

# Chapel Hill Friends Meeting Newsletter

February, 2013



## Monthly Query:

*Have I considered joining the Meeting? What if anything, holds me back? If I am a member, how do I encourage others to consider this step?*

*How can your committee help the Meeting become more diverse and more inclusive of youth, young adults, and young families this year?*

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## Upcoming Forum Schedule

**February 3** tbd (the Quaker Tapestry forum has been cancelled)

**February 10** Nancy Milio will provide an FCNL update

**February 24** Ministry and Worship will facilitate a forum on "The Meaning of Membership"

# Monthly EnviroTips from the ECC

## Local action

Tempted to grow your own seedlings? Consider a spring sprout starters' exchange! Since most commercially available packets contain more seed than a single family needs, joining forces with friends and neighbors is a good way to divide and conquer. For organic and heirloom varieties, try <http://sowtrueseeds.com/> or <http://www.seedsofchange.com/>.

## National lobbying opportunity

On February 17, 350.org is planning a massive demonstration in Washington, DC to oppose the proposed Keystone Pipeline. This pipeline is slated to carry bitumen from the vast tar sands of Canada across the US to oil refineries on the Gulf of Mexico. Bitumen extraction requires extraordinary environmental degradation to produce extremely dirty oil, and if completed the project would raise global CO2 to levels that NASA climate scientist Jim Hansen has said would mean "game over for the planet." You can learn more from the following fact sheets; if you are interested in attending the rally, contact Tom Munk or Eloise Grathwohl for information about transportation.

Eco-Justice Notes fact sheet on the Keystone pipeline:  
<http://www.eco-justice.org/E-110805.asp>

NRDC fact sheet on the Keystone pipeline:  
<http://www.nrdc.org/land/files/TarSandsPipeline4pgr.pdf>

## IFC Update

The IFC met both of their 2012 challenge grants. The first, for meeting the increased needs of the local poor and hungry at the emergency shelter and at the Women's and children's shelter (Project Home Start). The second, for funding to proceed with building the new Men's Community House to be located at the intersection of MLK Boulevard and Homestead Rd. Appreciation and many thanks to those of you who contributed and helped the IFC meet these twin grants!

At the same time, the IFC is initiating a "Food First" project to merge the Rosemary St. shelter kitchen with the IFC food distribution program in Carrboro.

So it's busy times, and the number of people in need is growing, while government funds are drying up. The IFC has hired a consultant to help raise money for building the new Community House. The goal is four million dollars over five years. More information about the campaign will be coming.

The IFC currently needs tuna, canned fruit, and soup. Bring your donations on the first Sunday of the month, leaving your contribution in the IFC basket in the foyer at CHFM. Or, write a check and put it in the envelope in the foyer. Everything you contribute helps the poor in Chapel Hill and Carrboro!

## **Quaker Worship at Orange Correctional Center**

**Sunday, March 10, 6:45 (set up), 7-8 worship at OCC in Hillsborough**

Our Meeting has been invited to provide the worship service at OCC on March 10th. This is a good opportunity to support our prisoners and bring Friends' worship to OCC. Guards will not search you; you don't need special ID. You will be greeted at the gate by OCC personnel and observed as you enter, but that's it.

Orange Correctional Center is located in Hillsborough at 2110 Clarence Walters Road (off Old 86).

If you feel moved, bring simple refreshments (cookies and juice), napkins, and paper cups to go with the food items.

Mark your calendar now! Hope we will have a good CHFM turnout!

Questions: Call Paul Munk at 919 918-3589

## **Why is the Shotts Committee having such a difficult time giving away money??**

The Shotts Memorial and Leadership Development Funds are available to help YOU grow as a Quaker and a leader. It's true! We are willing to give YOU funds (after a brief application) so you can grow your gifts. Are you ready to participate in a program/project/training of your choosing that will enhance your gifts as a Quaker and/or as a leader? Money from the Shotts Memorial Fund or the Leadership Development Fund can help cover some of your expenses as you follow up on your yearning. If you are ready to continue growing as a Quaker and human being, please consider applying for funding, so you can share your gifts with the Meeting, the community, and the world – pay it forward! This is not a charity but the opportunity for the Meeting to assist in your growth as a Quaker and/or as a leader.

