Chapel Hill Friends Meeting Newsletter

June, 2013

Monthly Query:



Do I choose recreations that strengthen my physical, mental, and spiritual lives and avoid those that may prove harmful to myself and others?

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

Forums will return in the fall.

IFC News: 50th Anniversary Party and Capital Campaign June 6, 5:30pm at the Friday Center

On Thursday, June 6, at the Friday Center (100 Friday Center Drive in Chapel Hill), the IFC will host its 50th Anniversary Celebration, A Golden Event: Celebrating IFC's Past, Present and Future. The celebration will begin at 5:30 pm with a reception followed by a program beginning at 6:00 pm. They will be honoring 50 Heroes and Heroines and 50 organizations from IFC's storied past and present.

The IFC recently launched the capital campaign for the New Community House, to be built at 1315 Martin Luther King, Jr. Blvd. Campaign co-chairs Gordon Merklein, executive director of real estate at UNC Chapel Hill, and Kevin Foy, former mayor of Chapel Hill and current assistant professor of law at North Carolina Central University, will give an update on the campaign at the event. (Also, Friends can make donations to the Capital Campaign as individuals or through the Meeting.)

This is an exciting time at the IFC, and they hope you will celebrate with them! Please RSVP to Allan Rosen at project@ifcmailbox.org or 919-929-6380 ext 47 if you plan to attend. RSVP online here: http://www.ifcweb.org/events/ifc-50th-anniversary

Moral Mondays

Many of us are feeling the need to make our presence and voices known as the NC General Assembly is re-shaping the caring legal landscape of our state. It was an empowering experience (a change from feeling powerless) for those of us who attended the May 20 Moral Monday demonstration at the NC General Assembly. The numbers rose May 13, growing from 200 to at least 500, with 57 arrested. (You will not be arrested unless you choose to do so; those who do so, have made the decision ahead of time.) There will be no gathering on May 27 due to Memorial Day weekend, however a "super" Moral Monday is being called on June 3. Please, please, consider joining together on June 3! You WILL feel empowered and your respectful voice WILL be heard, among many, many others. Even if you cannot attend, spread the word – that, too, is empowering. Check with http://www.naacpnc.org/ for times and location.

Consider carpooling with friends and neighbors. Contact Hank Elkins, <u>hank@elkins.com</u>, for carpooling from Carol Woods at 4:30 on Mondays, returning by 8pm, or so. The 4:30 leave time may change so do check with Hank. For those in Chatham Co., please contact Jan Hutton, <u>janhutton@earthlink.net</u>, for carpooling info, with a departure time of 4pm.

Jan Hutton, Jennifer Leeman, Tom Munk, Carolyn Stuart, Carolyn White

Volunteers Needed at OCC

A number of people from our Meeting volunteer at Orange Correctional Center, visiting weekly at Yoke Fellows, tutoring, teaching computer classes, etc. Some of these volunteers are also sponsors -- men only -- who can take men from the prison out into the community to attend our Meeting on Sundays (you know some of them), take them out for visits into our homes, meals, etc. There is a tremendous shortage--especially of men to be sponsors, and if you can give some time to this enterprise, there will be training for those interested on Thursday, June 27 at 6 p.m. at the prison in Hillsborough. If you are interested, you must attend the training and sign up for it. You can visit Yoke Fellows one time as a "guest" to try it out. Please contact any of the following for more information on this very valuable volunteer service work: Paul and Joyce Munk, Hank Elkins, Richard Miller, Carolyn Stuart, Tom McQuiston, Asta Crowe.

Volunteers Needed at Homestart

IFC's women's shelter, Homestart, needs female volunteers to work 4 hour shifts during daylight hours. Interested women should phone the manager, Deborah, at (919) 932-6025 for more specific information about possible roles.

Memorial Book

The Care and Counsel Committee maintains a Memorial Book to record the obituaries and some personal remembrances of members and attenders of Chapel Hill Meeting when they die. The committee would like to find someone with an interest in assisting us with this ongoing task. Scrapbooking skills would be great or just a willingness to help preserve the memories of our community. This is not a time-intensive commitment and would be a greatly appreciated service. Please contact Care and Counsel if you are interested in helping maintain the Memorial Book.

