



Quakerphernalia

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

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OCTOBER 2018

- Oct 4 6pm Chandler Hall/Kendal Culinary Classics to Benefit the Hospice Program
Oct 6 1-3:30 Memorial Service for Enslaved People Buried at Middletown Meeting
Oct 6 6pm Games Night - Makefield Meetinghouse
Oct 10 7pm Yardley Meeting Gun Violence Prevention Meeting - All Interested Friends are Welcome to Join
Oct 11 7pm BQ Oversight Meeting - Buckingham Meetinghouse
Oct 13 10am BQ Monthly Meeting Clerks Meeting - Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall
Oct 13 10am United Friends School Fall Fest
Oct 14 5-8pm The Peace Center's Annual Auction Gala - Spring Mill Manor - Ivyland, PA
Oct 15 6pm Bucks Food For Friends - Fallsington Meetinghouse
Oct 16 Chandler Hall Auxiliary Fund Raiser at Boscov's
Oct 21 9am-2pm Camp Onas Board Retreat - Camp Onas
Oct 25 7pm BQ Peace Fair Committee Wrap-Up Meeting - Buckingham Meetinghouse
Oct 27 10am-3pm PYM Historic Property & Burial Grounds Thread Gathering
Oct 28 12:30pm Gospel of Thomas Presented by Alex Miller of Downingtown MM - Buckingham Meetinghouse

Looking Ahead

- Nov 18 **Quarterly Meeting - Yardley Meetinghouse**
Nov 22 9:30pm Thanksgiving Meeting for Worship - Plumstead Meetinghouse
Feb 17 (2019) **Quarterly Meeting - Buckingham Meetinghouse**
Jan 20 1pm-4:30pm Friendly Decision Making; A Curious Thing with Arthur Larrabee - Buckingham Meetinghouse

Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:

November ~ Wrightstown December ~ Buckingham January ~ Doylestown
Worship 11:00** Arrive 10:45**

THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS

In terms of religion, the Gospel of Thomas may have been the most important find of the twentieth century. Upon discovery, it was promptly deemed to pose "grave danger" to the Church. Even neophytes will find a measure of intrigue in that reaction. The Gospel is a modest document written in Coptic. It consists of 114 verses, many matching the Synoptic Gospels word-for-word. What can be so dangerous about that? The Gospel of Thomas offers excitement and great spiritual potential for Friends. It not only rekindles the power early Friends found in the Spirit, but in terms of outreach, it enhances the message we can bring to the world.

A couple of years ago, Downingtown Meeting's Bible Study group tackled the Gospel of Thomas. The Gospel of Thomas is unlike the synoptic gospels and sometimes cryptic. Downingtown Friend, Alex Miller has created a Power Point presentation to reveal the nuggets and stimulate interest in this singular tract. There have been enthusiastic receptions from several Quaker audiences, including an Annual Sessions workshop in 2017.

Bucks Quarter invites you to a presentation and discussion led by Alex Miller of Downingtown Meeting on October 28th, 12:30PM in the Buckingham meetinghouse. Join Friends for worship at 10:30 with 15 minutes of singing at 10:15. A brief time for refreshment and fellowship will follow worship before the program

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MEMORIAL TO THE LOST YARDLEY MEETING

Yardley Meeting will host the first Bucks County installation of The Memorial to the Lost from **Sept 9th thru Oct 23rd.**

The T-shirt memorial for the Bucks County individuals lost to gun homicides in the past decade continues through mid October and is the backdrop for our other gun violence activities this month. Feel free to stop by anytime and wander through the rows of t-shirts and bear witness to our fellow citizens who have lost their lives.

65 N. Main Street – Yardley, PA

MEMORIAL TO THE LOST – WITNESS DAY
Sunday October 7th - 11:30am at Yardley Friends Meeting House

Join Yardley Friends for a simple memorial service honoring the victims of gun homicide featured in our t-shirt memorial. Reading of the names, prayer service, table of awareness information followed by fellowship and refreshments.

You are welcome to start your morning by joining us for our Worship service starting at 10 AM.

