

Quakerphernalia

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

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May 2008

- May 3 9am Quarter Budget and Nominating Committee Meets at Wrightstown
May 3 10am-Noon The Quaker School at Horsham ~ Special Open House 215-674-2875 (*See Article*)
May 4 11am Tom Hoopes, Dir. of Ed. for our Year Meeting to Speak at Doylestown Meeting (*See Article*)
May 7 7:30pm Quarter Singing Group Meets at Makefield Meeting - New Singers Always Welcome!
May 8 7pm Quarter Oversight Committee Meets at Buckingham Meeting
May 12 7pm Needy Shared Meal ~ Prelim. Planning Meeting at Middletown Mtg. Call Holly ~ 215-860-9747
Anyone who is interested in a providing a shared meal for the less fortunate is invited to attend
May 10 10am to Noon Buckingham Friends School Open House ~ 215-794-7491
May 10th 10-3 Worship and Ministry Clerks Gathering at Plymouth Meeting (*See Article*)
May 15 1:30pm Friends Home and Village Board Meets at Friends Village
May 16 6pm Quarterly Worship and Ministry Gathering at Wrightstown Meeting
May 17 10am-5pm Camp Onas Work Day
May 17 10am-2pm Quaker Heritage Day & Pie Festival at Solebury Meeting - (*See Article*)
May 18 9am Quarterly Meeting at Plumstead Meeting - (*See Below*)
May 18 2-4pm Open House at Camp Onas ~ 610-847-5858
May 18 7pm Friends Camp Assoc. Board Meets at Camp Onas
May 19 1-3pm Creative Hands Meets at Wrightstown Meeting ~ 215-860-5554 Pauline
May 23-26 Young Adult Friends Gathering at Earlham - www.fgcquaker.org/qy/yaf-conference-2008

Looking Ahead

- June 7 11am -2pm (Rain date June 8) Zoo Friends Fun(d)raiser for Friends Home and Village (*See Article*)
July 30-August 3 PYM Summer Sessions at DeSales University, Center Valley, PA - Register Now!!!

Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:

May ~ Yardley June ~ Buckingham July ~ Doylestown

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

YOU'RE INVITED!

QUARTERLY MEETING WEEKEND

**BRING YOURSELVES AND YOUR FAMILY TO WORSHIP & MINISTRY ON FRIDAY NIGHT,
AND TO SUNDAY SESSIONS FOR AN EXCITING PROGRAM AND FAB FELLOWSHIP!!**

COME EVEN IF YOU CAN ONLY MAKE IT FOR THE MORNING PROGRAMS AND LUNCH.

***DIRECTIONS TO WRIGHTSTOWN AND PLUMSTEAD MEETINGS CAN BE FOUND AT
WWW.QUAKERSBUCKS.ORG ~ CLICK ON THE MEETINGS LINK***

If you do not have access to a computer: call Holly at 215-860-9747 or 215-453-7358.

WORSHIP AND MINISTRY PROGRAM AT WRIGHTSTOWN MEETING

6:00 Brown Bag Dinner Wrightstown Friends will provide coffee and dessert.

7:00 Program: Readings from Emerson's essay, "Self-Reliance." Though Emerson was a Transcendentalist, this reading speaks to Friends.

QUARTERLY MEETING INFORMATION

9:00-9:30 Registration, coffee, bagels and fruit

9:30-10:30 Meeting for Worship

9:45-10:00 Children under 12 leave for program of music and games with Nancy Brown...**until noon.**

10:30-11:00 Break, coffee, bagels, fruit

11:00-12:00 Arthur Larrabee, General Secretary of Phila. Yearly Meeting will speak on the topic of:
QUAKER DECISION-MAKING: Consensus, Discernment and Clearness Etc.

******Friends over 12 years old are invited to attend worship and the program ******

12:00-1:00 Brown Bag Lunch; Plumstead will provide beverage and dessert.

We hope that the Alazawee Family will join us at this time.

1:00-3:00 Business Session.

