



Quakerphernalia



The Newsletter of Bucks Quarterly Meeting
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Deadline for Quakerphernalia : By the 13th day of the preceding months publication.

November 2011

- Nov 4 6:30-9:30pm Culinary Classics at Chandler Hall
- Nov 5 9am BQ Budget and Nominating Committee Meets at Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall
- Nov 5 9:30am-4pm Extended Worship at Makefield Meeting with PYM Worship & Ministry
- Nov 6 1-4pm Friends and Neighbors Day at Camp Onas
- Nov 8 7pm BQ Outreach Committee Meets at Pennswood Village
- Nov 9 7:30pm Buckingham Meeting Peace and Social Justice Film Series "Invisible Children: Rough Cut"
- Nov 10 7pm BQ Oversight Committee Meets at Buckingham in the Jane Jackson House
- Nov 13 1-3pm Book Signing at Quakertown Meeting
- Nov 13 6pm Onas Boards Meets at Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall
- Nov 19 10-noon Children's RE Committees Meet at Makefield Meeting (Page 2)
- Nov 20 9am-3pm **Quarterly Meeting at Quakertown...let's try this again without a hurricane!!!**
- Nov 21 6pm Bucks Food For Friends at Fallsington Meetinghouse
- Nov 24 9:30am Thanksgiving Meeting for Worship at Plumstead Meeting

Looking Ahead

Annual New Year's Day Skating Party!!!

Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:

November ~ Newtown December ~ Solebury January ~ Wrightstown

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

SUNDAY NOVEMBER 20 ~ QUARTERLY MEETING FOR WORSHIP
FELLOWSHIP & BUSINESS
QUAKERTOWN MONTHLY MEETING 9:00AM- 3:00PM
JOIN FRIENDS AND SHARE YOUR LIGHT !

Schedule of Events:

- 9:00:** Refreshments and registration
- 9:30-10:30:** Adult Program "Grass Roots Action for a Peaceful World" with Virginia Ahern (NJ Peace Action board member) and Milton Horowitz (development committee member)
- 9:30-noon:** Children's Program - "Bottles to Fish" (See below)
- 10:45-11:45:** Meeting for Worship:
- Noon to 1:00 pm:** Brown bag lunch with desserts and beverages provided by our Quakertown Friends
- 1:00 pm to 3:00 pm:** Business Meeting

Directions to Quakertown Meeting can be found on the Quarter's web site, www.quakersbucks.org
For those with GPS, the address is Route 579 and Whitebridge Rd Quakertown, NJ 08868

Quakertown Meeting is really not so far, and the drive is beautiful. Spend a cooler day under the trees at QMM...cooler and friendlier since you'll spend the day with Quakers!

Note: All agenda items for Quarterly Meeting must be to the clerk, Chris Lucca one week prior to Quarterly Meeting .
Telephone Chris at 215-208-1821

SHARE YOUR STORY AT QUARTERLY MTG.
There is a newly created space on the QM business agenda for Meetings to share a quick story about an inreach or outreach event that caused you to feel the vitality and/or growth that is in your meeting.

Children's Program: Making Decorative Hanging Fish from Plastic Bottles

For our Reuse Green craft, we will make beautiful hanging fish decorations from old magazine pages and empty plastic bottles. Children will decorate and add color to the bottles and will be able to take home a reminder of how we need to think differently about our "garbage". This craft is appropriate for most ages, with the youngest members needing some help.

If we Friends take our stewardship of the Earth seriously, then we will be moved to find new ways to protect the Earth for the future and part of this is following the maxim "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle".

While many of us recycle, it takes longer for us to learn new ways to reduce our garbage and reuse our things.

CALLING QUAKER SINGLES

To date there are six women (and no men...c'mon guys :)! If you know any single men, encourage them to let Holly know. There is growing interest in restarting the former Bucks Quarter singles group. If this is of interest to you, contact Holly Olson as she is compiling a list of interested Friends. This is open to members and attenders of Bucks Quarter.