All are welcome to attend

65 North Main Street, Yardley Pa 19067

SPECIAL SPEAKER ON GUN VIOLENCE

On Tuesday October 23, from 7 – 9 PM, Yardley Friends Meeting will host Richie Schulz from Lutheran Ministries in Philadelphia. Richie will speak on gun violence in America and provide information on how Bucks residents can take action.

Mr. Schulz previously worked at Philadelphia Yearly Meeting which is the larger Quaker Community to which Yardley Friends belong. Currently, he is the community educator at Lutheran Settlement House (LSH), where he trains people on how to support survivors of domestic violence in their professional and personal contexts. At LSH he also organizes the Men Can Campaign, which focuses on engaging men to join the anti-violence movement. He is an organizer with Philly Showing Up for Racial Justice as well where he trains white folks to show up more effectively and accountably in multiracial political movements.

All Are Welcome to Attend

65 N. Main Street – Yardley, PA

LIVES PASSING

Wrightstown Friends suffer the loss of **Peg Pearson** who died on August 23rd.

EXTENDED MEETING FOR WORSHIP

September 8, 9:15 am - 3:15 pm,

Chestnut Hill Friends Meetinghouse

Would you like to deepen your experience of Worship? Have you wished that Worship didn't end when the clock struck the hour? Attend just a portion of the day or the full day. And remember to bring your lunch.

Lola Georg 484-368-4637 or lolageorg@gmail.com

20 East Mermaid Lane, Phila PA 19118

PYM SPIRITUAL FORMATION RETREAT

PYM's Spiritual Formation Collaborative is calling all who are interested in a deeper communion with Spirit, spiritual formation, and/or spiritual nurture to join us at Kenbrook Retreat Center for a weekend retreat October 12-14. The retreat is designed to refresh, renew, deepen, nurture, and learn. Register on line at <http://www.pym.org/event/spiritual-formation-weekend-retreat>

MIDWEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Tuesdays at Southampton 7:30 PM

Wednesdays at Lehigh Valley 5:00 PM

Wednesdays at Makefield 7:00 AM

Wednesdays at Middletown 7:00 PM

MEMOIR WRITING GROUP

If you want to make a difference consider our Memoir writing group. The group meets at Friends Village the second and fourth Thursdays with a writing coach on the first Thursdays.

The pen is mightier than the sword.

For more info: Judith Solt judtsolt2@gmail.com or 215-968-2897.

331 Lower Dolington Rd - Newtown

YOGA CLASSES

NEWTOWN MEETINGHOUSE

Weekly Yoga classes are held at the Newtown meetinghouse on Saturdays at 8:30am with Jim Whitmoyer, who has over 11 years experience as a Hatha Yoga teacher. Classes are open to all; no prior experience is necessary. There is no charge, although a small donation to the meetinghouse is humbly requested.

215-968-0927 or jim.whitmoyer@verizon.net

219 Court Street - Newtown

**THICH NHAT HANH MEDITATION GROUP
SEEKS MEMBERS**

Old Path Sangha, a mindfulness meditation group that practices in the tradition of Thich Nhat Hanh seeks new members. **OPS meets the second Wednesday of each month from 7-9pm at Solebury Friends Meeting education building. The remaining dates for 2018 are: October 10, November 14, December 12.**

Everyone is welcome and each session includes silent meditation, inspirational reading, chanting, walking mindfully, and mindful discussion. For more information contact Valerie Brown at

ValerieBrown95@gmail.com or

www.leadsmartcoaching.com

2680 Sugan Rd, New Hope (north of Route 202)

2018 EDITION OF FAITH AND PRACTICE

The 2018 revision of Faith and Practice will be available through QuakerBooks this fall!

You can order your copy in a few months at <https://quakerbooks.org/>

**LOOKING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT
PYM EVENTS?**

Go to <http://www.pym.org/newsletters/> to sign up for all sorts of information.

Also, don't forget about the PYM calendar. It is chock full of things to do and you can post your meeting events here. <http://www.pym.org/calendar/>

Bucks Quarterly Meeting (you) functions because people volunteer their time, give financial support and connect on a spiritual level. Please consider how you participate in this spiritual community. Financial donations can be made to Bucks Quarterly Meeting, P.O. box 4477 - George School, Newtown, PA 18940

MAINTAINING HISTORIC MEETINGHOUSES & BURIAL GROUNDS

A Thread Gathering presented by the PYM Quaker Life Council

Saturday, October 27, 10AM to 3PM, at the Downingtown meetinghouse.

