

Quakerphernalia

The Newsletter of Bucks Quarterly Meeting
of the Religious Society of Friends

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HAPPY NEW YEAR !!

January 2009

Jan 1 Noon-2pm Bucks Quarter Skating Party ~ Don't Miss Out !!
(See Article Below)

Jan 7 7pm Bucks Quarter Singing Group Meets at Makefield Meeting
Jan 8 7pm Bucks Quarter Oversight Committee Meets at Buckingham Meeting
Jan 10 10am-2pm Wrightstown Friends Nursery School Open House (*See Article*)
Jan 13 9-11am Open House ~ Quaker School at Horsham 215-674-2875
Jan 13 7pm Bucks Quarter Outreach Committee Meets at Pennswood Village
Jan 14 7:30 Buckingham Meeting Film Series "Who Killed the Electric Car" (*See Article*)
Jan 15 1:30pm Friends Home and Village Board Meets at Friends Village

Looking Ahead

Feb 13 Quarterly Meeting Worship & Ministry at Doylestown Meeting
Feb 15 Quarterly Meeting for Worship, Fellowship and Business at Wrightstown Meeting
Feb 21 1:30-4pm "Family Activities For Peaceful Communities" ~ Yardley Meeting
May 16 3rd Annual Bucks Quarter Gathering for Fun ~ (*Bring a Food Pantry Item*)

Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:

January ~ Wrightstown February ~ Yardley March ~ Buckingham

Worship 11:00**Arrive 10:45**

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### ANNUAL BUCKS QUARTER SKATING PARTY

**NEW YEARS DAY ~ NOON TO 2PM**

Don't be left out in the cold or inside with nothing to do, come inside! Join Bucks and Abington Quarter Friends and our Friendly school children and parents as we skate, smile and stumble. Come enjoy the decades long tradition of the Annual Skating Party, the fellowship and great fun for the entire family.

Since many Friends will be up late welcoming the new year, we will not begin until noon, so you'll have plenty of time to sleep in and still get to the party!

**\$8 Adults, \$5 Children 14 and under.  
Includes Skate Rentals**

**Face Off Circle address:  
1185 York Road, Warminster, PA 18974  
Telephone 215-674-1345.**

**Call Holly Olson for more information:  
215-860-9747  
Brings your friends!!**

### BUCKINGHAM MEETING FILM SERIES 'WHO KILLED THE ELECTRIC CAR'

This is a timely film given the difficult times in the auto industry. Amid ever-increasing gas prices, this documentary delves into the short life of the GM EV1 electric car -- once all the rage in the mid-1990s and now fallen by the roadside. How could such an efficient, green-friendly vehicle fail to transform our garages and skies? Through interviews with government officials, former GM employees and concerned celebs (such as EV1 driver Mel Gibson), Chris Paine (former EV1 owner) seeks to answer the question.

**Wednesday, January 14, 2009.**

Free 7:30 pm

Buckingham Meetinghouse

91 minutes, refreshments and discussion afterward.

### QUAKER QUEST...WHAT'S THE BUZZ?

If you're interested in serving on the Bucks Quarter Quaker Quest Committee (BQQQC), email Holly Olson hollybqc@verizon.net or Kellie Schlusel-Edens, clerk for the BQ Outreach Committee at visual-diva@yahoo.com.

The Coordinator and Quarter's Outreach Committee will support the activities of the BQQQC, but has too few members to be charged with the responsibility.

## SACRED CHANTING

Lisa Wildman of Doylestown Meeting, will lead chanting **every first day from 9:30 to 10:00 AM** at the Doylestown meetinghouse. How does sacred chanting work? Lisa will say the words once, then she will sing them once by herself (even if people know them) then the group will all sing them. People may feel moved to move their bodies, or to sit or lie in the middle to receive the healing of the chanting. The group will repeat the chant until they don't want to anymore. The purpose of the chant is worship, not performance. Process, not product. Therefore people should not feel hindered from chanting by any self-conscious shyness about singing.

The first chants Lisa lead were written by Bev Shepard (whose workshop at the FGC Gathering inspired her to do this) and were from the bible. Eventually Lisa plans to expand beyond that, and to include chants outside of Christianity. She hopes the group will do any kind of chant that people want to do; that we will be inclusive rather than exclusive. Lisa is open to requests and suggestions for chants, though she can't guarantee she will be able to include them all.

Should you have any questions, please feel free to contact Lisa at [groupwmusic@comcast.net](mailto:groupwmusic@comcast.net).



## IT'S REGISTRATION TIME AT CAMP ONAS

If you are a Camp Onas camper or interested in becoming one, NOW is the time to register. Returning Onas campers – make sure you send in the registration form we sent you in December. New Camp Onas campers – you can get a brochure at your Meeting, at [www.camponas.org](http://www.camponas.org) or by calling Sue at Camp Onas, 610-847-5858. There are special rates for Quaker campers and financial aid is available. Info Days will be held Saturday, February 7 and Saturday, March 7 starting at 2 pm at Camp Onas. Families are invited to visit and find out what all the fun is about. Call 610-847-5858 or check [www.camponas.org](http://www.camponas.org) for more information and a map with directions.

