

CHICO FRIENDS MEETING NEWSLETTER

Fifth Month (May) 2026

Chico Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)

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chicofriendsmeeting.org

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Chico Friends Meeting (CFM) Common Meeting Times:

Singing or Worship Sharing each First Day/Sunday, 10:00 - 10:50 AM in person.

Meeting for Worship in person 11:00 AM - Noon each First Day/Sunday.

Midweek Meeting each Wednesday in person and on Zoom with Meeting for Worship from 7:00 - 7:30 PM followed by Quaker Explorations from 7:30 - 8:30 PM.

Newsletter Deadline: 15th of the month

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ADVICES AND QUERIES ON HARMONY WITH CREATION



Sunbow & Tree at Dawn

Thank you to Jackie Sudicky for sharing

"It would go a long way to caution and direct people in their use of the world, that they were better studied and knowing in the creation of it. For how could [they] find the confidence to abuse it, while they should see the Great Creator stare them in the face, in all and every part thereof?"

William Penn,

(Some Fruits of Solitude 1693, 12 & 13)

God is revealed in all Creation. We humans belong to the whole interdependent community of life on earth. Rejoice in the beauty, complexity, and mystery of creation, with gratitude to be part of its unfolding. Take time to learn how this community of life is organized and how it interacts. Live according to principles of right relationship and right action within this larger whole.

Be aware of the influence humans have on the health and viability of life on earth. Call attention to what fosters or harms earth's exquisite beauty, balances and interdependencies. Guided by Spirit, work to translate this understanding into ways of living that reflect our responsibility to one another, to the greater community of life, and to future generations.

- In what ways do I express gratitude for the wondrous expressions of life on Earth?
- Do I consider the damage I might do to the Earth's vulnerable systems in choices I make of what I do, what I buy, and how I spend my time?
- *In our witness for the global environment, are we careful to consider justice and the well-being of the world's poorest people?*
- *Does our way of life threaten the viability of life on Earth?*

(From *Faith and Practice, a Guide to Quaker Discipline in the Experience of Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends*, 2001)

Chico Friends Meeting
Meeting for Business, April 12, 2026
Minutes

At each level of organization within a yearly meeting—preparative meetings, monthly meetings, regional meetings, and the yearly meeting—the smaller body submits reports and sends representatives to the larger body, and the larger body provides care and counsel to the smaller body. In this way a meeting participates in and directs the activities of the larger bodies, while the larger bodies pool the resources of a number of meetings to accomplish common work, to provide care and counsel to its constituents, and to seek God’s will.
(*Quaker Process for Friends on the Benches, p. 56*)

Present: Jim Anderson, Rebecca Senoglu, Gayle Matson, Tom Head, Kathy Runyan, Bob Runyan, Bill Carlson, Linnea Hanson, Rick Narad, Kendall Moalem, Christine Rowe, Janet Leslie, Peter Milbury, Karen Burdette, Tanya Heaston.

Regrets: None

The Meeting gathered in opening worship.

Clerk’s Welcome and Business

Clerk Rebecca Senoglu welcomed us and read the above quote. The clerk invited Friends to very briefly respond as led to these two queries:

Why is Pacific Yearly Meeting important? What benefit have you experienced from PacYM?

Minute 01-04-2026 We approve Gayle Matson as Recording Clerk for this session.

The clerk noted that our clerk of the Ministry and Oversight committee has received a letter of transfer of memberships for Ricky and Karen Burdette. The clerk noted the upcoming Threshing Session on the topic of money. The PacYM Faith & Practice Revision Committee is asking for our input regarding a new section in the current Faith and Practice section regarding Elders and Eldering. More information will be forthcoming.

Reports

PacYM Representative Committee Report, Jim Anderson ([See report.](#))

Jim Anderson presented the PYM representative’s report, noting an array of reports and current issues that were discussed at the representatives’ meeting. He highlighted two matters of particular concern.

First, he outlined the Yearly Meeting’s decision to use \$45,000 from general Yearly Meeting reserves to manage the \$238,000 overall costs of this year’s Annual Session.

