



Friends at the Spring

8th Month
Year 2015

The Ancient Flower that heals the human soul -
Saffron

DATE	WORSHIP LEADER	MESSAGE	CHILDREN'S MESSAGE
Aug. 2nd	Kara, Mike and Grace	Open Worship	TBA
Aug. 9th	Kara, Mike and Grace	Greg Woods	TBA
Aug. 16th	Kara, Mike and Grace	Angie Osbourne Dillon and Jennifer share music	TBA
Aug. 23rd	Kara, Mike and Grace	Denny and Zach share music	TBA
Aug. 30th	Kara, Mike and Grace	Danny Gotham shares music	TBA

ANNOUNCEMENTS:

NCYM Representative Body meeting is Saturday, **August 1st** at Holly Spring Friends Meeting.

There will **not be a Monthly Meeting in August.**

Ministry and Counsel will host a **“Threshing Session” on Thursday, August 20th, at 6 pm at the Hut.** We will receive a report on the Representative Body Meeting, but will not be making any decisions or developing any responses. Any topics may be discussed. For those of us who are not familiar with a “threshing session”, in Quaker tradition it is an open meeting where we can have a discussion, but with the ground rule that no decisions need to be made, and no letters or statements need to be completed. It’s to talk with and listen to each other. The meeting will provide Pizza for dinner.

USFW will meet on the **2nd Monday, August 9th.** Contact Cindy for place of meeting if you’re planning to go.

Special announcement from Ani and Bill Flash, Chapel Hill Friends Meeting:

Certified Nursing Assistant available. CNA Rena Zarate will be available as of August 1, 2015, for weekday care. Rena has been with us for the past 9 months, and we highly recommend her care. You may call Rena at 336 264-7159; and we would be glad to speak with you too, at 919 542-0866.

SAVE THE DATE:

There will be an “ice cream back to school social” on **Sunday, August 16th.** Stay tuned for more information.



Ellen Osborne submitted this query from Quaker Faith and Practice, Personal Journey section, ‘questions and counsel,’ 1988.

**Do you cherish that of God within you,
so that love may grow in you and rule your life?**

HAPPY BIRTHDAY

Bruce Walker	3
Bob Lane	9
Heather McIver	15
Annika McIver Lowe	21
Catherine Hobbs	22
Robert Osborne	23
Will Osborne	26
Kevin Muhanji	31

HAPPY ANNIVERSARY

Ron and Elizabeth Osborne	18
Grim and Dottie Hobbs	24
Jerry and Lynette Russell	28

Many Blessings to Friends
with Birthdays and an
Anniversary

On your birthday we wish you
pleasure and joy
And hope all of your wishes
come true
May each of your days be
filled with delight
And your day be perfect
for you



Today, see if you can stretch your heart,
and expand your love so that it
touches not only those to whom you
can give it easily, but also those who
need it so much.

Daphne R. Kingma



**MINUTES OF THE MONTHLY MEETING
FOR WORSHIP WITH ATTENTION TO BUSINESS
19th day, Seventh Month, 2015**

The Spring Friends Monthly Meeting for Worship With Attention to Business met in the Fellowship Hall on the 29th day of the Seventh Month, 2015. Elizabeth Osborne, Clerk, opened the meeting with query readings.

The minutes were read and approved, with thanks to Grim Hobbs as Assistant Recording Clerk.

The Treasurer's Report for Sixth Month was approved.

The following committees reported:

- (1) Building and Grounds: The new light bulbs were installed in the Meetinghouse on 7/18/15, with thanks to Ronald and Ellen Osborne for their contribution of the new LED bulbs.
- (2) Finance: The Committee met on 7/11/15 and did a half-year analysis of the income and expenses. The interest on investments allows us to meet expenses currently. The sense of the meeting was that we should be saving the interest on investments for special needs, and that the congregation should be encouraged to increase the collection.
- (3) Ministry and Counsel: Grim Hobbs reported for the committee and read a letter in support of Option #2 (Bless and Release) for the YM. The letter also addressed procedure for amending the Faith and Practice, and Spring urges the Clerk to adhere to that procedure.

Discussion followed about reserving Monthly Meeting for discussion of YM issues, not the worship hour. After discussion, the MM set a date for a threshing session on the YM issues. That date is the 20th of Eighth Month where it will be discussed but no decisions will be made.

Grim also read a letter from Max Carter and Frank Massey about bullying and Chuck Fager noted that the Personnel Committee had added their own firm voice to that discussion.

The Meeting APPROVED the draft letter from M&C along with a statement about bullying, such to be sent to Max Carter and Frank Massey. Elizabeth will also place the letter on the list serv and link to the website.

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Representative Body will meet next on the 1st day of the Eighth Month at Holly Spring Meeting at 1:00 pm for the general business session and 9:00 am for M&C. Spring will send Grim and Dottie Hobbs, Cindy Perry, Ellen Osborne and Chuck Fager.

Next, the MM held a lengthy discussion about the use of the list serv, who was on the list serv, what topics should be discussed on the list serv, and the manner in which the list serv influences our unity and the vision others have of Spring Friends. It was decided that these issues should be addressed at the Threshing Session on 8/20.

The Meeting ended as the Worship Hour approached.

Respectfully submitted,
Cindy Perry, Recording Clerk

Connecting and Helping Each Other

