

Quakerphernalia

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

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Deadline for Quakerphernalia : By the 11th day of the preceding months publication

MARCH 2013

- March 3, 10, 17, 24 2-3:30pm Prayer Course With Peter Lang at Wrightstown Meetinghouse
March 9 9-10:30am Quaker School at Horsham -
Presentation by Bruce Sham, Financial Strategies for the Special Needs Family
March 9 7pm Buckingham Friends Film Night Features, "I Am Because We Are"
March 12 7pm Bucks Quarter Outreach Committee Meets at Pennswood Village
March 13 1pm Chandler Hall Aux Meets in the Cafe (Wright Meeting Hall)
March 14 7pm Bucks Quarter Oversight Committee Meets at the Jane Jackson House (BFS)
March 16 9:30am-3:00pm Aging in Place as a Meeting Community at Yardley Meetinghouse
March 17 6pm Camp Onas BOard Meets at Wrightstown Meeting
March 18 6pm Bucks Food For Friends at Fallsington Meetinghouse
March 21 1:30pm Friends Home and Village Board Meets at Friends Village
March 28 7:30pm Bucks Quarter Singing Group Meets at Makefield Meetinghouse

Looking Ahead

- April 13 Wrightstown Friends Nursery School Auction
April 20 10-2 Bucks Quarter's "Quakerism in a Nutshell" to be held at the Wrightstown Meetinghouse
May 19 Quarterly Meeting Held at Buckingham Hosted by Doylestown Meeting
July 24-28 PYM Annual Session at Muhlenberg College, Allentown PA

Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:

March ~ Makefield April ~ Middletown May ~ Newtown

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

PRAYER COURSE ~ LIVING A PRAYERFUL LIFE

Sunday Afternoons March 3rd, 10th, 17th and 24th

2:00 - 3:30PM at the Wrightstown Friends Meetinghouse

"Living A Prayerful Life" is a prayer course that was developed by a Peter Lang of Summit Chatham MM specifically with Friends in mind. For George Fox and early Friends prayer was described as inward retirement, "waiting upon the Lord". In our modern, high-tech, busy world it often appears that prayer and living have come to be widely separated. No matter what stage of life that we find ourselves in, true prayer offers the opportunity to grow deeper in Quaker faith and become open to the Power of God's love.

The three-fold purpose of the Prayer Course is to lead us to a deeper relationship with God, to discern how prayer leads to action and to deepen the spiritual life of our meetings. This will be an experiential program in the tradition of our Quaker search for truth. The participants will be asked to commit themselves to a period of daily prayer, to keep a prayer journal and to hold each other in the Light during the Prayer Course.

"Living A Prayerful Life" will consist of four sessions, which will include presentations, discussion and the practice of prayer. It will be an open forum in that questions and comments are encouraged throughout the program. Although Friends are encouraged to attend all four sessions, as we will be making a commitment to prayer and to each other, each session is also a separate unit and you are welcome to attend as many as possible.

Therefore, come and join us on this amazing journey as we learn how to look at and practice prayer in new and exciting ways. You may be surprised at what happens to you!

Note recommended reading: Pendle Hill Pamphlets, "Prayer: Beginning Again" by Sheila Keane and, "Holding One Another In The Light" by Marcelle Martin.

To register: Contact Holly Olson at hollybqc@verizon.net or 215-860-9747. **Space is limited to 25 participants**
Cost: \$10 .

Make checks payable to Bucks Quarterly Meeting and send to P.O. Box 4477-George School, Newtown, PA 18940

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

LIVES PASSING

Southampton Friends suffer the loss of **Ethel Quiring** who passed on January 18th. A memorial Service will be held on March 16, 2PM. Doylestown Friends suffer the loss of **Josephine Gray** who passed on January 25. Makefield Friends suffered the losses of **Irene Griffin** who passed on August and **Alma Michael** who passed in November.

QUAKERISM IN A NUTSHELL

Wanted: Friends, attenders, seekers to explore the life of Quakerism and being Quaker today.

