Chapel Hill Friends Meeting Newsletter

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Monthly Query:

How do we support and nurture caregivers of all ages?

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From the ECC:

Fracking, or hydraulic fracturing, is a method of extracting natural gas from shale deposits. They extract the gas by drilling a well up to 8,000 feet deep and pump a cocktail of nearly 600 chemicals, sand, and millions of gallons of water into the ground. After the natural gas has been extracted, some demonstrated consequences for the land include earthquakes and sinkage, pollution and depletion of water sources, and the lingering question of how could a large mixture of chemicals ever be properly disposed of? This has not happened in our neck of the woods yet, but energy companies are exploring their options in our area. Let's keep the conversation going so we can all educate one another and look for opportunities for action.

See pages 5-6 for information on fracking legislation in NC and this month's ECC Movie Night, "Gasland," which spotlights fracking.

Upcoming Forum Schedule

Oct 2 The Impact of the Debt Deal on Peacemaking, Social Justice, and the Environment - Nancy Milio

Oct 9 Quaker House and GI Rights Hotline - Lenore Yarger and Steve Woolford

Oct 23 "Maria Darlington's Time in Mexico" - Maria Darlington (see page 3)

Oct 30 "Spirited Engagement" - a short film and some history of the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) (see page 3)

Nov 6 Personal sharing – Paul and Joyce Munk

IFC Needs Volunteers

The Inter-Faith Council is currently in need of volunteers at both the Main St. facility (pantry and community services) and Community House (kitchen and shelter). If you have some extra time, go to their website and look at the information for volunteering. You can fill out an application on-line or stop by 110 W. Main St. to pick up an application. Volunteers really are the heart of the IFC and it could not

run smoothly without them. Please consider helping. Thank you!

http://www.ifcweb.org/volunteer.html

Forum Details

(October 23)

Maria Darlington will talk about her experiences while traveling and living in Mexico that led her to work with indigenous people in Chiapas who call themselves the Zapatistas.

(October 30)

"Spirited Engagement" is a short film highlighting some of the history of the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC). AFSC is not a peace organization, not a human rights organization, not an environmental organization – it is all three. Since 1917 it has ministered to victims of war in Europe, provided artificial limbs to victims in Vietnam, fostered southern school desegregation in the U.S., provided sanctuary, initiated community gardens, assembled "Eyes Wide Open" and such projects in 25 countries and the U.S. Come see the film. Hear friends relate their personal involvement and participate in open discussion. Facilitated by Nancy Elkins and Kitty Bergel, both of whom have worked for extended periods of time with AFSC

Newcomers' LunchSunday, October 9, in the Schoolhouse

If you are a relative newcomer or recent visitor to our Friends Meeting Community and would like to get to know us better, please come to the Newcomers' Lunch on Sunday, October 9, at the rise of late meeting. The Hospitality Committee will provide a light lunch and beverages. All are welcome-- new, old and in-between. Old-timers, feel free to bring along a snack to share!

Stories of Iris White

A grandson of Iris White contacted the Meeting after reading an article about her in our 2001 newsletter (posted on our website). He would appreciate any stories or memories Friends have of her, as they were not a close family. Friends can email him at carlqwilkinson@yahoo.com (Friends without email can contact Emily Buehler to pass on stories; 657 McAdams Road, Hillsborough NC 27278, 919 475 5756.)

Quaker House in the News About DADT

The end of Don't Ask Don't Tell (DADT) came to the US military on Tuesday Sept. 20, and that was not a minute too soon.

Chuck Fager of Quaker House says he's convinced this change will have a big long-term impact in the military. And QH has been one of the few public voices in the Fayetteville community calling for its repeal: Chuck published an OpEd on this topic in the Fayetteville Observer in June 2010, and it was the only such article the paper ran.

To mark DADT's end, Quaker House organized two events on 9/20:

- A press conference, where folks from several organizations spoke about the change. One was Storm Silvermane, president of the new Sandhills-Fayetteville Gay-Straight Alliance, the first visible LGBT group to step into the public limelight in the community in many years (if ever).

- Then we convened a panel of local clergy, to begin a discussion of the potential impact of DADT's end on ministry in churches located near military bases. Because many churches here stigmatize homosexuality as an "abomination," the Army's change will, we believe, present them with a real theological challenge, one that's long overdue. After all, when the Army desegregated 60 years ago, there were many churches here and across the South still preaching that segregation was "God's will." When the military stopped reinforcing that "gospel," Fort Bragg became a positive force for racial change in that important field.

It's something of a paradox for Quaker House to describe the military as a positive social force; but in the case of segregation, the facts are on the record. The repeal of DADT has similar potential.

ECC's Fall Movie Night: *Gasland*Saturday, October 22, 6:30 pm in the Schoolhouse

"The largest domestic natural gas drilling boom in history has swept across the United States. The Halliburton-developed drilling technology of "fracking," or hydraulic fracturing, has unlocked a "Saudia Arabia of natural gas" just beneath us. But is fracking safe? When filmmaker Josh Fox is asked to lease his land for drilling, he embarks on a cross-country odyssey uncovering a trail of secrets, lies and contamination. A recently drilled nearby Pennsylvania town reports that residents are able to light their drinking water on fire. This is just one of the many absurd and astonishing revelations of a new country called GASLAND. Part verite travelogue, part expose, part mystery, part bluegrass banjo meltdown, part showdown."