(OK, you feel somewhat timid and think that what you 'love' is silly, self-indulgent, or not applicable? Please come talk to any of us individually and test that out! Jan Hutton, Lynn Drake, Gwynne Pomeroy, Roberto Quercia, and Stuart Phillips – we're all in the directory.)

Check out the links below to see some activities that are sponsored by Quaker organizations. Certainly, though, look outside the box for other leadership and/or Quaker programming opportunities. Additional information on how to apply is available on the Meeting website here:

[www.chapelhillfriends.org/ShottsLeadershipFunds.html](http://www.chapelhillfriends.org/ShottsLeadershipFunds.html).

<http://pendlehill.org/workshops/themes>

<http://www.fgcquaker.org/connect/gathering>

<http://www.fgcquaker.org/connect/events>

## **Paul Munk Named Volunteer of the Year**

Paul Munk has been named Volunteer of the Year by the Chapel Hill/Carrboro Chamber of Commerce for his work with the Alamance-Orange Prison Ministry. Dave Nickel, chaplain at the prison, recommended him with this letter:

*Over the past half-decade, Paul has shown himself to be compassionate (but not naive) to a segment of our population that doesn't normally receive compassion from others. He is a father-figure to men who often don't know their fathers, and, if they do, they almost never describe their fathers as "compassionate."*

*Paul's compassion is consistent to men whose lives seem to be defined by inconsistency and only know "consistent" as a fence and officers whose primary task is to consistently keep society safe from them.*

*Paul's compassion is humble and quiet. He does not volunteer countless hours each week to be recognized or to win accolades, and he never uses words to announce his presence or his accomplishments. It seems he would prefer to do his good work unnoticed.*

*But Paul does make a difference to so many men at Orange Correctional Center, and his compassionate witness needs to be recognized.*

Please take this opportunity to say thank you to all of our members and attenders who do such good work for the men at Orange Correctional and who, in the process, enrich our Meeting so greatly.

## **Book Review: What's the Password for Jesus?**

**Quaker FAQs for Younger Friends, by Chuck Fager**

**Submitted by Tom Munk**

This book will be on the New Books/Featured Books shelf in the library for now.

Chuck Fager's retirement from Quaker House is a great loss, but it is my hope that it will free him for more writing. He is a splendid exponent of Quakerism. This little book is a series of questions and answers that will speak very clearly to young Friends who are wondering about how Quakerism fits into the much, much broader and often very, very different world of U.S. Christianity. Readable in an hour or two, it's great for adults, too.

## **Help Available for Yard Work**

Jimmy Farris and Reggie Thomas are now available to help with yard work, chores, or odd jobs only on weekends, as both have full time jobs. You can contact them at the following: Reggie, (919) 360-2420; Jimmy, 919-525-4970.

## **Upcoming Dates for Teens**

Saturday, March 2: CHFM's State of the Meeting gathering

At the annual State of the Meeting gathering, our teens will present a preview of the final video they are working on to commemorate CHFM's 75th anniversary.

Friday - Sunday, March 8-10: Teen weekend at Hyco Lake

Details will be announced as the date draws near.

Friday - Sunday, March 15-17: Piedmont Friends Fellowship

Families are encouraged to attend this annual fellowship weekend, held on the Carolina Friends School campus. This is a great opportunity for our teens (and you!) to get to know other Quakers from area Meetings. Please look for additional details in our Meeting's newsletters and listserv announcements.

## **CFS All School Meetings for Worship Reminder**

**February 6 and April 17, 10:30-11am at CFS gymnasium**

All members and attenders of the Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting are invited to join CFS in worship. The remaining All School Meetings for Worship for the 2012-13 school year are on February 6 and April 17. The school community will gather in the gymnasium on the CFS main campus from 10:30 to 11:00 on these dates.

## **Dwight Cooley**

Dwight Cooley, long time member of our Meeting and a resident of Carol Woods, died January 19th after a period of declining health. He was a dignified and exceptionally kind man. Both Dwight and his wife Elizabeth (deceased) were active in CHFM and at Carol Woods. They were committed Quakers who lived their testimonies fully.

## **2012 contribution totals sent to Meeting contributors**

On January 23 and 24, 2013, Finance Committee sent each contributor to the Meeting a note or an email stating the total each Friend contributed during the 2012 calendar year and thanked them for their support.

