



FRIENDS AT THE SPRING

June, 6th Month
2017

<u>Date</u>	<u>Worship Leader</u>	<u>Message</u>
4th	Kara, Mike and Grace	A morning of music played by Danny Gotham
11th	Cindy and Dan Perry	
18th	Angie Osborne Father's Day	
25th	Elizabeth Osborne	

Announcements:

The famous Book Club will be hosted by Elizabeth Osborne on Wed, June 28th at 6 PM at Reverence Farms Cafe in Eli Whitney. The cafe is located at 6956 NC-87 , Graham, NC 27253.

Representative Body will be held at Deep River on June 3rd, Saturday, at 10:00 AM.

Cameron is worship leader for July; however she will have her foot operated on and will be absent the last two weeks of July, the 23rd and 30th. Volunteers are need for those two Sundays.

Monthly Meeting for Business will be on Sunday, June 25th following meeting for worship.

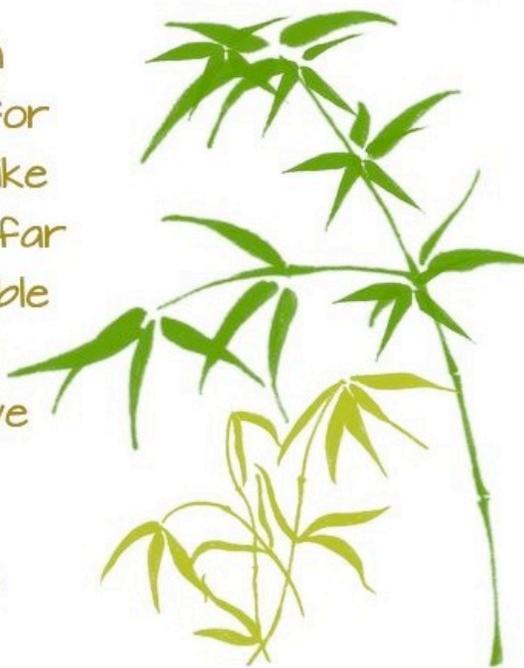
Deborah Wallace is a member of the Durham Quaker meeting, and is moving to this area. She is seeking a rental for herself and two dogs under \$600.00. Her needs are very simple (rustic is fine) but one of the dogs needs a lot of space to run. Contact dkw@umd.edu or telephone 919 641-7353 if you can help.

**Congratulations to Kaitlyn Phillips, who will graduate high school at Woods Charter School on Saturday, June 10th.

NOTICE: Starting in June, Meeting will begin at 10:00 a.m.

The human
capacity for
burden is like
bamboo - far
more flexible
than you'd
ever believe
at first
glance.

— Jodi Picoult



HAPPY BIRTHDAY
AND
ANNIVERSARY
TO OUR FRIENDS



Happy Birthday

Bill Minton 5
Grimsley Hobbs 11
Jean Vollrath 29

Happy Anniversary

Jackie Adams and
Christina Fisher 24

Wishing you all the great things in life,
We hope this day will bring you an extra
share of all that makes you happiest



**MINUTES OF THE
MONTHLY MEETING
FOR WORSHIP WITH ATTENTION TO BUSINESS
14th day of Fifth Month, 2017**

The Spring Friends Monthly Meeting for Worship With Attention to Business met in the Fellowship Hall on the 14th day of the Fifth Month, 2017. Elizabeth Osborne, Clerk, opened with a moment of settling silence.

The minutes of Third Month were read and approved with a minor correction. There was no Monthly Meeting in Fourth Month. The Treasurer reported on the April finances, which report is attached.

Lynette Russell reported on the Batchelor Wedding which was previously approved, but which may or may not occur due to the critical illness of Eddie Batchelor.

Friends General Conference Gathering will be held 7/2-7/8 in New York, near Niagara. Although the meeting has sponsored members/attenders to go, Chuck Fager and the Perrys announced that they will not be attending the Gathering this year.

Chuck Fager discussed the 5/19/17 fundraising event for the Drama, which is a Murder Mystery Dinner. Friends discussed and approved sending our standard \$500 contribution to the Drama, as well as setting aside funds for members/attenders who wish to go to the fundraiser. Tickets are \$75 each. (This event was cancelled due to lack of ticket sales.)

Chuck Fager also led the meeting in a discussion of the Art of Fearlessness, an event on 5/27/17 at Spring and the committee for logistics will meet after Meeting 5/14/17.

The Meeting approved a sign welcoming neighbors, contributed by Kara VanHooser and Mike Dodge.

The issue of smoking and vaping was next discussed, and there were three lines of inquiry: (1) Should vaping be included in our policy of no smoking on the meetinghouse grounds? (2) What is the purpose of our policy of no smoking/vaping, for image or health? and (3) Could vaping be a useful tool for people trying to quit a cigarette habit?

It was suggested that Friends be reminded of the Quaker tradition against tobacco use, that vaping ought not be done on the walkway or near the meetinghouse, and that any persons be reminded with tenderness at the appropriate time, recognizing need, balance, health, and modeling for the youth. Friends delayed approval of this suggestion until more members of the Meeting were present to review this policy.

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Under Old Business, it was announced that the Friends Emergency Consultation held on 3/25/17 was a success, with approximately 50 people in attendance.

Clerk Elizabeth Osborne had asked Treasurer Dan Perry to develop a list of charitable donations made in the last several years. That document was reviewed in light of our Askings and in the general discussion of our stated goal to support Quaker causes and community needs.

The Meeting approved the payment of the 4th Quarter 2016 Askings to the Yearly Meeting.

As to additional payments to the Yearly Meeting, there ensued discussion about being more intentional in our giving, and differentiating certain line-items from donations. A threshing session was proposed, to look at two issues: Donations and Yearly Meeting Askings. The goal is to bring us together on these issues, and the Meeting decided to ask Peace/Social Concerns and Finance Committees to meet and discuss further. Elizabeth Osborne will contact these committees for a discussion date. A date for the Threshing was set for 5/31 at 6pm.

Ron Osborne came in and reported that Quarterly Meeting the prior weekend was moved to Rocky River, from its usual venue-rotation at Spring. It was noted that we have not left Western Quarter, and that we are the only ones who can take that action. It was decided that this matter would also be taken up at the 5/31 Threshing.

The Meeting briefly discussed the summer time change for Meeting for Worship at 10:00 am for June through September. Friends wondered if summer attendance is reduced because of that time change. A survey was suggested.

A brief discussion was held about whether we are meeting the needs of the Meeting children, or whether our low attendance for children is cyclical and age related.

We adjourned in time for the 11:00 am Worship Hour.

**Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Perry, Recording Clerk**

