must be resubmitted each

month to be maintained on the list. We'll send an updated list on Wednesday afternoons. Thank you for joining us!

This virtual prayer service continues under the care of the Care and Counsel Committee and each week, a committee member will collect and post the names that are submitted and will read them aloud during the time of the service.

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Peace in Palestine. Thursdays, 5:30pm

Betsy Brinson shares with Friends:

You are invited to join Meeting for Worship with Attention to Peace in Palestine and Israel at 5:30 p.m. ET / 2:30 p.m. PT. We will continue to meet weekly on Thursdays at this time, at least through the months of January and February, or until a permanent ceasefire is reached.

Join on Zoom:

<https://afsc-org.zoom.us/j/85831333364?pwd=VEtPTUZuYk5hTHV2OGs1VzRkY0ZKUT09>

Meeting ID: 858 3133 3364

Passcode: 759311

Pendle Hill Worship via Zoom, Daily, 8:30-9:10am

Pendle Hill Quaker Study, Retreat, and Conference Center is now opening their daily morning worship to everyone, by way of Zoom or phone. A lovely opportunity for gathered worship every morning. "A handful of Pendle Hill residents continue to gather daily in the Barn – from 8:30am to 9:10am Eastern Time – expanding the 90-year-long tradition of daily worship here on campus. Beginning the week of March 16, 2020, we started an experiment of opening the circle of worship to YOU in your home. You can join us here via Zoom."

<https://pendlehill.org/explore/worship/join-us-online-for-worship-in-the-barn/?bblinkid=210290749&bbemailid=19903873&bbejrid=1408822779>

Note: The above link takes you *not* to the meeting but to a page of general instructions. Look for the sentence "You can join us via Zoom **here**, or by clicking on the image below."

Pray for Peace - From Friends House Moscow, Daily

Link to the Daily Meeting for Worship for Peace sponsored by FHM/FHMSA: (Friends House Moscow)

Join Zoom Meeting

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/4165005614?pwd=NUtieEtqbDBYbjBrcGdMMzBKQ3drQT09>

Meeting ID: 416 500 5614

Passcode: 182805

The room opens at 8:45am Pacific time (10:45 EST); worship begins on the hour and ends an hour later. After worship there will be time to share brief thoughts that did not rise to the level of ministry. You may also want to rename yourself indicating your geographic location. There will be no audible indicator when one enters or leaves, and everyone will be muted on entry. Please leave yourself muted unless giving ministry.

Ministry may also be shared in the chat, but it is not the place for private conversations. If you are new to Quaker unprogrammed worship and wish to talk with someone about it, send a message to the host and someone can join you in a breakout room.



Business Meeting Minutes

Chapel Hill Friends Meeting

Minutes of the Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business, November 17, 2024

Online via Zoom

Present: Jeff Brown, Jennifer Leeman, Ann Miller, Matt Drake, David Waterman, Kate Fitch, Alice Carlton, David Curtin, Marion Schoenbach, Jan Hutton, Betsy Brinson, Tom Munk, Carolyn White, Monteze Snyder, Dottie Heninger, Lloyd Kramer, Susan Newcomer, Carolyn Stuart, Richard Miller, Tom Ludlow, Buzz Borchardt, John Hite, Deborah Gibbs, Curt Torell, Joe Grove, Allie Scales, Susan Peterson, Quaker Harmon, Gwynne Pomeroy, Naveed Moeed, Colleen Fey, Hart Pillow, Julia Cleaver, Paul Munk, Susan Inglis, Tom McQuiston, Max Drake

1. We opened with worship and the following query:

When difficult times arise in our civic life, how do our faith and practice sustain us?

2. The minutes of the October 2024 Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business (MWAB) were approved with the following correction to the Ministry & Worship Committee's annual

report: Dave Curtin, not Quaker Harmon, provided tech hosting for the Christmas Eve Candlelight Service in 2023.