Some Friends received two notices when errors were discovered in their first notice. These Friends were asked to disregard the first notice and utilize the second one.

If you did not receive a contribution notice and think you should have or if you believe the total sent you is incorrect, please contact Matt Drake at 919-968-0044 or [matthiascdrake@gmail.com](mailto:matthiascdrake@gmail.com)

## **“Unity in Diversity” Workshop with Richard Barnes**

**Saturday, April 6, 1:30-4pm at the Schoolhouse**

Richard Barnes will lead a workshop at the Meeting in April. A registration fee of \$10 is requested. Contact Marilyn Dyer or a member of ARE to register. More details will follow.

### **Richard's biography:**

Richard Barnes, a convinced Friend of 38 years, was born in Richmond, Virginia, received a B.A. from the College of William and Mary, a M.Ed. from the University of Rochester, and did extensive graduate work at the Boston University Graduate School of Religion. He and his wife, Mary and their two children, were students at Pendle Hill on an Eli Lilly Foundation grant for a year in 1977-78.

A founding member of Maury River Friends Meeting in Lexington, Virginia, he has served as clerk of his monthly meeting and Virginia Half-Years Meeting. In 1997, he and his wife, Mary, served as co-clerks of the FGC Gathering of over 2200 Friends at James Madison University in Harrisonburg, Virginia. He served as clerk of the Quaker Universalist Fellowship for 10 years and has been a workshop leader at several FGC Gatherings and at three different yearly meetings. He and his wife, Mary, served as Friends in Residence at Pendle Hill during the spring term of 2011.

After serving 24 years as a teacher, counselor, and administrator in Virginia public schools, he served five years as director of development at Pendle Hill, a Quaker Center of Study and Contemplation, in Wallingford Pennsylvania from 1997-2001. After leaving Pendle Hill, he served seven years fundraising for various Friends organizations and as a fundraising consultant with HFreeman Associates. He estimates that he has made personal face-to-face visits in the homes of over 300 Friends in over 20 states.

Retired, he has a large organic garden, cuts his own firewood, and lives in one of the least populated counties east of the Mississippi River. His interests include mindfulness meditation, mysticism, spiritual discernment practices, and the parallels between the early Quakers and what Marcus Borg and Dominic Crossan today call “emerging Christianity”.

## **Movie Screening: *Mothers of Bedford***

**Tuesday, February 12, 6:30pm at Meredith College**

Our Children's Place <http://www.ourchildrensplace.com/> (a private nonprofit agency committed to the children of incarcerated parents) is hosting the first North Carolina screening of "Mothers of Bedford" on Tuesday, 2/12/13, 6:30 p.m. at Meredith College in Raleigh. "Mothers of Bedford" (<http://www.mothersofbedford.com/>) is a 90-minute feature length documentary that follows five women incarcerated in the Bedford Hills Correctional Facility in New York and looks at their lives through the lens of motherhood. Tickets can be purchased at the door or online from <http://www.ourchildrensplace.com/>. Car pooling can be arranged—contact Asta Crowe at [astacrowe@gmail.com](mailto:astacrowe@gmail.com) or 919-933-4564 for more information.

# Stewardship Workshops

## Quaker values and personal financial decisions

February 9-10, Charlotte Friends Meeting

Quakers have a long tradition of building our lives around our values. It has never been enough to simply profess belief in an ethical or moral philosophy – beliefs should lead to action. That is why Friends have so often been at the forefront of positive social change. This same practice should apply to how we handle our money. It is important to financially care for ourselves and our loved ones, but how can we do that in ways that also support Quaker values?

Charlotte Friends Meeting (CFM) is hosting two workshops on this topic. The facilitators, Larry Jalowiec from Friends General Conference and Glen Kaufman from Everence (formerly Mennonite Mutual Aid), will provide information and perspective in considering financial stewardship issues in our own lives.

Co-sponsored by CFM Peace & Social Concerns and CFM Finance Committee, both workshops will be held at Charlotte Friends Meeting (570 West Rocky River Road, Charlotte NC). There is no fee for either workshop. Childcare is available by advance arrangement. Please contact Ruth Moeller at 704.236.5708 or [ruth.moeller@gmail.com](mailto:ruth.moeller@gmail.com) if you need childcare or have other questions about these workshops.