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CAMP ONAS

FRIENDS AND NEIGHBORS DAY

Looking for a fun day in November for your family? Come to the Friends and Neighbors Day at Camp Onas, Sunday, **November 6, 1-4pm**. Admission is free. There will be activities for all ages including trail hikes, wagon rides, leaf printing, zip line, canoeing, catch and release fishing, archery and friendly sports and games. There will also be information on conservation easements and a hands-on demonstration on making a worm compost bin. A hot dog/veggie dog roast with s'mores will end the day. Minimal charges for food and crafts. All family members are welcome but please leave your dogs at home. For more information call 610-847-5858 or www.camponas.org

LIVES PASSING

Doylestown Friends suffer the loss of **Beth Ernst** who passed on October 10th. The Middletown Meeting mid-week worship group suffers the loss of **Jane Jansson**. Newtown Friends suffer the loss of **Ruth Augustine**. Southampton Friends suffer the loss of **Wynne Epstein**.

APARTMENT AVAILABLE AT SOUTHAMPTON MEETING

Southampton Friends Meeting, at 710 Gravel Road (corner of Street Road) in Southampton, is offering a spacious apartment for rental to one or two people, on a monthly or yearly basis, in their house adjacent to the meetinghouse, called the "House on the Hill." The number one criterion is being a "friendly presence" to anyone interfacing with the meeting. A "caretaker" arrangement with specific custodial duties for compensation is a possibility. Located next to a beautiful wooded area and within two miles of public bus transportation, the apartment and an office are on the second floor. A few organizations use the first floor weekly. \$850 per month, utilities included, no pets. Please call the meeting at 215-364-0581 or Carolyn Eckel at 215-290-2926

WANTED

EXECUTIVE DIRECTOR OF CAMP ONAS

Camp Onas is a Quaker co-ed residential summer camp and year round facility offering outdoor education and groups. The fulltime position starts October 2012; overlap with existing director will vary depending on applicant. Camp Onas is located in Bucks County, PA. Responsibilities include program and property management, fiscal operations, marketing and work with Board of Directors. The director is required to live at the camp. Successful directors have taken this position with a family support structure. Respond before November 15, 2011 by sending resume and one letter of reference to Beth Taylor at Huldah44@Verizon.net

CAMP ONAS DIRECTOR TO RETIRE

It is with great respect and admiration that we bring you the news that Sue Gould has decided to retire as Director of Camp Onas at the end of the summer of 2012. Under her 16 year directorship, Camp Onas has continued to develop in its commitment to core Quaker values. Working with the Board of Directors, Sue has made the camp population more diverse, expanded the financial aid program, adapted the facilities for greener use, and made Camp Onas more financially stable with increased off-season programming and a conservation easement. As hundreds of alumni will attest, she and her staffs created a camp experience that was safe, meaningful, and fun. We are truly sorry to see her depart. The Board has named a transition committee and it is working closely with Sue to plan for the transition to new leadership at Camp Onas. We expect to hire a new Director before the 2012 camp season, and this will enable him or her to overlap with Sue's last summer and receive on-the-job training. Camp Onas is in great shape and we are confident that we will be able to establish new leadership that will help us continue to evolve and grow into the future. If you have any questions, please do not hesitate to call the Clerk of the Transition Committee, Beth Taylor at 215.822.2299.

BOOK SIGNING AT QUAKERTOWN MEETING

November 13th 1:00 to 3:00 PM

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of the reestablishment of the Quakertown Friends Meeting, and the 300th anniversary of the founding of Hunterdon County, New Jersey, a small edition of a new book is about to be released in the Fall of 2011. An unpublished 1998 manuscript by J.E. Stout, former township historian, was discovered recently. It has been turned into a beautiful 100-page book featuring:

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Thirty chapters cover the history of Quakerism, the founding of Hunterdon, the establishment of Quakertown Meeting and the surrounding community, as well as education, slavery concerns, old meeting notes, the Friends grave yard, and a celebration of the people that made it all happen.

The books are \$10 ea. and \$5 ea. for postage & handling. Send check or money order payable to: Quakertown Friends Meeting, PO Box 520. Quakertown, NJ 08868.