Upcoming Events for FDS Families

Sunday, June 9th, "Spruce up the Meetinghouse" activities for kids The Buildings and Grounds Committee will host a special afternoon of "sprucing up the Meetinghouse" with activities geared to our First Day School kids. Please plan to stick around after late Meeting; a light lunch of bagels, trimmings and juice will be provided. We'll plant flowers, wash nursery toys, etc. This is a great way for the kids to learn to give back to their spiritual community through good works.

Friday - Sunday, June 13th-16th

The Southern Appalachian Yearly Meeting and Association of the Religious Society of Friends will be held at Warren Wilson College, June 13-16, 2013 in Swannanoa, NC. Families of all ages are welcome, but teens from our Meeting are especially invited to attend the SAYF (Southern Appalachian Young Friends) retreat held in conjunction with the Yearly Meeting. Carpooling will be available.

For info: http://sayma.org/top/ym2013/SAYMA%20Advanced%20Program%202013.pdf To register: http://sayma.org/top/ym2013/YM%20reg%202013.pdf

Friday - Monday, August 9th -12th

Hurray! We scored the sole group campsite at Grayson Highlands State Park! This August, we will return to the beautiful Mt. Rogers recreational area for our annual FDS-sponsored, Meeting-wide overnight camping trip. Why this weekend? It works for the majority of the families who responded to my earlier inquiry, and it coincides with the annual Perseid meteor shower, the highlight of last year's camping trip! Read more on the astronomical event in the May newsletter.

Shotts Committee and Pendle Hill Newsletter

The Shotts and Leadership Development Committees recommend the Pendle Hill newsletter as a source of ideas for programs for which Friends might apply for funding. You can sign up to receive the monthly newsletter by email here: http://www.pendlehill.org/ (Scroll down and look on the right side.) Read the current issue at the following address: http://hosted.verticalresponse.com/427323/3e06b209b9/1657000793/2d1e7b91cf/

From the Library Committee

Parents, please take a look at books and pamphlets in the library in the Family, Parenting and Education sections.

Room for Rent Needed

Ed Brown needs to rent a room for a few weeks after June 19. Edwin496@gmail.com, 828-242-9828

Sewing Volunteers Needed

Do you love to sew? Are you looking for a volunteer opportunity?

Goodwill Industries of Eastern North Carolina has a sewing center where volunteers can work on pillow case dresses for girls in Honduras. They are working with a local pastor involved with a church in Honduras where the need is great. These dresses are very easy to make – even those new to sewing can help! They have purchased all the sewing supplies but need volunteers to sew the dresses.

If anyone is interested in participating or in organizing a group to participate, please contact Becky Lytle, Volunteer Coordinator, 919-281-9192.

Directory Updates

Due to privacy concerns, directory updates will not be included in the newsletter. Directory updates are posted on the bulletin board in the Meetinghouse foyer. If you are unable to get to the Meetinghouse, email directory@chapelhillfriends.org or call Emily Buehler for a copy of current updates.

Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business May 19, 2013

Worship and query: What opportunities do we make to learn from our children, young Friends and young adult Friends, as well as teach them?

A Friend suggested that we ask ourselves: What opportunities do we **take** to learn from our children? This Friend mentioned many such opportunities such as teaching FDS, attending the high school forum, camping with youth, sharing in the Christmas pageant.

- 1. Welcome, recognition of first time attenders, review of agenda We welcomed first-time attender Robert Albury.
- 2. Review of minutes for April Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business Approved.
- 3. Nominations Report (Leslie Rountree, Buffie Webber) (Discussion; Approval at June MFB) (Attached)

Buffie Webber presented the slate of nominations. She reported that they had received good feedback from the Meeting at large as well as from contacting many people via email. Tom Munk has agreed to be our next clerk.

Friends suggested that the report indicate how long people have served on committees (this information is available in the directory.) In addition, Alice C. asked for someone to be the Meeting's representative on the Coalition of Clergy; Julia is stepping down as Recorder; Tom L. is on Finance and P&SC, Brian S. is off finance, Robin H. is off ECC; Hank is asked to give nominations the list of Friends Transition and Support committee members.

4. Proposed budget (Matt Drake) (Discussion; approval at June MFB) (Attached)

Matt presented the proposed budget that is based on what was raised and spent last year. YRE indicates an estimate of what we *would* spend on them, if it weren't for football parking. It is not part of our budget. There is a substantial increase for Shotts/Leadership Dev., as they have dispersed their funds. Dottie asked for an additional \$200 to go to the IFC building fund. After discussion, Friends approved spending \$200 from the current contingency fund to pay immediately to IFC building campaign. In addition, Friends approved a proposal to increase our benevolence budget to \$26,370 to reflect an additional \$200 donation to IFC building fund. Finance feels we could raise what we need. P&SC will work over the summer to present their recommendations for how to disperse benevolences. Bill reminded members that our budget is finite and discipline is important.