Second, he described a proposal from the Transformation Subcommittee of the Ministry Committee to allow the Yearly Meeting to hold memberships of Friends who wish to be members in the Religious Society of Friends but do not participate in a Monthly Meeting. Friends can find more detail about both of these issues in the written report linked above.

Ministry & Oversight Committee, Bob Runyan, Committee Clerk ([See report.](#))

M&O Clerk Bob Runyan presented the final version of the CFM State of the Meeting Report and asked for approval as presented.

Minute 02-04-2026: We approve our State of the Meeting Report as presented to us.

Bob reported that a committee met with Mark Runyan to consider clearness for transfer of membership, and they recommend that Chico Friends Meeting approve his transfer of membership from Santa Cruz Friends Meeting. This recommendation will season until the May Meeting for Business. Bob reported on our experiment to use the “first hour” of the 5th Sunday of the month as a time for intergenerational worship, noting that our first opportunity to try the experiment was a success. We will continue to do this on the fifth Sunday. Christine Rowe has created a Quaker Exploration curriculum on the general topic of “Applied Quakerism.” We will begin this coming Wednesday. The newly constituted Hospitality Sub-committee is having trouble getting volunteers for greeting and organizing snacks. They ask that Friends please volunteer for these roles as led. The Ministry and Oversight Committee will be meeting on May 12 to specifically discuss the future of the Listening Committee.

The M&O Committee brought the second reading of the Advices for Electronic Communications at Chico Friends Meeting, our guidance for emails and texts among members and attenders.

Minute 03-04-2026 We approve the document “Advices for Electronic Communications at Chico Friends Meeting”

We were reminded to add the committee (or author) and last update to all of our meeting documents.

Treasurer’s Report, Christine Rowe ([See report.](#))

Treasurer Christine Rowe presented the financial reports for the first quarter of 2026. She noted that our contributions are on target for the year. She described an outlay from the emergency fund as approved by the M&O Committee. The Treasurer’s report was accepted as presented.

Witness & Service Committee, Jim Anderson, Committee Clerk ([See report.](#))

Committee clerk Jim Anderson recapped the committee’s various activities and initiatives over the past month and noted projects the committee hopes to undertake in the coming months. He encouraged us each to consider what actions we as individuals and as a meeting might be able to undertake in this time of war and global and national distress. He brought to us a proposal to cosponsor a blood drive being organized by our neighbors at Congregation Beth Israel. Friends were supportive, with one question as to how the event will be publicized.

Minute 04-04-2026 We agree to co-sponsor a blood drive with Congregation Beth Israel. We ask that the date and details be arranged by the Witness and Service Committee, not to conflict with regular CFM activities. Co-sponsoring will mean three things: 1) our name will appear on the flyer; 2) we will encourage our members to give blood at the event; and 3) the bloodmobile would be parked here at Chico Friends Meeting for the approximately four-hour event, with access to our restrooms for bloodmobile staff.

There was brief discussion about how much discretion committees should have to undertake projects such as the one described above. It was decided to return to this issue at a subsequent Meeting for Business.

Buildings & Grounds Committee, Tanya Heaston, Committee Clerk ([See report.](#))

Committee clerk Tanya Heaston reported on a variety of maintenance projects currently in process. Please see her written report for more details on the good work the committee is supervising.

Tanya cautioned Friends that if we have items to donate to CFM, to please check with the Clerks of Building and Grounds, Ministry and Oversight, and the Quaker Youth Group before dropping items off here. We have limited storage space for additional items.

A question was raised about the current adequacy of our cooling system after the removal of our very old air conditioners. The Building and Grounds Committee plans to share a formal HVAC report at our May Meeting for Business.

We closed with centering worship.

