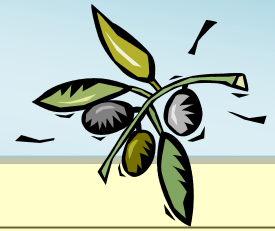


Newsletter

March 2023

Crosswicks Friends Meeting
of the Religious Society of Friends



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“Most of the miseries of the world were caused by wars. And when the wars were over, no one ever knew what they were fighting about.”

Margaret Mitchell (1900-1949)



Crosswicks Meeting House 1773

Diane Williams

March Calendar

Friday, March 3	Hazen wedding (non-CMM)	All day	MH/FDS
Sunday, March 5	Assembly Meeting for Worship First Day School	9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	MH/Zoom MH/Zoom FDS
Thursday, March 9	W&M/RE meeting	7:00 p.m.	FDS/Zoom
Saturday, March 11	Cello recital	3:00 p.m.	MH
Sunday, March 12	Assembly Meeting for Worship Meeting for Business	9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	FDS/Zoom MH/Zoom MH/Zoom
Sunday, March 19	Assembly First Day School Meeting for Worship Burlington Quarterly Meeting	9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 10:00 a.m. 11:00 a.m.	FDS/Zoom FDS MH/Zoom Mt. Holly
Wednesday, March 22	Richard Moody talk	7:00 p.m.	FDS/Zoom
Saturday, March 25	ICB March Madness Soup Sale	10:00 a.m.	FDS
Sunday, March 26	Assembly Meeting for Worship	9:15 a.m. 10:00 a.m.	MH/Zoom MH/Zoom
Tuesday, March 28	Meals for the Needy	3:00 p.m.	FDS

Mike Brick, Clerk

Russell Caldwell, editor

A busy March in the Meeting

March 11: Cello Recital. On Saturday at 3:00 p.m. in the Meeting House, John Enz will present a recital featuring some of his cello students. All are welcome to attend.

March 12: Meeting for Business. Our monthly Meeting for Business will be held at the rise of Meeting, or about 11:00 a.m., in the Meeting House and via Zoom.

March 19: Quarterly Meeting in Mt. Holly. The First Quarterly Meeting of 2023 of the Burlington Quarter will be held at the Mt. Holly Friends Meeting House. More information on the agenda and after-program will be available closer to the date.

March 22: Richard Moody Talk. On Wednesday at 7:00 p.m. in the First Day School, Richard Moody will give the third in his series of talks. This month's topic is titled, "New Jersey Historical Quiz," which promises to include a bit of audience participation. All are welcome to attend, and the talk will also be accessible via our Meeting Zoom link, which can be found [here](#).

March 25: ICB March Madness Soup Sale. On Saturday from 10:00 a.m. to noon, we will be selling quarts and pints of soup and chili in the First Day School to benefit our Interfaith Community Builders and their Juneteenth celebration on June 17th. The prices will be \$10 per quart and \$5 per pint. Be sure to get there early for the best selection.

Please consider donating in our Meeting House.

We are trying to raise at least \$1,000 in 2023 for our Peace & Social Action Committee to make their annual charitable donations.

There are many ways to give at the Meeting

Please consider giving to the various charities our Meeting is affiliated with. Collection bins are in the First Day School vestibule.

- Non-perishable food items for St. Mary's pantry in Bordentown
- New, unopened boxes of cereal for the Baptist Church in Bordentown
- New adolescent underwear, undershirts and sports socks (sizes S, M, L, and XL) for Trenton youths.

We are also collecting gently used children's books for Mercer Street Friends. Please contact Laura Bond at laurabond75@comcast.net for more information.

ICB Ramadan Town Talk

There will be a Town Talk hosted by our Interfaith Community Builders at 8:00 pm on Wednesday, March 15, discussing the Islamic month of Ramadan. This is a Zoom event, and more information on the link and registration will be coming soon.

Louise M. Calloway, friend of ICB and our Meeting, dies at 93

Louise M. Calloway, founder and curator of the Burlington County Underground Railroad Museum, has died at the age of 93. Ms. Calloway first opened the historic museum in Burlington City, near a station on the Underground Railroad, in 2005. She died on Feb. 8, the museum said.

Ms. Calloway spoke at our inaugural Juneteenth celebration in 2021, and at the 2022 celebration the ICB presented her with an award commemorating her life of service and her work with the museum.

Queries

Third Month

Spiritual Nurture, Ministry, and Religious Education

How does the meeting encourage the use of spiritual practices that deepen our faith, enhance the excitement of shared religious discovery and increase the possibility of spiritual transformation?

What is the nature of our shared experience of the Divine and how do we nurture our collective spiritual growth and transformation?

In what ways do we support each other in our spiritual journeys, in our search for God's will and in our efforts to increase understanding of humanity's relationship to life on earth?

How do we recognize, develop and nurture the spiritual gifts of all in our meeting?

How do I incorporate into my personal and family life those daily practices that focus on continued spiritual growth, including worship, reflection and engagement with writings that nurture the soul?

How does my spiritual life integrate an understanding of a well-ordered relationship with the earth and deepen my reverence for the interconnectedness of all life?

Source: Faith and Practice, Revised 2018 Edition