

Second Hour Programs

May 11th *Mother's Day*

A shared activity where all are invited to tell a brief story of *"Things you learned from your Mother or Mother Figure* (including Mother Earth) that have had an important influence.

May 18th *Worship Sharing*

Led by Deirdre Phillips.

May 25th *Brother Sun, Sister Moon*

A spiritual, thankful, and eco-friendly, celebration of Creation in the company of Francis of Assisi (and others). Led by Richard Phillips.

June 1st *Spring Quarterly*

At Lake Fort Smith. See over page for more details.

June 8th *Impressions of Yearly*

Presented by Gladys and Richard Tiffany.

June 15th *Worship Sharing*

July 6th *Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business*

The Quaker process in action. A spirited business meeting.

RIVER OF SPIRIT

*A Friend taught me to canoe
to seek the way downstream
going with the force of the stream
searching the way to choose.*

*I thought I knew the direction
Once started one always went down
Like a frail leaf that's thrown
dwarfed on the torrent's action.*

*Then I learned to dance with the spirit
of the river, eddying, surfing across,
curling back, in the current's upstream toss,
embracing, merging, learning not to fear it.*

*Friends taught me of the silence
First endure, then enjoy, then feel mild delight.
Feel a merging of light with light
hear the tiny whisper of the light so immense.*

*My first intimations of the river of spirit, river of light
where the frail barks of our lives can play
following baroque curls in the light, leading as way
opens to carry us forward without fight.*

*The river of light, silent, invisible encompasses.
On the riverside of light I lay my life's boat
As I hear the silence in which I will float,
play, work and live not as one, but as process.*
—Jody Hopkins



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Meeting for Worship is on Sundays. It begins with worshipful singing and sharing at 9:30 a.m. followed by one hour of silent/waiting worship which starts at 9:45 a.m.

After worship on most Sundays there is a break for fellowship with coffee, tea, and snacks, which is then followed, at about 11:15 a.m., by an enlightening and enjoyable, "second hour" program.

**Visitors and enquirers are always
very welcome.**

Our **May potluck** will be at the home of Shelley and Michael Buonaiuto in Wedington Woods on **Saturday 24th May** at 5:00 p.m.

If there is a worship sharing **you are led to give** please let a member of M&O know.

Cooperative Emergency Outreach (CEO) is in need of baby food, baby formula, and personal hygiene items.

Remember to keep your diaries free for **Camp Cleanup** on **Saturday June 21st**. We have volunteered to help make ready a Summer Camp for Native American children in Oklahoma in 2014 - Quivering Arrow Camp. It is a project of Hominy Friends Church and the Kikapoo Friends Center, and is held in the grounds of Council House Friends Church, Wyandotte, OK. That is just south-west of Joplin, MO. It will be an opportunity for us to work on a very **worthwhile service project** and to work in true Friendship with programmed Friends in Oklahoma.
<http://www.councilhousefriends.org/camp.html>

**AR/OK Spring Quarterly
will be May 30th to June 1st
at Lake Fort Smith.**

We have one group lodge that sleeps 30, 1-3 persons in each room. It's nice and relatively easy to get to, it's about 35 miles south of Fayetteville just off I49(I540). It has a large main room, peaceful outdoor deck, picnic tables, and lots of hiking, boating, swimming, and lounging. For those who want alternative sleeping arrangements, there is also tent camping (among the RVers) and there are now also more private cabins if anyone would like to reserve one for themselves.

Friday night we simply gather and greet Friends. We plan to have worship sharing and workshops Saturday morning, with the afternoon for hikes, naps, canoeing, etc. Additional workshops can be held late afternoon, after dinner, and before music merry making and game playing. Meeting for Worship will be at 9:00 am Sunday and departing shortly after that (check out time is 11:00am). You may stay in the park to continue the outdoor experience.

Cost will be \$20 per person per night. Food \$5 per meal. (Under 18s eat for free).

Register with Karen Takemoto.

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**Friends General Conference
Gathering,
will be June 29th – July 5th.
At CALU, Pittsburgh, PA.**

Theme: ***Let Love be the First Motion***
Registration is now open, late fee after June 1st. On the banks of the Monongahela River, the California University of Pennsylvania (CaL U) is 35 miles south of Pittsburgh.
<http://www.fgcquaker.org/connect/gathering>

The Mary Fisher Travel Fund is available to help those in need of financial assistance to attend the Gathering – and first time attenders are eligible for a matching (or more) scholarship grant from FGC. Contact a member of M&O.

We need more **greeters** for the meeting on Sundays. Please consider signing-up to meet and greet – and optionally hug. Let Maya or another member of *hospitality committee* know a date that works for you.