Date: Saturday, February 9, 2013

Time: 10am – 1pm

Topic: Estate planning

A will is a basic planning document that everyone should have, yet the majority of people have no will or the will they have is outdated. But a will is only the start. Good estate planning should include advance medical directives, powers of attorney, and other important documents that care for your loved ones, reflect your values, and support the causes you believe in. This workshop will give you a good overview of the financial considerations involved in the planning process and how best to use various annuities, trusts and other vehicles to help reduce your tax exposure and maximize your gifts to family and charity. It will also help you to overcome the procrastination that holds back so many people.

Date: Sunday, February 10, 2013

Time: Following Meeting for Worship (approximately 11:45am – 1:15pm)

Topic: Stewardship investing

Saving and investing is a hallmark of good stewardship, but how well do we connect our financial decisions with our values? It's not a perfect world and sometimes the options are not always clear, but you can still make a difference. This workshop will help you think about the values that are important to you and how they can be reflected in the investment decisions you make.

# Discourse on Justice

Read in meeting and submitted by Paul Munk

Justice

Is an ugly word  
I shudder when I hear it  
More jarring than the four letter words  
Why do we use it so carelessly  
There is no love  
In justice

Justice

Is a scary word  
A bug-a-boo in the night  
A threat to keep us in our place  
Please protect me from justice  
A burglar of my peace  
It's scary

Justice

Is a heartless excuse  
For cruel unforgiving behavior  
We kill our fellowmen in war  
We murder murders and  
Tear families asunder  
And call it  
Justice

Justice

Is the edict  
Of the last judge to speak  
Nothing more and nothing less  
It has mellowed with the passage of time  
But it is still harsh and  
Nasty

Justice

Society's drug of choice,  
Like alcohol and opium, it alters  
Mood and behavior and induces sleep and stupor.  
And it never satisfies for long  
It's addictive and leads  
To dependence

Justice

Is a servant of power  
Concerning wealth, Einstein wrote  
"I regard differences as contrary to justice and,  
In the last resort, based on force"  
Concerning war he wrote  
"A relic of the age  
Of barbarism"

Justice

Is the fog  
That shields our conscience  
From the uncomfortable knowledge  
Of the pain and suffering of the underprivileged  
Justice rationalizes selfishness and greed  
An ultimate safe refuge for the  
Unthinking

Justice

Is a pseudonym for failure  
A non-offensive name for the uncomfortable fact  
Criminals are not born; they are made and not self-  
made  
They are the product of the incompetent society that  
failed its mission  
They are the result of failed parents, schools, churches  
Communities, cities, states, and nations  
Justice is the punt society uses  
To bail itself out after  
Failure

Justice

Is arrogant and irreverent  
Vengeance is mine sayeth the Lord  
Not so, vengeance is mine, sayeth justice  
Justice is the implementer of biblical prophecy:  
For whosoever hath, to him shall be given,  
And he shall have more abundance:  
But whosoever hath not, from  
Him shall be taken away  
Even that he hath.

Justice is

Force and violence  
The shame of the nation  
Dressed in shiny black robes  
And paraded with pride  
Take me to a place  
Where there is  
No justice

OH LORD HELP US

ERADICATE

JUSTICE

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

Jennifer Leeman, clerk pro-tem; Robin Harper, recording clerk  
January 20, 2013

**Worship and query:** How do I identify, develop, and use my particular gifts for the good of all?

**Welcome, recognition of first time attenders, review of agenda**

We welcomed first-time attender Lee Steel.

**Review of minutes for December Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business**

Approved.

**Annual Report of ARE—Dan Darnell (Attached)**

Dan began by reading the annual report from 1967–68, as an interesting comparison and reflection back to our early history.

One Friend expressed gratitude for ARE's outreach to involve other committees in the Meeting.

Another expressed strong support for ARE's investigation into improving our sound system. Buildings & Grounds is exploring options, including possibly installing microphones in the ceiling. They will be reporting to the Meeting soon about what they learn.

The report was accepted with appreciation for the work of the committee.