MAY EVENT CALENDAR

All events in person except Wednesday midweek worship and Quaker exploration, which is also on Zoom. Please visit our online calendar for recent updates: chicofriendsmeeting.org

5/2	Sat.	(12:30 pm)	Chico Peace Vigil. Contact: Janet Leslie
5/3	First Day/ Sunday	(10:00 am)	Quaker Life with a reading, in person. Contact: M&O Committee
		(11:00 am)	Meeting for Worship in person. Contact: M&O Committee
		(1:00 pm)	Threshing Session on Money in person. Contact: Rebecca Senoglu
		(3:00 pm)	Make dinner and serve at the Torres Shelter. Contact: Janet Leslie
5/4	Mon.	(3:00 pm)	Meeting for Worship with Diana Fogel. Contact: Loree Monroe
5/5	Tues.	(4:00 pm)	M & O Committee Meeting. Contact: Bob Runyan
5/6	Weds.	(7:00 pm)	Midweek Worship in person and on Zoom. Contact: Bob Runyan
		(7:30 pm)	Quaker Exploration in person and on Zoom. Contact: Bob Runyan

5/7	Thurs.	(7:00 pm)	Singing Circle. Contact: Leslie Howard
5/9	Sat.	(9:00 am)	Care Day. Contact: Tanya Heaston
		(12:30 pm)	Chico Peace Vigil. Contact: Janet Leslie
		(6:30 pm)	Movie: Plastic People. Contact: Kathy Runyan
5/10	First Day/	(10:00 am)	Singing in the Fellowship Hall, in person.
	Sunday	(11:00 am)	Meeting for Worship in person.
		(12:15 pm)	Refreshments in the Fellowship Hall.
		(1:00 pm)	Meeting for Business in person. Contact: Rebecca Senoglu
5/13	Weds.	(7:00 pm)	Midweek Worship in person and on Zoom.
		(7:30 pm)	Quaker Exploration in person and on Zoom.
5/16	Sat.	(12:30 pm)	Chico Peace Vigil. Contact: Janet Leslie
5/17	First Day/	(10:00 am)	Quaker Life with a reading, in person.
	Sunday	(11:00 am)	Meeting for Worship in person.
5/18	Mon.	(3:00 pm)	Meeting for Worship with Diana Fogel. Contact: Loree Monroe
5/20	Weds.	(7:00 pm)	Midweek Worship in person and on Zoom.
		(7:30 pm)	Quaker Exploration in person and on Zoom.
5/21	Thurs.	(2:00 pm)	Sign Making and Letter Writing, Fellowship Hall. Contact: Kathy Runyan
5/23	Sat	(12:30 pm)	Chico Peace Vigil. Contact: Janet Leslie
5/24	First Day/	(10:00 am)	Singing in the Fellowship Hall, in person.
	Sunday	(11:00 am)	Meeting for Worship in person.
		(12:30 pm)	Potluck in person in Fellowship Hall.
5/27	Weds.	(7:00 pm)	Midweek Worship in person and on Zoom.
		(7:30 pm)	Quaker Exploration in person and on Zoom.
5/31	First Day/	(10:00 am)	Intergenerational Worship in person
	Sunday	(11:00 am)	Meeting for Worship in person
		(1:00 pm)	Quaker Connect

CHICO FRIENDS MEETING EVENTS & NEWS

Threshing Session on Money, Sunday, May 3rd, 1:00-3:00 p.m. by Rebecca Senoglu

During our budget discussions in December, several Friends asked that we set time aside to reflect more deeply on our underlying values around money, the cost of maintaining the Meetinghouse, and how we find unity when we differ on how best to steward our financial resources.

A threshing session is a gathering where we can openly express diverse, sometimes controversial, opinions to facilitate smoother future Meetings for Business. Most importantly, we gather in a spirit of worship, threshing not only the issue but ourselves, as we work to bring our lives—and the life of the meeting—under the order of Spirit.

Let's explore how we should spend our money at CFM by speaking plainly, listening deeply, and staying open to revelation. It will be a rich afternoon of practicing this unique Quaker tradition. Let's thresh!"

