

PFF Fall Retreat  
November 5, 2016  
Charlotte Meeting

**Quaker House: Helping our Victims of War at Home**

Piedmont Friends Fellowship will hold its Fall Retreat on Saturday, November 5, 2016 with a program on “Quaker House: Helping our Victims of War at Home.” The program will feature Quaker House counselors for the GI Rights Hotline and for domestic violence, sexual assault and moral injury. This is an excellent opportunity to hear personal stories of service members and veterans helped by Quaker House, and join in small group discussions about questions raised by difficulties our service members and veterans face and about the Quaker response to associating with the military community and service members.

The retreat will take place at Charlotte Friends Meeting, 570 West Rocky River Road, Charlotte, NC 28213. Fellowship and registration begin at 9:00 am, the program gets underway at 9:30, and lunch will be served at noon. PFF suggests a donation of \$10 to cover the cost of lunch. For more information, contact [pffclerk@gmail.com](mailto:pffclerk@gmail.com).

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Brief Report

The PFF Retreat was attended by 35 Friends representing 6 PFF meetings. The program presented by Quaker House counselors was informative and moving with stories of individual soldiers and their families facing difficult military procedural and personal hurdles toward healing from the moral injury of killing and the effects of unresolved trauma caused by war related violence (often brain injury) leading to PTSD. Friends were impressed by the professionalism, knowledge, and skill of the Quaker House counseling staff who are dedicating their lives to this work.

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