5. Proposal to use the Care and Counsel Fund to accept and distribute funds for Annie D. (Gwen Pomeroy) (Attached)

After discussion at last month's MFB about the proposal, Gwynne read the revised proposal approved by Care and Counsel committee at their last committee meeting. She remarked that the Bonner scholarship that Annie received from Guilford will go a long way to meeting most of her needs.

The Care and Counsel fund currently has about \$3500. Similar to the Shott's Fund, C&C does not request funds from the Meeting until needed.

Friends expressed concerns as well as support for this proposal.

The Meeting came to unity in expressing our faith and support that C&C can determine the use of the C&C fund. Approved

- 6. Annual Report of Publications (Emily Buehler) (Accept?) Postponed.
- Proposed Minute "We, the Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, commit to avoiding disposable dishware, utensils, and personal beverage bottles at all Meeting gatherings that involve food." (Tom Munk) (Approve?) Postponed.
- 8. Spiritual State of the Meeting report (Dottie Heninger) (Accept?) Postponed.
- Proposal from M&W to link the CHFM website to gaychurch.org (Dottie Heninger) (Approve?)
 Postponed.
- 10. Annual Report of Building and Grounds (Don Hopper) (Accept?) Postponed.
- 11.Messages and Announcements:
 - a. Moral Mondays going to Raleigh on Monday nights, carpooling opportunities with Carolyn and Hank and Jan
 - b. Second Sundays in the summer devoted to Meetinghouse care and cleaning, with the youth.
 - c. First Day school teachers needed for fall: contact Kathleen McNeil; also sign up to teach FDS this summer

Worship and greeting

A Friend spoke out of the silence: Times of struggle in our Meeting are how we grow. Let us hold our beloved community in love.

Attending: Max Drake, Kitty Bergel, Tom Ludlow, Jan Hutton, Ruth Zalph, Marilyn A. Dyer, Dirk Spruyt, Perry Martin, James Harper, Tom Munk, Jennifer Leeman, Sarah Grimme, Robert Albury, Emilie Condon, Tom McQuiston, Gwynne Pomeroy, Richard Miller, Chauncey Marshall, Carolyn Stuart, Lloyd Kramer, Matt Drake, Lynn Drake, Linda Graham, Jeff Brown, Dave Curtin, Alice Carlton, Hank Elkins, Nancy Elkins, Leslie Rountree, Joyce Munk, Bill Jenkins, Melvin Burton, Barbara Williamson, Scott Edwards, Wendy Michener, Pat Mann, Paul Munk, Bettie Flash, Dottie Heninger, Anne Smith, Buffie Webber, Emily Buehler, Maria Darlington, Anthony Hardin

Nominations Report (next page)