April and May dinners at the Torres Shelter, Serving the Chico community by Janet Leslie

May dinner: You can help by signing up on the clipboard in the Fellowship Hall or by email/text (janleschico@gmail.com). You can sign up for both preparing and serving the food (3-7pm), or just for prep (3-5:30pm), or just for serving (5:30-7pm).

In April, we had six hardworking helpers who had not worked together before and they did a remarkable job responding to unexpected situations, of which there were several! It was a little chaotic, and they took it in stride. The Shelter kitchen has a limited budget and small staff, and is dependent on what foodstuffs are donated and on the ingenuity of the staff to serve breakfast, lunch and dinner with what they have. They're glad to have us step in once a month, and we try to make use of donated foodstuffs, particularly perishables.

What a great crew: Doug Fogel, Val Milliron, and Rick Narad joined team-leaders Jim Anderson (cook) and Janet Leslie (runner-around-finder-of-things) to prepare our usual Enchilada Casserole. Susan Hughes, Will Furr, Suzanne Toaspern-Holm, Jim, and Janet served the casserole along with chips and salsa, salad, brownies (provided by Leslie Howard), fresh strawberries, milk and lemonade. We served around 150 meals, the usual number of hungry guests these days. We could not do it without Ceji, the wonderfully-helpful staff person present. And our friendly interactions with the guests and other staff makes it, for me, such a great experience. The Torres Shelter is a program of True North Housing Alliance providing temporary shelter, meals, access to social services, job training, and moves into stable housing. To know more, see their annual report on the Witness & Service bulletin board, talk with any of us, go to <https://truenorthbutte.org/>, and sign up to help with monthly dinners there.

Meeting for Worship and Singing with Diana Fogel by Loree Monroe

Please join us for Meeting for Worship and Singing on Monday May 4 and May 18 (every other Monday) at 3:00 pm in Diana Fogel's room at Arbor Post Acute, 1200 Springfield Dr., Chico. Loree will appreciate the company more than usual on those two dates. Thanks. Contact Loree Monroe for details.

Rise Up Singing by Leslie Howard

Spring is in the air! Celebrate the warmer weather by joining us for the Rise Up Singing Circle in person at the Chico Friends Meeting Fellowship Hall, Thursday, May 7, 7-9 pm. As always, feel free to bring friends, musical instruments, and snacks to share. We have copies to share of Rise Up Singing and Rise Again, the compilations by Peter Blood and Annie Patterson of words and chords to almost 2,400 great songs. There are sure to be songs there that will please you.

We are meeting in the Fellowship Hall, where kitchen and restrooms are close at hand. This is a cozy space and we are sitting a bit more closely to each other, so feel free to wear a mask if you feel you should, and please stay home if you feel you have any symptoms of illness, COVID or other. Contact Leslie Howard for more information at leslie.t.howard@gmail.com.

What about microplastics? Are they really inside all of us? What?!? by Kathy Runyan

In preparation for our Plastic Free July endeavor, Witness and Service Committee is planning to start by addressing the effects of plastic on us as individuals. (In June, we'll look at actions focused on the problem of corporate manufacture of plastics.) Join us at 6:30PM on May 9th to watch *Plastic People* at the meetinghouse. This documentary has won 27 awards including the 2025 Banff World Media Rockies Awards and Canadian Screen awards. Watch for more details coming by email.

Donate Food by Kathy Runyan

Please contribute non-perishable food items to the South Chico Community Assistance Center by placing items in the Food Drive boxes near the piano in the Fellowship Hall throughout the month. The food will be delivered on Friday for their food pantry distribution on 2nd and 4th Saturdays. Learn more about their work at <https://www.southchicocac.org/>.

Enrich our Neighborhood with Books by Kathy Runyan

Our Little Free Library (LFL) is well used by neighborhood children and adults alike. Please bring book donations to the Fellowship Hall where they will be placed in the LFL as space in it becomes available.

Serving our Chico Friends Meeting community by Janet Leslie

You can help our Meeting be more welcoming to visitors, newcomers and old-stayers:

Simply choose a Sunday to serve as a greeter or to organize (and, if you wish, supplement) refreshments after Meeting for Worship. Print copies of guidelines are in the Fellowship Hall and on the Greeter table or by email from Janet Leslie.

