

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 2017

- Mar 4 9:15am-3:15pm PYM Extended Worship - Swarthmore Meetinghouse
Mar 4 6pm Games Night - Makefield Meetinghouse
Mar 7 9:30am Tour Buckingham Friends School - www.bfs.org
Mar 9 7pm Bucks Quarter Oversight Committee Meeting - Jane Jackson House
Mar 11 5:30pm Bucks Quarter Pot Luck Dinner and Sing - Makefield Meetinghouse
Mar 12 11:30 Dr. Dan Gottlieb to Speak at Yardley Friends Meetinghouse
Mar 12 1:30pm History of Fallsington Properties - Sam Snipes - Fallsington Meetinghouse
Mar 12 6pm Camp Onas Board Meeting - Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall
Mar 18 10am to 1pm Open House Friends Village - www.fhvpa.org
Mar 18 6pm Movie Night - Middletown Meetinghouse
Mar 19 12pm Speakers Series - Buckingham Meetinghouse - Robert "Woody" Wood - Synergy Project
Mar 19 6pm Bucks Food For Friends - Fallsington Meetinghouse
Mar 22 9am Information Session - Newtown Friends School
Mar 25 PYM Continuing Sessions - Arch Street Meetinghouse
Mar 25 William Penn Lecture - Arch Street Meetinghouse
Mar 28 7pm Bucks Quarter Outreach Committee Meets - Pennswood Village
Mar 29 11:30am to 1:30pm Open House at Friends Village (includes lunch) www.fhvpa.org
Mar 30 Deadline to Register for Quakerism in a Nutshell (being held April 1st)

Looking Ahead

- April 22 United Friends School - Spring Benefit
May 21 Quarterly Meeting - Makefield Meetinghouse
July 2-8 FGC Gathering - Niagara Falls University <http://www.fgcquaker.org/connect/gathering>
July 26-30 PYM Annual Sessions - College of New Jersey - Ewing NJ
Aug 20 Quarterly Meeting - Plumstead
Nov 19 Quarterly Meeting - Newtown

**Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:
March - Buckingham April - Doylestown May - Fallsington
Worship 11:00****Arrive 10:45**

QUAKERISM IN A NUTSHELL

Informational Workshop on Quakerism

This workshop is for Friends, attenders and seekers to explore the life of Quakerism and being Quaker today. Come to this exciting workshop led by Melanie Douty Snipes. Join us on **Saturday April 1st, from 10am to 2pm at the Makefield Meetinghouse**. Lunch is provided.

To register and for more information, contact Holly Olson 215-453-7358 or hollybqc@verizon.net the registration deadline is March 30.

Registration is required for planning lunch.

The workshop is free though donations will be greatly appreciated.

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18TH ANNUAL BUCKS QUARTER PEACE FAIR

You are invited to participate in the 18th Annual Peace Fair on **Saturday, September 23**. The table fee remains at a modest \$40 if your application is received by March 31, although it may increase after that date. If you wish to volunteer to help out at this year's fair, send an email and Peter Ray will let you know how to sign up online at Sign-Up Genius. If you would like to help plan the fair, we are always looking for enthusiastic and dedicated members for our committee, which meets monthly in the Buckingham Friends Meetinghouse beginning in March. In the meantime, feel free to call or email Peter with any questions, or with any suggestions you may have for the 2017 Peace Fair.

Peter Ray, Coordinator of The Fair Committee
215-794-5816 or peter.ray@comcast.net

FEAST, FUN AND SONG

Join Friends on **March 11** for a Quarter-wide family social event of feasting, fun and singing. We will begin at **5:30pm with a pot luck meal followed by singing from 7 to 8:00**. Friends of all ages are welcome.

The possibilities are endless...

Bring your own instrument (or not), recorder, mouth harp, guitar, fiddle, harmonica...your voice is a beautiful instrument too.

Sing (or not).

Socialize

Play with the kids

There are no rules or hefty structure. Just fun.

You are welcome to share in some or all of the fun.

Bring your friends, neighbors and a dish to share. The more of everything the merrier we will be!

If you have a copy of "Rise Up Singing" bring it along. The meeting has hymnals.

We will gather at the Makefield meetinghouse.

877 Dolington Rd, Newtown PA

Our next gathering will be held on April 29th at the Solebury meetinghouse.

SPEAKERS SERIES

BUCKINGHAM MEETINGHOUSE

Buckingham Friends Meeting continues its Social Concerns Speaker Series on **March 19th at noon**, with Robert Wood. "Woody" is a street outreach coordinator for **The Synergy Project** whose aim is to help runaway, homeless, nomadic and street youth, age 21 and under, in Bucks County, Philadelphia, and Allentown. Woody works on the front lines, trying to build trust in the little seen but very real world of homeless teens. With 30 years of experience working with troubled youth, he brings a unique perspective on the problem and what we can do to help.

For more information contact John Baker at

givingnature@me.com

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QUAKERPHERNALIA WILL GO PAPERLESS BEGINNING JANUARY 2018, QUAKERPHERNALIA WILL BE SENT ELECTRONICALLY. IF YOU WISH TO CONTINUE TO RECEIVE QUAKERPHERNALIA AS A PAPER COPY, CONTACT HOLLY OLSON BY DECEMBER 2017.