Winner of an Emmy, Sundance Film Festival and Big Sky Documentary Festival Awards. Read more at: gaslandthemovie.com.

At this screening we will have a representative of Environment North Carolina to facilitate discussion after the film, and also give us a brief update on where NC is with fracking. Note that we will only show about 70 minutes of the 107 minute film, to allow more time for discussion. Light refreshments will be served.

Fracking Comes to North Carolina

In July, the NC General Assembly and the Governor signed Session Law 2011-276 House Bill 242. A directive in this law instructs the NC Dept. of Environment and Natural Resources (DENR) to study oil and natural gas exploration in the state, specifically, natural gas extraction through hydrofracking (see above for explanation). The study is to be completed by May 1, 2012 with two DENR public hearings to be held by February 1, 2012 within the Triassic Basin. This includes Granville, Wake, Durham, Orange, Chatham, Lee, and Moore counties.

The first public meeting on hydraulic fracturing is Oct. 10 in Lee County. Serious risks to the environment and our communities need to be understood and addressed during the study period. A good resource for weekly updates and an excellent fracking information video is the NC Clean Water internet site: www.cwfnc.org

CarbonNation Movie at Southern VillageFriday, October 14, dusk, on the green at Southern Village

The Environmental Concerns Committee announces the showing of the movie "CarbonNation" on the green at Southern Village on October 14, 2011 at dusk - exact time to be announced (rain date 10/15). "CarbonNation" is an optimistic, solutions-based, non-preachy, non-partisan film that shows how tackling climate change boosts the economy, increases national and energy security, and promotes health and a clean environment. "CarbonNation" celebrates solutions, inspiration, and action, making it appealing across the political spectrum.

The film is sponsored by the Southern Village Home Owners Association 'Going Green' Subcommittee and Transition Carrboro/ Chapel Hill. It will be combined with a mini energy efficiency fair. Viewers of the movie will be encouraged to take immediate action by consulting energy experts on the green, receiving written information, or even scheduling energy assessments for their homes. For information contact Tom Smith at 933-9198.

Upcoming Justice United Events (Orange Juice)

A few months ago, Jennifer Leeman and Tom Munk brought together dozens of Friends in small groups to talk about the issues that most affect our local community. These issues were brought to the broader Justice United organization and action teams were formed. Tom and Jennifer have been working with the Jobs and Wages team, Miriam Thompson has been working with the affordable housing team, and Frances Coyle is a part of the senior citizens team. Other teams are working on environmental justice (Rogers Road landfill) and foreclosures (with NC Justice Center). You are invited to support Justice United at an upcoming event:

* A public meeting on October 24, 2011 at 7:00 p.m. with public officials to present the agenda.

First Day School Events

Sunday, October 9th FDS Field Trip

Mark your calendars: October 9th is field trip day! Our First Day School pods will be carpooling to the NC Museum of Life and Science to attend the temporary exhibit on race that opens that weekend. We will see the exhibit, and will bring lunch for all to share in the picnic area across the street. More details to come.

Saturday, October 15th FDS Family Potluck

Our FDS family potluck series continues with a potluck at the home of Tom Munk and Jennifer Leeman on Saturday, October 15th, 5 PM. Their address is 313 Sweet Bay Place in downtown Carrboro. Need directions? Their phone is 929-9135. Everyone is welcome!

October 21st - 23rd SAYF Retreat, Atlanta, GA

Quaker youths from Friends meetings throughout the Southeast will gather in Atlanta, GA for fun and fellowship October 21 - 23. If you are

(or your child is) in grades 7 through 12, and would like to attend the SAYF retreat, please contact Wren Hendrickson at 602-1587.

Coming in November: the Middle School and High School teens will be heading back to the Ringwalt cabin at Hyco Lake. Details to come.

Interview with Tarsands Demonstrator

Submitted by Ruth Hamilton, Quaker Earthcare Witness Ambassador

Interview with Demonstrator at the Keystone Tarsands Pipeline

Thousands of protestors gathered for two weeks in Washington, DC to protest the Tarsands Pipeline. By September 3, there were 1,252 arrestees in the initial phase of the Tar Sands Action Keystone XL pipeline and the development of the Alberta tar sands. The Tar Sands Action is fighting against the Keystone XL pipeline, which is a pipeline from the tar sands in Canada to refineries on the Gulf of Mexico. Protestors are asking President Obama to reject a permit for the pipeline. According to the organization, the pipeline "will send 900,000 barrels a day of the world's dirtiest oil to US refineries, allowing further development of the Alberta tar sands development.

On the other side, <u>Democracy Now!</u> reports, "Supporters of the pipeline say the pipeline will create some 20,000 construction jobs, and the company behind it, TransCanada, has already signed agreements to employ the members of four international unions if the project is approved."

