



OCTOBER, 10TH MONTH 2017

FRIENDS AT THE SPRING

JUDITH BUSH IS THE WORSHIP LEADER THIS MONTH.

<u>DATE</u>	<u>MESSAGE</u>	<u>CHILDREN'S MESSAGES</u>
1ST	<i>Open Worship</i>	<i>TBD</i>
8TH	<i>QLSP speaker Will Bryer, 4th yr. student will share his original songs accompanied on guitar</i>	
15TH	<i>Judith: Drinking from the fountain</i>	
22ND	<i>Judith: The Seed in Winter</i>	
29TH	<i>QLSP speaker Leanna Kantt, 3rd year speaker</i>	

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

*Meeting for Business will be the third Sunday, 15th, at 9:30 a.m.
Bring a breakfast item if you wish.*

News from Quaker House via Kendra Bradley

In September, Quaker House tabled at both the Mental Health Summit and the Special Victims Summit on Fr. Bragg, raising awareness of our Domestic Violence Vigil, remembering the 77 people who died in domestic violence incidents in North Carolina in the past year. It is because of the support that Quaker House receives from our donors that we are able to fund our counseling program for military service members and their families at no charge to clients. Thank you for helping us heal the invisible wounds of militarization.

Kendra also says "hi" to everyone at Spring Friends!



North Carolina Friends Disaster Service:

Hurricane Matthew Relief will take place in Lumberton, N. C. with repairs of all kinds October 15-20, 2017. Volunteers of all skills are needed. There are jobs for everyone. Lumberton was the area most impacted by the flooding from Hurricane Matthew.

To participate, contact Wiley @ (336) 679 8466 or shore@yadtel.net for details of the trip and work.

There will be a potluck the last Sunday of the month, Oct. 29th, after worship. Please bring a dish and enjoy the fellowship.



Peace begins within ourselves. It is to be implemented within the family, in our meetings, our work and leisure, in our own localities, and internationally. The task will never be done. Peace is a process to engage in, not a goal to be reached.

*Sydney Bailey, 1993 New England Yearly Meeting,
shared by Elizabeth Osborne*



*HAPPY BIRTHDAY
AND
ANNIVERSARY
TO OUR FRIENDS*

BIRTHDAYS

5th Polly Dickson

10th Tucker Barlow

22nd Ronald Osborne

24th Rachel Osborne

ANNIVERSARIES

Mike Dodge and Kara Van Hooser 1st

Heather McIver and Suzanne Lowe 25th

Steve and Lori Phillips 30th

*Birthdays are a time to say,
We hope you have the greatest day.
Laugh and celebrate with friends
May the magical days
have no ends.*





**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
FOR WORSHIP WITH ATTENTION TO BUSINESS
17th day of Ninth Month, 2017**

The Spring Friends Monthly Meeting for Worship With Attention to Business met for breakfast and business at 9:30am in the Fellowship Hall on the 17thth day of the Ninth Month, 2017. Elizabeth Osborne, Clerk, opened with a reading of a Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Query on Peace and Conflict.

The minutes of Eighth Month were read and approved. The Treasurer reported on the Eighth Month finances, which report is attached.

OLD BUSINESS:

Elizabeth Osborne reported that the Finance Committee had met on 9/5/17 at Mike Dodge and Kara VanHooser's home, and the Monthly Meeting reviewed those minutes. Grim Hobbs led a discussion of the bathroom renovations and a sketch of suggested ideas. Siding for the Fellowship Hall was suggested for the three sides which are visible from the road, using the Vollrath/Talbott funds. With the Monthly Meeting's great appreciation of Grim's design, it was approved that the next step would be to return to the contractor with that plan, and that Grim, as convener of Building and Grounds Committee, would work with the contractor to develop a more definitive budget for the project.

Further, the Finance Committee had discussed, recommends and the Monthly Meeting approved that any trees threatening to the Fellowship Hall would be removed and replaced with new trees in safer locations. There is one tree in particular which is leaning toward the Fellowship Hall, and another one which may need to be removed, depending on the size of the bathroom addition. The firewood would be saved for community members who might need the wood.

At the Finance Committee meeting there was continued discussion of the breakdown of donations based on work by Ron Osborne and Dan Perry, and the Finance Committee brought to Monthly Meeting

suggested increases in donations to vital organizations for this year. That donation list was approved and is attached on the Minutes of the Finance Committee's 9/5 meeting.

The Monthly Meeting also approved a scholarship for Kara Van Hooser's upcoming participation in the FCNL Lobby Day in Washington, DC.

Chuck Fager requested that the second \$500 check to the Drama be carried by him to today's Board Meeting of the Snow Camp Historical Drama, which was approved. Discussion ensued about the possibility of increasing donations to both the Drama and Quaker House. It was decided that we would make the listed donations now, and explore additional gifts as we go forward.

Ministry and Counsel has not yet met on the two requests for membership (Kindra Bradley and Susan Kennedy Farrell), and Grim, as convener of M&C will attend to a called meeting shortly.

Ellen Osborne reported that she is expecting this Thursday's NCYM Recording Committee to be the last meeting, for the purpose of recording George Strickland, known by the Hobbs family, and well regarded.

The Meeting expressed profound thanks to Ellen Osborne for her faithful attendance as our representative at the Recording Committee meetings over the last several years.

The Meeting next addressed the incredible increase in the value of the Piedmont Natural Gas Stock. A short history of the gift, by Edgar and Pearl McBane, given in 1973, was given, and is attached. The Meeting expressed its heartfelt appreciation for this gift, and Cindy Perry read a letter from Ed McBane about the gift and his intention for the principal to remain unspent, and the dividends used for his annual contributions to the Meeting for general purposes. Ed McBane's letter from Tenth Month of 1973 is attached to these Minutes.

Due to the nature of the stock splits, mergers and buy-outs, it is nearly impossible to determine the amount of current principal of Ed McBane's original \$1,000 gift. Ronald Osborne proposed that approximately \$100,000.00 be placed in a sound, insured, income-producing investment, such as the Meeting had done several years ago with two bond purchases, one for the Endowed Meeting Funds and one for the Cemetery Funds.

The Meeting agreed upon the following plan: Ronald Osborne will investigate investments with his broker, and Grim Hobbs will get more detailed figures from the Contractor so we will know what is needed for the addition to the Fellowship Hall. The Meeting will then come together again, ascertain the needs, and invest the figure which the Meeting will then approve as the revised principal balance.

It was suggested that we attempt to find members of the McBane family to express the Meeting's profound gratitude for this gift.

Chuck Fager led us in a discussion of the issue of the removal of monuments to Civil War soldiers and leaders. Rather than getting involved in the politics and State and Local Laws regarding removal, he proposed that we honor the 123 people who were lynched from 1867 until 1920, two of whom were in Alamance County. Wyatt Outlaw was lynched in 1870 and John Jeffers was lynched in 1920. He proposed a respectful headstone to memorialize these dreadful events. Ronald Osborne suggested that

Chuck Fager take this to the Snow Camp Historical Drama, a location where the memorial would be more often seen, and which fits well in the Quaker participation of the Underground Railroad and the Drama's production of Pathway to Freedom. The Meeting approved this addition to the story of the Civil War. The Meeting agreed that this is a concept which has struck a chord with our Meeting and may need to be "seasoned" in the Snow Camp Community. The Meeting reached unity on the idea that it may need further exploration and seasoning.

The Meeting briefly discussed the Meeting's greetings to newcomers and the general welcoming Friends give to F(f)riends and neighbors.

The Meeting adjourned as the Worship Hour approached.

Respectfully submitted,

**Cindy Perry
Recording Clerk**

