Newsletter of New Garden Friends Meeting

August 30, 2023

## Flea Market Update

# Want to make this fall tradition a big success? Here's how to help

- 1. Mark your calendars. New Garden's Fall Flea Market, the first since 2019 (thanks to Covid-19), will be October 21.
- 2. Bring your gently used, interesting, surplus, can't bear to throw it out but still useful, he won't miss it when it's gone, used to fit, out of fashion (even though Quakers pay no mind to that word), and otherwise in the way stuff to Norvell Hall also known as downstairs or the base-
- ment. Someone's going to love it. Really!
- 3. Charlie Cameron will be on hand from 1 to 2 p.m. on Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays to assist you. Knock on the basement door, and he'll come to greet you.
- 4. Other volunteers are usually working in Norvell Hall most afternoons until 5 p.m. Knock on the basement door if you have donations, and they will let you in!



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- 5. More volunteers are needed to help sort, arrange and prep for the flea market. To volunteer, call Valerie Harris in the office, 336-292-5487.
- 6. Please don't leave donations outside the building. It rains there.
- 7. Please don't leave donations outside Fellowship Hall. They can't walk themselves downstairs.
- 8. Please don't leave donations in the connector. (Why? See No. 7.)
- 9. Did we mention that the Flea Market, aka The Fall Bazaar, is Oct. 21?

#### Monday, Sept. 4

The office at New Garden Friends Meeting will be closed in observance of Labor Dav.

#### Friday, Oct. 20

New Garden will participate in the The Greensboro Urban Ministry Fall Food Drive by collecting donations at a Harris Teeter supermarket. Ben Gulley of Peace and Social Concerns is coordinating volunteers. Contact him at bgulley@gmail.com.

#### Saturday, Oct. 21

It's the Fall Flea Market! Details, top of this page.



#### Needed: Volunteer to assist an Afghan health professional

A professional Afghan couple that arrived in Greensboro last year is in need of some extra help.

The wife, who speaks English, was an OBGYN in Kabul. She is interested in exploring similar health fields and certificates to earn and be able to work.

She could benefit from someone who is able to help her with internet research, exploring area programs, GTCC, etc, research application requirements, and help her put together a career plan for the next couple of years.

Contact Lizzie Biddle (esbiddle@ gmail.com or 267-377-6562) if this volunteer friend is you.

#### First Day at New Garden September 3, 2023

Unprogrammed Meeting for Worship / 9:00 a.m. Semi-Programmed Meeting for Worship / 11:00 a.m.\*

Worshipful Music Andy Mock
Welcome Ashley Wilcox

**Announcements** 

Congregational Hymn No. 32, "Morning Has

Broken"

Reading Matthew 9:14-17

Congregational Hymn No. 245, "How Can I Keep

From Singing"

Message "Letting Go of the Old"

Ashley Wilcox

Silent Worship

Holding in the Light

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#### **Deadlines**

- Weekly newsletter deadline is noon on Tuesday.
- Please email all articles and attach original photos to <a href="mailto:news@ngfm.org">news@ngfm.org</a>
- Please include start date/end date, start time/ end time and location of the event.
- Questions? Call the Meeting Office.

#### **New Garden Cemetery tours set**

Who was buried in her wedding dress? And why are there baseballs on these graves?

Max Carter knows the answers to these questions and many more tidbits of Quaker trivia related to New Garden Cemetery.

Carter, who co-authored a book on the cemetery with Gertrude Beal, will lead two tours of the graveyard in September.

The first tour begins at 10 a.m. Saturday, Sept. 2.

The second tour begins at 10 a.m. Sept. 16.

Tours are free and open to all comers. Just be



Max Carter and the monument to the Little Brick Schoolhouse.

sure to wear comfortable shoes, because you'll also be walking to the famed Underground Railroad tree in the Guilford College Woods. Questions: 336-292-7316.

#### Please Hold These Friends In The Light

Family of Dorothy Caldwell
Janet Cochran
Ann Deagon
Sally Aycock
Karen Hartsoe
Family of Jack Hess
Gerberg Mowry

Joan McNamara
Mandy Lotz
Chuck Kasimir
Ann Appenzeller
Sandi Coble
Eva Houston
Jacklyn Houston

#### **New Garden Classifieds**

#### Roommate wanted

Zulfiya Tursunova, an employee of Guilford College, is looking for a roommate to share a spacious two-bedroom apartment located within walking distance to Guilford College.

