

March 9-11, [From Mourning to Renewed Witness](#). Doug Gwyn and Brian Drayton's workshop exploring how Friends throughout history have mourned the injustices of the world and have transformed the melancholy of grief into fresh, resilient witness.

March 11-15, Examine the prophets – ancient and modern. We will seek to understand the spiritual formation that undergirds their radical social witness. This clarity can aid us in finding our own prophetic voices amid a militarized, exploitative, unequal, and immoral society.

► Read about the new PYM Middle Youth Program staff, Kimani Keaton, Amy Connelly, Elizabeth Croce and Colleen Hayes:

<http://www.pym.org/youth-programs-staff-update/>

Calendar

- Feb.10 SCFM Starfish International fundraising Gambian dinner and crafts**
- Feb.10 Forum on Fostering Diversity at Quaker Camps, Baltimore Monthly Meeting, Stony Run (Baltimore, MD)
- Feb.16-18 BYM Young Friends Conference, Sandy Spring (Md.) Friends Meeting. [To register, go to the Young Friends Registration page.](#)
- Feb.18 Harry Scott, BYM Camping program, SCFM 12:30 pm**
- Feb.22 SCFM Out of the Cold fundraising "Build your own burrito" dinner**
- Mar.17-18 USQM Creative Hands Gathering, Greenwood Friends School
- Mar.18 USQM for Business, Greenwood Friends School, Millville, Pa.
- Mar.22 SCFM 3rd Way Collective fundraising chicken dinner**
- Mar.24-25 BYM Junior Young Friends Conference, Frederick (Md.) Friends Meeting. [To register, go to the JYF Registration page.](#)
- Apr.15 SCFM Bench/Truck/Table sale**
- Apr.19 SCFM CC Womens Resource Center Mexican fundraising dinner**
- Apr.27-20 Shiloh Quaker Camp Spring Family Camp
- May 18-20 Catoctin Quaker Camp Spring Family Camp
- May 17 SCFM Friends School mac'n'cheese fundraising dinner**
- June 1-3 Opequon Quaker Camp Spring Family Camp
- July 30-Aug. 5 BYM Annual Session, Hood College, Frederick, Md.

More Information: Baltimore Yearly Meeting (www.bym-rsf.org), Philadelphia Yearly Meeting (www.pym.org/calendar), Upper Susquehanna Quarterly Meeting (<https://www.quakercloud.org/cloud/upper-susquehanna-quarterly-meeting>), Friends General Conference (fgcquaker.org), Pendle Hill (www.pendlehill.org); Friends Committee on National Legislation (<https://www.fcnl.org>)

Notices for the **Bulletin** or the **email list** should be sent to: office@statecollegefriends.org. Notices for the **monthly Newsletter** should be sent by the third Sat. of the month to scfmnewsletter@gmail.com

[State College Friends Meeting](#) [Weekly Bulletin](#)

May the richness of our diversity strengthen our community and our love

	First Day (Sunday), 2/4/2018
9:00 am	Meeting for Worship for Business
10:45 am	First Day School
10:45 am	Gather for Meeting for Worship
11:00 am	Meeting for Worship
12:20 pm	Pot Luck
	First Day (Sunday), 2/11/2018
10:45 am	First Day School
10:45 am	Gather for Meeting for Worship
11:00 am	Meeting for Worship
12:20 pm	Social time

When you speak in Meeting for Worship, please use a voice loud enough to be heard in the far corner of the meeting room

► **First Day School** is requesting help from the Meeting community. We would like to have an "assistant" teacher each week so that the teacher is not alone. Sign up below:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4ea5a72ca31-assisting>

► SCFM fundraising dinners

Starfish International, Feb. 10, Gambian crafts program 1-5 pm and dinner at 5:30 pm. Join us to make West African treats, soap and print cloth and enjoy a wonderful dinner. **RSVP** to: Cynthia.deVries@yahoo.com or call 814-571-8909 (limit 30 people).

Out of the Cold, Feb. 22, 5:30-7 pm. Our February fundraising dinner for our local community is a Build-your-own burrito dinner for Out of the Cold. Please join us for a lovely meal, community and to raise funds for Out of the Cold. Dinner free, make a donation.

► **Sign up** for hospitality on the Signup Genius link for refreshments and potluck for dates through February:

<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b44aca92fa57-state2>

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Gather and settle. The time from 10:45 to 11:00 am on Sunday is a time for Friends to gather in the meeting room to prepare and settle for worship. Please enter during this time. While we expect silence in the meeting room during that time, we cannot expect silence outside the meeting room until 11:00. However, Friends are reminded that meeting begins at 11:00 and we ask Friends to endeavor to be on time and to please enter the meeting room by 11:00.

