

► Save the date for **Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Continuing**

Sessions: "How Our Lives Speak", March 24, 9:45 am-4 pm.

Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg, 3301 N Front Street
Harrisburg, PA 17110.

Calendar

- Feb.18 Harry Scott, BYM Camping program, SCFM 12:30 pm**
- Feb.18 SCFM Rise Up Singing, 4-6 pm**
- Feb.22 SCFM Out of the Cold fundraising "Build your own burrito" dinner**
- Feb.26 FCNL Letter writing workshop by Isabella Teti at SCFM, 5:30-7 pm.**
- Mar.11 SCFM discussion on FCNL priorities for 2018-2019, 12:30 pm**
- Mar.17-18 USQM Creative Hands Gathering, Greenwood Friends School
- Mar.18 USQM for Business, Greenwood Friends School, Millville, Pa.
- Mar.18 SCFM Rise Up Singing, 4-6 pm**
- 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.fcni.org>)

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State College Friends Meeting
Weekly Bulletin

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

	First Day (Sunday), 2/18/2018
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
12:30 pm	Presentation on the BYM camping program
4-6 pm	Rise Up Singing
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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>

► **Rise Up Singing** continues every 3rd Sunday, 4-6 pm. Bring your voice, your friends, your instruments and join the group! Upcoming sessions will be Feb. 18 and March 18.

► **Fundraising dinner for Out of the Cold.** State College Friends Meeting is hosting a fund raising dinner for Out of the Cold, which is a local charitable organization on Thursday, Feb. 22 from 5:30 to 7:00 at the Meeting house

Mexican Dinner: Build your own Burrito; main courses and desserts will have vegetarian, vegan and gluten free options
Dinner is free; make a donation. Please pass this information to your friends and neighbors.

The mission of Out of the Cold is to provide the homeless in our Centre County community with a warm and safe overnight accommodation and nourishment within a welcoming atmosphere, as a supplemental option to locally establishes shelters.

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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.

► **FCNL Letter Writing Workshop.** Please come to a letter writing workshop led by Isabella Teti, the FCNL advocate and senior at Penn State, on Monday, February 26, from 5:30 to 7 pm at the meetinghouse. She will guide us in writing effective letters to our representatives urging them to be more active on certain issues. We can then draft our own letters to send out later. Bring your laptop. Pizza will be provided.

► **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 PaIs* 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.

► For several years the **Quaker Life Committee** has been providing the teachers and staff at Friends School a list of organizational and individual resources. If you are not on the list and wish to add your name or other resources, please contact Polly (dunnpolly@gmail.com).

► A member of the **Spiritual Formation Collaborative of PYM** is putting together a list of all the folks in PYM who have participated in one of the Spiritual Formation Programs. State College Meeting has participated more than once. She is gathering names and email addresses of participants to send out information about a new program, a 3 day retreat in October. The committee is being helped by BYM to design a program similar to their Spiritual Formation Retreats. If you are interested in receiving information about the PYM retreat, please contact Lynne at: lynneq@epix.net.

► Join Friends from all parts of the BYM as we join our hosts at Charlottesville Friends Meeting and Tandem Friends School and gather on Saturday, March 17 to conduct the business of the Yearly Meeting. It is important that everyone indicate if they are attending, so that our hosts may properly plan for committee spaces and food: <http://www.bym-rsf.org/events/interim/third18.html>
If you have any items that you wish to have included, [please contact Marcy Seitel, clerk of Interim Meeting](#), as soon as possible.