

Quakerphernalia

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

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December 2007

Our Monthly Meetings Welcome Everyone to the Holiday Events Listed Below

- Dec 4 8:30-10:30am Open House ~ The Quaker School at Horsham 215-674-2875
- Dec 5 7:30pm Singing Group Meets at Makefield Meeting
- Dec 6 1-3 & 5:30-7:30 Open House at Friends Center *(See Article)*
- Dec 8 7pm Candle Light Meeting for Worship at Buckingham Meeting
- Dec 8 10:45am 48th Annual Peace Pilgrimage from Nazareth to Bethlehem (PA) ~ *(See Article)*
- Dec 11 7pm Interfaith Meditation at Newtown Meeting
- Dec 12 7:00pm BQ Singing Group Meets at Friends Village
- Dec 16 7pm Candle Light Worship at Yardley Meeting
- Dec 16 7:30pm Candle Light Carol Sing at Wrightstown Meeting a Tradition since 1941
- Dec 17 1-3pm "Creative Hands" Meets at Wrightstown Meeting ~ Pauline Biggs 215-860-5554
- Dec 20 1:30 Friends Home & Village Board Meeting at Friends Home
- Dec 23 11:00am Harp Music during Meeting for Worship at Middletown Meeting
- Dec 23 7:15pm Candle Light Meeting for Worship and Caroling at Southampton Meeting
- Dec 24 4:30pm Programmed Meeting for Worship at Lehigh Valley Meeting
- Dec 24 7pm Candle Light Worship at Middletown Meeting
- Dec 24 7:30pm Candle Light Worship and Caroling at Plumstead Meeting *(Wood Stove Heat!)*
- Dec 28-Jan 1 Open Heart Peaceful Mind: A Retreat for Rest & Reflection at Pendle Hill *(Article)*
- Dec 31 7pm Candle Light Worship at Middletown

January 1 ~ New Years Day Skating Party ~ Don't Miss It!

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

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### GET THEE TO THE PARTY!!

**Skating at Face Off Circle  
Warminster, PA**

**New Years Day - Noon to 2:00pm**

Don't be left out in the cold or inside with nothing to do, come inside! Join Bucks and Abington Quarter Friends as we skate 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!

**Face Off Circle is located at 1185 York Road, Warminster, PA 18974.**

**Telephone 215-674-1345.**

Call Holly Olson if you need more information:  
215-860-9747

**See enclosed flier for posting on your fridge!!**

**Price includes skate rentals!!**

**Brings your friends!!**

### PEACE VIGILS & MEDITATIONS

**Doylestown:** Tuesdays at State & Main 7-8pm

**Newtown Meeting:** 2nd Tuesdays, 7pm

**Southampton Meeting:** Mondays 7pm

**Newtown:** Mondays. 5-6pm Routes 332 & 413

### FRIEND ANNE IS BACK IN BUCKS!

Anne Twining would like folks to know she has returned to Bucks County. Anne is back at the Fox Subacute Center in Warrington and would very much enjoy visitors and cards. The address is 2644 Bristol Road, Warrington, PA 18976.

### MOVIE NIGHT AT THE PEACE CENTER

The first Monday of each month, The Peace Center in Langhorne, holds Movie Night. Films begin at 7:30.

For more information, call 215-750-7220



### LIVES PASSING

Yardley Meeting suffers the loss of  
Zip Zimmerman.



**PYM WORSHIP & MINISTRY  
CLERKS GATHERING**

A gathering of PYM Worship & Ministry Clerks will take place at **Plymouth Friends Meeting (PA)** on **Saturday, December 8, from 10 am to 3:30 pm**. The clerks of Worship & Ministry Committees of Monthly Meetings and Quarterly Meetings are invited to attend or send a representative from their Meeting.

The purpose of this gathering is to enlist the gifts of discernment found in our Monthly & Quarterly Meeting Worship & Ministry Committees. The PYM Meeting on Worship & Ministry needs clarity about its future, whether it should be laid down and if another group with a new mission should take its place. As the Yearly Meeting begins the work of discerning long range ministries and leadings, the recommendations made by this gathering may have a significant impact. Our hope is that, through Divine Guidance, ideas will emerge on how to better serve some of the worship and ministry needs of the Yearly Meeting. This event will be co-hosted by the Worship & Care Standing Committee and the Meeting on Worship & Ministry. Thomas Swain, Clerk of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, and Jada Jackson, Clerk of Interim Meeting, will attend. For more information and to RSVP please contact Dana Kester-McCabe at 410-422-2332 or [sqm@friendsmedia.org](mailto:sqm@friendsmedia.org)

**LUCY...THE COORDINATORS DOG**

Born to Gillie on August 13th, in Cambridge, NY, Lucy came to live with my husband and I on October 20th. Lucy loves people. If you see Holly and Lucy, please don't hesitate to make friends. So far, two of Lucy's most special places are the woods at Buckingham Meeting and George School.

While I'm on the subject of gratefulness, and it is the holiday season for being especially thankful...I'd like Friends to know how grateful I am for your kindness, your laughter, and your trust. My position as your coordinator is a blessing.