Among the Quakers who took the civil disobedience action at the White House was Mary Gilbert, a member of Friends Meeting at Cambridge (MA) for 40 years. Mary has represented Quaker Earthcare Witness at the United Nations for eleven years.

Mary, why did you go to the Tarsands Action to get arrested? I started thinking about going as soon as I heard about it, I think in July, but expected just to stand on the sidelines and cheer on those braver than I. Then in August I heard some of the names of folks who planned to "risk arrest," people I admire very much (Janes Hanson, Van Jones) and realized that I was going the whole way. When I was growing up my father said more than once, "If there is nothing you would be willing to get arrested for, there's something wrong with you." I realized that I care deeply about climate change. The results of global warming could preclude a future for humankind and lots of other kinds, and the pipeline, if built, just digs us in deeper with regard to our oil dependency

What was the experience like? I was arrested on the next to the last day, the day when we put the total number over 1000. It was actually very smooth, a result of two weeks of these arrests happening and some very thorough training. At our training there were actually two police liaisons, who of course reported back that we were completely non-violent, etc. Two of our trainers were young Native American men, and I was delighted to hear that I was going to be arrested on the same day that tribal representatives would be arrested. A real high point occurred when I got to the park across the street from the White House and found that the person who convened the Indian nations was Tom Goldtooth, director of the Indigenous Environmental Network, my friend from the UN. We had an embrace, and when I was reminding him of my got arrested, and we were driven in vans to another location where we were processed. It took less than half an hour, we each paid a \$100 fine and walked away. The offense was on a level with a parking ticket...we were parking ourselves in a place we weren't supposed to park in. Organizers were waiting on a grassy hill with water and energy bars.

Can you give us some background on why this is a top priority for preservation of our environment? The pipeline is proposed to carry a heavy kind of oil called "bitumen" from Alberta, Canada, to Texas where our largest refinery is located. Bitumen is so thick it doesn't flow.

<u>Extraction</u> is done by surface mining, which destroys the land and pollutes widely. Some of the Indians I met said the fish are dangerous to eat, and spoke of illness and death secondary to this mining. The extraction method uses a great deal of water, heated to steam. This water cannot be used for any other purpose.

<u>Transport</u> through the pipeline would also use enormous amounts of water. Most concern is around the danger of leaks and breaks, which are inevitable. The pipeline would pass through land of sovereign Indian nations, and go directly over the Ogalala aquifer, the largest underground body of water in the Americas, reaching from the Dakotas south to Oklahoma.

Refining for bitumen requires immense amounts of energy, which would come from coal power plants.

<u>End use</u> The end product is intended to be sold on the open market. It is not intended for exclusively US/Canada use.

The biggest problem is that it would tie us further to our addiction to a life based on the use of petroleum. The project is a very expensive, extensive piece of infrastructure. Once infrastructure is in place, you're stuck with it for the duration, and the owners/builders/refiners want to recoup their cost and earn big profits on top of that. The project is not possible without government subsidies, huge government subsidies, which means we the people will be paying for it. The government support for the pipeline is exactly the money that should be available to help the growth of non-polluting, truly clean-green energy production, like solar, wind, tidal, (small) hydro and geothermal.

Friends can register their request with the White House that Obama uphold his campaign promises on the environment and please not sign the agreement. White House phone number is 202-456-1111. You can say that you are urging our President to please not approve the Keystone Pipeline project.

Help Build House in Louisiana

Might you be interested and available to join members of the Chapel Hill Mennonite Fellowship in constructing a house in Cameron, LA for a man who lost his house to Hurricane Katrina? The project will begin in early October and last through early November. For more information, contact Tom Lehman at talehman@bellsouth.net

A Brief Overview of Taoism

Submitted by Emily Buehler

(The following is a summary of Chapter 2 of the book "What the Great Religions Believe" by Joseph Gaer, from the Meeting library. I've used masculine pronouns since that's what the author used.)

Taoism began in China in the sixth century BC with a man called Lao-Tze (the Old Philosopher), about whom little is known. He worked as Archivist of the Imperial Library, and though he did not seek students, his views on religion and philosophy became known. When he grew old, he left the city in an ox cart. At the border, the guard insisted he write down his teachings before leaving. He wrote a book of eighty-one short poems called *Tao Teh King*.

Numerous volumes attempt to translate and explain the *Tao Teh King*. The word "Tao" alone has been translated as "The Way," "The Path," "Reason and Virtue," and "The Word" (in the sense this phrase is used in the *Bible*.) The first sentence has been translated as both, "The Tao that can be trodden is not the enduring and unchanging Tao" and "God (the great everlasting infinite First Cause from whom all things in heaven and earth proceed) can neither be defined nor named."

Two hundred years later, a disciple of Lao-Tze called Chuang-tze made Taoism popular. He wrote his own books on it, filled with lively fantasy. Other writers and interpreters arose, and Taoism became a religion; but it quickly deteriorated into a tangle of irrelevant superstitions, magic, and divination.