Meeting for worship. State College Friends Meeting welcomes you to our silent, “unprogrammed” worship, ideally led by God’s Spirit. We have no designated ministers. A period of about twenty minutes is needed to center down into inward stillness. Spoken messages come from the spiritual depth of our lives and from the leadings of the Spirit. It is wise to ask oneself these questions before rising to speak: is my message from the Spirit, or from some other place? Is the message for me or for the whole group? Is the time to give it now or at some other time? It is best to follow each message with a period of silence in order to absorb what it has to tell us. When a message speaks to the condition of those present, out of the deepest parts of ourselves, and is harmoniously developed and deepened—and not too long—a profound sense of spiritual community may occur among us that freshens and delights. We call this a “gathered” meeting.

Closing meeting for worship. Our time of worship does not necessarily end at noon—it ends when the appointed person, attuned to the spiritual sense of the meeting, recognizes the appropriate moment.

The **Worship and Ministry Committee** is responsible for pastoral care for the Meeting. Please contact us:

To request prayer or to be held in the Light

To request assistance

To make us aware of changes in your lives, or the lives of others you believe should come to the committee’s attention

To request a clearness committee for consideration of membership, marriage or other decision points along your spiritual journey.

Please contact: Lynne Grutzeck (814) 237-1862 or Martin Melville (814) 280-3526

email: lynnebabs@gmail.com or worshipandministrystatecollege@gmail.com

Contributions to the Meeting are always welcome and needed. Checks may be put in the donation box in the entry hall or mailed to the address on page 1. Donations may also be made through our website: www.statecollegefriends.org

The Meeting office. Office hours are Mon., Tues. Thurs. and Friday., 5-6:30 pm. Contact by phone: 237-7051 or by e-mail office@statecollegefriends.org. Please let her know of any scheduled meetings or events in the buildings so conflicts can be avoided.

Bulletin, Newsletter and Directory. Bulletins and newsletters are available on the Web at www.statecollegefriends.org with password **Friend**. To receive the newsletter by mail or by email, or to receive other announcements and bulletins by email contact the Meeting office. **To be added to, or make changes in a Directory entry,** fill out a form available in the foyer or contact the Meeting office.

Submissions for the monthly newsletter should be sent to: Brosi Bradley, scfmnewsletter@gmail.com.

Contact the Treasurer by email at treasure.friends.meeting@gmail.com.

► **Upper Susquehanna Quarterly Meeting Creative Hands Gathering and Quarterly Meeting,** March 17, 10 am-March 18, 2:30 pm, Greenwood Friends School, Millville, PA. Join Friends of all ages for an hour or a whole weekend of fun with fiber at Greenwood Friends School in Millville. Making *Peace Pals* and other projects for knitting4peace.org will be our focus. Bring your own supplies or share ours. Friendly lessons will be available. Contact Amy and PJ Harte amharte3@gmail.com for hospitality. For more call Beth 570-324-2470 or email ponderit@hotmail.com.

► The Penn State College of Nursing will host a visiting scholar, Ruth McDermott-Levy, from the Center for Global and Public Health, Villanova University, for a public lecture titled “*Planetary Health, an upstream approach to addressing the needs of patients and communities*” on March 21, 4-5 pm, at the Foster Auditorium, 102 Paterno Library, University Park.

She will discuss:

Planetary health as it relates to health of patients and communities.

The relationship of planetary health and environmental impacts on human health.

Ways to improve the health of patients and communities from an ecological perspective.

There will be a reception at the Pasquerilla Spiritual Center, 107 Memorial Lounge, immediately following the lecture.

To **register** for this event go to <http://ezregister.com/events/23359/>.

Registration deadline: March 15

► **Upcoming Pendle Hill events** and new [interactive calendar](#) **Feb. 17-19,** in [Tribes of the H.E.A.R.T. Retreat for Nurture, Reflection, and Joy](#), Amanda Kemp holds a retreat for those engaged in anti-racism work and/or who have participated in her workshops or who have read her book, *Say the Wrong Thing*. **Feb. 24,** [Weaving the Tapestry](#), a panel of six Friends traveling in the ministry with Friends World Committee for Consultation, Section of the Americas, discuss: How can local Quaker meetings and churches support the Friends called to ministry among them? **7:30-9:00 pm** in the Barn. Register online for [livestreaming](#). This program will also be recorded.

Feb. 25, [Seeds that Change the World](#), Debbie Humphries shares from her recently published book of essays on Quakerism, spirituality, faith and culture, 1-3 pm in the Barn.

March 2-4, Join performance artist and Bible scholar **Peterson Toscano** for a lively and thoughtful weekend workshop exploring gender and sexuality in Bible stories. [Reclaiming Our Stories: Exploring LGBTQ-Friendly Bible Stories](#)