Love and Light~  
Holly Olson

**Happy**



**REMINDER**

- ◆ **Homeless shelters**
- ◆ **Orphanages**
- ◆ **Blood drives**
- ◆ **Homeless Feeding Programs**
- ◆ **Local Coat Drives**
- ◆ **Local Blanket Drives**
- ◆ **Pet Shelters**

**Please remember the less fortunate this holiday season and help out in any small and huge way that you can...the small ways are huge!**

**OPEN HEART, PEACEFUL MIND  
RETREAT FOR REST AND REFLECTION**

Welcome in the New Year with Valerie Brown of Solebury Meeting, **December 28 through January 1**. Relax into the nourishing, healing setting of this retreat and consider the gifts of the new year. Sustained periods of silence and mindfulness meditation will quiet the mind. Prayer and reflection will open the heart and small group discussions will build community. Gentle Kundalini yoga will help to develop mindfulness of the body and support the healing. There will be opportunities to journal, laugh, rest deeply and explore your creativity in the art studio (open 24/7!). You will take home new tools to create peace and happiness in your everyday life. Valerie Brown (Inder Kaur) is a certified teacher on Kundalini yoga and meditation, trained in holistic spirituality and a founding member of Old Path Sangha, a Buddhist community in New Hope, PA. Valerie is also the author of Pendle Hill pamphlet *The Mindful Quaker: A Brief Introduction to Buddhist Wisdom for Friends*. The retreat is limited to 20 participants. Retreat fee, including meals, concert and New Year's Eve celebration: \$540/shared room; \$635/provate room; \$375/commuter. For more information, contact Pendle Hill at 610-566-4507 ext. 3, or [registrar@pendlehill.org](mailto:registrar@pendlehill.org). For information on Pendle Hill and future workshops visit [www.pendlehill.org](http://www.pendlehill.org).

Send notifications of births, adoptions and deaths to the coordinator so that the members of Bucks Quarter may hold your families and Meetings in the Light.

Send your information via email to Holly Olson, coordinator at [hollybqc@verizon.net](mailto:hollybqc@verizon.net)

If you do not have access to a computer, telephone Holly at 215-860-9747 or 215-453-7358

***Friendly Reminders***

**Bristol Friends** meet for worship the 3rd First Day of every month at 11:00am..

**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 Barclay Lounge

## PYM YOUNG FRIENDS GATHERING AT BURLINGTON

The 2007 Young Friends Christmas Gathering, will be at the Burlington Conference Center. Young Friends will arrive on December 27th and depart on December 30th. For more information on this and other YF gatherings check out [www.pym.org](http://www.pym.org) and click on Young Friends.

## PYM MIDDLE SCHOOL GATHERING AT NEWTOWN MEETING

From December 7th-9th, Middle School Friends will gather at Newtown Meeting. The theme will be, "What is Quaker Spirituality?" Visit [www.pym.org](http://www.pym.org) and click on Middle School Friends for more information on this gathering and the cool stuff the MSF do throughout the year.

## FRIENDS CENTER REPORT 11-07

Dear Bucks Quarter Friends,  
By now you will have received the appeal letter that was sent to all members. I need not add that I hope it is well received.

Friends have asked if there is some way to be helpful beyond the collection of cash. It is unfortunate that opportunities for contributions of unskilled work are few in the face of construction work that requires a great deal of expertise. However, there will be an **Open House on December 6th, 1-3pm and 5:30-7:00pm. Tours of the vegetative roof will be at 1:30, 2:30 and 3:30.** The focus will be on the geothermal construction and a call for volunteers is likely. Also, when we get to the point of reconstructing offices there surely will be some extra need for help. Keep in touch.

I feel very lucky to have been able to participate in this project and I hope that all Friends will have that same feeling of ownership. Any suggestions on how to accomplish this?

Irv Hollingshead,  
Unami Meeting and Friends Village Resident,  
for the Campaign Committee

## 48TH ANNUAL NAZARETH TO BETHLEHEM PEACE PILGRIMAGE

Walk the Road of Peace **Saturday, December 8, 2007.** For over 40 years, during the Christmas season, people who believe in the importance of peace have been gathering to walk from Nazareth to Bethlehem (only ten miles in this country)! This pilgrimage, symbolic of the journey of Mary and Joseph, provides all of us, those who walk, those who pass us on the highway and even those who just read about the walk in the Sunday paper, with an opportunity to think about what Christmas really means. Come, walk with your family and friends, and make new friends who seek a more peaceful world. If you are concerned about your ability to complete the walk, please know that there are frequent rest stops and relief transportation.

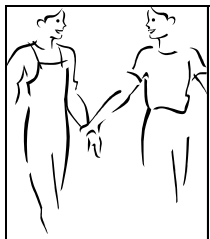
It's more than a walk. Even if you cannot walk a portion of the pilgrimage, please consider participating in our related events. There will be traditional hymn signing in the heart of historic Bethlehem. Following singing, we'll walk a little farther to the Christ United Church of Christ for a simple supper. After supper, guest speaker, Alan Jennings, Executive Director of the Community Action Committee of the Lehigh Valley, will talk about, "Irresponsible Stewardship: Are We Too Polite?"

**Schedule:** We will gather at 10:45am in the parking lot at 520 E. Broad Street, Bethlehem. Buses will transport pilgrims to Nazareth Moravian Church on Center Square where the pilgrimage will begin.

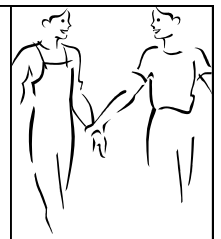
For more information:  
Fran Dreisbach at 610-258-7313.

## KIRKRIDGE RETREAT AND STUDY CENTER

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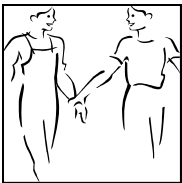
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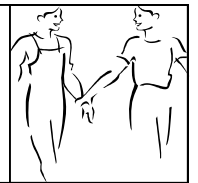
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