## WRIGHTSTOWN FRIENDS

### NURSERY SCHOOL ~ OPEN HOUSE

Wrightstown Friends Nursery School will be holding an Open House for perspective students on Saturday, **January 10th from 10 a.m. to 2 p.m.** Meet the teachers and explore our wonderful school located on the grounds of the historic Wrightstown Meetinghouse on Durham Road (Route 413) just north of Newtown. For additional information, please call Jean Dinneen at 215-968-9900.

## PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING GIVES TO BUCKS QUARTER

For the 2008-2009 school year, our Yearly Meeting contributed to the Quaker education of 54 children in our Quarter for a total of \$28,200! Stay posted for the stats on the support of our older Friends, travelling Friends as well as Meetings in general.

## PEACE VIGILS AND MEDITATIONS

**Doylestown:** Tuesdays at State & Main Sts, 6pm  
**Newtown Meeting:** 2nd Tuesdays, 7pm  
**Newtown:** Mondays at Routes 332 & 413 5-6pm

## FIRST MONTH QUERY MEETING FOR WORSHIP

Do I faithfully attend meeting with heart and mind prepared for worship, clear of any predetermination to speak or not to speak, and expecting that worship will be a source of strength and guidance?

Does worship deepen my relationship with God, increase my faithfulness and refresh and renew my daily life, both inwardly and in my relationship with others? Have I experienced in worship that direct leading to listen or to speak, and have I been faithful to my own experience?

**Testimony:** A guiding principle of conduct that bears witness to the presence of God in the world and in our lives.

## TAKE ACTION!

### HEEDING GOD'S CALL

#### PEACE CONFERENCE SATURDAY

We invite Philadelphia area faith communities -- city and suburb, rich and poor, young and old— to come together on **January 17, 2009** and witness the power of faith in action!

We'll walk together to a rally in front of a local gun store notorious for selling guns used to threaten, wound and kill.

Together we'll call for retailers of firearms to adopt a sensible Code of Conduct to dramatically reduce the illegal trafficking of handguns. This is the same code that has been adopted by Wal-Mart, America's top gun seller.

We've Got Work To Do!

Won't you join us?

For more information or to register, email or call: [saturday@peacegathering2009.org](mailto:saturday@peacegathering2009.org) 267-519-5302

## QUAKER WRITING GROUP

There is a Quaker Writing Group that meets the **first Monday of each month at 7 pm** in the Gwynedd area. We support each other's efforts, read and critique our writings, share resources etc.

Anyone interested can contact Beth Taylor at: [huldah44@verizon.net](mailto:huldah44@verizon.net) or 215-822-2299.

## SUMMER WORK CAMP

AGLI (African Great Lakes Initiative) will be having summer work camps in Burundi, Kenya and Rwanda from Sun. June 21 to Sat. July 25, 2009. People of all ages are welcome and no skills are required - just basic health and a willingness to serve.

Check the website for more information:

<http://www.aglionline.org> or email the Program Manager Dawn Ruppert: [Dawn@aglionline.org](mailto:Dawn@aglionline.org).

## CAN YOU RELATE?

### BARRIERS FACING LOW-INCOME FAMILIES

- ◆ Poor life skills and lack of resources
- ◆ Societal Expectations
- ◆ Access to education that will result in livable wage job
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- ◆ People who have power can't relate
- ◆ Poor diet; Lack of proper nutrition
- ◆ TRAPPED
- ◆ Kids asking, "Mom are we on welfare?"
- ◆ Stress on children resulting from poverty
- ◆ Stores not knowing how to process access card/WIC card

## PENDLE HILL OFFERINGS

### Jan 9-11: Radical Spirituality - Radical Simplicity

This workshop will offer practical suggestions to help you design a way of life that is not only enjoyable and filled with purpose but also equitable among all people, species and future generations.

### Jan 16-18: Recording: Spiritual Discipline and Communal Gift

Participate in a weekend focusing on the practical and spiritual dimensions of recording.

### Jan 16-18: Qi Gong: Powerful, Simple Self-Care

Learn simple self-care techniques that can be performed while seated, standing or simply waiting.

### Jan 23-25: Compassionate Communication

Compassionate communication helps us stay connected with one another in the face of anger, mistrust and pain.

### Jan 25-29: Prayer: No Strings Attached

Engage in a series of experiments with the hypothesis that God is present and active in response to prayer.

### Jan 30-Feb 1: On Being Gathered: A Workshop on Meeting Growth and Revitalization

This workshop will focus on outreach and meeting growth as extensions of gathered worship and the invisible threads that knit us together when we attend to the Inward Teacher.