Please contact Zulfiya at tursunovaz@guilford. edu or phone 336-615-9933.

#### Car needed

Wanted: a Japanese car in good running condition, reasonably priced, for a Ukrainian friend.

Please respond to Barbara at schoolssafe@ yahoo.com.

<sup>\*</sup> Friends are also welcome to join the service online either through Facebook Live (view only) <a href="https://www.facebook.com/NewGardenFriendsMeeting">https://www.facebook.com/NewGardenFriendsMeeting</a> or on Zoom.

#### **Notes from Pastor Ashley**

Dear Friends.

One of the things I heard most often when I first started at New Garden Friends was, "I wish we had more children," or "I miss seeing the kids."

Well, if you have been here the last



Ashley Wilcox

two weeks, you know that the kids are back! A week ago, we had seven children in worship, and this past Sunday, we had more than ten! Please join me in welcoming our new and returning families.

This is thanks to the incredible work that Karin Heller and the Religious Education Committee have been doing. Karin is gifted at working with families, children, and youth, and New Garden is fortunate to have her.

On Sunday, we enjoyed breakfast provided by members of the community. Then Karen Garraputa shared a Faith and Play story about the many images Friends have for God, which led to a lively discussion. And in worship, Karin shared a back-to-school blessing, calling all of us to have grace in supporting each other during times of transition. I am grateful for the blessings that everyone, young and old, bring to this community.

On another note, I wanted to remind everyone that Deborah Suess will be traveling during the month of September, so she will not be doing her usual pastoral visits this month. If you have a pastoral care need, please reach out to me or to Caring Friends.

And if you have some extra time, consider visiting someone in our community who might need a little extra care. Showing up for each other is an important part of how we love one another in the meeting.

Blessings, Ashley

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Office Hours: 2-4 p.m. Monday, and by appointment



Friends Committee on North Carolina Legislation

### SAVE THE DATE! ANNUAL **MEETING**

10.07.2023

**New Garden Friends Meeting** 801 New Garden Rd, Greensboro, NC 27410

Hybrid option available.

#### What to Know

- · Meeting held in-person
- All are welcome!
- Stay tuned for additional information on program, speaker, etc.

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Editor's Note: New Garden's Tim Lindeman is clerk of the Friends Committee on North Carolina Legislation. All Friends are invited to attend.

#### **Upcoming Birthdays**

#### **August**

30

Catherine Eagles

**Robert Jones** 

Jane Foy

Ralph Nelson Patrick Westervelt

Clare Bloss Janet Johnston

Dylan James

Alexa Bird

# Announcing a change in handling announcements

We are changing the way we do announcements!

Starting this week, please send your announcements to <u>announcements@ngfm.org</u> by Friday at noon.

Valerie Harris, office manager, will collect the announcements and then a member of the Meeting on Ministry & Counsel will read them in semi-programmed worship on Sunday.

- Pastor Ashley

# Let's carpool to NCFF at Quaker Lake Sept. 9

How about carpooling to the North Carolina Fellowship of Friends meeting at Quaker Lake Camp?

I would be interested in that. It's not good for the environment for lots of us to drive cars there with just ourselves.

The NCFF meeting runs from 8:30 a.m. to 3 p.m., so we would want to leave Greensboro either at 8 or 8:30 a.m.

- Gertrude Beal Gbeal@guilford.edu 336-299-8897

Month	MM&C	Monthly Meeting for Business
September	9/5/2023	9/10/2023
October	9/26/2023	10/1/2023
November	10/31/2023	11/5/2023
December	11/28/2023	12/3/2023
January	1/2/2024	1/7/2024
February	1/30/2024	2/4/2024
March	2/27/2024	3/3/2024
April	4/2/2024	4/724
May	4/30/2024	5/5/2024
June	5/28/2024	6/2/2024

#### Proposed dates for Monthly Meeting, MM&C

Above are the dates proposed for the Meeting on Ministry & Counsel and Monthly Meeting with Attention to Business.

The November MM&C date is in red since it is Halloween. We will need to find an alternate date to meet.

