



Quakerphernalia

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

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JANUARY 2018

- Jan 5-7 Young Adult Friends Winter Retreat - Location TBD - <http://www.pym.org/young-adult-friends/events/>
- Jan 6 6pm Games Night - Makefield Meetinghouse
- Jan 6 7pm Annual Square & Contra Dance - Fallsington Meetinghouse
- Jan 7 10:30 Bucks Quarterly Intervisitation Day with Buckingham Meeting
- Jan 7 2pm Info Day at Camp Onas
- Jan 9 9am Buckingham Friends School Information Session www.bfs.org
- Jan 11 7pm BQ Oversight Committee Meeting - Jane Jackson House
- Jan 12-14 Middle School Friends Gathering - Location TBD - www.pym.org/middle-school-friends/events/
- Jan 13 -14 PYM Winter Family Overnight - Camp Onas
- Jan 15 6pm Bucks Food For Friends - Fallsington Meetinghouse
- Jan 21 11:30 Heifer Project Pasta Fundraiser - Quakertown Meeting
- Jan 21 6pm Camp Onas Board Meeting - Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall (snow ate Jan. 28)
- Jan 20 10am-noon Open House - Friends Home - RSVP 215-968-3346 - Karen Haney or Norma Coverdale
- Jan 20 5:30pm Bucks Quarter Pot Luck, Sing and Play - Middletown Meetinghouse
- Jan 20 Mid-Year Spiritual Formation Retreat - Wrightstown Meetinghouse
- Jan 27 9:15am-3:15pm Extended Worship - Gwynedd Meetinghouse
- Jan 28 9:45am "Life Sentences: Writing with Wisewomen Behind Bars"- Newtown Meetinghouse
- Jan 29 9am Buckingham Friends School Informations Session - www.bfs.org
- Jan 31 11:30am-2pm Open House - Friends Village - RSVP 215-968-3346 - Karen Haney or Norma Coverdale

Looking Ahead

Feb 18 Quarterly Meeting - Quakertown

May 19 & 20 Quarterly Meeting Weekend at Camp Onas!! Stay Overnight on Saturday - So much fun!!!!

Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:
January ~ Middletown February ~ Newtown March ~ Solebury
Worship 11:00**Arrive 10:45**

SQUARE & CONTRA DANCE AT FALLSINGTON MEETINGHOUSE

Join Fallsington Friends on **Saturday, January 6 at 7:00 pm** for a fun evening of dancing that is open to everyone. The evening will feature simple squares, waltzes, line and contra dances expertly called by Laura and Charlie Thomford. No experience needed; our expert callers will guide you through the steps. Fun for all ages! Desserts and light refreshments will be served.

9300 New Falls Rd, Fallsington

QUARTERLY INTERVISITAION DAY WITH BUCKINGHAM FRIENDS

What is Intervisitation Day? It's when you get out of your traditional Sunday routine and worship with Friends from a different meeting. **You can do it!** As is with our custom of visiting Friends throughout the quarter, Buckingham Friends are extending a warm welcome for you to join them on **January 7th** for worship at **10:30**. Buckingham Friends begin their worship at 10:15 with singing. Following worship, there is always a pot-luck meal. We hope that you can join us.

5684 Old York Rd, Lahaska, PA

BUCKS QUARTER BOOK CLUB

"Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome" by Joy DeGruy Leary, Ph.D is moving, disturbing, eye opening and it came highly recommended as a book for a Bucks Quarter book club.

Post Traumatic Slave Syndrome explains how the centuries of slavery followed by systemic and structural racism and oppression have resulted in generations of maladaptive behaviors that began as survival strategies in the African American community.

I am looking at a date in February to get together for this book discussion. A study guide is also available.

<https://joydegruy.com/resources-2/post-traumatic-slave-syndrome/>

If you are interested in participating in the book club, please contact Holly Olson.

215-860-9747 or hollybqc@verizon.net

KEEP ON CRAFTING

Cold winter days are great for stitching, card making, candle molding, etc. Bring your hand crafted donations to Quarterly Meeting in February at Quakertown for the Bucks Quarter Friendly Crafters sale table.