**Recommend transfer of membership of Wendy Michener from Fayetteville Friends Meeting to Chapel Hill Friends Meeting**

We approved Wendy's transfer of her membership back to CHFM. Dottie Heninger is convening a committee that is in the process of planning a welcoming potluck for the first Sunday in February. The committee is composed of Dottie, Tom Munk, Kitty Bergel, and Carolyn Stuart. Announcement of this potluck will be going out on the listserv.

Approved.

**Continuation of Discussion of Benevolences—Bill Jenkins and Dan Darnell (Attached)**

See benevolence descriptions posted on our website. There are also a few hard copies on the table in the foyer.

Our clerk reminded Friends that this month we are approving only the ARE and P&SC benevolences, having approved those under the stewardship of M&W last month, and also that the overall amount for benevolences was approved at a previous meeting and represents a 10% cut from last year's total.

Bill described P&SC's process of discernment, having come to clearness on spreading out the cut by giving a greater portion to organizations who have not done as well financially this past year, and less to those who are doing better. Bill asked Friends who

might want more money given to any one group, to suggest what group we might take that money from. After some discussion, we went into silent worship.

One Friend expressed ongoing frustration with what he perceived as the Meeting's avoidance of the unfolding tragedy of the degradation of the environment. Friends honored this Friend's concerns, but also pointed out the ways that we are indeed addressing this need, including increased monies to environmental benevolences, increased efforts by the ECC to educate the Meeting, and the indirect environmental benefit of the work of some these organizations (e.g., Friends Committee on National Legislation). The Meeting was united in its concerns about environmental damage, and in our need to look more closely at what we may be able to do as individuals and as a community.

While there was sadness expressed at some of the cuts to some beloved benevolences, and understanding of this Friend's concern, we approved P&SC's benevolence budget. Several Friends expressed thankfulness for the time we allowed ourselves to discern and come to unity, and recognition of the difficulties of P&SC's task.

ARE's benevolence is the Friends' Center at Guilford College. Dan asked Friends for help learning about this benevolence. Matt shared what he knew about the Center, its being the Quaker Center on campus, similar to other denominations' centers on college campuses. Wendy shared that the Center sends ministers to unpastored meetings that want them, and that Deborah Shaw does outreach work with students. One Friend noted that we have cut many benevolences that are important to us and should consider whether this benevolence remains a priority.

We asked ARE to take another month to learn about the Friends' Center, and decide how the benevolence money should be allocated.

#### **Annual Report of CRE—Kathleen McNeil**

Postponed.

#### **Annual Report of Ministry and Worship—Dottie Heninger (Attached)**

Friends expressed appreciation at the work M&W does, and how much their work has enriched our lives, especially the planning and carry-through of the 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary events. Many remarked on the positive effect the year of observing our anniversary has had on the Meeting.

The Meeting asked M&W to craft a letter of appreciation for Ben Pink Dandelion.  
Accepted.

#### **Messages and Announcements:**

a. 2013 Directory is here—thank you Emily Buehler!

The Meeting minuted their appreciation to Emily for the care and the time that she spent in creating the 2013 Meeting Directory.

b. A sample chair has been made available by B&G as a prelude to ordering some chairs to add to the Meetingroom. These are the same as the ones used at the Durham meeting. We are considering ones with arms. Friends are requested to sit in it and give their feedback on its comfort to B&G.

- c. You are invited to the Martin Luther King, Jr., celebration at Carolina Friends School at 10:30am in the Gym. The all-school observation will involve students, staff, and parents and will offer a variety of activities.
- d. Rosalie Riegle will be our speaker at a potluck at the rise of meeting today. She is the author of "Doing Time for Peace: Resistance, Family, and Community." Join Ms. Riegle, an oral historian, as she introduces her new book on war resisters who say no to war-making in the strongest way possible—by engaging in civil disobedience and paying the consequences in jail or prison.
- e. Bettie Flash shared a concern about Russia and will leave material on the table in the foyer.
- f. Wendy reminded Friends of the Piedmont Friends Fellowship yearly gathering at Carolina Friends School on March 16–17, for which we are responsible for the teen portion.
- g. There will be a gathering tomorrow, Monday, January 21, at 9:00am for a march beginning at Peace & Justice Plaza, in celebration of Martin Luther King, Jr., Day.