Sign up for First Day Opportunities--greeting or refreshments--in any of three ways:

1. On the Hospitality clipboard in the Fellowship Hall (updated weekly) or by
2. Email/text with Janet Leslie (janleschico@gmail.com) or at
3. https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1GHdxJQ23h9h3YOBTZD_0hZJAvqp5zI2FkHdrRt3DRYk/edit?usp=sharing

Building & Grounds News by Tanya Heaston and Linnea Hanson

Fellowship Hall Back Porch: Paul and team are starting the remodel of the Fellowship Hall back porch. The project's first step, removal of the old porch and ramp, has been completed. Work on the building the new porch and steps will begin in early May. The area around the oak tree is cordoned off and we ask that you stay out of the construction area. The Fellowship Hall BACK DOOR will not be usable until the completion of the new porch. Please be prepared to access the Fellowship Hall ONLY through the front door on the new porch.

Gutters. The installation of the gutters on Fellowship Hall is done, just in time for spring rain.

Heating and Cooling: Two Old A/C units removed. The old A/C's outside the Meeting House were checked out by an HVAC contractor. He determined the A/C's were no longer functional, both unsafe and needed to be removed, which has been done. The heating/cooling ducting in the basement is being repaired in April. The B&G committee will bring a short report on the condition of our heating and cooling units to the May Meeting for Business.

Critters: Spring critters are out and about. Especially ants and other bugs in the kitchen and Fellowship Hall. PLEASE make sure to clean-up after any food; wipe off counters, wash, dry and put away dishes. Wipe up any sticky spots on the floor and sweep floors clean.

Care Day, Saturday May 9, 2026 from 9:00 am to 12:00 pm. Please come and join us! Many hands make light work. Each month we volunteer and work together to do the normal clean-up in the Meetinghouse and the Fellowship Hall. Please plan to attend and to help keep our buildings and grounds clean and ready to share with the community. There are always jobs in the garden, and fall cleaning of the buildings.

What Canst Thou Say? By Kathy Runyan

At this time in our country when it is more important than ever that our voices be heard! Please join the Witness and Service Committee to **write letters to our legislators and to make signs** for the Peace Vigil and other upcoming demonstrations. We will have all the supplies you'll need along with snacks and good company in the Fellowship Hall on **3rd Thursdays from 2-3:30pm**. We hope to see you there!



APPLIED QUAKERISM BY CHRISTINE ROWE

It started with a question: “What does it mean to be Quaker as a living experience?” “Applied Quakerism” describes our practice of integrating Quaker beliefs and values into daily life and outward actions. It's how the core tenets of Quakerism move us beyond individual spiritual experience to influence behavior in our own lives, participate in our Quaker and local communities, and how we engage with the wider world.

Five Key aspects of Applied Quakerism:

- Continuous Revelation and Personal Experience: Quakers believe in continuing revelation—that spiritual truth is continuously revealed. This means that applied Quakerism is not about rigid adherence to ancient doctrines, but an ongoing, dynamic process of inner and communal seeking, responding to the Divine in contemporary circumstances.
- Living the Testimonies: Quakers historically developed "testimonies" as outward expressions of their inward faith. These include simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality, and stewardship (often remembered by the acronym SPICES). Applied Quakerism means actively seeking to live in accordance with these principles in all areas of life, from personal choices to social justice advocacy.
- Community and Decision-Making: Quaker communities strive to operate based on unity, deep listening, (sitting in silence) and discernment, reflecting our belief in "that of God in everyone" and the capacity for direct experience of God by each person. This process is a practical application of our spiritual beliefs to how we live and work together.
- Ethical Living: Applied Quakerism impacts personal ethics, such as honesty in business, responsible use of resources, and respectful interactions with others. The historical founding of Pennsylvania, for example, was a direct application of Quaker values to governance, emphasizing equality and religious freedom.
- Social Justice and Activism: Early Quakers were known for their radical social views and actions, opposing slavery, advocating for women's rights, and promoting peace. This tradition continues, with Friends engaging in activism around issues like anti-racism, environmental justice, and peacebuilding. It often involves "prophetic witness," which is recognizing injustice or seeking what is good and just, even before it's widely perceived by society.

