



2018
January
1st month

Friends at the Spring

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Jan 7

Dan and Cindy Pery are our worship leaders this month.

Jan 14

The program/messages will be announced.

Jan 21

Jan 28



Announcements:

Monthly meeting for business will be January 21st at 9:30 a.m. Bring a breakfast item to share.

Worship leaders are needed to sign up for 2018. Sign up sheet is on the back table in the Meeting House.

SHARING:

Last Sunday, Dec. 24th, Elizabeth Osborne and Chuck Fager each shared a personal story from their lives which was “wondrous to hear”. Perhaps those stories can be told again next year. They were inspirational and thought-provoking. Thank you, Elizabeth and Chuck for sharing.

Chuck e-mailed me to say that his holiday story that he shared happened in 1967 and that story is now a blog post titled “How I Got So Lucky”, and it’s online at:

<https://wp.me/p5FGlu-2Al>.

First Friends Meeting will host a Financial Peace University class for nine consecutive Mondays beginning on Jan 22 at 6:30 pm. Child care will be available (donations appreciated). Participants may purchase materials and register at <http://www.fppu.com/1053286>. This class is open to the public - please share this information with anyone you know who might be interested. First Friends Meeting is located at 2100 West Friendly Ave., Greensboro. Contact Elizabeth Vance with any questions, evance 878@gmail.com or by phone at 336-686-6847.

Call for Submissions for Paint Passion and Purpose

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Call for Submission of Paintings

Quaker teens (in 8th grade or aged 14 and older), students at Friends' High Schools, and Quaker adults are invited to submit up to 5 paintings per person for a juried exhibition to be on display at Pendle Hill from May 1, 2018 to August 30, 2018

Consider the following queries and explore your responses through painting!
What am I being called to do?
Where is my energy focused most strongly?
How does my creativity fuel my passions and my purpose?

How to Enter

- Only 2-dimensional paintings (watercolor, tempura, acrylic, oil, or encaustic) will be accepted;
- No piece may exceed 50" in height or width;
- If selected, each piece must be framed and wired for final presentation.

For each work entered, submit the following to jwhite@pendlehill.org no later than 5:00 pm EST February 15, 2018:

- A digital image of the piece with at least 300 dpi resolution;
- The title of the work, and the medium used;
- The estimated framed size of the piece;
- The price, if for sale (Pendle Hill will retain a 20 per cent commission on each work sold);
- A brief description of how the piece fits the theme of "Painting, Passion, and Purpose"; and
- The name of the Friends' School or Meeting you attend.

[More details](#)

Artists' Reception, May 17, 7:30—9:00 pm

For more detailed information, visit www.pendlehill.org or contact Jesse White at jwhite@pendlehill.org.

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PENDLE HILL
A Quaker Study, Retreat, and Conference Center

A Quaker Art Show will be held at Pendle Hill in PA. That's a long way away; but any painters here at Spring are invited to submit work for it, and they're looking for young artists, too.

The deadline for submissions is Feb. 15, 2018. Submissions are by sending photos of the work to: jwhite@pendlehill.org. (It is co-sponsored by the Fellowship of Quakers in the Arts, the umbrella group for our art event last spring.

Submitted by Chuck Fager.

Update on Quaker House, by Kindra Bradley

On November 30 and December 1, Quaker House attended the Public Hearings of the NC Commission of Inquiry on Torture. You can read about the relevance of these hearings to us today on the Quaker House blog. In July, Kindra will be leading one of the new "sampler" style workshops at FGC (on that Monday).



Many Blessing to Friends with Birthdays and an Anniversary

Happy Birthday

Abigail Fisher-Adams	3
Linda McBanx	8
Lynette Russell	16
Jackson Osborne	18
Cameron Aydlett	24



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Happy Anniversary

Chuck Fager and Wendy Michener	28
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May this birthday bring you
now and through out the year.



The Peace of Wild Things

When despair grows in me
and I wake in the night at the least sound
in fear of what my life and my children's lives may be,
I go and lie down where the wood drake
rests in his beauty on the water, and the great heron feeds.
I come into the peace of wild things
who do not tax their lives with forethought
of grief. I come into the presence of still water
And I feel above me the day-blind stars
waiting for their light. For a time
I rest in the grace of the world, and am free

Wendell Berry

