

**Friends
at the Spring**

JULY

**6th Month
Year 2016**



<i>Date</i>	<i>Worship Leader</i>	<i>Message</i>	<i>Children's Message</i>
<i>July 3rd</i>	<i>Heather McIver</i>	<i>Silent Worship</i>	<i>TBA</i>
<i>July 10th</i>	<i>Elizabeth/Ron Osborne</i>		
<i>July 17th</i>	<i>Elizabeth/Ron Osborne</i>		
<i>July 24th</i>	<i>Kara, Mike, Grace</i>		
<i>July 31th</i>	<i>Cindy and Dan Perry</i>		

Announcements:

There will be no monthly meeting for business in July.

Spring Friends Meeting will enjoy an evening under the stars in Snow Camp on Friday, July 8th.

We will meet at Ye Old Country Kitchen for supper at 6:00 p.m. and then head to the outdoor theater to enjoy "Pathway to Freedom". Tickets for the performance will be only \$10. for a group of 15 or more. Please let Elizabeth Osborne know if you plan to attend dinner and the play or just the play. Please note credit cards are not accepted at the restaurant. The outdoor theater does accept credit cards. Contact Elizabeth if you have any questions.

Chuck Fager reports:

I regret to say I'll be away from Spring for several weeks. First I'm heading out on June 30, going west to the FGC Gathering in Minnesota. From there I'll swing back to Richmond, Indiana, where Friends Music Camp will be in session. I have an ongoing non-musical "gig" there, reading original stories to the campers. After a brief stop at home, the path goes north to Baltimore, where my youngest daughter's wedding will be at Stony Run Friends Meeting on July 30. And only a couple days later, I'll be at Baltimore Yearly Meeting (which, just for the record, does not meet in Baltimore anymore; this year in Frederick, Maryland.)

And when I get back and maybe get to draw a few quiet breaths, it will be time for NYCM-FUM sessions.

As way opens, I hope to blog some while on the road, and Friends are invited to follow these dispatches at www.afriendlyletter.com.

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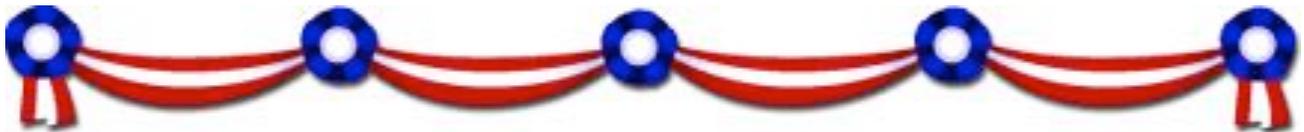
Many Blessings to Friends with Birthdays and an Anniversary

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Kaithlin Phillips	11
Marianne McIver	14
Lori Phillips	25
Cindy Perry	29
Jane Engleman	31

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Robert and Angie Osborne	24
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Marcel Proust

MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
FOR WORSHIP WITH ATTENTION TO BUSINESS
SPRING FRIENDS MEETING
Sixth Month 19th day 2016-06-27

Spring Friends Monthly Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business met in the Fellowship Hall on the 19th day of Sixth Month, 2016. Elizabeth Osborne, Clerk, opened with a reading from "A Grateful Hearts" to help us understand our talents and how we can use them positively.

The Recording Clerk, Cindy Perry, read the minutes of the Fifth Month's Meeting, and those minutes were approved.

The Treasurer, Mike Dodge, gave his report for the Fifth Month. It was approved.

Elizabeth Osborne acknowledged a thank you note from the Snow Camp Drama for our \$500 contribution recently. She proposed a Spring Friends' Night at the Drama, and it was settled for July 8, 2016. We will meet at Ye Olde Country Kitchen for dinner and then attend the drama at a reduced rate of \$10 if we have 15 in our group.

Elizabeth Osborne suggested a contribution to Greg and Jennifer Wood for the birth of their child. Greg was an intern at Friends Center. The group decided on a card for \$100.

Heather McIver has volunteered for Worship Leader for the first First Day in July. She needs assistance to fill out the month.

Ron Osborne read his memorial for Jerry Russell, based on information from Lynette Russell. It was highly praised and suggestions were made to send to the YM and Friends Journal. The second First Day in October will be devoted to Jerry's Memorial and memory.

Grimsley Hobbs reported that the Spring Meeting sign should be ready soon, and that he has been working with Eric Smith on building codes to understand the various alternatives for the repairs to the rest rooms.

Discussion ensued regarding the Nominating Committee. Ron Osborne volunteered to serve as Assistant Recording Clerk. Suggestions were made about having discussions with Steve Phillips (he wishes to leave M&C and serve on Trustees, Stewardship and Finance) and Jean Vollrath (who wishes not to serve on a committee at this time). Angie Osborne, Marolyn McDiramend and Kindra Bullock agreed to serve on the Peace and Social Concerns Committee. Chuck Fager noted that the YM Relations Committee is not on the list, but Friends agreed it was a temporary committee, not a standing committee. The committee and officer list was approved. It is attached.

Gathered Friends reviewed the HB #2 Draft following fine tuning. Kara VanHooser stated a concern and the group agreed to run the draft by Ronald Osborne before going to final draft. Ronald was absent from this discussion, and Friends wanted to be certain that he held no objection.

Representative Body was held on 4th day of Sixth Month with Chuck Fager, Dottie Hobbs and Ellen Osborne in attendance. Chuck Fager put forward a concise Minute on the Executive Committee's recommendation that the YM be divided. That Minute reads:

“After careful consideration, Spring Monthly Meeting is agreed that we are unable to support or take part in any plan to divide North Carolina Yearly Meeting. Such a plan is contrary to the commitments and values we stated in our Ninth Month 2014 letter to Friends, which we still affirm. That letter is available at <http://bit.ly/1QdRsmt>”

A plan for distribution of our Minute was made which included Ron Osborne reading it at YM.

The group concluded its meeting as the Worship Hour approached.

Respectfully submitted,

Cindy S. Perry
Recording Clerk