Lao-Tze was deified; the concept of reincarnation was borrowed from Buddhism. Shrines, temples, monks, and rites arose that had no connection with the teachings of Lao-Tze. Taoism divided into two movements: a philosophic one based on Naturalism that extolled the Mother, simplicity, patience, compassion, kindness, and tranquility; and a religious one that became a search for earthly immortality and the worshipping of many gods including nature gods, Lao-Tze, Buddha. Taoism declined with the rise of Confucianism, but Lao-Tze the teacher was never forgotten.

The basic beliefs of Taoism are found in the *Tao Teh King*. Some excerpts include the following: "All in the world know the beauty of the beautiful, and in doing so they have the idea of what ugliness is.... So it is that existence and non-existence give birth the one to the idea of the other." "There was something undefined and complete, coming into existence before Heaven and Earth.... It may be regarded as the Mother of all things. I do not know its name, and I give it the designation of the Tao... it passes on in constant flow." "He who knows other men is discerning; he who knows himself is intelligent. He who overcomes others is strong; he who overcomes himself is mighty." "To those who are good to me, I am good; and to those who are not good to me, I am also good--and thus all get to be good." "He who knows the Tao does not care to speak about it; he who is ever ready to speak about it does not know it." "It is the Way of Heaven to diminish superabundance, and to supplement deficiency. It is not so with the way of man. He takes away from those who have not enough to add to his own superabundance." "Where the Way rules, horses are bred for farms; where the Way does not rule, horses are bred for armies."

Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Sept 18, 2011

Carolyn White, clerk; Robin Harper, recording clerk

Worship and query: How do we help each other acknowledge and incorporate the changes of aging in a beneficial way? How do we maintain community with older people who can no longer attend meeting for worship or participate in committee work?

- 1. Welcome, recognition of first time attenders, review of agenda Ryan Jarrell attending for the first time.
- 2. Review of minutes for Aug Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Add Bettie Flash to list of those present.

Approved otherwise

3. Recommendation for membership of Ann Shy (Jan Hutton)
Judy Purvis (convenor), Pat Mann, Pam Schwingl, Madelyn Ashley,
and Robin Harper served on Ann's clearness committee. Ann
spoke a little about herself. She has been attending Meeting for
eight years. She grew up in Chapel Hill, where she attended the
Newman Center. She traveled, then came back to Chapel Hill to
start a family. Ann began practicing law two years ago. As a family
law attorney, constantly surrounded by conflict, Ann found the
Quaker philosophy critical in those times of conflict. Quaker
worship feels "familiar" to her, and worth getting involved in. She
felt like it was time to commit, and begin giving back in the same
way that she has been receiving from the Meeting. Her children
Caleb and Cash attend CHFS.

Friends heartily approved this recommendation from Ministry and Worship.

Hank Elkins, Carolyn Stuart, and Robin Harper (convenor) will serve on Ann's welcoming committee.

4. Request for Clearness Committee for Membership for Ryan Jarrell

This committee is already in progress.

5. Report from Nominations (Jeff Brown)

Marilyn Dyer has joined Adult Religious Education, Diane Harvey has joined the Library Committee, and Dirk Kelder is stepping off Peace & Social Concerns.

Approved.

6. Year-end financial report (Matt Drake) (attached)

Matt reported that we have paid all bills and benevolences for 2010-11. Contributions this past year did not reach our budget goal (approx. \$66,000 contributed as opposed to approx. \$70,000 planned), but committees underspent. In addition, monies came in from other sources such as building rental, so actual expenses were only under by about \$300. This small amount was taken from excess football parking revenue (beyond what the teens needed).

One Friend asked about Friends Fiduciary, and their investing principles. Matt responded that they care about all the things that Friends care about, such as non-tobacco investment, companies that care for their employees, and environmental concerns. The report was accepted with appreciation.

7. Update on building renovations; proposal to proceed with work (Don Hopper) (attached)

Don discussed at length the plans Buildings and Grounds have made to renovate the Meetinghouse. He mentioned that, later on, acquiring listening devices and helping ARE with some of their equipment needs are some of the things that the bequest money for improving the spiritual life of the Meeting will be spent on. He also discussed the needs of the downstairs area of the Meetinghouse, which are also not a part of this current proposed project, but will need to be visited soon.

Speaking to this project specifically, Don felt we might be able to save a little money on air conditioning, if we were willing to install ceiling fans when we change our lighting fixtures, and thereby set the thermostat a little higher in summer. He also asked if Finance would consider a slightly higher budget for this project, and Matt Drake stated that taking the \$22,000 from our checking account was a possibility.

The Meeting approved Buildings and Grounds proceeding with these plans.

- 8. Resolution concerning the death penalty from Peace & Social Concerns and People of Faith Against the Death Penalty (Sarah Grimme) (attached)

 Approved.
- 9. Annual Report of Ministry and Worship (Jan Hutton) (attached)
 This report will be placed on our website.
- 10.Recommendation for newsletter options: ways to make more environmentally friendly (Emily Buehler) (attached)

These recommendations will be placed on our website and in the newsletter. All Friends are encouraged to read it and make suggestions. Sample newsletters of different sizes are in the P&R mailbox.

