
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, 1676 Crystal Lake Rd, Hughesville, PA 17737. Registration: \$45 per individual or \$65 per family:
<https://goo.gl/forms/ZuXNcaBptjRmZ8v42>
- 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. 28-30 [Lives of Service](#), a working retreat, offers a low-price weekend for fellowship at Pendle Hill while working on the grounds and in the garden
- 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 Catoclin
- 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.fcni.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), 9/16/2018
11:00 am	Junior Meeting & First Day School
11:00 am	Gather for Meeting for Worship at Foxdale
11:15 am	Meeting for Worship
12:20 pm	Social time
4-6 pm	Rise Up Singing at the Meetinghouse
	First Day (Sunday), 9/23/2018
10:45 am	Junior Meeting & First Day School
10:45 am	Gather for Meeting for Worship
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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

This week, we all join Friends at **Foxdale for Meeting for Worship** at 11:15 am. A Meeting for Worship is regularly held at **Foxdale** every First Day. All are welcome. Gather at 10:15 am in the Meeting room.

► Please find below the link to the sign up genius for assisting in FDS this year. If you go to the link, you will see directions as well as be able to choose dates and groups you would like to assist.

Thank you!

<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/30E0F4EA5A72CA31-assisting1>

► Our **Friends Meeting Annual Fundraising Dinner** will be on Saturday, October 6, 4:30-7:00. Join us for food, Quaker skits, and games. Vegan, gluten- and dairy-free options will be available. Dinner is free, but donations are welcome. RSVP by email to office@statecollegefriends.org or by mail to the Meetinghouse. Please include names of adults and children (with age) who will be attending.

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

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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.

► **United Nations Day Celebrations**, 5-8:30 pm, Oct. 28, at the Ramada Inn, State College. Featured speaker Dr. Hari M. Osofsky will address “*Litigating Climate Change: The Role of Courts Around the World in Shaping Our Future.*” Entertainment will feature Eric Ian Farmer (see vocallygrown.com/music/). Cost of Dinner: \$35 per person. To register send a check payable to the “Centre County UNA” to Centre County UNA, PO Box 1106, State College, PA 16804. The deadline to register is Oct. 21. Contact: Charles Dumas at cx28@psu.edu or visit www.unacentrecountypa.org

► **FCNL Alert:** The House and Senate are engaged in intense negotiations on a final farm bill (H.R. 2), the largest source of food assistance for millions of families struggling with hunger in our country. The biggest hurdle remains the future of the Supplemental Nutrition Assistance Program. **Please contact Rep. Thompson and Sens. Casey and Toomey today and urge them to protect SNAP in the final farm bill:** <https://www.fcni.org/updates/protect-families-struggling-with-hunger-1618>

► Penn State Law Center for Immigrants’ Rights Clinic and The State College Municipality present **Immigration and Equity Summit**, Mon., Sept. 17, 5-6:30 pm, State College Municipal Building, 2nd floor. Community leaders will gather to share their view on current immigration policies and the benefits of welcoming everyone into the community. This will be followed by Mayor Don Hahn signing proclamations declaring September Hispanic Heritage Month in State College and Welcoming Week in State College, as part of the regularly scheduled Borough Council meeting. If you would like more information about this event, please contact Douglas Shontz at (814)-278-4723 or dshontz@statecollegepa.us.

► **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.

► 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>

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