

Quakerphernalia

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

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Deadline for Quakerphernalia : By the 13th day of the preceding months publication.

MARCH 2012

- March 2 6pm BQ MM Clerks Meeting at Buckingham - Pot luck Dinner 6:00, Meeting at 7:00
March 4 2pm Camp Onas Info Day at Camp Onas
March 8 7pm BQ Oversight Committee Meets at The Jackson House (Buckingham Friends School)
March 8 7:30pm The History of Chocolate in Pennsylvania
March 13 7pm BQ Outreach Committee Meets at Pennswood Village
March 15 1pm Friends Home and Village Board Meets at Friends Village
March 18 6pm Camp Onas Board Meets at Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall
March 19 6pm Bucks Food For Friends at Fallsington Meetinghouse
March 24 9am Open House The Quaker School at Horsham www.quakerschool.org
March 29 7:30pm BQ Singing Group Meets at Makefield Meetinghouse - All are Welcome!

Looking Ahead

- Apr 21 10am - 2pm Quakerism in a Nutshell at Makefield Meetinghouse with Melanie Douty Snipes
Apr 29 1:30PM John Calvi to Speak at Doylestown Meeting (Page 2)
May Yard Sale!!! Wrightstown Meeting (exact date TBD)

PYM Annual Sessions 2012: "Living the Holy Experiment" at Arch Street Meetinghouse and other locations in and nearby Philadelphia, July 25-29, 2012.

Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:

March ~ Buckingham April ~ Doylestown May ~ Fallsington

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

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
Wednesday at Plumstead 8:30 AM

QUAKERISM IN A NUTSHELL

The hectic times we live in encourage us to do all we want and need to do at an accelerated pace. Appreciating that fact, Bucks Quarterly Meeting invites you to attend a workshop on Quakerism. Quakerism in a Nutshell.

Some topics covered will be: What does it mean to be Quaker? Ministers; do Quakers have them? Who are the mother and father of Quakerism? What are the SPICES of Quakerism? Eldering. Seeking. Singing. The workshop will be held on **April 16 from 10AM to 2PM** with a break for lunch and sharing at **Makefield Meeting in the social hall.**

There is no charge, however donations will be gratefully accepted.

Melanie Douty Snipes of Fallsington Meeting has graciously accepted the invitation to serve as the facilitator for the workshop. Thank You Melanie!!

Makefield Meeting is located at 877 Dolington Rd, Newtown, PA 18940. For more information, contact Holly Olson at 215-860-9747 or hollybqc@verizon.net

WRIGHTSTOWN FRIENDS

NURSERY SCHOOL SEEKS A DIRECTOR

Wrightstown Friends Nursery School is seeking a director for the 2012 school year. Duties include overseeing current teaching staff, teaching on a daily basis, nurturing preschoolers ages 3 to 5 and their parents in the Quaker tradition. Some administrative duties. We are looking for a well rounded director with at least 5 years preschool teaching experience. Preference given to those with a Quaker background or strong ties to the Quaker community. Resume with cover letter explaining ties to Quaker Community or Quaker background should be emailed to pbiggs@comcast.net or mailed to WFNS P.O. Box 293, Penns Park, PA 18943 to the attention of Pauline Biggs.

HISTORY OF CHOCOLATE IN PENNSYLVANIA

FALLSINGTON FRIENDS MEETING

On Thursday March 8th from 7:30pm to 9:00pm Susan McLellan Plaisted will present the History of Chocolate in Pennsylvania while the aroma of chocolate wafts through the air. Susan will connect the cultural use of chocolate from Meso-America to Europe and back to Colonial America. Learn the basics of cacao cultivation, harvesting and fermentation. Participants have the opportunity to sample a historic chocolate beverage. Program will be held at the Fallsington Friend's Meetinghouse 9300 New Falls Rd., Fallsington

Free; but must call to reserve 215-295-6567.

**FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE
FOR CONSULTATION
BUCKS QUARTER SENDS LOVE AND
CONGRATULATIONS
TO GRETCHEN CASTLE**

Gretchen Castle has been nominated to start as General Secretary of FWCC from January 2013. The Central Executive Committee has agreed that the name of Gretchen Castle of Philadelphia YM, currently Acting Dean at Pendle Hill Quaker Study Center, should go forward for approval as Nancy Irving's successor as General Secretary. This proposal will be considered at the International Representatives Meeting at the World Conference. Once Gretchen's name is approved, she will join the team at the World Office in London as Associate General Secretary in October, taking over from Nancy in January 2013.

YOGA CLASSES AT NEWTOWN MEETING

Weekly yoga classes are offered at Newtown Meeting House on **Saturdays at 8:30 am**. The instructor, Jim Whitmoyer, has over 10 years experience as a Hatha Yoga teacher, and imbues each class with a theme which evokes a positive attitude for the practice and our lives in general. Classes are open to all; no prior experience is necessary. There is no charge, although small a donation to the Meeting House is humbly requested.

For more information, contact Jim at 215-968-0927,

**MOVE FAST, ONLY FEW SPACES LEFT
CAMP ONAS**

Plan now for a fun-filled summer camp experience at Camp Onas! The active and creative program stresses sharing, cooperation, understanding, simple living, and most essential of all, fun! Campers can come for 2 or 4 week sessions starting June 24 and running into August. A one-week session for 7,8 and 9 year old campers is available to introduce younger campers to overnight camp. Special rates for Quaker kids and financial aid is available.

Please check the Onas web site at www.camponas.org for dates, rates and session availability.

Info Days at Camp Onas March 4 at 2pm. Contact the camp at 610-847-5858 or friends@camponas.org for more information and a brochure.

JOHN CALVI

TO SPEAK AT DOYLESTOWN MEETING

Doylestown Friends Meeting is honored to sponsor a forum about one of the most pressing moral issues of our time...John Calvi of The Quaker Initiative to End Torture .

When: Sunday, April 29, 2012, 1:30 p.m.

**Where: Doylestown Friends Meetinghouse,
95 E. Oakland Avenue, Doylestown, PA**

This is a free forum, open to the public.

Child care will be provided

John Calvi and QUIT are committed to raising awareness of the practice of state-sponsored torture, and to helping persons whose lives have been damaged by such practices. John has been a tireless advocate for the abolition of torture, and has also devoted his energies to working directly with victims of torture.

State-sponsored torture is perpetrated against our presumed enemies in war, and also in our own corrections system. Increasingly, persons of conscience are protesting our government's participation in this brutalization of other persons. Learn more about this vital issue, and about how you can support the campaign to end the use of torture.

For more information call Doylestown Friends Meeting at 215-348-2320

QUAKER COLLEGE FAIR

Parents of 11TH grade, college-bound students:

Please save March 3rd

for the next Quaker College Fair –

“Where will I most thrive, and how can I connect to that place?” Arch Street Meetinghouse. Uniquely centered on values-based higher education and its life-long benefits, the Quaker College Fair supports students and their families in the college discernment process. For more information contact Grace Cooke at Gcooke@pym.org or call 215-241-7224 or visit

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GUEST ROOMS AT FRIENDS HOME AND VILLAGE

Friends Home: The Parry House has two rooms available on the second floor with a shared bath and common living area.

The Bird Room has a full size bed. The Rose Room has two twin beds. A donation of \$75 per night per room is suggested. Please call for information and reservations. **215-968-3346**

Friends Village: Styer Hall has three rooms available on the second floor with a shared bath and common living area. One room has a full size bed, one has a twin bed and one has two twin beds. A donation of \$75 per night per room is suggested. Additionally, there is an entire first floor apartment is available with a kitchen, dining area, living room, full bath and two bedrooms (one with a full size bed and one with a twin bed). For this entire apartment (rooms will not be reserved separately) a donation of \$100 per night per room is suggested. Please call for information and reservations. **215-968-9222**

No pets are allowed in any guest accommodation. Suggested donations may be adjusted for large groups or lengthy stays.