11.Update on Justice United (Tom Munk)

This report will be placed in the newsletter (see page 7).

12.Messages and Announcements:

a. Memorial Meeting for Linda DiLorenzo, Saturday, Sept. 24, at 2:00pm.

b. New directory: make sure you let Publications and Records know of any changes.

Worship and greeting

Attending: Max Drake, Bettie Flash, Nancy Milio, Carolyn Stuart, Jan Hutton, Marilyn A. Dyer, James Harper, Barbara Williamson, Maria Darlington, Alice Carlton, Dave Curtin, Anne Smith, Emily Buehler, Ken Grogan, Ryan Jarrell, Derrick Greene, Paul Munk, Joyce Munk, Rodney Burrell, Jeff Brown, Tom Munk, Nancy Elkins, Hank Elkins, Matt Drake, Lynn Drake, Don Hopper, Julia Cleaver, Ann Shy, Sarah Grimme

CHFM Treasurer's Report, July 2010 through June 2011

INCOME		July 1-June 30	Other Income
Contributions*		\$66,067.44	(restricted)
			\$10,000
Building rental			\$3,614
Parking space rental			\$5,095
Donations to YRE activities			\$1,965
TOTAL INCOME		\$66,067.44	\$20,674
EXPENSES	2010-2011	Expenditures	Under, Over, or
	budget	to date	On Budget
Committees:			
Adult Religious Educ.	\$200	0	Under by \$200.00
Buildings & Grounds ^{a,b}	\$17,020	\$17,056.18	Over by \$36.18
Care & Counsel	\$100	\$100	On budget
Children's Religious Educ.c	\$5,250	\$4,167.52	Under by
			\$1,082.48
Environmental Concerns	\$650	\$118.06	Under by \$531.94
Finance	\$250	\$332.60	Over by \$82.60
Hospitality	\$450	\$19.38	Under by \$430.62

Library	\$500	\$237.98	Under by \$262.02
			,
Ministry & Worship ^d	\$500	\$549.58	,
Nominations	\$25	\$14.16	Under by \$10.84
Peace & Social Concerns	\$400	\$400	On budget
Publications & Records	\$2,100	\$1,869.70	Under by \$230.30
Total Committee Expenses ^e	\$27,445	\$24,865.16	Under by \$2,579.84
Youth Religious Educ.e	\$500	\$6,543.45	Did not use \$500.00
Special Funds			
National Quaker Service	\$2,000	\$1,977.10	Under by \$22.90
Meeting for Suffering	\$135	0	Under by \$135.00
Contingency Fund	\$1,280		Under by \$495.07
Future Needs of Meeting			
Leadership Development	\$2,000	\$2,000	On budget
Physical Plant Fund	\$2,000	\$2,000	On budget
Wider Quaker Community	\$23,200	\$23,200	On budget
Local & Regional Orgs.	\$11,500	\$11,500	On budget
TOTAL EXPENSES ^e	\$70,060	\$66,327.19	Under budget by \$3,732.81

^{*}Unrestricted income includes donations to Meeting plus donations for State of the Meeting meeting.

^aThe B&G budget includes insurance, maintenance, utilities, and landscaping. Landscaping was overspent by \$1389; Utilities by \$545.42, and Maintenance by \$341.51. Utilities were offset by \$815.28 from Carolina Friends School for their share of the OWASA (water) bill.

^bThe B&G maintenance budget does not include \$3685 from the Physical Plant Fund for painting and termite removal.

^cThe CRE budget includes the FDS Coordinator, Nursery Care, and supplies.

^dMinistry and Worship's expenditures are offset by \$128 income from donations at the State of Meeting workshop.

eThe YRE income (parking plus donations from Durham Friends Meeting and a few parents) was \$7,060. Their expenses are first subtracted from their income: \$7,060 - \$6543.45 = \$516.55. Therefore, \$516.55 remains without touching their budgeted funds. For this reason, YRE totals are not included in committee totals or total expenses. Note that their "expenses" this year included a major IRS bill to cover past years' parking income.

2010-11 Budget Year

All the Meeting's 2010–11 bills and benevolences have been paid. Contributions to our \$70,060 2010–11 budget totaled only \$66,067.44. Although committees under–spent their budgeted total by \$3,372.81, the actual expenses total of \$66,327.19 was \$259.75 more than contributions. To meet this gap, Finance Committee balanced the 2010–11 budget by using \$259.75 in football parking income not spent by YRE. The income from building rental, parking space rental, and donations to YRE activities have been placed in the Meeting's checking account.

\$66,327.19 expenses

<u>-66,067.44</u> contributions

\$ 259.75 expenses over contributions

Ending fiscal year balance (6/30/11) at Bank of America was \$51,535.21. As of August 23, 2011 most of our contributions to last year's benevolences had cleared. The August 23rd total is \$39,439.75 and includes income and expenses related to the current fiscal year.