3. Ann Miller, Clerk, reported that the Naming Committee is working to identify one Friend to fill a position on Nominations Committee.

4. Dave Curtin, clerk of the Library Committee, presented the Committee's annual report (Appendix A). Friends asked that the Meeting renew discussion of plans for renovating the library space. The Clerk encouraged Friends to use the resources available in the library. The report was accepted with appreciation for the work of the committee.

5. Jan Hutton, clerk of the Shotts Leadership Fund committee, presented the Fund's annual report (Appendix B). In response to a Friend's question, Jan clarified that the amount of funding that individuals are asked to contribute versus the Meeting is determined on an individual basis and can range from the Meeting covering all or a portion of the costs. The report was accepted with appreciation.

6. Dottie Heninger, correspondence clerk, read our Meeting's Land Acknowledgement (Appendix C). Betsy Brinson suggested we consider how we move beyond acknowledgement. Ann Miller noted that she has received correspondence from a student who wants to learn more about Quaker involvement in removing American Indians from their homes for schooling. Ann invited other friends to let her know if they are interested in continuing this discussion, including possibly talking with students about the role of Quakers. Friends re-accepted the acknowledgement with appreciation.

7. Dottie Heninger, correspondence clerk, presented the Memorial minute for Otty Snyder (Appendix D). Carolyn Stuart reflected on Friends participation in Otty's memorial service at Carol Woods. Friends approved the minute with appreciation.

8. Tom Munk presented a request for our Meeting to sign a letter from Peace Action of NC (along with other organizations) asking our senators to sign the joint resolution of disapproval, suspending the transfer of some military weapons to Israel (Appendix E). The request to sign the letter was initiated by the Action for Gaza group, an unofficial group of CHFMs Friends. Peace and Justice Committee has approved the letter. The letter has been signed by Durham Friends Meeting and by Friends Committee on National Legislation. The vote may happen as early as Tuesday. Friends were encouraged to also call their senators. Friends were in unity with having our Meeting sign the letter. Tom Munk will communicate our endorsement to Peace Action of NC.

9. David Waterman reported on the money spent to remove the pine tree that fell on the porch during Hurricane Helene. The cost of removal was about \$3,000, which was more than the Building & Grounds budget could cover. For this reason, the funds were taken from our physical plant replacement fund.

10. Joe Groves read a minute developed by the Peace and Justice Committee. The Minute was created as an addition to the Anti-apartheid pledge that the American Friends Services Committee and other organizations. Friends were asked to consider the minute together with the Anti-apartheid pledge and communicate questions and concerns to the Peace and Justice Committee. One Friend suggested rephrasing/removing the opening statement of the minute to be clear we are not blaming Israel people for actions of the government. Another Friend suggested language to make clear that we oppose further expansion of settler colonialism rather than a broader opposition to settler colonialism, which may suggest that Israel should not exist at all. Multiple Friends spoke in support of the pledge. Another Friends suggested that we should not sign a pledge that requires the extent of additional commentary provided in the minute. One Friend reviewed the amount of time that the Meeting already has taken to season the pledge and requested that our approval not be delayed any further. Given continuing concerns with the framing of the pledge and minute, we are not ready to approve. Peace and Justice will continue to work with the input received. A listening meeting will be held in February to gain further clarity on Meeting support for the minute and the pledge.

11. The next Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business is planned for 9:00 AM on 12/15/2024.

Ann Miller, Clerk, and Jennifer Leeman, Recording Clerk

Appendix A

Library Committee Annual Report (2023-2024)

The Library Committee maintains and improves the Meeting's collection of library books, periodicals, pamphlets, and other resources to further the life of the Meeting and its participants. It annually reviews the collection and purchases new materials on its own initiative as well as considering requests from committees and individuals. It works particularly closely with the Ministry and Worship Committee, the Children's and Youth Religious Education Committee, and the Adult Religious Education Committee. Attendance at committee meetings is open to all.

