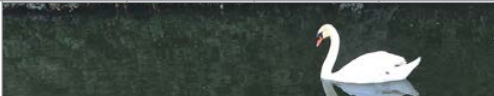


# Middlebury Friends Meeting

May  
2016



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## QUAKER CALENDAR OF EVENTS

- Sun. May 1 8:30 AM Worship and Study Comm. at Havurah
- Sun. May 8 10:00 AM Celebration of Life at Treleven Farm
- Tues. May 10 4:00 PM COSA at Dickinson's with special guest to discuss Jubilee Vermont
- Sun. May 15 8:30 AM Monthly Meeting for Business
- Sun. May 22 8:30 AM Friendly Forum; final session on Quaker testimonies
- Mon. May 23 7:30 PM Men's Group, location TBA
- Wed. May 11 12:30 PM Pastoral Care Committee, at Norm Tjossem's
- Sat/Sun. June 4 & 5 QM hosted by Quaker City & Monadnock meetings; location TBA

“Despite everything,  
no one can dictate  
who you are to  
other people.”

— PRINCE

Middlebury Friends Meeting  
Monthly Meeting for Business

17 April, 2016

Clerk: Tom Baskett

Recording Clerk: Priscilla Baker

Present were Laura Asermily, Sas Carey, Ted Colwell, Tom Dickinson, Brud Leedom, Don Peabody, and Lianna Tennial.

16.04.01 Monthly meeting opened with a reading from Patricia Loring’s *Listening Spirituality, Vol II*.

16.04.02 March 20, 2016 minutes accepted as printed in the newsletter. Tom Baskett observed that the short college student bios included in the newsletter were informative and helpful.

16.04.03 Treasurer’s Report (Karen Nawn-Fahey, edited for these minutes by the recording clerk):

All statements in this report are as of March 31, 2016.

During March, the Meeting had donations of \$545.

During March, Meeting expenditures totaled \$406.25. This includes two checks for \$40 each for childcare, \$166.25 for the Worship Directory in the *Addison Independent*

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and \$160 for children's program coordination (January and February). When these checks clear, the bank balance will be \$4,829.77.

**FOLLOW UP:** Friends agreed to recommend to the treasurer not to publish names to whom checks are written, only the purpose or category of the payment.

Memorial donation(s) to be made in Stewart Kirkaldy's honor were discussed. After considering several possibilities, it was agreed to send \$200 to the Birds of VT Museum and \$700 to the Open Door Clinic.

**16.04.04 Earthcare Committee** (no meeting in April)

**16.04.05 Committee on Outreach and Social Action - COSA** (Don Peabody, edited for these minutes by the recording clerk)

1. **FCNL:** Tom Dickinson re-drafted a questionnaire for MFM concerning FCNL Legislative Priorities, which were passed around at Meeting and via listserv. The results, presented at MM, will now be transmitted to the FCNL Policy Committee.
2. **Journey of Healing Workshop:** 17 Friends are signed-up from Middlebury and S. Starksboro. There are a few spaces left and Don will extend invitations to Poultney Friends. Tom and Manya volunteered to provide morning and afternoon food and beverages for the Workshop. The schedule: Gather: 9:30-10:00; workshop: 10:00-12:00 (plus or minus); lunch: 12:00-1:00.
3. **Jubilee USA/Vermont:** At May 10<sup>th</sup> COSA meeting Cheryl Mitchell will introduce Beatrice Parwatiker, a Board member of *Jubilee USA and Vermont*. She will tell us about *Jubilee* and how Middlebury Friends might best respond to these organizations.
4. **Benevolences:** A three-ring binder put together by MFM Treasurer, Karen Nawn-Fahey, includes information regarding many of the organizations MFM supports as "benevolences." It is kept in the MFM library cabinet at Havurah. An Ad Hoc Committee, Clerked by Jill Stackhouse, has updated guidelines to use in considering support of benevolences.

**16.04.06 Worship and Study Committee** (Lianna Tennial) The 6-part Friendly Forum series on Friends Testimonies will end with a wrap up session at the end of May.

The committee has begun addressing specific tasks related to W & S from the Welcoming Committee.

**16.04.07 Fellowship Committee:** (Laura Asermily) This year's Celebration of Life will be held at Treleven Farm on May 10. Different committees will address aspects specific to their committee.

**16.04.08 Pastoral Care Committee** No report this month.

**16.04.09 Ad Hoc Welcoming Committee** (Wendy Goodwin) Committees are now handling items specific to them.

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#### 16.04.10 Nominating Committee (Sas Carey)

Most positions have been filled. Two more Friends are needed for the Fellowship Committee. Any one interested, or called to service, please contact a Nominating Committee member (Sas Carey, Don Peabody or Lucy McKeon).

16.04.11 **Quarterly Meeting** (Tom Dickinson) All 9 members of NWQM Ministry and Oversight met in Burlington on April 16. September quarterly meeting, which is a Community gathering (no business meeting) will be at Bethany Birches in Plymouth. A Clerks Table workshop will be organized for next Fall. Anyone currently serving, or interested in serving, in the role of Presiding Clerk, Recording Clerk or Treasurer will be invited to attend. June QM will be hosted by Quaker City and Monadnock meetings.

Meeting closed after a brief moment of silence.

## NEWS OF QUAKERLY INTEREST

Collected by Lucy McKeon  
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SAS CAREY'S film, *Migration*, won the Earth's Choice Award at the San Francisco Earth Day Film festival. *Migration* immerses the viewer in the arduous journey Dukha reindeer herders embark on each year traveling through Mongolia's pristine wilderness to arrive at their summer encampment.

—Lucy

## MIDDLEBURY FRIENDS MEETING

Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

Editor: Win Colwell

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### Pastoral Care Committee

Caring for one another in a loving community is an important part of our life as a Meeting.  
Call any member of Pastoral Care to share a concern or need.

Sas Carey (388-1301)  
Wendy Goodwin (385-1900)

Norm Tjossem (388-0338)  
Brud Leedom (558-1005)

Grace McGrath (388-6576)

We welcome your submissions! — [winslow.colwell@gmail.com](mailto:winslow.colwell@gmail.com)

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