This Thread Gathering will take up the question: What issues face us when it comes to maintaining our historic properties and burial grounds? How do we honor their history by making them available for the future? How can we use them as tools for outreach? How do we fundraise for them? Workshops with Wendy Kane and Sharon Hulihan on maintaining burial grounds, Bill Heinemann on fundraising for historic meetinghouses, and Mary Sproat on maintaining historic meetinghouses. Contact: Zachary Dutton 215-241-7008 or zdutton@pym.org

800 E. Lancaster Ave - Downingtown, PA

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT FUND OF PYM

Take a moment to dream about getting the word out to the public about how special Quakerism is and how you would like to see more people visit and then hopefully join...

Ok, now think about how to fund that project...did you know that there is money available to help your meeting with your project?

To find out more, visit <http://www.pym.org/grants/granting-groups/membership-development-granting-group/membership-development-support-fund/>

There is even a committee, Membership Development Granting Group with members who can help you.

CHANDLER HALL - CULINARY CLASSICS

October 4, 6PM

Come for a fun and festive night of delicious food and beverages from local restaurants, live music, live and silent auctions, valet parking

The Classics benefits Hospice Benevolent Care at Chandler Hall, making it possible to offer compassionate hospice care to those who would otherwise be unable to afford the costs.

Cocktail attire is requested.

Tickets Price: \$125 before Oct 1; \$140 after Oct 1

<https://interland3.donorperfect.net/weblink/weblink.aspx?name=kendal&id=23>

Philanthropy Office : 267-291-2231

**Chandler Hall- Wright Meeting Hall
99 Barclay Street - Newtown, PA**

Bucks Quarter's Worship Schedule for 2018-19 Chandler Hall 2018

October - Solebury
November - Wrightstown
December - Buckingham
2019
January - Doylestown
February - Fallsington
March - Middletown
April - Newtown
May - Solebury
June - Wrightstown
July - Buckingham
August - Doylestown
September - Fallsington

CHANDLER HALL AUXILIARY FUND RAISER

Boscov's Friends Helping Friends Day October 16th:
A donation of \$5.00 to Chandler Hall Auxiliary entitles shoppers to 25% off almost all purchases at any Boscov's on Tuesday, October 16, 2018. Certificates can be purchased through the Philanthropy office at Chandler Hall or Boscov's the day of the sale (look for the Chandler Hall Auxiliary table at the Neshaminy store). You can also contact Kathleen Parry 215-620-6645 or any auxiliary member. Proceeds from the certificates benefits residents and clients of Chandler Hall in need of benevolent care.

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*That idea of peace and love toward
humanity shouldn't be nationalistic or
denominational.
It should be a chief concern for all
mankind.*

Mos Def

American hip-hop artist

THE PEACE CENTER AUCTION GALA

The 2018 gala will be held on **October 14th from 5 to 8PM**. This year's award recipients will be:

Tanya Longing, for her leadership in Racial Equity Training.

Jerel Wohl, for his leadership in MLK Teen Peace & Social Justice Summit.

Leadership in Diversity Teams from Council Rock North and South High Schools

Join the Peace Center for silent and live auctions with an opportunity to bid on exciting travel destinations, art, dining experiences and other wonderful items.

Highlights of the evening include live jazz, complimentary glass of champagne or wine, cash bar, hors d'oeuvres and mingling with friends.

\$75/person RSVP by October 5th

www.thepeacecenter.org

Questions: Call Amy 217-750-7220

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FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Holly Olson: hollybqc@verizon.net or 215-860-9747

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Donna Allen, Publisher: 215-702-3405
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Thai Foot Reflexology

Jeff Bishop, member of Yardley Meeting invites you to experience Thai Foot Reflexology under the trees overlooking the Delaware Canal in a Peace Cabin. Sessions are 90 minutes either inside or outside the Peace Cabin weather permitting. Using the gliding movements of a 2,500 year-old tradition originating, in India and Thailand, Jeff will provide relaxing work on your feet, legs to the knees, hands and head.

Email: Jeffjb164@gmail.com

Phone: 267-249-6462

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