The Library Committee has seen less use of the library in the last year, probably because of the ongoing ventilation work and limited Meeting house use. We look forward to the ventilation work being completed soon. The committee notes that the meeting had discussed plans for remodeling the library, when the pandemic brought the end to discussions. The plan should be revisited for additional review.

Highlights from the last year.

1. The library committee has continued to maintain the collection in Library Thing, our online guide accessible through the link on our web site, and we are working on ways to enter pamphlets and other publications that are not from Pendle Hill.

2. We did purchase *Prisoners of Congress: Philadelphia's Quakers in Exile, 1777-1778* , but have not yet received it.
3. We will continue paying the archivist at Guilford \$150 per year to archive our records.
4. We are printing copies of the newsletter on archival paper for the next volume of our archive.
5. A large effort was made to inventory all books in the library, led by John Hite, to ensure they had the card for checkout and were in the correct place. Also, cards from books checked out in years past and not returned were examined, and if the person who checked them out was available they were contacted. There were several books that were checked out by people no longer coming to meeting, and others that were not able to be recovered. Those are being removed from the Library Thing database.

Goals for the coming year.

1. We have had donations of several books, and possibly a persons full collection, and will be going through that and working on the non Pendle Hill pamphlets to make them more available.

Please email library@chapelhillfriends.org if you have suggestions for purchases, subscriptions and the like.

Submitted respectfully by Allie Scales, Annalee Harkins, Dave Curtin (clerk), Jessica Harper, John Hite, Leslie Bassinger, Linda Drake and Lloyd Kramer

Appendix B

Shotts Memorial Fund and Leadership Development Fund Annual Report, 2023-2024

The Mary and Claude Shotts/Leadership Development Funds Committee oversees two funds to support the leadings of Friends, both members and attenders, to enrich and deepen their capacity for leadership within the Meeting, the local community, and the Religious Society of Friends. Financial support is NOT need-based but is the Meeting's opportunity to support the spiritual and leadership development of our Meeting family.

The Mary and Claude Shotts Memorial Fund provides financial support to enrich and develop the lives of individuals with a relationship to the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting. The Leadership Development Fund provides grants to benefit the spiritual life of the Meeting through the enhancement of leadership capabilities in individuals. It should be noted that these funds are available to standing committees in the Meeting to support honoraria awarded to outside speakers who may be here for special events and programs open to the Meeting community.

Friends Fiduciary manages the investments for the Shotts Memorial Fund, and the current principal balance is \$41,546.89, which is considerably higher than last year's figure. Our committee receives interest disbursements from the Shotts Memorial Fund twice a year, in June and December. Those disbursements are usually in the range of \$700 each time.

Grants from the Leadership Development Fund are given from money carried over from prior years and, if requested, from annual allocations approved by the Meeting for Worship with attention to business. Considering overall CHFM budgetary concerns, our committee chose not to request funds for 2024-2025.

The past fiscal year grants included: support for two Friends to attend Pendle Hill workshops or ongoing programming; attendance at Friends General Conference, Friends Committee on National Legislation's annual conference; Piedmont Friends Yearly Meeting's annual Fall and Spring retreats, a Peace and Justice speaker honoraria; and as requested by Ministry and Worship, funds to support a CHFM Meeting retreat.

We encourage Friends to stay alert to opportunities, including those with fees charged, that may be of interest to you. If you have questions about applicability, our committee more than welcomes your email queries. We're here to support your growth as Quakers and leaders!

Profuse thanks are offered to Asta Crowe, Lynn Drake, Ken Grogan, and Susan Inglis for their years of service. And by the way, we could use a few more members!

Jan Hutton, Clerk, on behalf of members Roberto Quercia, Madelyn Ashley, and Jessica Harper

Appendix C

Land Acknowledgement for Chapel Hill Friends Meeting 2021 (revised in 2022, 2023)

The Chapel Hill Friends Meeting sits on unceded Indigenous land where Occaneechi, Sissipahaw, Shakori, and Eno peoples lived. As Quakers, we acknowledge the genocide and continued displacement of Indigenous peoples during the colonial period and beyond. In 1672, George Fox visited Carolina and publicly preached that Indigenous community members shared the Light within as, we believe, all humans do. We affirm Fox's teaching, and we recognize that injustices done to the Indigenous population continue in the present.

