
CALENDAR

- Sept.20 Underground Railroad Presentation:
<http://www.pym.org/event/underground-railroad-presentation/>
- Sept.21-23 USQM Fall Family Gathering at Crystal Lake Camp
- Sept.21-23 BYM Fall Family Camp at Shiloh
- Sept.21-23 BYM Young Friends gathering (ages 14-18) at Homewood Friends Meeting
- Sept.22 Alternatives to Violence mini-workshop, Williamsport:
<https://www.facebook.com/events/1144521445685714/>
- Sept.22 Dedication of Benjamin Lay marker, Abington Friends Mtg., Jenkintown, Pa., 1 pm
- Sept. 26 Energy Star Stewardship Tour at State College Friends Meeting, 2:30-4 pm.**
- Sept.29 [Quaker College Fair](#), 11:45 am-3 pm, Friends Center, Philadelphia
- Sept.30-Oct.1 Quaker Fundraisers Gathering, "Quaker Fundraising in Uncertain Times," Philadelphia, Pa. Info:
<http://www.friendsfiduciary.org/charitable-services/quaker-fundraisers-gathering/>
- Oct.5-7 BYM Fall Family Camp at Catoctin
- Oct.6 SCFM Annual Harvest Dinner, 4:30-7:00**
- Oct.7 World Quaker Day
- Oct.12-14 Alternative to Violence workshop, Northway Presbyterian Church, Williamsport. Register:
<https://www.eventbrite.com/e/avp-workshop-registration-46599105178>
- Oct.26-28 BYM Fall Family Camp at Opequon
- Oct.28 Centre County United Nations Day Dinner, 5-8:30 pm, Ramada Inn, State College. Contact: Frank Ahern, f4a@psu.edu
- Nov.3-4 BYM Junior Young Friends (ages 11-13) gathering
- Nov.23-25 BYM Young Friends gathering
- Jan.12-13 BYM Junior Young Friends gathering
- Jan.25-27 BYM Women's Retreat

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

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| | First Day (Sunday), 9/9/2018 |
| 9:00 am | Meeting for Worship for Business |
| 10:45 am | Junior Meeting & First Day School Begins! |
| 10:45 am | Gather for Meeting for Worship |
| 11:00 am | Meeting for Worship |
| 12:20 pm | Pot Luck |
| | First Day (Sunday), 9/16/2018 |
| 11:00 am | Junior Meeting and First Day School |
| 11:00 am | Gather for Meeting for Worship at Foxdale |
| 11:15 am | Meeting for Worship |
| 12:15 pm | Social time |
| 4-6 pm | Rise Up Singing at the Meetinghouse |

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

A Meeting for Worship is also held at **Foxdale** every First Day. All are welcome. Gather at 10:15 am in the Meeting room.

► First Day School classes will begin today, 9-9-2018. Junior Meeting begins at 10:45 in the garden level followed by FDS classes. Looking forward to seeing everyone!

► We will all join Friends at **Foxdale for Meeting for Worship** on Sept. 16 at 11:15 am.

► Please save the date! Our **Friends Meeting Annual Dinner** will be on Saturday, October 6, 4:30-7:00. If you have ideas for it or want to help, please let Kerry know as soon as possible!

► **Rise Up Singing** will resume on September 16. Bring your voice, instruments, friends and pick your favorite songs for the group to sing.

► The most recent newsletter is always available online. To retrieve it click the link below or copy it into a web browser:

<http://statecollegefriends.org/scfm/newsletters/thismonth.pdf>

State College Friends Meeting

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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 Fall Family Gathering**, Sept. 21-23, 1676 Crystal Lake Rd, Hughesville, Pennsylvania 17737. Registration: \$45 per individual or \$65 per family. Please bring your payment to the Gathering! USQ does not accept credit cards. Registration is subsidized by Upper Susquehanna Quarterly Meeting; the true cost per person is approximately \$125, but we really want you to come, so we try to keep the cost down. If you can pay more or need additional assistance please indicate that in the section at the end of the registration form. [Registration Form: https://goo.gl/forms/ZuXNcaBptjRmZ8v42](https://goo.gl/forms/ZuXNcaBptjRmZ8v42)

► **Interfaith Coffee Hour, 6:30-8 pm, 9-17-2018.** *"Finding Common Ground: How can people of faith overcome the divide? How do you talk to people of opposed social/political/cultural views & perspectives? What wisdom can various traditions, and different experiences contribute to healing social division? Discussion will continue from last month, but no need to have attended last month. Meeting at Webster’s Bookstore and Café, with guest facilitator Naomi Altman.*

► **Society for the Study of Religion**, 9-11-2018, 12-1 pm, 102 Weaver Building, Penn State University. First of a lunchtime series on religion and ethical responsibility. Professor Jeremy Engels, the Sherwin Early Career Professor in the Rock Ethics Institute and Associate Professor of Rhetoric, sets the tone for a year-long exploration of how religious and spiritual traditions approach ethical responsibility, in this brief talk he will describe the ethics of the Bhagavad Gita and then complicate that ethics by situating the Gita in the narrative arc of the epic Mahabharata, of which the Gita is a chapter. He asks, "Under what circumstances is it ethical to act out of duty without concern for "the fruits"—i.e., the consequences--of one’s actions, as the Gita teaches. Light Lunch Provided

► **The Truth About Castes**, 9-11-2018, 4 pm, Foster Auditorium, Paterno Library. Professor Divya Dwivedi of the Department of Humanities and Social Sciences at the Indian Institute of Technology, Delhi, asks if caste-ism is racism. She will challenge attempts by governments and academics to separate caste as it is still practiced today in South Asia from the broader contest of what elsewhere tends to be described in terms of race and ethnicity.

► **Standing at the Gates for Justice** every Monday at 4 pm at the Penn State gates at Allen St.