Midweek Experiment: CFM’s Midweek Quaker Explorations is trying something new by focusing on one aspect of Applied Quakerism at a time. And exploring it over 4-6 weeks through Quaker writings and interviews coming from multiple perspectives (e.g., historical, personal and spiritual). Then winding up each topic, with a contemporary example to explore how this aspect is showing up today; how it applies to us, now in our own Quaker lives and community.

For example: We started exploring the Social Justice/Activism Aspect (4/15/26) with the following plan:

- For 1-2 weeks, read the article “Fearless Radicals” on how Quakers moved from Advocates of Slavery to Fervent Abolitionists, giving us an historical perspective.
- For 1-2 weeks, read excerpts from the memoirs of one specific Quaker (Benjamin Lay;1682-1759) regarded historically as a pioneer in the abolitionists movement giving us a personal perspective.
- And wrapping up in the last week, reading from the transcript of a Quakers Today podcast: “How Do We Balance Peace and Protest?” where Australian Friend Greg Rolles shares his experiences with nonviolent direct action, police intimidation, and the risks of faithful disobedience, giving us a current day perspective.

We would love your feedback: Does the topic of Applied Quakerism resonate with you? What about our working definition of Applied Quakerism? Do you have other examples of “Applied Quakerism” to suggest? You are invited to join us in person or on Zoom, on Wednesday evenings. (See <https://www.chicofriendsmeeting.org/> for details)

Mark your calendars for Quaker Connect discussion by Rick Narad

Join your Quaker Connect apprentices (Gayle, Rebecca, and Rick) after fellowship time on May 31st to learn more about the QC program and present what we've learned so far and to talk about future steps.

Chico's Apprentices travelled to Richmond, Indiana last month for a four-day session of Quakers from around North and South America. Besides the opportunity to continue our QC work, we experienced the variety of Quakerism that is found around the world, with worship led by Quakers from different traditions.

The early months of the QC project are devoted to learning about current trends impacting Quaker meetings and churches and religious organizations generally. We're beginning to apply this to Chico Friends Meeting, first creating a map to look at our geographic place and now working on a timeline to consider what has impacted CFM over the years.

Thank you to those who have already participated in the Quaker Connect activities. We are eager to deepen engagement as we head toward our May session. You can get involved today by visiting the [Quaker Connect page](#) that has been added to the new CFM website under the "Schedule & News" tab. You can read the articles currently being discussed by our Apprentices. Then, please join us for our May session where we will begin applying what we've learned and turning those insights into concrete action for the Chico Friends Meeting.

WIDER QUAKER COMMUNITY

News from Ben Lomond Quaker Center:

Join us for worship daily from 7:30 – 8:00 a.m. Pacific Time through our online Meeting for Worship from anywhere in the world.

Wednesday Morning Worship Sharing Continues on Zoom at 10:00 a.m. (PT) every week.

Upcoming Programs at Ben Lomond Quaker Center by Mark Runyan, Quaker Center Liaison.

Find detailed information at <www.quakercenter.org>

Organizing for Climate Resilience with Cherice Bock an online program Tuesdays in May 2026 (May 5, 12, 19 and 26) from 6:30 to 8:00 p.m. Pacific Time. This virtual workshop series will offer suggestions and examples of ways that individuals and faith communities can begin to build climate resilient communities. It will include community organizing, types of projects that groups might take on, and tools and resources to get you started. It would be ideal if you can sign up with 1-2 others from your Quaker meeting, organization or neighborhood, but please take the workshop even if you aren't part of a group at this time.

