

► **Catoctin 60th Reunion Weekend Celebration**, Sept. 29-Oct. 1, 2017. For more information and to register visit www.bym-rsf.org/events/yevents/cqcalumni

► **Going Deeper Into the Spirit**, with Marcela Martin Oct. 14-15, Lancaster Monthly Meeting. In this meeting retreat, open to all Friends, we will support each other to venture more boldly and trustingly into the greater Life into which we're invited every day. We'll take inspiration from the experience of some early and contemporary Friends and help each other notice the subtle or powerful ways that the Spirit is at work in us. Details: www.lancasterpaquakers.org/featured-events or Jane Keller, janeckeller102@gmail.com

► Consider joining FCNL for the **Quaker Public Policy Institute and Lobby Day** (Nov. 2-3) or all of their Annual Meeting (Nov. 2-5). [Register today!](#) FCNL is excited to announce **Sister Simone Campbell** as the Thursday evening plenary speaker. She is a religious leader, attorney, and poet with extensive experience in public policy and advocacy for systemic change.

Calendar

- Sept.22 PYM Young Friends (High School age) at the Peace Fair, Buckingham Friends School/Meeting, Lahaska, PA
- Sept.23 Quaker College Fair, Friends Center, Philadelphia
- Sept.21-24 [Social Justice through Economic Resistance Conference](#), Pendle Hill
- Sept.24 Meeting to hold State College Friends School in the Light
- Oct.6 Extended Meeting for Worship, Birmingham Friends Mtg., West Chester, PA, http://www.pym.org/event/extended-meeting-worship/?instance_id=786d
- Oct.6-8 PYM Young Adult Friends Fall Retreat, Fallsington Meeting
- Oct.14 SCFM Fall Harvest Celebration dinner**
- Oct.22 Meeting to hold State College Friends School in the Light
- Nov.2-5 FCNL Annual Meeting, Washington DC.
- Nov.3-5 FGC Retreat for Friends of Color, Stony Point Retreat Center, NY
- Nov.4 PYM Continuing Sessions, Arch St. Meeting House

More Information: Baltimore Yearly Meeting (www.bym-rsf.org), Philadelphia Yearly Meeting (www.pym.org), 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 Bi-Weekly 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

Bi-Weekly Bulletin

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

	First Day (Sunday), 9/10/2017
10:45 am	Gather for Meeting for Worship
11:00 am	Meeting for Worship
12:20 pm	Social Time
	First Day (Sunday), 9/17/2017
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

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 nurses' conference room.

► **SCFM First Day School** will begin on Sept. 17. Please contact Becky Misangyi, FDS coordinator, if you are willing to sub either as an assistant or lead teacher.

► **Sign up** for hospitality on the new Signup Genius link for refreshments and potluck through mid November. Please consider signing up. Potluck dates for Oct. and Nov. to be announced: <http://www.signupgenius.com/go/30e0b44aca92fa57-state2>

► **Friends Meeting Gardening Committee** is meeting every Wed. evening from 6 to 8 pm from now until October to work on the meeting gardens. We welcome everyone to stop in at any time for a few minutes or for 2 hours to help with the beautification of our grounds. Our meeting is fortunate to have so much space for natural beauty. Helping to care for this space is a fun way to be outdoors, socialize with others and contribute to our meeting.

► **Centre County CAN HELP**. Friends are encouraged to use the Centre County CAN HELP line if they are ever worried about the safety of friends/Friends. It's available 24 hours a day and connects them with the appropriate services. The number is 1-800-643-5432.

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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 our clerk:

Margy Frysinger, phone: 814-692-8802, email: mbfrysinger@msn.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.

► **Rise Up Singing** will return to the Meetinghouse on the 3rd Sunday, Sept. 17, 4-6 pm. Bring your voice or instrument & have some fun!

► **Upcoming State College Friends Meeting events:**

Save the Date! Mark your calendars for the third annual **Friends Meeting fall dinner**, Sat., Oct. 14th, 4-7 at the Friends Meeting House. Our theme this year is "*Our Quaker Roots*". Come and enjoy delicious food, good company, meet some historic Friends in person and hear the new Quaker choir. Free child care. Donations go to the State College Friends Meeting.

September potluck, Meals on Wheels donations

October potluck, Centre Alternatives to Criminal Justice donations

October 14, 2017: Fall Harvest Celebration

November potluck, Centre Volunteers In Medicine donations

► **Hurricane Harvey** reports on Texas meetings are available from **South Central Yearly Meeting** on their website: <http://www.scym.org/> "If you would like to contribute toward hurricane relief, you may send your check to Live Oak Friends Meeting, 1318 W. 26th St., Houston, TX 77008, noting "Fund for Sufferings, hurricane relief" on the check."

► Save the Date: **UN Day Celebration Dinner**, Oct. 22, 5-8 pm, Ramada Inn, State College, sponsored by Centre County UN Association. The speaker will be Ms. Neha Gupta of "Empower Orphans" (www.empowerorphans.org)

► **Interfaith Coffee Hour**, Tues., Sept. 19, 6:30-8 pm

Topic: Does doubt have a place in the religious life, or in the life of faith? Webster's Bookstore & Café, State College. Contact Sarah: 814-883-5884 or InterfaithInitiativeCC@hotmail.com

► [Social Justice through Economic Resistance Conference](#), Sept. 21-24, Pendle Hill. Register online or call 610-566-4507, ext. 137). This conference was born out of their 2016 program on Visioning and Creating a Moral Economy and the lingering questions of participants of that conference—*yes, there are alternatives to extraction and exploitation economies, but how do we actually move from what our system is now to what we want it to be?* Confirmed speakers include the Director of Economic Activism at the American Friends Service Committee Dalit Baum, Executive Director of Philadelphian's Organized to Witness Empower and Rebuild, Reverend Gregory Holston, journalist Kate Aronoff, and clerk of the Earth Quaker Action Team Eileen Flanagan.