#### **Challenging Racism**

#### Quaker anti-racism educational opportunities

North Carolina Friends Fellowship has an antiracism working group that offers excellent on-line programs. I have learned a lot from participating in these well-planned meetings. When you attend (via Zoom), you will recognize many familiar Quaker faces from New Garden and other area meetings. The following is the fall schedule:

September 21 – How do we, as Quakers, confront our history of involvement in Native American schools, and how do we, as Quakers, confront our personal family histories?

(Led by Jennifer Schaal)

October 19 – Terry Hammond will be speaking about the Guilford County Community Remembrance Project and Equal Justice Initiative Soil Collection

**November 16** – Book Discussion on "How the Word is Passed: A Reckoning with the History of Slavery Across America."

(Led by Carol Cothern and Mary Nell Smith)

If you would like to be added to the list to receive a Zoom invitation to these events, contact Jennifer Schaal, <u>Jennifer.Schaal1006@gmail.</u>

– Janet Inmon

#### Travel to New Zealand with friends from New Garden

Carol Cothern and Gertrude Beal are going to New Zealand. They have booked a trip for January 8-28, exploring the North and South Islands of New Zealand for 21 days.

This is a land tour with Collette Explorations with a difficulty level of 2 out of 4. It includes 25 meals, all hotels, and even travel insurance.

If New Zealand is on your bucket list, please contact Gertrude right away. There were 14 more openings for this trip as of last Friday.

We are using Imagine Travel, Shane Lawrence, 704-674-7216; Shane@ imaginetravelvacations.com.

Feel free to send this to anyone you know who has been considering New Zealand for a vacation.

Gertrude can send you an itinerary.

Gertrude BealGbeal@guilford.edu336-299-8897

#### The Jonathan Mooneyham Memorial Fund

Thanks to donors to the Jonathan Mooneyham Memorial Fund (many from New Garden), we were able to provide a lovely new patio dining set for the Rollingwood Group Home, where Jonathan lived happily for 20 years with his "grown-up family."

I am so grateful that he can be remembered in a way that benefits the residents and staff in his beloved home.

- Kate Seel



#### September Transition Team events are for all New Gardeners

# September 17: Focus on remote worship

The Transition Team hopes to hear from those who participate in remote worship and will facilitate a virtual conversation and listening space for New Gardeners on September 17 at the rise of Meeting for Worship.

Those attending will have the opportunity to reflect on remote worship at New Garden, as well as other queries posed by the Transition Team. Please mark your calendar now and plan to stay on Zoom (or join) at the rise of Meeting on the 17th.

# September 24: Lunch and What Does the Future Hold?

There will be an in-person lunch after worship on September 24.

This gathering will be about our final focus point: Future.

We want to hear from you, so please plan to attend one or both events.

- The Transition Team

#### **Religious Education**

#### Thinking about Guilford students, cookies, and Sept. 10

Dear Friends,

It was so wonderful to be together on Sunday for Intergenerational First

Day School, Religious Education launch, and Back to School Blessing.

2023-2024 Religious Education Schedules and Program information are still available in the Religious Edu-



Karin Heller

cation office for those can plan to join us for all of our fun and exciting programs throughout the upcoming year. Magnets and reusable straws are still available as well.

Sunday, September 3, will likely be a quiet one at the meetinghouse due to Labor Day. However, the next First Day (September 10) will be a fun filled and exciting one! Not only will we have carry-in meal and Monthly Meeting for Business (woohoo!), we will also have Guilford College students joining us for "Hugs & Cookies" for National Grandparent's Day. So we need volunteer huggers and cookie bakers/baggers! Are you willing to be an official hugger and/or bake and bag some cookies?

This event will be promoted at Guilford College at the Places of

Worship Fair on September 6. Email me for more information, or if you would like to volunteer.

There are many other opportunities to volunteer to help too. Currently we are seeking bakers, breakfast casserole makers, and childcare volunteers!

#### Spiritual Disciplines (9:45-10:45 a.m. Brotherhood Room/hybrid)

Friends are invited and welcomed to join Spiritual Disciplines as they read and discuss the book, "Living the Quaker Way," by Phil Gulley. Email me if you wish to join via Zoom.

Warmly, Karin

## Children are welcome at Meeting for Worship

All children are invited and encouraged to join us during Meeting for Worship. There is a blanket in the back corner of the meeting room for children to sit on for Meeting for Wiggles. They are welcome to bring small, quiet toys to play with. Crayons and activity packets are available in the foyer.

Childcare is available beginning at 9:30 a.m. until the rise of Meeting for Worship.