Funds invested with Friends Fiduciary Corporation

	6/30/2010 Market Value	6/30/2011 Market Value
Bequest Fund	\$6,444.57	\$3,038.78
General Fund	\$17,287.50	\$27,396.81 (to be confirmed)
Physical Plant Fund	\$11,170.97	\$26, 214.03*

^{*}Includes \$10,000 gift specifically for renovating the Meetinghouse and transfer of approximately \$3,500 from Bequest Fund to Physical Plant Fund for renovating the meeting room, approved by M&W and ARE in Spring, 2011.

Building and Grounds Proposal on Increasing the Energy Efficiency of the Meetinghouse Chapel Hill Friends Meeting for Business 18 September 2011

Seal the attic

Use Dense Packed Cellulose (DPC) insulation under the roof deck and gable ends.

Increase the depth of the rafters to 9 inches by applying 2x4s to the underside of the rafters.

Add one inch thick polyisocyanurate rigid insulation between the 2x4 and rafter to interrupt the thermal bridge.

Install 9+ inches of DPC between the rafters (supported by fabric stapled to the underside of rafter) resulting in R40 under the roof deck.

Remove the ceiling in the foyer to allow access so that a similar application of DPC can be installed.

Install new clear finished pine tongue-and-groove ceiling in the foyer with new LED recessed lights.

Reconfigure and replace HVAC for upstairs

Remove old 80% efficient furnaces from the attic and replace with one 95% efficient smaller BTU furnace.

Install one new smaller AC compressor to cool the meeting room, library, foyer, and bathroom when the space is not in use or in use by a few people; maybe 95% of the time.

Install one larger AC compressor to be used when cooling demand increases; meeting for worship, weddings, memorial services, etc.

Design of the HVAC system and the installation of the DPC is being handled by Jeff Reilich of Environmental Quality Control, of Chapel Hill, NC

Cost of the Deal

Installation of DPC	\$ 6,285
Install 2x4s	2,300
Demo and remove foyer ceiling and insulati	on 500
Install new prefinished ceiling and lights	2,075
Remove old HVAC and install new equipmen	nt 10,000
Extra labor / lights and misc.	840

Total Cost \$ 22,000

Resolution to Replace the Death Penalty With Life Imprisonment Without Parole and Use the Savings to Assist Murder Victims' Families and Help Prevent Violent Crime

WHEREAS more than 135 innocent people have been exonerated and released from death row after spending more than four centuries on death row; and

WHEREAS the death penalty in North Carolina has been shown to be adversely impacted by racial bias (Michigan State University, 2010 and UNC, 2000); and

WHEREAS the death penalty annually costs tens of millions of taxpayer dollars more than life imprisonment without parole (Duke University, 2009); and

WHEREAS North Carolina's death penalty has to lead to innocent people being condemned to die; and

WHEREAS North Carolina statutes already involve life imprisonment without the possibility of parole as an alternative to the death penalty; and

WHEREAS less than one percent of murders lead to death sentences and rarely involve "the worst of the worst" defendants; and WHEREAS hundreds of millions of North Carolina taxpayers' dollars spent on death penalty cases could be used for crime prevention and on new programs to offer assistance to murder victim families;

THEREFORE, BE IT RESOLVED, that

_____ calls on the governor of North Carolina and our legislators in the N.C. General Assembly, the president of the United States, and our members in the United States Congress to adopt policies and executive orders and to enact legislation repealing the death penalty in all state, federal, and military jurisdictions and to use funds saved to assist murder victims' families and for crime prevention programs, and to ratify a suspension of all executions until such legislation is enacted into law.

BE IT FURTHER RESOLVED that copies of this resolution shall be

forwarded to the governor of the State of North Carolina; the state senator and the state representative in the N.C. General Assembly who represent districts serving this organization's members; the President of the United States; the two U.S. Senators from North Carolina; those members of the U.S. House of Representatives representing districts serving this organization's members; and the mayors, city council members, county commissioners, district attorneys, sheriffs, police chiefs, and media organizations in the communities where this organization's members live.

Name of Organization/Congregation/Business:		
Signature of Organization Representative:		
Printed Name:	Date:	
Title of Organization Representative:		
Street:		
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Ministry and Worship Annual Report, September, 2010 - September, 2011

The Ministry and Worship Committee is charged with supporting and nurturing the spiritual life of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting. Our ongoing intent is to listen deeply to members and attenders so that we can maintain the aliveness of our meeting spiritually.

Several events are part of the committees annual responsibilities, We held the Spiritual State of the Meeting on March 26, 2011 with the guiding query: "How have Quaker testimonies shaped our spiritual community for 75 years – and where do we go from here?" The annual report from the Spiritual State of the Meeting was presented at Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business in June.

Other annual responsibilities include:

- The June Meeting for Worship celebrating Chapel Hill Friends
 Meeting graduating high school seniors. Our graduates are given
 gifts of Parker Palmer's Let Your Life Speak.
- The Christmas Eve Candlelight Worship.
- Organizing a retreat for all of Chapel Hill Friends Meeting's committee clerks.

