## Central City Friends Meeting State of Society – May 2017

Central City Friends continue to meet monthly, usually on the third Sunday. We have a faithful core of a half dozen, and have had a new regular attender.

We helped plan and attended the Nebraska Quaker Fall Gathering in Lincoln in October. It was well attended and the topic of white privilege was timely and eye-opening.

In order to increase our visibility we placed ads in area newspapers in November following the election.

"Feeling uneasy about the direction our country seems to be taking following the election. Please join us this Sunday, November 20, 1:30 p.m., Central City Monthly Meeting (Quakers). We are an inclusive meeting, welcoming all who come and providing a safe space in which to share concerns. Please contact Lynn at 402-705-1003 with questions."

This brought one visitor so not a roaring success but perhaps raised our profile a little.

Though we sponsor few events, our members are very active in our communities and other organizations.

We are holding Lynn Zeleski in the light as she battles kidney cancer. We are looking forward to her return to meeting in the summer.

We are celebrating with Rich Maciejewski on his 50<sup>th</sup> anniversary of ordination as a Catholic priest. Rich's ministry has touched many lives and we are very thankful that he shares part of his time with us.

Our state, nation and world face many challenges and we continue to share our small light in central Nebraska.