### **Worship and greeting**

**Attending:** Perry Martin, Dirk Spruyt, Marilyn A. Dyer, Max Drake, James Harper, Jan Hutton, Dottie Heninger, Wendy Michener, Nancy Milio, Kitty Bergel, Bill Jenkins, Carolyn Stuart, Raymond Lee Steele, Richard Miller, Larry Tabor, Ryan Jarrell, Lynn Drake, Matt Drake, Hank Elkins, Nancy Elkins, Tom Munk, Judy Purvis, Bettie Flash, Lloyd Kramer, Tom McQuiston, Joyce Munk, Paul Munk, Rodney Burrell, Anthony Herding, Edward Scotts, Francis Coyle, John Hite.

## **ADULT RELIGIOUS EDUCATION Annual Report 2011 - 2012**

The adult religious education committee is carrying on and furthering many initiatives that have been noted in previous annual reports. We are very conscious and intentional about encouraging certain aspects of forums, ie. that forums are relevant in clear ways to both Quaker faith and practice, have some specific structure, and a clear process for engaging participants. We strive to have the forums represent well the diverse activities, both in social action and spiritual development, that members and committees are involved in. We often get feedback that forum participants value highly the small group sharings around specific queries. In that light the personal sharings by individuals in the Meeting are also greatly appreciated. This has led us to be more intentional about furthering opportunities for such sharing and for enhancing the sense of community in the Meeting. There also seems to be a recurring interest in organizing small groups of members and attenders who can meet on a regular basis outside of First Day, e.g. for a book club, but ARE has not recently been actively involved in promoting this.

We have frequently discussed how to collaborate effectively with other committees, for example, sharing ideas for forums with Ministry and Worship, and supporting the planning done by the Meeting's 75<sup>th</sup> Anniversary committee. We have focused some on working with CRE to involve the children in forums in order to appreciate their unique perspectives and to facilitate interactions among different generations in the Meeting.

We seek to have forums that highlight what it means to be a Quaker and what Quaker processes are. This is an area that we often have extended discussions about and for which we seek guidance from Ministry and Worship. ARE is aware of the importance of supporting ways the Meeting engages with our community, our nation, and the world at large. There have been forums on environmental concerns, FCNL initiatives, Quaker House, engaging with the Muslim community, and the Occupy movement.

Another area to make progress on is collaboration with Buildings and Grounds to enhance the audio/visual capabilities in the Meeting House. There has been much feedback that forum attenders would appreciate a better sound system. We have also tried to maintain some consistency in recording forums and collaborating with the library committee to make the audio CDs available in the library.

Current members of ARE are Barbara Williamson, Dirk Kelder, Max Drake, Marilyn Dyer, Ryan Jarrell, and Dan Darnell, convener. Of note too are the significant contributions to the committee's work that Andy Nelson and Emily Nelson have made earlier this year.

### **ARE FORUMS 2011 – 2012**

- Aug 28** Quaker Testimonies – panel discussion
- Sept 4** School of the Spirit – Judy Purvis
- Sept 11** “On what inquiries is my faith based?” (St. Augustine) – Andy Nelson
- Sept 25** Clearness Committees – Care and Counsel
- 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
- Oct 30** “Spirited Engagement” – a short film and some history of the American Friends Service Committee (AFSC)
- Nov 6** Personal sharing – Paul and Joyce Munk
- Nov 13** AfAm Quakers, speaking out of the silence – Emily’s friend Diane
- Nov 27** "A Conversation with Occupy Chapel Hill" – Steve Peterson and Harry Phillips
- Dec 4** Role of Queries – Lloyd Kramer
- Dec 11** "Can A Muslim Be Patriotic?" – Samar Shawa and Iyad Hindi
- Dec 25** Christmas music – Dirk Kelder