During the year, the Ministry and Worship Committee carefully considers a number of issues with the Meeting's input. From September 2010 through August, 2011, these concerns and recommendations included:

- Developing and presenting a new set of queries to our Meeting, which was approved by Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.
- Reviewing the process for clearness committees for membership to ensure clarity for potential committee clerks.
- Discussing the question of joining SAYMA and the value of being part of a Yearly Meeting.
- Continuing to consider options for providing more prayerful time

- for consideration of business during Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business.
- Advancing plans for the 75th anniversary of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting. One component of this celebration will be a program offered to our Meeting in November, 2012, by Quaker scholar, Ben Pink Dandelion. Programming leading up to his visit will include a series of ongoing groups using Pink Dandelions's books as a focus for sharing deeply with each other. A portion of the remaining Spiritual Bequest Funds will pay for his visit.

Finally, we convened three membership clearness committees since our last report in September, 2010. Our Meeting welcomed into membership the late Linda Di Lorenzo and Jasmine McKewen, and we anticipate accepting Ann Shy.

Respectfully submitted: Max Drake, Dottie Heninger, Jan Hutton (clerk), Lloyd Kramer, Pat Mann, Judy Purvis, Bonnie Raphael, Larry Tabor, Wren Hendrickson, Carolyn White, ex-officio

Newsletter Options To Consider

Goals and Potential Goals:

- -make the newsletter more environmentally friendly
- -support small, local business (?)

Option #1 Keep doing what we are doing

- -printing on 30% recycled, legal-size paper at Fedex
- -cost for 65 booklets (24 pages) = \sim \$110
- -Fedex does not offer 100% recycled, legal-size paper
- -Pros: convenient, fast turnover, Saturday pickup, cheap
- -Cons: paper not 100% recycled; they often make mistakes in billing; chain store--money leaves the local economy; employees seem really unhappy
- -Note: lots of vague enviro info on website (ex: "FedEx works with its suppliers and contractors to understand the environmental impacts of the materials we use throughout our business and then works to reduce those impacts."); seems like SOME paper/products are ok, others are not.

Option #2 Switch to 100% recycled LETTER paper at Fedex

- -print on 100% recycled, letter-sized paper at Fedex
- -cost for 65 booklets (31 pages) = ~\$131
- -Note that this is a SHORT newsletter. The price difference would be greater for a longer newsletter, which happens about 6 months of the year.
- -Pros: convenient, fast turnover, Saturday pickup, 100% recycled
- -Cons: smaller newsletter, more total paper used (30 square inches more paper PER NEWSLETTER than option one); see enviro note above; they often make mistakes in billing; chain store--money leaves the local economy; employees seem really unhappy

Option #3 Switch to Chapel Hill Printing

- -print on 100% recycled, legal paper at Chapel Hill Printing (near BCBS)
- -cost for 65 booklets (24 pages) = \sim \$197
- -Note: I talked to the owner about the pricing; he couldn't believe how cheap Fedex is. He could not tell me a paper price because cost decreases with amount; also, the booklets get made in a machine that automatically trims them; at Fedex, we are able to get "untrimmed" for a cheaper price.
- -Pros: paper is 100% recycled, company has an environmental statement

(see below); local business (money stays in local economy); they deliver -Cons: much more expensive; paying for high quality that we don't need; less convenient (4-5 day turnover, closed weekends, no wiggle room)

Option #4 Switch to A Better Image

- -print on 100% recycled, legal paper at A Better Image (in Eastgate)
- -cost for 65 booklets (24 pages) = \sim \$180 (\$174 + 7)
- -Pros: paper is 100% recycled, company has an environmental statement (see below); local business (money stays in local economy); they deliver (\$7)
- -Cons: much more expensive; less convenient (3 day turnover, closed weekends)

Option #5 Switch to A Better Image, Large Format

- -print on 100% recycled, 11x17 paper at A Better Image (in Eastgate)
- -cost for 65 booklets (16 pages) = \sim \$164
- -it would be \$142 with no staples; not sure if this will hold together for a month
- -They get paper that is 11x17 so it saves money to use that size.
- -Pros: paper is 100% recycled, company has an environmental statement (see below); local business (money stays in local economy); they deliver (\$7)
- -Cons: more expensive; less convenient (3 day turnover, closed weekends); more total paper used (30 square inches more paper PER NEWSLETTER than option one)

Chapel Hill Printing Environmental Statement:

Keeping it Green!

Here at Chapel Hill Printing & Graphics, we care about the environment. Much of the paper we use for printing has between 10 to 30% post consumer waste. We also offer papers that are 100% post-consumer waste, carbon neutral, chlorine free, green energy and wind powered. All of our paper waste is carted to be recycled. We use computer-to-plate technology to cut down on chemicals used for developing film, and any film used is recycled.

As for ink, we print using environmentally friendly, 100% linseed oil based inks.