Site Heritage:

Artifacts found at Morgan Farm indicate that this area was inhabited almost continuously for the past 10,000 years. A 2004 archaeological exploration in Chapel Hill revealed spear points and potsherds, evidence that hunters as well as settlers lived along Franklin Street from 500 BC to 500 AD. Archaeological digs on Finley Golf Course showed similar proof that these communities hunted, built houses, and grew crops. The earliest recorded presence in our area of Indigenous peoples dates to 1701 when explorer John Lawson wrote "by the time the first settlers arrived, there were no more Indians left in the region." (Vickers, p. 7-8). Other historians assert that a greatly reduced number of Indigenous remained. Most had migrated north towards Hillsborough and the more active trading paths.

John Lord Carteret, the first Earl of Granville, received his land charter from King Charles II. By the 1730's colonial settlers began trickling into Granville's district, including Orange County. They came down the Great Wagon Road connecting modern Petersburg, Virginia and Mobile, Alabama. Mark Morgan was one who settled on the Finley Golf Course land. In 1747, Morgan's children bought surrounding land to encompass most of Chapel Hill plus territory in present day Durham County and south across Morgan Creek. About 1790, his descendant Hardy Morgan gave 205 acres, including areas now occupied by Carmichael Auditorium, grounds to the east, the cemetery, and Gimghoul Road, to help establish the University of North Carolina. This is the land where Chapel Hill Friends Meeting is located. The University retained ownership until Chapel Hill Friends Meeting bought the land in the 1950's.

This is a living document, and we will continue to revise and strengthen it in collaboration with community members and as new research evolves.

"In 2022, the document was revised with an addition which reads: As more information about Indigenous People becomes available, we are aware that groups of Indigenous People melded, married, and blended frequently throughout history. It becomes clear that it is difficult to identify specific groups who live on identified land at a defined period of time. Like all people, Indigenous folks changed their location and cultural practice over the years."

The revision we feel moved to add in 2024 responds to the question of identifying specific Indigenous groups. We want to add the land acknowledgement developed by the Indigenous People themselves which identifies groups from their own research and lived experience:

**Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation
Land Acknowledgement**

“I would like to acknowledge that we are on the land of the Eno, Tutelo, Saponi, Occaneechi, and Shakori Native people.

We are gathered today on land that was traditionally part of the territory of the Saponi people in the Piedmont of what is now the state of North Carolina. This area is not far from the “Great Trading Path” used by both the native people of this area and non-native peoples during the early years of contact. The Saponi people, whose descendants include the Occaneechi Band of the Saponi Nation Indian Tribe still thrive and live in this region, officially recognized by the state government of North Carolina.

We pay respect to their elders past and present. The Occaneechi People (The Ye’sah) ask that you will keep these thoughts in mind, while here on their ancestral lands and treat it with the respect, love, and care that their Ancestors did, and as the Occaneechi Saponi people do so today.”

Prepared by Betsy Brinson and Dottie Heninger

April 2021

Revised in 2022, 2023.

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<http://www.ncpedia.org>

Chapel Hill and the University of North Carolina

Light on the Hill

Orange County Land Registry

Mark Chilton’s article on pre-1790’s UNC property

NC State Archives, call number SSLG 96-J

Appendix D

Otty Verhoogh Snyder March 29, 1928 - September 14, 2024

Otty stood out. You could spot her coming. She was the blond one dressed in very cool clothes. Always striking, often wearing a single muted color. And most frequently, a caftan of her own design and making, sporting a beautiful piece of chunky jewelry she had just purchased from Carol Woods' Cash and Carry. Most important, however, she was never without a smile when she greeted you.