PLEASE CALL BETH AT 215-822-2299 IF YOU NEED CHILD CARE DURING THIS TIME

Reports to be presented will be from: Buckingham, Fallsington, Lehigh Valley and Bristol Meetings. We'll hear from the Budget and Nominating Committee and seek final approval of '08-'09 budget. Additionally, the Quarter's Oversight Committee will report and we hope to hear an update on how our Iraqi friends and their Meetings of support are doing.

**YOU'RE INVITED!!
FRIENDS AND FRIENDS SCHOOLING;
PUBLIC EDUCATION,**

FRIENDS EDUCATION AND BEYOND

Tom Hoopes, Director of Education of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, will facilitate a conversation on "Friends and Schooling: Public Education, Friends Education and Beyond," at Doylestown Meeting on **May 4th**. The focus of Tom's visit will be on Quaker concerns for education, and how we embrace and engage with their wide range within the Quaker community. Tom is a member of Valley Meeting (in Valley Forge, Haverford Quarter). Friends of Bucks Quarter are invited to attend and participate. **Meeting for Worship is at 10 AM. Light refreshments at 11 AM. Forum will immediately follow refreshments.** Questions: jderichemond@gmail.com. Directions to Doylestown Meeting can be found at www.quakersbucks.org, click on the Doylestown Meeting link.

**DOYLESTOWN MEETING ARTISTS
SHOW THEIR WORK**

Fourteen artists from Doylestown Friends Meeting are having a show at the Advanced Medical Solutions building, 54 E. Oakland Ave., Doylestown, May 2-30, Monday through Saturday, 8am-7pm. **Opening reception is May 2, 6-9pm** with the music of Faith & Practice. A percentage of all sales will be contributed to our Meeting.

ZOO FRIENDS

FRIENDS HOME AND FRIENDS VILLAGE

One **June 7 (Rain Date June 8) from 11am to 2:30pm**, Friends Village is inviting you to its early summer fun(d)raiser; "Zoo Friends!" The Peaceable Kingdom Petting Zoo will be there as well as exotic animals and more. There will be face painting, a scavenger hunt, arts and crafts, animal games. The cost is \$25 for families (two adults with children) and \$10 per individual. A lunch and snack court will be available. For more information call Friends Home: 215-968-3346 ask for Chris.

All proceeds benefit the Friends Home and Friends Village of Bucks Quarterly Meeting.



LIVES PASSING

Yardley Friends suffer the loss of **Doug Keltz** who passed away on April 2nd.



NEW PEACE PAGE ON WEB SITE

Do you have Peace related events that you would like posted on the Quarter's web site? Send info to Holly Olson: hollybqc@verizon.net.

PEACE VIGILS & MEDITATIONS

Doylestown: Tuesdays at State & Main 6-7pm

Newtown Meeting: 2nd Tuesdays, 7pm

Newtown: Mondays, 5-6pm Routes 332 & 413

Southampton Meeting: Mondays, 7:15pm

**YOU'RE INVITED!!
SOLEBURY MEETING
HERITAGE DAY FESTIVAL**

Solebury Meeting will hold Quaker Heritage Day celebration featuring a flea market, pie festival and Meetinghouse tours on **Saturday May 17th from 10am to 2pm**. The event will be held at the Meetinghouse which is located at the intersection of Sugas and Meetinghouse roads. Go to www.quakersbucks.org and click on the Solebury Meeting link for detailed directions.

Proceeds from the event will go to assisting the Iraqi family the Meeting is sponsoring as well as to Pedals for Progress, a bicycle donation program that sends donated bikes overseas to assist impoverished people with transportation needs. Bike donations will be accepted at the fest. Surrounded by peaceful grounds it's an ideal setting for a spring fair. In addition to touring the Meetinghouse and grounds and browsing through the flea market, slices of homemade pies of all types as well as beverages will be on sale. Children's events will also be held.

For further information or directions you can call John Mathieu at 609-577-0418.