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

<b>Benevolence Budget Recommended by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee Benevolences Recommended by the Peace and Social Concerns Committee</b>	<b>2007-8</b>	<b>2008-9</b>	<b>2009-10</b>	<b>2010-11</b>	<b>2011-12</b>	<b>2012-13</b>
Carolina Friends School*	** 7,880	8,370	***7,000	7,000	5,700	5,000
Interfaith Council	7,000	7,000	8,000	8,000	7,500	6,600
Quaker House	7,000	8,000	6,000	5,000	4,500	4,350
Friends Comm. on Natl. Legislation	1,400	1,500	2,000	3,500	3,000	2,650
Amer. Friends Service Committee	1,200	1,200	1,500	2,500	2,000	1,800
Quaker Earthcare Witness	800	1,000	2,000	2,000	1,500	1,300
NC WARN	100	300	300	2,000	1,500	1,350
Bolivian Quaker Education Fund	0	600	1,000	1,000	750	670
Alamance/Orange Prison Ministry	400	400	400	400	300	270
NC Council of Ch. (Power & Light)	100	400	400	500	200	180
People of Faith Agst Death Penalty	300	300	300	200	200	180
Right Sharing of World Resources	300	300	300	200	100	90
Orange County Justice United in Community Effort (Orange JUICE)	0	0	0	100	100	90
Schoolhouse of Wonder	300	0	50	50	0	0
Planned Parenthood of Central NC	0	100	50	50	50	45
Rural Southern Voice for Peace	100	100	50	50	0	0
Orange County Peace Coalition	0	0	50	50	50	45
Transition Towns Carrboro – Ch. Hill		0	0	50	20	0
Triangle Land Conservancy	0	0	0	50	0	0
<b>Total Recommended by the Peace &amp; Social Concerns Committee</b>	<b>\$27,380</b>	<b>\$29,670</b>	<b>\$29,400</b>	<b>\$32,700</b>	<b>\$27,470</b>	<b>\$24,620</b>
<b>Adjustment by the Meeting</b>	<b>\$3,620</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>\$1,370</b>	<b>0</b>	<b>0</b>	
Friends General Conference			700	700	650	
Friends Journal			200	200	200	
Piedmont Friends Fellowship			550	550	400	
School of The Spirit			250	250	200	
FLGBTQC			150	150	100	
Friends Center at Guilford College			150	150	150	
<b>Total Recommended Min. &amp; Worship</b>	<b>?</b>	<b>?</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>2,000</b>	<b>1,700</b>	<b>1,400</b>
<b>Adult Religious Education</b>						<b>150</b>
<b>Total Approved by the Meeting</b>	<b>\$31,000</b>	<b>\$29,670</b>	<b>\$32,770</b>	<b>\$34,700</b>	<b>\$29,170</b>	<b>\$26,170</b>

\*The Meeting contributes to CFS the use of the Education Building Monday -Friday. The value of that real estate contribution is conservatively estimated to be \$1,000 per month or \$12,000 per year. CFS maintains the Education Building, the playground and half the cost of the parking lot.

\*\*CFS 2007-8 amount was increased by \$3,620 to \$11,500 by the Meeting.

\*\*\* CFS 2009-10 amount was increased by \$1,370 to \$8,370 by the Meeting.

## MINISTRY AND WORSHIP ANNUAL REPORT: 75<sup>TH</sup> ANNIVERSARY YEAR (2012)

The Ministry and Worship committee is responsible for supporting and nurturing the spiritual life of the Chapel Hill Friends Meeting. Because 2012 was CHFM's 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary year, we had many opportunities to celebrate and to commemorate our past, our present and our future. A forum in January with Deborah Shaw of Guilford University, entitled "Making a Place for Deeper Things to Happen" served as a keynote address for the year's journey; it was followed by a forum in February to develop ideas for connecting our committees' work with our members' spiritual growth and for developing better communication among committees and between committees and our greater community. Instead of our usual Spiritual State of the Meeting meeting in March, we decided to make this a yearlong examination of our spiritual state and our desire for improving communication.

A course facilitated by Lloyd Kramer (meeting on 2/12, 3/11, 4/8, 5/6, 9/9 and 10/14) considered the writings of Ben Pink Dandelion. Participants (numbering between 25 and 50 per class) discussed CELEBRATING THE QUAKER WAY, CONFIDENT QUAKERISM, and LIVING THE QUAKER WAY in preparation for a day-long workshop led by Ben Pink Dandelion and Deborah Shaw in November. At that workshop, the morning was devoted to "Why We Do Things the Way We Do" and the afternoon dealt with "Building Quaker Community for the Next 75 Years." Two forums, led by Ministry and Worship, dealt with the implications of that workshop and where we go next.

