

Piedmont Friends Fellowship Piedmont Friends Yearly Meeting

Annual Meeting & Retreat
March 10-12, 2017

Featuring
Mary Jo Klingel
Presenting

A Program for Adults on Environmental Concerns

Registration forms, schedules and opportunities to provide hospitality for Friends from far away are available on the PFF website PiedmontFriendsFellowship.org.

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**PROGRAM
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March 10 -12, 2017
Carolina Friends School
Durham, North Carolina**

JOIN US for a meaningful, educational, and fun filled weekend for the whole family!

The weekend features a Friday evening potluck and fellowship, a Saturday program for adults on environmental concerns led by Mary Jo Klingel, and youth programs for pre-school through high school.

The Piedmont Friends Yearly Meeting will hold its third annual sessions on Saturday afternoon both at 1:15 PM and again at 4:30 PM. The Piedmont Friends Fellowship, which first met in 1968, will hold its annual meeting for the 50th time on Sunday Morning. Scheduled worship times are for Saturday and Sunday mornings.

Quaker related organizations will be making presentations for interested Friends. This list includes Friends General Conference, AFSC, and Quaker House of Fayetteville. There will also be a book table stocked with titles of interest by the (FGC) book store.

The full cost of this weekend retreat, including program costs, lodging cost*, and 5 meals is \$40 per adult and all children up to 18 attend free. *For full costs and fee policy see the registration form on the PFF/PFYM website (PiedmontFriendsFellowship.org).

Presenting the Adult Program at the PFF/PFYM retreat March 11, 2016, 9:00 AM to Noon

Topic: Environmental sustainability concerns and leadings of Friends in PFF/PFYM. Mary Jo Klingel of Quaker Earthcare Witness will facilitate a program to explore our leadings and concerns as we consider our care for the Earth today. We will work in both large and small groups, seeking together as a community.

Earthcare queries will be offered as guidelines, with awareness of the new thoughts or inspirations that may be surfacing among us. Some of the ideas that may emerge for consideration are:

- With climate change understood as a challenge to Friends older and younger, now what?
- How do we discern ways to engage as individuals and as a community of faith? What new skills do we need to develop?
- How does work on sustainability support our work for peace and justice?
- Can we return to the testimonies, especially simplicity, integrity, and equality, to carry us forward?
- What is the spiritual basis for our concerns and how does that sustain us?

Mary Jo Klingel is a longtime Representative to Quaker Earthcare Witness from Southeastern Yearly Meeting. She recently moved to the Charlotte area, and attends Charlotte Friends Meeting.

Piedmont Friends Fellowship and Yearly Meeting

Daily Schedule

March 10-12, 2017

Note: Room assignments will be posted March 10 at the Carolina Friends School. Times may be adjusted.

Friday, March 10

- 6:00 PM On-site registration begins
- 7:00 Potluck supper
- 8:00 Ice breaker activities
- 9:30 Snack served

Saturday, March 11

- 7:45-8:30 AM Breakfast served
- 8:30 Registration table open
- 9:00 Meeting for worship
- 9:00 Youth leaders and parents meet briefly
- 9:15 Youth programming begins, pre-school through high school
- 9:30 Adult program - Environmental sustainability concerns and leadings of Friends in PFF/PFYM, led by Mary Jo Klingel
- 10:45 Break
- 11:00 Adult program resumes
- 12:15 Lunch served
- 1:15 PFYM Annual Meeting session
- 1:15 Youth programming continues until break
- 1:15 Free time for those not attending the PFYM Annual Meeting session
- 3:15 Break and Quaker presentations:
 - Friends General Conference
 - Quaker House of Fayetteville
 - American Friends Service Committee
 - Friends Committee on National Legislation
- 4:30 PFYM Annual Meeting session resumes
- 4:30 Games, soccer, Frisbee, book table browsing, relaxing
- 6:30 Dinner served
- 8:00 Evening activities
- 9:45 Snacks and refreshments served

Daily Schedule (continued)

Sunday, March 12

8:00 AM	Breakfast served
9:00	Meeting for Worship
9:00	Youth programming until lunch
10:15	PFF 50 th Annual Meeting
11:30	Clean-up
11:30	Final book table sales
12:00 PM	Lunch served
12:45	Assistance needed to restore school rooms to pre-weekend conditions!
12:45	Left-over FOOD SALE
1:00	Departure after clean-up completed
1:00	PFF Representative Body meeting
3:00	PFF Representatives depart