**For information on registration or other workshops/retreats visit [www.pendlehill.org](http://www.pendlehill.org) or call 610-566-4507**

## Need Birthday Gift Ideas For 2009?

Bucks Quarter **OUTREACH** Committee "Q" Charm (as pictured) and Pin Order form:

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Meeting: \_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

Number ordered (\$45.00 for each): Charm: \_\_\_\_ Pin: \_\_\_\_

Please make all checks out and forward all orders to: **Kellie L. Schlusser-Edens,**  
C/O: Bucks Quarter Outreach Committee 443 Osborne Ave. Morrisville, Pa 19067  
If you have any questions please call: (215) 428-0196 or Email: [visualdiva@yahoo.com](mailto:visualdiva@yahoo.com)

### *Friendly Reminders*

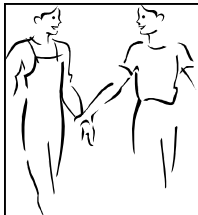
**Chandler Hall worship:** 11:00am every first day in the Health Services building.

**Lehigh Valley Friends Meeting** presently has two mid-week Meetings for Worship on Wednesday at 5:30pm. at the Meetinghouse and from 12 to 1pm at Trinity Lutheran Church, 514 Third Ave in Bethlehem.

**Middletown Friends Meeting at Langhorne:** Mid-week Worship from 7-8pm every Wednesday. The third Wednesday is Worship Sharing at 7pm.

**Pennswood Village Meeting for Worship:** every first day morning at 10:30am at Woolman Lounge

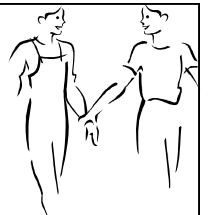
\* Send notifications of births, adoptions, and deaths to the coordinator so that the members of Bucks Quarterly Meeting may hold your families and Meeting in the Light.



### Friendly Services Offered

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### Friendly Services Needed



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### **Nancy Adams, CSA**

Nancy Adams, an active Friend in both Bucks and Abington Quarters, is President of Homewatch Care Givers. If you are seeking a position in the Home Healthcare field or are in need of such an important service, please contact Nancy.

**Tel: 215-245-2616**

**Email: nadams@homewatchgivers.com**

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**Drew Augenblick**, CFP®, member of Wrightstown Meeting, offers fee-based financial planning, dealing with retirement and estate planning, college funding and investment management. A specialist in socially responsible investing, Drew also has many years experience helping with basic insurance needs, including life, disability and long term care insurance. A true "financial doctor," Drew is available for night and weekend appointments.

**Tel: 215-860-2784**

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### **Renate Frey Certified Travel Consultant**

**Renate Frey** is a member of Doylestown Meeting and a Certified Travel Consultant. Owner of Buckingham Travel with over 20 years of travel experience, Renate offers worldwide travel services!

**Call 215-489-5500 to speak with Renate.**

### **Friends Home and Friends Village**

Weary of dealing with the ice and snow, bleeding radiators, frozen pipes? Are you ready to scale down and simplify your life? Do you want to become part of a small caring community that feels like a big warm family? **Plan a visit and have lunch with us!** Both, the Friends Home and Friends Village have apartments available.

**Tel: Friends Home 215-968-3346**

**Tel: Friends Village 215-968-9222**

**Web site: [www.friendshomeandvillage.org](http://www.friendshomeandvillage.org)**

### **Simplify Your Holidays Call Soup to Nuts**

**Linda Jacobs**, member of Yardley Meeting offers, Catering for all occasions. "Soup to Nuts" is connecting to local farms to make available Thanksgiving and other holiday dinners with local organic free range turkey, chicken, duck, geese, and produce. Call for this and all other catering needs.

**Tel: 215-321-7980**

**Email: [stncaterers@yahoo.com](mailto:stncaterers@yahoo.com),**

**Web site: [www.souptonutscuisine.com](http://www.souptonutscuisine.com)**

### **Maris C. Langford, Esq.,**

**Maris Langford**, a Doylestown Meeting member offers mediation, and general legal services, including preparation of Wills and Trusts, Powers of Attorney, Living Wills, Estate Administration and Family Court matters. **Maris Langford** can be reached at her Doylestown office.

**Tel: 215-348-4031.**

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**Tel: 215-493-3664.**

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### **MRP Plans, Inc. Retirement Plan Services**

**Ed Snyder**, a member of Yardley Meeting, is a Certified Pension Consultant/Qualified Pension Administrator and offers retirement plan services to small businesses - plan design and installation, and annual third party administration. If you're thinking about a 401(k) or similar retirement plan for your small business or have a plan but don't understand it, Ed is the one to call.

**Tel: 609-689-9400**

**Email: [mrp.ed@verizon.net](mailto:mrp.ed@verizon.net)**

### **Jasmine Spence**

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(Portfolio review available)

**Tel: 215-579-6806.**

### **Grover Stults, CPA & Pam Caprio, CSA**

#### **Center For Financial Strategies**

Grover & Pam, members of Buckingham Meeting focus on full financial planning for entrepreneurs and their families. Grover has handled the Tax and Investment Planning side and Pam has tailored insurance protections, each for over thirty years.

The office is located in New Hope.

**Tel: 215-862-0400**

**Email: [grovercpa@ctr4financialstrategies.com](mailto:grovercpa@ctr4financialstrategies.com)**

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