For more information, contact Holly Olson at hollybqc@verizon.net or 215-860-9747.

LIVES PASSING

Bristol Friends suffer the loss of **Walter Farley** who died on November 22nd.

HEIFER PROJECT FUNDRAISER

QUAKERTOWN FRIENDS MEETINGHOUSE

On **January 21st** the first day school of Quakertown Meeting will hold their annual pasta fundraiser lunch to benefit Heifer International and you are invited. Worship is at 10:30 and pasta will be served at the rise of meeting.

This is a great excuse to get out of your traditional Sunday routine and drive across the beautiful landscape, worship with Quakertown Friends and help make a difference...a trifecta...how can you resist this opportunity?

290 Whitebridge Rd, Quakertown NJ

INFO DAY AT CAMP ONAS

Join us for an Info Day at Camp Onas, **January 7, at 2pm**. There will be a tour of the camp, a presentation about our camp program, and an opportunity for a Q&A with parents and directors while campers play. Please wear warm clothes and sturdy shoes, and bring your camper! In case of inclement weather, please check for snow plans at www.camponas.org, or by calling the camp office, (610) 847-5858.

LIFE SENTENCES:

WRITING WITH WISEWOMEN BEHIND BARS NEWTOWN FRIENDS MEETINGHOUSE

On **January 28th, 9:45AM**, Michele Lise Tarter, Professor of English, The College of New Jersey and her two students, Heather Farrell and Izabella Sandoval will be speaking about their work in a women's maximum-security prison, where in 2001 she developed a memoir-writing program to help inmates reclaim their spirits, their relationships, and their lives through the power of the written word.

After the program you are welcome to stay for worship with Newtown Friends.

219 Court Street, Newtown

2017 BUCKS COUNTY POET LAUREATE

Bucks Quarter celebrates **Katherine Falk** of Wrightstown Meeting for being selected as the 2017 Poet Laureate for Bucks County.

We also celebrate the three runners-up...also all Friends of Bucks Quarter!

Jenny Isaacs of Doylestown Meeting

Wendy Fulton Steginsky of Doylestown Meeting

Tricia Coscia of Yardley Meeting

Congratulations Quaker ladies!!!

Our four poets have agreed to come together for a poetry reading with an open mic opportunity for the other Friendly poets in our quarter.

Stay tuned for more on that to come in the near future.

BUCKS QUARTER POT-LUCK DINNER & SING

Come join us on **January 20th** for a Quarter-wide social event of feasting, fun and singing. We will begin at **5:30pm with a pot luck meal followed by singing from 7 to 8:00**. Friends of all ages are welcome.

You are welcome to share in some or all of the fun.

Bring your friends, neighbors and a dish to share. The more of everything the merrier we will be!

Questions? Contact Holly Olson hollybqc@verizon.net or 215-860-9747

453 W. Maple Avenue, Langhorne, PA

CAMP ONAS REGISTRATION IS OPEN!

Early registration for returning campers and last year's waitlisted campers runs through 1/5. We will begin registering new campers on 1/6, in the order in which registrations were received. New campers can register at any time, but will be placed on our waiting list (not confirmed) until after the close of early registration for returning campers (1/5). Camp Onas is a small camp, and tends to fill quickly. All registrations are determined based on availability. If you are considering a session at Onas this year, please don't delay registering. Questions? Please don't hesitate to contact us, we would love to hear from you! friends@camponas.org, (610)

PYM WINTER FAMILY OVERNIGHT

We'll gather Saturday afternoon January 13th, with plenty of time for families to settle into their rooms, explore the beautiful camp and do some welcome activities. We prepare and eat dinner together as a big community. In the evening we will play a bit with our theme, get cozy with hot chocolate and stories in front of the fire. After kids go to bed there will be space for parents to spend time with each other. On Sunday we will gather for breakfast, have some first day school and worship, and finish up with plenty of time for families to get home and prepare for the coming week! For more info contact, Meg Rose mrose@pym.org or 215-241-7228

Registration will be open soon! check it out on the PYM calendar:

<http://www.pym.org/event/winter-family-overnight-2018/>

EXTENDED WORSHIP

Extended Worship will be held **January 27** at Gwynedd Friends Meetinghouse.