In addition, Ministry and Worship put together a time line of our meeting, summarizing significant events in our history and we continue to supervise the creation of a tapestry related to our meeting's ministries (still in progress). We organized meeting members and attenders to send more than 75 letters to the Chapel Hill Town Council in support of the Interfaith Council's Good Neighbor Policy as the next step in moving the men's shelter to its new location. We sponsored meeting trips to Sword of Peace, to Pathway to Freedom, and to Quaker House in order to revisit our influences and impact.

At the Clerk's request, Ministry and Worship recommended and facilitated an adjustment in our early meeting schedule to give Business Meeting 30 additional minutes to accomplish its agendas in a more worshipful manner, we sponsored the 2012 Clerks' Retreat, we hosted an ice cream social for all those people who use our meeting house, and we supervised both the high school graduation forum in June and our Christmas Eve celebration. We formed clearness committees for membership for Ryan Jarrell, Ed and Cindy Bowen, Andrea Wuerth and Herbert Struemper and their daughters Milena and Lily, Jasmine McKewen, and Rodney Burrell.

We are grateful to our convener Jan Hutton and our members Max Drake, Pat Mann, and Larry Tabor, all of whom rotated off in July, and to Carolyn White (an invaluable ex officio member of M&W). We are thankful to the meeting for the use of benevolence funds to support many of our 75<sup>th</sup> anniversary activities. Last, we appreciate the members and attenders of this vibrant and growing meeting for rising to this year's challenges and occasions.

Respectfully Submitted:

Dottie Heninger (co-clerk), Bonnie Raphael (co-clerk), Lloyd Kramer, Wren Hendrickson, Marilyn Dyer, Pam Schwingl, Susan Inglis, Lynn Drake, Judy Purvis

# Calendar

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

- Sun. 2/3** 8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)  
9:45am Forum: tbd  
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)  
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods  
12:30pm Potluck & IFC donations
- Tue. 2/5 7-8pm Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins  
Wed. 2/6 10:30-11am CFS All School Meeting for Worship - CFS (see page 5)  
Fri. 2/8 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
- Sun. 2/10** 8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)  
9:45am Forum: FCNL Update - Nancy Milio  
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)  
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
- Tue. 2/12 6:30pm Movie Screening: Mothers of Bedford (see page 6)  
7-8pm Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins  
Fri. 2/15 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
- Sun. 2/17** 8am Meetinghouse open for worship  
8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)  
**9:00am Meeting for Worship w/Attention to Business**  
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)  
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods  
noon Families and Friends Affected by Mental Illness - Schoolhouse
- Tue. 2/19 7-8pm Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins  
Fri. 2/22 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
- Sun. 2/24** 8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)  
9:45am Forum: "The Meaning of Membership" - M&W  
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)  
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods  
12:30pm Environmental Concerns Com. - Schoolhouse  
10pm Deadline To Turn In Items For Newsletter!
- Fri. 3/1 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd  
Sat. 3/2 tba State of the Meeting Gathering
- Sun. 3/3** 8:30am Meeting for Worship (Early)  
9:45am Forum: tbd  
11am Meeting for Worship (Late)  
11am Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods  
12:30pm Potluck & IFC donations – Schoolhouse
- Tue. 3/5 7-8pm Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins  
Thur. 3/7 9am-1pm CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter  
Fri. 3/8 4:30-5:30pm Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd

**Chapel Hill Friends Meeting**  
**Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends**  
531 Raleigh Road, Chapel Hill, NC 27514 (919) 929-5377

Meetings for Worship at 8:30 and 11:00am  
Forum at 9:45am; Child Care from 9:30am-12:15pm  
First Day School from 11:15am-12:00pm  
Clerk of the Meeting: Carolyn White (919) 967-4926  
Resident: John Hite (919) 929-5377

- **Newsletter.** This newsletter is published every first Sunday under the care of the Publications and Records Committee. Paper copies are available at the Meetinghouse and a PDF is posted on the Meeting website, [www.chapelhillfriends.org](http://www.chapelhillfriends.org). The deadline for submissions is 10pm on the last Sunday of the month. Email submissions to [news@chapelhillfriends.org](mailto:news@chapelhillfriends.org) or call Emily Buehler, (919) 475-5756. Please include “newsletter” in the subject line.
  
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