Any questions, call 908-806-4661

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION FOR CHILDREN

RE committee members of monthly meetings within Bucks Quarter are invited to meet on **November 19th 10am-noon** at the Makefield meetinghouse.

The purpose of the gathering is to support one another in the important service of the religious education of our children.

The preliminary focus for this gathering will be mission and vision statements. If time permits there are many other subjects that could be discussed.

Contact Holly Olson for more information
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THANKSGIVING MEETING FOR WORSHIP AT PLUMSTEAD MEETING

Plumstead Friends invite you to Worship on **Thanksgiving morning at 9:30am**. Friends are also invited to bring food or beverage to share for pot luck brunch at the rise of Meeting.

Plumstead is our "greenest" of Meetinghouses (no electricity or fossil fuel dependency form of heat), but a great wood stove they do have! As the Meetinghouse grows warmer, so does the Spirit within. Come enjoy this very special time.

BUCKINGHAM MEETING FILM SERIES

Wednesday, November 9, 7:30PM

Invisible Children: Rough Cut

Joseph Kony has led the Lord's Resistance Army rebel war ongoing in Uganda for the last 23 years. Three young filmmakers documented what is happening there. This film exposes the tragic realities of northern Uganda's night commuters and child soldiers. See this film and you will be forever changed. 55 mins.

www.invisiblechildren.com

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Buckingham Friends Meeting House

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9TH ANNUAL CULINARY CLASSICS CHANDLER HALL

Enjoy a lovely evening of gourmet food, beverages, music, flowers and a silent auction on **November 4th, from 6:30 – 9:30 PM** in the Wright Meeting Hall at Chandler Hall. All proceeds benefit Chandler Hall Hospice. Since 1982, the hospice program has been helping people live well until they die, regardless of ability to pay.

For tickets or more info, contact Becky Betz at
215-860-4000 ext. 1502 or email

bbetz@chandlerhall.org www.chandlerhall.org

PENDLE HILL WORKSHOPS AND RETREATS

Nov 25-27: The Coming of the Word, The Gospel of John as Spiritual Guide

Dec 28-Jan 1: Celebrate the New Year by welcoming the New Year at Pendle Hill! Be inspired by the experience and study music, renew yourself in a mindfulness retreat or come for a personal sojourn. However you participate, you will be treated to a New Year's Eve celebration capped by the candlelight meeting for worship. Watch the website www.pendlehill.org for more details.

\$540/shared room; \$650/private room; \$410 commuter

A FULL MORNING OF EXTENDED WORSHIP

Saturday, November 5, 9:30 AM to 4:00 PM ~

Worship, Ministry & Eldering Gathering of Friends at Makefield Friends Meeting

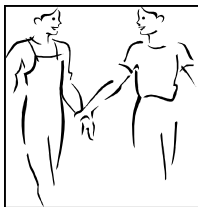
You are invited to gather with Friends for a full morning of unprogrammed worship, lasting three hours or so. Many find much spiritual nourishment in the silence, where vocal ministry has more time to ripen before being spoken and many are surprised at how quickly these hours can pass.

If your longing is to make more space inside you for God, and to taste the deeper possibilities of Quaker spiritual life, participating in this day of worship and fellowship is a rich way to do so. For those called to ministry of any sort, including spiritual nurture of others or your meeting, this day can be a rich time for seasoning and discernment. Come gather with others who also feel a call.

Brown bag lunch and fellowship afterwards. Worship sharing in the afternoon flows out of the morning worship. We seek to let God guide our time, rather than depend on our own planning. Afternoon activities usually involve worship sharing, and occasionally prayer, discussion, or singing.

Please join us. All are welcome. We welcome donations to meet our expenses. Call a week in advance if childcare is needed.

For more information, please contact: Wendy Wells: (wendyw@gfsnet.org) 267-879-1073 or Makefield Mtg. contacts: Karen Shaudys (kvshaudys@gmail.com) and Carol Wicker (wickercr@gmail.com)



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