**PEACE MEDITATION AT
NEWTOWN MEETING**

Last October, Newtown Friends Meeting hosted a break-the-fast vegetarian meal and discussion following a daylong Fast to End the War in Iraq. The Fast was called for by two prominent Jewish rabbis, and the congregation Tzedek v'Shalom which meets at the meetinghouse. The meeting was asked if they wanted to become involved. The answer was yes, and a group of people from all over the region and of many faiths came to end their fast at Newtown Meeting on October 9th. There was a wonderful sense of fellowship and purpose, and a strong desire to keep a "meditation practice" in our schedules: with a goal to end the war in Iraq and encourage interfaith participation. Making change in the world from the "inside out" is the theme. For questions or directions, call Norma Kaplis at 267-237-2232. In our busy lives, it takes a "special" intention and dedication to meditate for peace on a regular basis. For those of us who feel it can make a difference, we call you to join us.

THE QUAKER SCHOOL AT HORSHAM

TQS will hold a special Open House on May 3rd from 10AM to 3PM. There will be a traditional Open House for prospective families and Educational professionals from 10 to Noon and then from 1-3 there will be a program by a Special Education Law Panel. Please RSVP to Mia Choi: mchoi@quakerschool.org or call Mia at 215-674-2875

*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.

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

CAMP ONAS

Are you looking for a fun-filled, friendly summer adventure? Sign up now for Camp Onas. We have room in all sessions for boys and in fourth session for girls. Check www.camponas.org for rates, dates and session availability and to download a brochure and registration form. Or, call Sue at 610-847-5858 for more information. Quaker rates and financial aid are available. Interested families are invited to the Camp Onas Open House on Sunday, May 18 from 2-4 pm. Camp Onas has positions open for the 2008 summer, June 15-August 16. An experienced cook, at least 21 years of age, is needed to supervise the dinner preparations and service for up to 200 people. Senior Counselors, at least 18 years of age, are also needed. Experience with children and camping is required. For more information please call Sue at 610-847-5858.

Important Dates:

May 17 – Camp Onas Work Days, 10 am to 5 pm. Come help Camp Onas get ready for the summer campers! Call Sue at 610-847-5858.

May 18, 2-4 pm – Camp Onas Open House for new and prospective campers. Come visit Camp Onas to see what all the fun is about! Tour the grounds and facilities, meet the staff and try out camp activities. Registrations for open sessions will be accepted that day.

WORSHIP & MINISTRY CLERKS GATHERING

Worship & Ministry clerks of Quarters and Monthly Meetings as well as anyone else led, are invited to attend this event hosted by Phila. Yearly Meeting, Worship and Ministry and Worship and Care Standing Committee. This event is free, please bring your own lunch. For more info and to RSVP contact: Dana Kester-McCabe, 410-422-2332 or sqm@friendsmedia.org

WELCOME TO WORK CAMP

Join Habitat for Humanity at Trenton Friends Meeting, corner of East Hanover and Montgomery Streets, for a day of work on **May 10, 2008 at 8 am**. Participants must be 16 years old or older. Habitat will provide a light breakfast (usually bagels and juice) and we will be ready to work at 8:30 am. Lunch is on your own and work usually ends by about 3:30 or 4pm. Habitat will provide pizza while we discuss the day. You will be ready to be picked up by 6 pm. Wear work clothes (we don't know if we will be working inside or outside so dress accordingly) and sturdy work boots or shoes. Please bring work gloves if you have them. Please let Sandra Johnson know if you can attend, 609-443-3782 or srjohnson3@verizon.net. Teens will need to obtain a permission slip from Sandra.

Friendly Reminders

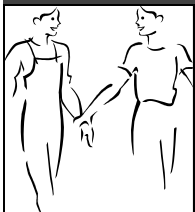
Chandler Hall worship: 11:00am every first day in the Health Services building.

Doylestown Meeting Friends: Vigil for peace, 6pm to 7pm every Tuesday, at the corner of State and Main Street in Doylestown.

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



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