Come to this exciting workshop led by Melanie Douty Snipes and find out what makes Friends tick.

Some topics covered will be our testimonies known by the acronym SPICES, why we don't have ministers...or do we? When and how did Quakerism get started? What do elders do...who do they elder...is it a bad thing to be eldered? Friends and singing. God and Quakers, Jesus and Quakers, do you have to believe in them? Monthly, Quarterly, Yearly Meeting...which one do you belong to? All these great questions can be answered plus more at this workshop.

Join us on Saturday April 20th from 10am to 2pm in the Wrightstown Meeting social hall.

Lunch provided.

We will have a morning session then break for lunch and sharing, then reconvene after lunch for a general question and answer session.

To register and for more information, contact Holly Olson 215-860-9747 or hollybQc@verizon.net

The workshop is free, registration is necessary for planning lunch.

Wrightstown Friends Meetinghouse: 535 Durham Rd, Newtown, PA 18940

AGING IN PLACE AS A MEETING COMMUNITY

You're Invited to join Yardley Friends for Aging-In-Place as a Meeting Community on **Saturday March 16th from 9:30am to 3:00pm**. The format will be of a spiritual nature discussing thoughts and feelings rather than informational. The following topics will be covered.

Aging in Place at Home

Coping with Transitions in the Meeting Community

Care Giving to Parents & Children (the Sandwich Effect)

Dementia & Physical Health

Green Burials

Childcare and lunch will be provided

For more information:

Linda Jacobs stncaterers@aol.com or 215-321-7980

Yardley Friends Meetinghouse

65 North Main Street

Yardley, PA 19067

PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS

Are you a Friends with concerns of peace and social issues? Those who are interested have been gathering on a regular basis at the Buckingham Meetinghouse.

The purpose of the group is not to take on projects, but to network and support those individuals and meetings who are working on or are planning projects.

If you would like to be on the email list to receive notification of meeting dates times, contact Holly Olson at hollybQc@verizon.net.

BUCKINGHAM FRIENDS MEETING PEACE & SOCIAL JUSTICE FILM SERIES

Saturday, March 9 ~ 7:00PM

I Am Because We Are

A look into the lives of Malawi's million plus orphans in the wake of the AIDS pandemic. This film, narrated by Madonna with commentary by Bill Clinton and Desmond Tutu, offers hope and real solutions to the challenges that people face when living in extreme poverty.

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For more information, go to

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215-794-5816

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There's a new CSA in Solebury Township! Check out the ad for Roots to River Farm on page 4.

CHECK OUT THE PYM ACTIVITIES FOR KIDS ON THE NEXT PAGE!!

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Peace and Social Concerns Committee

Wrightstown Friends Meeting

11th Hour Bakers Resident Group at Chandler Hall

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The Chandler Hall Auxiliary will meet in the care of the Wright Meeting Hall on **March 13 at 1:00**. Friends and non-Friends are welcome to participate in the Auxiliary. Please bring your fundraising ideas. Bring a sandwich for lunch, beverages and desserts will be provided by Chandler Hall.

For questions about the Auxiliary, contact Ginny Urbanski at 215-364-0867 or Kathie Parry at 215-968-5925.

MIDDLE SCHOOL FRIENDS GATHERING

Friday, March 16 through Sunday March 18 at Haverford Friends Meeting. Join middle school Friends as they explore extremely important questions like: is Jesus the most famous zombie in all of history? What does it mean to be re-born? How do we see re-birth and rejuvenation happen in our own lives?

For more info contact Matt Sanderson, Middle School Friends Coordinator at middleschoolfriends@pym.org or 215-241-7171.

JUNIOR INTERIM MEETING

Saturday, March 9th, 2013, 9:30-1:30 at Arch Street Meeting House. Quaker kids gather to pursue what it means to pursue God's Big Idea. It involves service, fun and community. Children in 1st-5th grade are invited to participate. All children in 6th-8th grades are invited to participate and help as Junior Friendly Presences. For more information, contact Ben Camp, Children's Religious Life Program Coordinator at children@pym.org or call 215-241-7228.

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