

Pendle Hill programs (continued)

March 17-19 In [Compassionate Communication](#), learn and practice the basic flow of life in expressing and receiving communication with compassion and understanding.

March 26- April 2 [Present in Every Moment](#) invites you to take time away to experience the Buddha's gift of mindfulness meditation in a weeklong mostly silent retreat.

April 6-8 Quaker psychologist and teacher **Daniel Snyder** returns to Pendle Hill to lead [Sustainable Spirit-Led Activism](#), which will explore practices that will sustain us as we engage the powers of oppression, injustice, and violence.

Calendar

- 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 PYM Continuing Sessions, "How Our Lives Speak", 9:34 am-4 pm Jewish Federation of Greater Harrisburg.
Please register: <https://secure.acceptiva.com/?cst=f6b90d>
- Mar.24-25 BYM Junior Young Friends Conference, Frederick (Md.) Friends Meeting. [To register, go to the JYF Registration page.](#)
- Mar.25 Palm Sunday Peace Walk, beginning at 3 pm at Univeristy Baptist and Brethren Church:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/187088018561665/>
- Apr.15 SCFM Bench/Truck/Table sale
- Apr. 15 SCFM Rise Up Singing, 4-6 pm**
- Apr.19 SCFM CC Women's Resource Center Mexican fundraising dinner**
- Apr.22 SCFM Meeting for Worship at Friends School, 11:15 am**
- 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), 3/4/2018
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	Potluck
	First Day (Sunday), 3/11/2018
	SPRING FORWARD TIME CHANGE
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	Discussion on FCNL priorities for 2018-2019

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

- ▶ On April 22, we will hold meeting for worship at Friends School 11:15 am.
- ▶ **Fundraising for 3rd Way Collective**, Chili Dinner, March 21, 5:30-7 pm at State College Friends Meeting. Dinner is free; make a donation!
- ▶ **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 March 18 and April 15.
- ▶ **FCNL Action: Tell Congress to enact common-sense legislation to prevent gun violence.** It is clear that Congress needs to take action. We need you to tell Congress that the prevention of gun violence is about keeping people alive. Tell them to enact common-sense reforms like universal background checks. Tragedies like the one in Parkland, Florida are preventable, but only if Congress leads the way.
[Contact Congress now and tell them that you support bold action to end gun violence.](#)

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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.

► Sign up to assist in **First Day School:**
<http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0f4ea5a72ca31-assisting>

► **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.

► **BYM Networking Day rescheduled**

Our rescheduled program will take place on Sat., 5/12/18, 9:30 am-3:30 pm at Friends Meeting School in Frederick County, Md. The day will offer an opportunity for folks from various BYM Monthly Meetings to meet and exchange ideas and resources about each others’ successful Peace & Social Concerns programs. We also will offer four, practical 90-minute workshops for your most popular topics:

- How Friends can speak to polarization & racism in our communities
- Strategies for addressing homelessness, reentry & poverty – shelters, “open tables” & more
- Immigrants, refugees & sanctuary in our midst (update - new resources)
- Issues and outreach: Peace festivals, death-with-dignity, LGBT, animal rights, healthcare under Trump

► **Fundraiser for Housing Transitions/Centre House** at Panera's, March 8, 4-8 pm. Information at:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/394864824293987/>

► **Interfaith Coffee Hour**, March 20, 6:30-8 pm, Webster's Bookstore & Cafe, Community Room
Discussion topic: What does kindness mean from your faith perspective? Does kindness have a place in your theology? Come share your thoughts with friends and neighbors of many faiths.
Contact Sarah: 814-883-5884 / InterfaithInitiativeCC@hotmail.com

► **Pendle Hill programs:**

March 9-11, [From Mourning to Renewed Witness](#). Explore how Friends throughout history have mourned the injustices of the world and have transformed grief into fresh, resilient witness.

March 11-15, Examine the prophets, ancient and modern, in the short course [The Prophetic Faith from Moses to Martin](#).