The Quaker MBA? with Eric Lindner May 15-17, 2026 an in-person program. When Quaker Joseph Wharton founded The Wharton School at the University of Pennsylvania in 1881, it was the world's first collegiate business school. Its purpose was both to train those engaged in commerce and to "prepare graduates with the breadth and depth of knowledge to become pillars of the State, whether in private or in public life." In keeping with Wharton's vision, at this program Eric will unpack the reasons why "business ethics" isn't an oxymoron, and the Quaker Testimonies are an advantage in commercial affairs.

Summer Camp For decades, Quaker Center has offered unique overnight summer camp experience for children and young people. Coming to Quaker Center Camp is an unforgettable experience of friendship, service, art and fun in the redwoods. Campers are also introduced to Quaker practices such as collective silence and group decision-making.

Scholarships are available to all with financial need!

Session 1: June 14-20, 2026 – for rising 5th to 7th graders

Session 2: June 21-28, 2026 – for rising 8th to 10th graders

[Learn more and register here.](#)

The Motto Calendar for May:

Try to live simply. A simple lifestyle freely chosen is a source of strength.

Religious Society of Friends in Britain

Keep your lives free from the love of money, and be content with what you have, for he has said, "I will never leave you or forsake you." Hebrews 13:5

Small Treasure to a resigned Mind is sufficient. How happy is it to be content with a little, to live in Humility.

John Woolman, 1768 Quaker traveling minister and abolitionist

The more simple we are, the more complete and free we become.

Rabindranath Tagore

Simplicity is the ultimate sophistication.

Leonardo da Vinci

The Motto Calendars were initiated by Thomas Scattergood, a Philadelphia Quaker and a direct descendant of the founder of Friends Hospital in Philadelphia.

WIDER CHICO AREA COMMUNITY

Chico Peace Vigil by Janet Leslie

Here's a photo of the local folks who turned up Saturday, February 15 for the community Peace Vigil. Chico Friends Meeting members and attenders have been there since 1979, but you may notice that there was only a couple of us there that Saturday. Our participation has dwindled. Is this something that we still support? I hope so, as this witness is important and well-received, with waves and "thanks for being here" and sometimes conversations. Rarely there's a gesture or incomprehensible shout from a car window, but the cheerfulness and camaraderie of the vigilers always lifts my spirits. Consider joining us! Bring your own sign or select one from those provided. 12:30-1:30 pm every Saturday on the four corners of 3rd & Main Streets in downtown Chico.



CHICO FRIENDS MEETING, 5th MONTH, MAY, 2026

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First Day (Sunday)	Mon	Tues	Weds	Thurs	Fri	Sat
					1	2 12:30 pm Chico Peace Vigil
3 10:00 am Quaker Life, in person 11:00 am in person Worship +Afternoon: Threshing Session, Torres Dinner	4 3:00 pm Meeting for Worship with Diana Fogel	5 4:00 pm M&O	6 7:00 pm Worship 7:30 pm Quaker Exploration in person and on Zoom	7 7:00 pm Singing Circle	8	9 9:00 am Care Day 12:30 pm Chico Peace Vigil 6:30 pm Movie: Plastic People
10 Regular Schedule: + 10:00 am Singing, in person +1:00 pm Meeting for Business, in person	11	12	13 7:00 pm Worship 7:30 pm Quaker Exploration in person and on Zoom	14	15	16 12:30 pm Chico Peace Vigil
17 Regular Schedule: +10:00 am Quaker Life, in person	18 3:00 pm Meeting for Worship with Diana Fogel	19	20 7:00 pm Worship 7:30 pm Quaker Exploration in person and on Zoom	21 Sign Making and Letter Writing, FH 2 pm to 3:30 pm	22	23 12:30 pm CFM at Chico Peace Vigil
24 Regular Schedule: +10:00 am Singing, in person 12:30 pm Potluck in FH	25	26	27 7:00 pm Worship 7:30 pm Quaker Exploration in person and on Zoom	28	29	30 12:30 pm Chico Peace Vigil
31 10:00 am Intergenerational Worship, in person 11:00 am, Worship, in person 1:00 pm Quaker Connect, in person						

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