Please let Lola know by January 10th if you are requesting childcare. Please also remember to bring your own brown bag lunch.

The facebook event is here: <https://www.facebook.com/events/518252775192227/>

The PYM calendar event is here: http://www.pym.org/event/extended-meeting-worship-3/?instance_id=851

9:15 to 9:30 am - Gathering and Welcome

9:30 to 12:30 pm - Extended Meeting for Worship

12:30 to 1:30 pm - Lunch (bring your own)

1:30 to 3:00 pm - Worship Sharing

3:00 to 3:15 pm - Clean-up and Departure

1101 Dekalb Pike, Gwynedd, PA

For more info or questions, contact Lola Georg

LolaGeorg@gmail.com

(484) 368-4637 [voice mail or text]

FRIENDS IN FELLOWSHIP

PYM is launching a new **Friends in Fellowship** program that is after work and free. It is being held at the Arch Street Meetinghouse 7:00-8:30PM with refreshments.

FRIENDS IN FELLOWSHIP EVENT DATES – all events are at Arch Street Meetinghouse 7PM-8:30PM

WHO? Busy, curious, thoughtful, Friends, Attenders, and friends/work colleagues of Friends.

WHY? Learn more about a topic of interest, broaden your Quaker connections, have fun, learn new things, and leave with a sense of fellowship.

OF SPECIAL INTEREST TO - People who care about the issues being discussed. Quakers who like to connect with peers. Busy people who love Quakerism but don't have a lot of time to engage in projects.

Friends who are building their career options, including college and grad students. Parents who want a night out in Philly (timed so you can go to dinner before or afterwards)

QUESTIONS? Grace Cooke 215-241-7115

REGISTRATION & MORE INFO – www.pym.org/Fellowship

PLUS ITS FREE...thanks to a funder who suggested we use their grant for 'something fun & different!'

FRIENDS IN FELLOWSHIP EVENTS IN JANUARY

January 4: Education – Teaching to the Heart, Teaching to the Mind, Sydney Coffin (Germantown Monthly Meeting) & Chris Bond (Crosswicks Monthly Meeting).

Sydney is a teacher at the Thomas Alva Edison High School and an advisor to the Gates' Foundation on education concerns. Last year he founded a poetry club that would end up competing in the Philadelphia Youth Poetry Movement's slam poetry league, and along the way have a big impact on the lives and hearts of his students. Their work has been featured on Public Radio with Terry Grossman's, Fresh Air. Chris (Twitter@chrisbond68) is a High School History teacher at West Windsor - Plainsboro High School South; he is researching ways teachers can work with how the brain learns to improve learning outcomes.

January 11: Law – Taking Tyrants to Court – Human Rights Restitution in the Philippines and Korea, Robert Swift, Esq. is a member of Haverford Monthly Meeting. He has devoted more than three decades as a lawyer to pursue compensation for victims of human rights abuses. He litigated the first class action human rights case against Ferdinand Marcos of the Philippines which resulted in a \$2 billion judgment. He was a principal litigator and negotiator in the Holocaust Litigation against Switzerland, Germany and Austria which resulted in \$7.5 billion distributed to 2 million victims. In his talk and Q&A session, he will address the prospect of future litigation over human rights abuses.

MIDWEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Tuesdays at Southampton 7:30 PM
Wednesdays at Lehigh Valley 5:00 PM
Wednesdays at Makefield 7:00 AM
Thursdays at Middletown 7:00 PM

Bucks Quarter's Worship Schedule for 2018 Chandler Hall

2018

January - Middletown

February - Newtown

March - Solebury

April - Wrightstown

May - Buckingham

June - Doylestown

July - Fallsington

August - Middletown

September - Newtown

October - Solebury

November - Wrightstown

December - Buckingham

FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION (FCNL)

<https://www.fcnl.org/about/who>

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