

► **Amazon Craft Sale**, Sun., Dec. 2: 12:30 pm-3 pm. Amazon Holiday Handicraft Sale in the social room. Come check out a great variety of holiday tree ornaments and other fair-trade handicrafts (belts, bags, baskets, guitar straps, dog collars and leashes, coin purses, cell phone holders, earrings, hair barrettes, hat bands, bracelets, necklaces and rings) made with sustainably harvested rainforest plants by native artisans from the Peruvian Amazon. Buying these crafts supports artisan families, forest conservation, and partner communities of the Center for Amazon Community Ecology. Check out Artisans of the Ampiyacu video to see the artisans in action at: <http://tinyurl.com/PeruArtisans>. For more information, contact Campbell Plowden at [cplowden@comcast.net](mailto:cplowden@comcast.net) or call 814-380-1959.

► Film at Foxdale "**Reinventing Power, America's renewable energy boom**", Wed., Dec. 5, 7 pm, Foxdale Auditorium. A trip across the country to hear from the people making a clean energy future achievable.

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#### CALENDAR

- Dec.2 SCFM Meeting for Worship for Business, 9 am**  
 Dec. 5 Movie at Foxdale Auditorium: *Reinventing Power, America's renewable energy boom*, 7 pm
- Dec.9 SCFM Potluck at rise of meeting**  
**Dec.16 SCFM Pageant, Caroling & Meeting for Worship, Foxdale**  
**Dec.16 Rise Up Singing, 4-6 pm**  
**Dec.23 SCFM Candlelight Meeting**  
 Jan.12-13 BYM Junior Young Friends gathering  
 Jan.25-27 BYM Women's Retreat

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

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Notices for the **Bulletin** or the **email list** should be sent to: [scfmeeting@gmail.com](mailto:scfmeeting@gmail.com). Notices for the **monthly Newsletter** should be sent by the third Sat. of the month to [scfmnewsletter@gmail.com](mailto:scfmnewsletter@gmail.com)  
 If you run across a quote that you would like to share in the bulletin, email it to [scfmeeting@gmail.com](mailto:scfmeeting@gmail.com).

## State College Friends Meeting Weekly Bulletin

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

	First Day (Sunday), 11/25/2018
10:45 am	Gather for Meeting for Worship. Childcare available
11:00 am	Family Meeting for Worship
11:15 am	First Day School
12:20 pm	Social time
	First Day (Sunday), 12/2/2018
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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*

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

► In December, **Meeting for Worship for Business** will be on Dec. 2, but the usual business-meeting-day potluck will move to Dec. 9.

► USQM will have its annual "Sing and Potluck" on December 8th at noon at Pennsdale Meeting House.

► On Dec. 16, at 11:15 am, **Meeting for Worship will be in the Foxdale** auditorium. The **Christmas pageant and caroling** will follow worship at noon. Contact Kerry at [kqw11@scasd.org](mailto:kqw11@scasd.org) or **814-571-8909** if you are willing to participate in the pageant! Actors of all ages needed!

Dec 2, 12:30 at Mtg House Social Room: Do an initial read through of the script, make necessary adjustments to the script, sign-up for parts and discuss costuming.

Dec 9, 9:30 at Mtg House Social Room: Bring costumes, and run through play twice.

Dec 16, 9:30 at Foxdale: Set up props for pageant, adorn costumes and run through play twice.

If you want to be in the pageant but can't make either the 2nd or the 9th, you may still participate.

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### **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](mailto:lynnebabs@gmail.com) or [worshipandministrystatecollege@gmail.com](mailto: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](http://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 [scfmeeting@gmail.com](mailto:scfmeeting@gmail.com). Please contact Polly Dunn, [dunnolly@gmail.com](mailto:dunnolly@gmail.com) about scheduling 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](http://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](mailto:scfmnewsletter@gmail.com).

**Contact the Treasurer** by email at [treasure.friends.meeting@gmail.com](mailto:treasure.friends.meeting@gmail.com).

► The next **Rise Up Singing** will be on Dec. 16, 4-6. Bring your voice, instruments, friends and pick your favorite songs for the group to sing. Find your favorite holiday songs!

► State College Friends Meeting is **Ring the Bell** at the Wishing Well at Meyer's Dairy for Interfaith Human Services on **Sat., Dec. 22**, 8 am to 9 pm. Please sign up for your hour to help others. The sign up is on the white board in the Meeting Social room. You can also contact Lynne at [lynnebabs@gmail.com](mailto:lynnebabs@gmail.com) to request a time. This is your opportunity to help those less fortunate.

► **Candlelight Meeting** will be in the Meeting House on Dec. 23rd, 6-7:30 pm. Please bring a plate of cookies and a candle for lighting. Refreshments will follow meeting.

► Please sign up for **refreshments and potluck**:  
<https://www.signupgenius.com/go/10C0B4AABAE29A6FA7-state/76478042>

► **Rental Groups.** We have been blessed with a growing number of rental groups at the Meetinghouse. Friends may notice that the Meetinghouse feels less like a "second home" (open only to Quakers), and more like a public space, as we share the building with Turkish class, CSA distribution, and Girl Scouts. Please be sure to [check the calendar](#) before meeting at the building. As always, members and attenders are welcome to meet here for fellowship, mid-week worship, or for a place to center.

► **FGC Assessment on Racism.** FGC has released the report of the Institutional Assessment on Systemic Racism [on its web site](#). Central Committee, a governing body of Quakers from North America and Canada, met in late October and labored with the realities of white supremacy. The committee received a minute for discernment from the Task Force on Systemic Racism. The group had extreme difficulty coming to unity. In reflection, Friends noted that systemic racism inserted itself in a myriad of dispiriting ways as they worked to address white supremacy. Read the [full report](#) online.

► Every Wednesday, **A Course in Miracles** study group meets from 7-8:30 pm at the Meetinghouse. It is a free and open group. Anyone can attend. No previous knowledge is necessary. For more information contact Laura Collado at [lmcollado@comcast.net](mailto:lmcollado@comcast.net)