Otty transferred her membership from Buffalo, NY Meeting to Chapel Hill Friends Meeting in February 1987. She and her husband Glenn moved to Chapel Hill in 1984 when he was recruited to teach at UNC-CH.

Otty was born in Holland. During World War II, she and her father assisted the underground resistance effort, sheltering foreign soldiers and partisans from Nazi searches. She became fluent in several languages and because of her proficiency in English she was recruited to come to the United States as assistant to the Dutch ambassador. At the tender age of 21.

She later met Glenn (then a reporter at the Wall Street Journal) in Washington. They moved from Washington to New York where he earned his PhD in Political Science. His academic career took them across the country and back to New York where their three children were born, Abigail, Jared, and Adam. They also enjoyed extensive travels in Europe.

Once she and Glenn arrived at Carol Woods in 2000, Otty quickly became active in a variety of very helpful ways: she applied her sewing talents to mending residents' clothes; she worked at Cash and Carry. She was the "Queen" of cooking at the Inter-Faith Council's shelter, managing to create delicious, hearty meals from scratch for the 80-100 people who showed up. Otty didn't do this once a month, no, she joined several different groups to cook 3-4 times a week. Otty's life touched many others. And brightened each one.

Appendix E

Dear Senators Tillis & Budd,
November 11, 2024

We, the undersigned organizations, urge you to cosponsor and vote in favor of the joint resolutions of disapproval [introduced](#) by Senators Sanders, Welch, Schatz, and Merkley regarding several specific major arms sales to the government of Israel.

The joint resolutions of disapproval would suspend the transfer of some of the weapons that the Israeli government has used in strikes that have killed thousands of

civilians, including aid workers and journalists, in Gaza over the last year. Independent human rights and conflict monitors have thoroughly documented the Israeli military's use of weapons from the United States in attacks that have killed Palestinian civilians. President Biden has [described](#) Israeli government attacks as "indiscriminate." The joint resolutions of disapproval would block certain sales of [joint direct attack munitions](#) (JDAMs) and [tank shells](#), which the Israeli military has repeatedly used in attacks that have killed civilians in densely populated areas. The resolutions do not implicate missile defense systems.

Israeli military attacks have [killed](#) more than 40,000 Palestinians and decimated Gaza's [hospitals](#), [schools](#), [critical infrastructure](#), and [residential housing](#). Human rights organizations have concluded that the Israeli military has [repeatedly violated](#) international humanitarian law. Humanitarian groups have stressed that Israeli forces [continue](#) to restrict the delivery of humanitarian aid as hundreds of thousands of people in Gaza [are](#) on the precipice of starvation and [suffering](#) from the spread of deadly diseases, including [polio](#).

The Israeli military is also [carr ying](#) out attacks in Lebanon, including recent strikes in densely populated areas of Beirut, [that demonstrate](#) a similar disregard for the protection of civilians.

Continued arms transfers to the Israeli government are [contrar y to U.S. law](#) and the Biden administration's own arms [transfer policy](#), which [include restrictions](#) on arms transfers to any country based on human rights, international humanitarian law, and humanitarian assistance criteria. For example, U.S. law prohibits military aid to governments that restrict the delivery of U.S. humanitarian assistance. As [demonstrated by the National Security Memorandum 20 p rocess](#), the Biden administration has not complied with these standards.

The Senate will soon have the opportunity to demonstrate that it opposes further suffering and stands for the rule of law and the protection of civilians by supporting the joint resolutions of disapproval introduced on September 25. We endorse Senator Sanders, Welch, Schatz and Merkley's resolutions and urge all Senators to cosponsor and vote in favor of their passage.

Sincerely

North Carolina Peace Action.
Durham Friends Meeting Peace and Social Concerns
Committee Durham Friends Meeting
Triad Veterans for Peace
Coalition Jewish Voice for

Peace North Carolina
Friends Committee on
National Legislation St Sya
Academy
Action for Gaza

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