



London Grove Monthly Meeting

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August Bulletin

8th Month Queries on Peace

How does our Meeting act to advance peace, to oppose violence, and to support the constructive use of authority in our community, our nation, and the world?

What are we doing as a Meeting:

- to free our nation from militarization, so evident in our society and in its economy?
- to understand the causes of war and violence and to work for the development of the attitudes and institutions of peace?
- to recognize and correct the causes of violence within our communities, and to work toward overcoming separations and restoring wholeness?
- to increase the understanding and use of nonviolent approaches for the resolution of conflicts?
- to overcome social, legal, economic, and political injustices, locally and in the wider world?
- for the funding of community services that does not rely on gaming income?

Do I live in the power of that Life and Spirit that takes away the occasion of all wars?

How do I maintain Friends' testimony that military training and all participation in war and its preparation are inconsistent with the teaching and the spirit of Christ?

Do I work for the establishment of alternative ways of settling disputes? Am I aware that to build a world community requires that we all face our differences honestly, openly, and in trust?

Do I treat conflict as an opportunity for growth, and address it with careful attention?

Do I seek to recognize and respect the Divine in those with whom I have a basic disagreement? Do I look for ways to reaffirm in action and attitude my love for the one with whom I am in conflict?



August 2017 Calendar

8/3	7:30 pm	Property Committee
8/6	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship
	10:45 am	Meeting for Worship for Business — Refreshments to follow
	Noon	Religious Education Committee — See note on Page 4
8/10	7 pm	Care & Membership Committee
8/13	8:30 am	Peace & Social Justice Committee
	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship
	10:45 am	Refreshments
8/20	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship
	10:45 am	Refreshments
8/18	9:30 am	Library Committee
8/27	9:30 am	Outdoor Meeting for Worship — Please come early to help set up, if possible!
	10:45 am	Refreshments



Flowers Volunteers

Date	Flower-Bringer
8/6	Sam Cypressi
8/13	Baz Powell
8/20	Anna Myers
8/27	Susanna Davison

7th Month Meeting For Worship For Business Summary

Recorder's Report: The death of Frank Powell on 6/17/17 has been recorded.

Treasurer's Report: Mark Myers, Clerk of the Finance Committee, provided the 6th Month and Year-to-Date financial reports. As of 6/30, we are 50% through 2017 and have received 47% of contributions towards Budget. We had \$24,700 in total Income – including a \$20,000 bequest from the estate of Patrick Chase – and \$19,000 in expenses.

Chase Bequest: Friends approved dedication of future earnings from the Patrick Chase bequest to issues of Peace. The specific elements of this newly-created fund will be developed by our Treasurer. The Peace & Social Justice Committee will serve as the stewards for disbursement of the earnings.

Peace & Social Justice Committee Annual Report: P&SJ committee members offered a comprehensive review of collective and individual activities this past year. Highlights include Facilitating two Adult First Day School programs, organizing the adult program at 1st Month's meeting of Western Quarter – a thought-provoking program on Martin Luther King, Jr. by local speaker, Jerry Poe – and expanding our donation base to several new local charities/activist organizations.

Minute of Appreciation: Friends approved a Minute of Appreciation, proposed by the Peace & Social Justice co-clerks, thanking David Watkins for his steadfast work over many years on the Helen Corson Peace Award initiative.

Books & Memorabilia Gift Disposition: Our Library Committee has completed its review of the gift of books from a previous member. A number of these were added to our library, and Friends approved making the remaining books available to interested members. Chris Manning volunteered to investigate several options for disposition of the prints and other memorabilia, and hopes to report back to members at the 8th Month Meeting for Worship for Business.

Childcare Flexibility: Friends approved a proposal by Carolyn Muller, Clerk of the Inreach Committee, to reserve several spaces on the front row bench for adults with Clearance to offer childcare on an impromptu basis, if needed.

WQM Budget Approval: Friends approved the proposed 2018 Western Quarter budget, but requested that WQM liaison Margaret Walton express our concern about the growing Reserve balance (comprised of funds contributed by Monthly Meetings).

Summarized by Bob Frye
Clerk, London Grove Monthly Meeting

Note from Religious Education Clerk Leona Provinski:
RE Committee meets at noon on 8/6 in the Social Room.
Please bring your lunch and ideas to our work session. We will
be planning the Children's Fall First Day School Schedule.



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