FRIENDS HOME: 50 South Congress St. Newtown, Pa 18940

FRIENDS VILLAGE: 331 Lower Dolington Rd ,Newtown, Pa. 18940

JUNIOR INTERIM MEETING

Everyone is Invited to Junior Interim Meeting in March! Saturday, March 10th, 2012, 10:00 am – 2:00 pm at SHARE Food Program. Junior Interim Meeting invites all members of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of ANY AGE to help directly support the *Children's Priority* by joining us for a very special Junior Interim Meeting. The Children's Priority is: *"God's big idea for us is to make the world a better place and share our Quaker Faith by treating ALL as our brothers and sisters. We will do this by raising money and helping those who are hungry and homeless."* Everyone can follow the ministry of the Children's Priority by offering their service. Bring your committee, your meeting, your friends! We will gather at SHARE Food Program at 2901 West Hunting Park Ave. For more information visit www.pym.org/children, or contact Benjamin Camp, Children's Religious Life Program Coordinator, at 215-241-7228 or bcamp@pym.org.

PYM MIDDLE SCHOOL FRIENDS GATHERING

"Faith, Family, and Fun" Gathering for PYM's Middle School Friends, Friday, Mar. 16, 2012, 6:00 pm – Sunday, Mar. 18, noon at Medford Leas continuing care retirement community. Join the Middle School Friends community as we explore what it means to be faithful, fun-loving Friends in a multi-generational community. Medford Leas is located at: 1 Medford Leas Way, Medford, NJ 08055. For more information, please contact Stephen Dotson, the Middle School Friends Program Coordinator, at sdotson@pym.org or 215-241-7171.

EXTENDED WORSHIP AT NEWTON MEETING CAMDEN NJ

GATHERING OF THE PYM MEETING ON WORSHIP & MINISTRY

Meeting on Worship and Ministry is the body charged with the nurture of worship, Spirit-led ministry, and the spiritual life of the yearly meeting. It includes the clerks of worship and ministry committees and all Friends called to strengthen the life of the Spirit in our meetings.

Saturday, April 7 9:00 am to 3:30 pm

9:00 Fellowship and Refreshments

9:30 - 3:30 Meeting for Worship

Brown Bag Lunch - Beverages Provided

Meeting for Worship, with Attention to Discernment.

The semiannual Gathering of the PYM Meeting on Worship and Ministry is an opportunity to worship and hold in the Light the spiritual life and strength of our meetings.

Come! Take part in this day of communion in the Spirit that nurtures, heals and leads us to deeper understanding and faithfulness in our paths.

Please contact Connie Eash cneash@gmail.com or 610-274-0947 for more

information or to request childcare with a 2 week notice.

Newton Friends Meeting

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PENDLE HILL WORKSHOPS

Mar 2-4: Effective Approaches for Working with Groups

Mar 9-11: The Contemplative Spirituality of Toni Morrison

Mar 16-18: Compassionate Communication

Mar 23-25: Contemplation and the First Book of Revelation

Mar 30-April 1: Clerking Exploring More Deeply. This workshop is for those who have some experience with clerking.

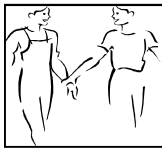
Apr 6-8: Experiencing Easter Again for the First Time

Apr 20-22: Energy Healing for Mind, Body and Spirit

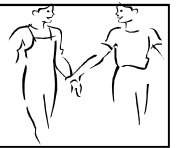
Apr 27-29: Preparing the Way

QUAKER PILGRIMAGE TO ENGLAND

Registration is now open for the 2012 Quaker Pilgrimage to England Trip leaders, Irene McHenry (Chestnut Hill Monthly Meeting, PA) and Deborra Sines Pancoe (Abington Monthly Meeting, PA) invite you to follow in the footsteps of George Fox, Margaret Fell, and other Quaker founders to explore the roots of the Religious Society of Friends in England's "1652 Country. The group of 27 "pilgrims" will be making day trips to historic Quaker sites in the lush and green Lake District, climbing the original Pendle Hill, and returning to home to hearty meals at the Glenthorne Guest House in Grasmere, England. **A \$500 registration fee is required to hold your spot after September 15, 2011.** To express interest, secure a spot, or ask questions, please email Deborra Sines Pancoe at dspancoe@gmail.com.



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