

Report from NYQM M&C

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In addition to pressing forward toward building affordable housing and seeking to engage professional social work services to assist Monthly Meetings with, their pastoral care the Concerns for Quaker Living (CQL) working group has continued to invite NYC Friends to come together across the NYQM to provide a forum to share concerns and learn from one another and strengthen our community.

In September, the Potluck in the Cemetery was an amazing success. We appreciate the support of the Cemetery Committee and everyone who came out, brought food, and helped set up and take down!

In October, a presentation, Fall Financial Guide—4 things to think about was offered by zoom with Anthea Perkinson, CFP. Her fact-packed, provocative, presentation on retirement and tax considerations created interest and left us with a list of resources for personal financial education and counseling.

In November, a group of Friends gathered in the Penington parlor to celebrate the many contributions of Callie Janoff to our community and to offer support as she starts a new job; It featured the music of Impromptuo, a violin and piano duet with classical improv in their bones while offering a chance to mix and mingle with Friends.

CQL invites M&C and members of the Quarter to offer suggestions for other opportunities to gather, get to know each other and build our spiritual community. CQL is currently considering new workshops and events that may include more evenings of music, movement and potlucks as well as addressing community concerns about memory loss and others as they arise. Suggestions may be offered to any CQL person or email Charlene Ray at charleneceis@gmail.com.. You may also use this email address if you would like to attend a meeting; all are welcome.