A Better Image Environmental Statement and More:

The Environment

Through the years, we have been a leader in managing our business in a way that impacts the environment in a friendly, positive, and thoughtful manner. Long before others were paying attention to environmental issues, we implemented the following

Environmental Vision and Management Policy:

- Virtually 100% of our paper purchases are from paper companies that harvest trees from decades old tree farms specifically planted, harvested, and replanted to provide an ongoing source of non-public paper pulp.
- We recycle tons and tons of paper every month. Frankly, it is a lot of work
 and effort, with a buy-back revenue stream that covers only a small fraction of
 the cost of our efforts. That's OK, we believe it to be a very valuable effort.
- We use recycled papers whenever possible, and encourage others to do the same.
- We use inks and toners that are recyclable.
- We use chemicals and solvents that are almost 100% water soluble, biodegradable, and recyclable. They are often more expensive, but we consider these products to be a wise investment.
- We have implemented programs to reduce our electrical consumption and to minimize the usage of all raw materials.
- A very important way that we urge our customers to partner with us in our environment efforts is by using our digital/internet ordering, proofing, and reordering system. Use of our digital ordering system enables all of us to save substantial amounts of gasoline and other raw materials.
- If you have suggestions about how we could further our environmental impact, please call us with your ideas.

Philosophy

Our primary objective is to make you happy. Here's how:

Trust — We'll tell you the truth, and we won't exaggerate.

Price — We'll earn your loyalty by consistently being your lowest-cost provider of printing.

Speed — We hustle. We'll finish your order quickly. We encourage our coworkers to work quickly and with a sense of urgency.

Quality — We'll carefully inspect your printed project more than once to ensure the highest quality.

Enthusiasm and Friendliness — We only hire customer service representatives who have positive attitudes, a concern for others, and a high level of attention to detail. They are a well-trained, enthusiastic, and caring bunch of graphic arts professionals who are determined to substantially out-perform the customer service reps at other print shops.

How can we help you?

Our Mission Statement

To provide our customers with confidence and peace of mind that we will provide services to produce their materials and ideas in the highest quality and in the most reliable, timely, and cost effective way possible. We will do this with an empowered, talented and productive staff that is always looking out for our customer's best interests and strives for perfection.

Calendar

(All events at Meetinghouse unless otherwise indicated.)

Sun. 10/2 8:30am 9:45am 11am 11am 12:30pm Tue. 10/4 7-8pm Wed. 10/5 10am-12pm Thur.10/6 9am-1pm Fri. 10/7 1:05pm 5-6pm Sat. 10/8	Meeting for Worship (Early) Forum: The Impact of the Debt Deal Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods Potluck & IFC donations – Schoolhouse followed by Quaker House Ice Cream Social Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation – Call Hank Elkins Quaker Women's Gathering – Bettie Flash Home CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter Jumu'ah prayers in the Meetinghouse Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd Compassionate Listening Training (see Sept, page 9)
Sun. 10/9 8:30am 9:45am 11am 11am 12:30pm 12:30pm tba Tue. 10/11 7-8pm Fri. 10/14 1:05pm 5-6pm tba Sat. 10/15 5pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Forum: Quaker House and GI Rights Hotline Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods Newcomers' Lunch – Schoolhouse Peace & Social Concerns Com. – Schoolhouse FDS Field Trip (see page 7) Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation – Call Hank Elkins Jumu'ah prayers in the Meetinghouse Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd Movie at Southern Village: CarbonNation (see page 6) FDS Family Potluck (see page 7)
Sun. 10/16 8:30am 9:30am 11am 11am Tue. 10/18 7-8pm Wed. 10/19 10am-12pm 7pm Fri. 10/21 1:05pm 5-6pm Fri. 10/21 - Sun. 10/23 Sat. 10/22 6:30pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Meeting for Worship w/Attention to Business Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation – Call Hank Elkins Quaker Women's Gathering – Bettie Flash Home YRE Committee – Meetinghouse Jumu'ah prayers in the Meetinghouse Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd SAYF Retreat – Atlanta (see page 7) ECC's Fall Movie Night: Gasland – Schoolhouse (page 5)

Sun. 10/23 8:30am 9:45am 11am 11am 12:30pm Mon. 10/24 7pm Fri. 10/28 1:05pm 5-6pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Forum: Maria Darlington's Time in Mexico Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship – Carol Woods Environmental Concerns Com. – Schoolhouse Orange Juice Public Meeting (see page 7) Jumu'ah prayers in the Meetinghouse Vigil for Peace & Justice – E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
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Help Update the Directory!

The Publications and Records Committee wants your current address, phone number, and email. Contact us with changes or to **verify that your information is still accurate**. If you don't, we will have to call you. Please let us know if there are changes in the names you'd like listed (e.g., children who now prefer their own listing, YA Friends who are now adults.) The deadline is November 1st to be included in the 2012 directory.

Here are the ways to submit information:

- 1. Send us an email at directory@chapelhillfriends.org.
- 2. Fill in the form (next page) and leave it in the P&R mailbox.
- 3. Call Emily Buehler at 919 475 5756.

Thanks for your help getting the directory out on time!



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