DR. DAN GOTTLIEB TO SPEAK AT YARDLEY FRIENDS MEETINGHOUSE

Please join Yardley Friends Meeting and Dr. Dan Gottlieb for a special event on **March 12, 11:30 AM**: Cultivating Compassion in a World that Seems Inhumane. All most welcome to join us at 10:00 for Meeting for Worship preceding the talk. Lunch to follow at approximately 12:45. Reservations are required for this special event; please write to yfmdrdan@gmail.com to save your seat or for more information.

65 N. Main Street, Yardley

LIVES PASSING

Newtown Friends suffer the loss of **Daryl Fair** who passed on January 11 and **Ed Twining** who passed on January 16.

ARE YOU INTERESTED IN THE HISTORIES OF FALLSINGTON PROPERTIES?

On **March 12 at 1:30PM**, Sam Snipes will talk about the 1933 Survey of the Fallsington Meeting Site. Come to learn about local history, Quaker Meetings, historic sheds and buildings. Noted Historian, Attorney and Fallsington Friends Meeting elder Sam Snipes will talk about the items found on the newly discovered Survey by Charles Hazzard.

Fallsington Friends Meetinghouse

9300 New Falls Rd, Fallsington

(off of Meetinghouse Square)

www.fallsingtonmeeting.org

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INFORMATION SESSIONS NEWTOWN FRIENDS SCHOOL

January 12 9:00AM

Information sessions are small group visits, when guests will meet with the Director of Admissions and tour the school while students are working in classrooms. Similar to the classrooms, these small sessions provide ample opportunity to ask your specific questions and learn firsthand the value of an NFS education.

For more information: 215-968-2225 or

www.newtownfriends.org

LOOKING FOR THINGS TO DO THROUGHOUT PYM...

Go to <http://www.pym.org/calendar/>

Do you have a story to share about something at your meeting...

Go to <http://www.pym.org/news/share-a-story/>

EXTENDED MEETING FOR WORSHIP

March 4, 9:15 am - 3:15 pm,

Swarthmore 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? The Worship and Care Standing Committee and the Meeting on Worship and Ministry invite you to experience Extended Worship. Attend just a portion of the day or the full day. And remember to bring your lunch. Info: Lola Georg 484-368-4637 or lolageorg@gmail.com or

http://www.pym.org/event/2016-extended-meeting-for-worship-middleton/?instance_id=311

FROM OUR DOYLESTOWN MEETING FRIENDS

Pastoral Concerns Letter to Doylestown Meeting

January 2017

As we move into the new year with all its uncertainties and challenges there is an awareness that there are deep rifts in our country and our communities, and these divisions have many people experiencing fear, anger and frustration. The Quaker principles of simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality, and stewardship endure. As Quakers, we strive to provide spiritual hospitality; our meeting house is a place to experience unity, connection, dialogue and mutual respect. We do not allow violence, hate, bigotry and threat to enter our worship space. We want everyone who walks through our doors to feel safe.

We respect all individuals and hope that members will reach out to those who think differently and listen. We encourage members to speak out in support when the basic rights of people are threatened or people are made to feel unsafe, excluded and afraid. We implore members to resist efforts to divide us and instead focus on our similarities. We hope that members will support efforts to unite people, like music, art and theater; and commit to oppose hatred, division, racism, homophobia, Islamophobia sexism and gender-based violence.

Simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality, and stewardship. These are our values. This is what we have always stood for and we will continue to stand for them.

In the coming months and years, our community will continue to foster dialogue about the important issues facing our country and retain our commitment to the social causes that speak to us and align with our values.

FRIENDS MUSIC CAMP

Friends Music Camp, a Quaker-run music camp which takes place at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana has openings for this summer.

FMC is open to campers from 10 to 18 years old at all musical levels. Session run from July 9 to August 6, 2017. For campers between 10 and 12 years old, there is an option for a two-week session only, which runs from July 9 to July 23.

During the summer, campers attend lessons, sing in the chorus, play in large and small ensembles, act in a musical theater production, take classes, and, of course, have ample time for hanging out and having fun. FMC ask that prospective campers have had lessons for at least one year on their chosen instrument, OR that they have participated in a school orchestra, band or choral program for at least one year. Evening activities include capture the flag, a dance, outside speakers, visits to the local pool, and other fun activities. Both students and staff perform at weekly recitals and on weekend concerts. This is a wonderful experience for any young music student. For more information visit www.friendsmusiccamp.org.

QUERIES FROM FWCC

*In what way have you seen personally changed by your experience of God?

*In what way has your meeting been changed by your corporate experience of God?

2017 Chandler Hall Worship Schedule

March – Buckingham

April – Doylestown

May – Fallsington

June – Middletown

July - Newtown

August - Solebury

September - Wrightstown

October - Yardley

November - Buckingham

December - Doylestown

2018

January - Fallsington

February - Middletown

Friendly Services Offered and Friendly Services Needed

“Simply Real” News is Growing!

Published monthly w/Quaker Values

Times Publishing Newspapers, Inc. has rolled out with our ninth newspaper in Bucks County - the Fairless FOCUS. Covering the Fairless Hills area our new total mailed (via US Postal Service) circulation is 115,716 households and businesses. We cover “all the ‘good news’ that’s fit to print.” Over the past 18 years we’ve started and continue to publish these additional 8 monthly publications: Yardley VOICE, Morrisville TIMES, Newtown GAZETTE, Northampton HERALD, Lower Southampton SPIRIT, Langhorne LEDGER, New Hope NEWS, and the Doylestown OBSERVER.

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