	Term		Term	1
Adult RE		Environmental Concer	ns	Minstry & Worship
Barbara Williamson	14	Lauren Carreto	14	Dottie Heninger
Dirk Kelder	15	Perry Martin	14	Bonnie Raphael
Max Drake	15	Michael Jokinen	15	Lynn Drake
Ryan Jarrell	16	Emily Nelson	15	Marilyn Dyer
Jamie Jacobs	16	Margo Stern	15	Pam Schwingl
Wendy Michener	16	Ryan Jarrell	15	Susan Inglis
		Andy Nelson	15	Lloyd Kramer
Bldg & Grounds		Pam Schwingl	16	Linda Graham
Bill Cleaver	14	Mary deCoster	16	Tom Munk
Jeff Brown	14	Catherine Alguire	16	
Lynn Drake	14	Dirk Spruyt	16	Peace & Social Concerns
David Schneider	15	Tom Smith	16	Francis Coyle
Richard Miller	16			Bill Jenkins
Don Hopper	16	Finance		Hank Elkins
Kathy Davis	16	Kitty Bergel	14	Dirk Kelder
Tom Smith	16	Ann Miller	14	Jasmine McKewen
Wendy Michener	16	David Brower	14	Mirian Thompson
John Hite	х	Bob Durovich	14	Nancy Elkins
		Matt Drake	14	Ruth Zalph
Care & Counsel		Tom Ludlow	15	Barb Fedders
Bill Schweke	14	Maura Murphy	Х	Any Shy
Deborah Gibbs	15			Sarah Grimme
Chris Stanley	15	Hospitality		Ruth Hamilton
Jeff Brown	15	Karen Merrey	14	
Julia Cleaver	15	Buffie Webber	14	Publications
Madelyn Ashley	16	Jasmine McKewen	14	David Curtin
Jennifer Leeman	16	Reggie Thomas	15	Ed Bowen
Andrea Wuerth	16	David Curtin	15	Emily Buehler
Gwynne Pomeroy	16	Joanna Selmin	15	James Harper
Tom Munk	х	Nancy Fisher	15	David Schneider
		Alice Carlton	16	Sean Chen
Children's RE		Stuart Phillips	16	Robin Harper
Lauren Hart	14	Ann Kessemeier	16	Julia Cleaver
John Hite	14	Bonnie Ludlow	16	
Jochen Wachter	15	Wendy Michener	16	Shotts Leadership
Sean Chen	15	Renee Curry	16	Stuart Phillips
Eloise Grathwohl	16	Carolyn Stuart	16	Gwynne Pomeroy
Kathleen McNeil	16			Lynn Drake
Meredith Tomlinson	16	Library		Jan Hutton
Bill McDonnell	16	Dirk Kelder	14	Roberto Quercia
Leslie Rountree	х	James Harper	15	
		Ann Miller	15	
		Hannah Ardyson	15	

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Term PFF Nominations 15 Jeff Brown Terry Mehlman Leslie Rountree 15 Annette Broadwell James Palmer 15 Karen Merrey 15 Quaker House **Buffie Webber** 15 Maria Darlington Annette Broadwell 15 Curt Torell Pam Schwingl CFS **Ruth Zalph** Matt Drake 14 **Buffie Webber** 14 FLGBTQ **Terry Mehlman** TBD 15 Pat Mann 15 AFSC IFC Kitty Bergel **Emilie Condon** 14 Ann Drake 14 **FDS Teachers** Allie Scales **Dottie Heninger** 14 Francis Coyle Nancy Martin 14 Lauren Hart 14 Margot Stern Karen Merrey 15 Wendy Richesin-Dodd Marie Hopper Cecilia Carver-King 16 Jasmine McKewen Asta Crowe 16 Herbert Struemper Friends' Transition and Support Mark Hulbert Kathleen McNeil Committee John Hite Melvin Burton **Emilie Condon Carolyn Stuart** Asta Crowe Carolyn White Maria Darlington Andrea Wuerth Michael (Hakeem) Dalton Leslie Rountree Hank Elkins Barbara Fedders Tom Munk, Clerk Thomas Charles (TC) Jones

Mark Hulbert Kathleen McNeil John Hite Carolyn Stuart Carolyn White Andrea Wuerth Leslie Rountree **Clerks, Treasurer, Trustees & FDS Coordinator** Tom Munk, Clerk Robin Harper, Recording Clerk Maura Murphy, Treasurer Emilie Condon, Correspondence Clerk & Trustee Bettie Flash, Trustee

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Lois Ann Hobbs, Trustee

Julia Cleaver, Recorder

Leslie Rountree, FDS Coordinator

Tom McQuiston

Joyce Munk

Paul Munk

Cris Skinner

Byron Stevens

CHFM BUDGET	2012-2013 BUDGET	PROPOSED 2013-14
COMMITTEES		
Adult RE	200	200
B&G Total	17,470	17,970
Care & Counsel	100	100
Children's RE	5,350*	5,350*
(Youth RE)	(3,500**)	(3,500**)
Env'nmental Concerns	200	150
Finance	300	300
Hospitality	350	300
Library	400	400
Ministry & Worship	500	500
Nominations	25	10
Peace &SC	200	200
Transition & Support	500	500
Pub & Records	2,000	2,000
TOTAL COMMITTEE	27,595***	27,980***
SPECIAL FUNDS		
Nat'l Q Service	2,000	2,500
Meeting for Suffering	135	135
Contingency Fund	1,000	1,000
FUTURE MTG NEEDS		
Leadership. Dev.	100	2,000
Physical Plant Fund	4,000	4,000
TOTAL MEETING NEEDS	34,830	37,615
BENEVOLENCES		
Wider Quaker Comm'ty Local & Regional	26,170 (Total for all benevolences)	26,170 (Total for all benevolences)
TOTAL	\$61,000	\$63,785

*Primarily first Day School coordinator and child care

Expenses for YRE activities: balanced by income from football parking and donations *Minus YRE \$3,500 total Proposal to use the Care and Counsel Fund to accept and distribute funds for Annie D.

The purpose of the Annie Subcommittee is to support Annie through her college years, launching her into a productive adult life. This support includes the guidance of a loving group of Friends as well as efforts to raise funds to enable her launch. The Annie Subcommittee includes representation from Care and Counsel, as well as concerned Friends who are interested in serving in this capacity. The representatives from Care and Counsel will report monthly to the committee regarding the progress of the Annie Subcommittee.

Funds will be directed to the existing Care and Counsel Fund. The subcommittee will guide the disbursements of any donations collected for particular categories of expenses that will come up during the course of Annie's college years. The types of expenses include:

- Books and academic supplies
- Uncovered Medical and dental costs
- Academic related transportation costs
- Miscellaneous Personal expenses

Two times per year the Annie Subcommittee will send an appeal letter to Annie's friends in and out of the meeting, soliciting donations. Checks from contributors can be made out to Chapel Hill Friends Meeting, citing the Care and Counsel Fund in the memo line. If people want to write a note about their intentions regarding their donations they can feel free to include such a note, but the letter will point out that the committee is empowered to use this money as needed for other requests to Care and Counsel as well. Donations to the Care and Counsel Fund are tax deductable.

Respectfully submitted by Pam Schwingl, Emilie Condon, Susan Inglis, Pat Mann, Julia Cleaver, and Gwynne Pomeroy

Calendar

(All events at Meetinghouse unless otherwise indicated.)

Sun. 6/2	8:30am 11am 11am 12:30pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods Potluck & IFC donations
Mon. 6/3 Tue. 6/4 Thurs. 6/6	~4pm 7-8pm 9am-1pm	Moral Monday (see page 2) Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter IFC 50th Anniversary Party (see page 1)
Fri. 6/7	•	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 6/9	8:30am 11am 11am noon	Meeting for Worship (Early) Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods Spruce up the Meeting for kids (see page 3)
Tue. 6/11 Thurs. 6/13- Fri. 6/14	7-8pm Sun. 6/16	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins SAYMA (see page 3) Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 6/16	8am 8:30am 9:00am 11am 11am	Meetinghouse open for worship Meeting for Worship (Early) Meeting for Worship w/Attention to Business Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
Tue. 6/18 Fri. 6/21	noon 7-8pm 4:30-5:30pm	Families and Friends Affected by Mental Illness - Schoolhouse Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 6/23	8:30am 11am 11am 12:30pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods Environmental Concerns Com Schoolhouse
Fri. 6/28	•	Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 6/30	8:30am 11am 11am 10pm	Meeting for Worship (Early) Meeting for Worship (Late) Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods Deadline To Turn In Items For Newsletter!
Tue. 7/2 Thurs. 7/4 Fri. 7/5	7-8pm 9am-1pm 4:30-5:30pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins CHFM Serves Lunch at Interfaith Shelter Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd
Sun. 7/7	8:30am 11am	Meeting for Worship (Early) Meeting for Worship (Late)

	11am	Meeting for Worship - Carol Woods
	12:30pm	Potluck & IFC donations – Schoolhouse
Tue. 7/9	7-8pm	Yoke Fellows Prison Visitation - Call Hank Elkins
Fri. 7/12	4:30-5:30pn	n Vigil for Peace & Justice - E. Franklin & Elliot Rd

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> Meetings for Worship at 8:30 and 11:00am Forum at 9:45am; Child Care from 9:30am-12:15pm First Day School from 11:15am-12:00pm 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. The deadline for submissions is 10pm on the last Sunday of the month. Email submissions to news@chapelhillfriends.org or call Emily Buehler, (919) 475-5756. Please include "newsletter" in the subject line.

• Listserv. To send a news or "In the Light" announcement on the Meeting listserv, contact news@chapelhillfriends.org. Please include "listserv" or "in the light" in the subject line. This listserv goes to about 280 people. Do not submit personal information about someone else unless you know he/she wants to share. Subscribe to the listserv at www.chapelhillfriends.org/contact.html.

• Website. To get items posted on our website, send them to news@chapelhillfriends.org.