

# Quakerphernalia

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

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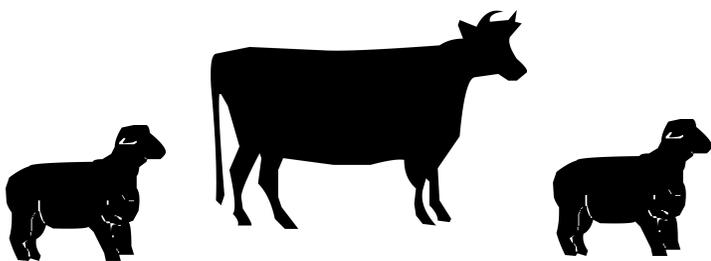
## June and July 2014

June 1 11am	Spiritual Formation Informational at the Solebury Meetinghouse
June 3 6:30pm	Growth Dilemma Project Open Discussion - Friends Center
June 7 10am-3:30pm	Gathering of Friends to Revitalize Quarters - Reading Meetinghouse
June 11 1:00pm	Chandler Hall Auxiliary Meets in the Wright Meeting Hall
June 12 7pm	BQ Oversight Committee Meets at Buckingham Meetinghouse
June 16 6pm	Bucks Food For Friends at Fallsington Meetinghouse
June 19 1:30pm	Friends Home and Village Board Meets at Friends Village
June 20 7pm	Camp Onas Board Pot Luck Dessert with Staff at Onas
June 21 10	BQ Clerks Meeting at Buckingham Meetinghouse
<b>July 8 7pm</b>	BQ Outreach Committee Meets at Pennswood Village
July 21 6pm	Bucks Food For Friends at Fallsington Meetinghouse
July 24-27	PYM Annual Session at Muhlenberg College, Allentown PA

## Looking Ahead

Aug 13-17	Grange Fair!! Contact Holly to Sign Up to be a Greeter
Aug 18-24	PYM Young Friends Gathering at Onas
Aug 24	Quarterly Meeting at Plumstead - Adult Program - Christie Duncan Tessmer
Sept 6	Yardley Meeting Flea Market
Sept 20	Bucks Quarter Peace Fair at Buckingham Meetinghouse

**Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:**  
June - Buckingham July - Doylestown August - Fallsington  
**Worship 11:00\*\*\*\*Arrive 10:45**



### THE GRANGE FAIR IS COMING

The Middletown Grange Fair in Wrightstown will be held August 13 through 17th. Bucks Quarter has a tent at the fair and Friends generously serve as greeters. Holly Olson sets the greeter schedule. If you are able to help at the tent for a two hour shift of your choice please call Holly at 215-453-7358. In August, Holly will phone to ask for volunteers and the time slots get trickier. The tent opens at 10AM and closes at 10PM. If you've never helped before, it's very easy and Holly will make sure that you are teamed up with someone who has helped in the past. Serving as a volunteer is a lot of fun and the fair is lots of fun. Our role at the tent is to offer information to those who are interested. Come to the fair for the afternoon or evening and volunteer for two hours while you're there!! You may park at Wrightstown Meeting and walk across the ball fields to the fair. Parking at the fair is around \$10 now. Parking at Wrightstown Meeting is good way to offset your gas cost!

Contact Holly with any questions or to volunteer.  
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### HAVE YOU REGISTERED?? PYM ANNUAL SESSIONS JULY 23 - 27

**MUHLENBERG COLLEGE, ALLENTOWN PA**  
"Worship is a Door to Love". Gather with Friends as Philadelphia Yearly Meeting comes together in worship and love, guided by Spirit to conduct our business, listen with one another, and enjoy the fellowship of our time together in Annual Sessions. To learn more visit [www.pym.org/annual-sessions-2014](http://www.pym.org/annual-sessions-2014), or contact Tricia Coscia, [sessions@pym.org](mailto:sessions@pym.org), 215 241-7238.

*"As Spirit accompanied us in Meeting for Worship for Business, afternoon conversation groups, evening workshops and morning worship-sharing, Spirit was also present among those Friends who sat outside the dining hall writing in journals, talking quietly, or walking around the campus. The cicadas sang throughout the morning and into the night while young Friends rode scooters, played dress-up, and listened to guitar music under the tents outside Taylor Hall. At night, children and their parents caught and released fireflies: a picture of our past, our presence, and our future."* From the PYM Annual Sessions Outgoing Epistle, 2013.

### LIVES PASSING

Newtown Friends suffer the loss of **Betty Tjossem** and **Betty Tomlinson** who both passed on April 20th.

### DO YOU SEEK

#### A DEEPER SPIRITUAL EXPERIENCE?

Did you know that PYM offers a Spiritual Formation Program designed and facilitated by its Spiritual Formation Working Group? That program encourages Friends to take seriously God's call in their lives, by way of structured, supportive activities consisting of retreats, personal spiritual disciplines, readings, devotional groups and prayerful presence that will prepare participants to better discern that call and follow it. Solebury Meeting will be hosting that program beginning in September 2014, open to all Friends and attendees.

If you would like to know more, facilitators from the Spiritual Formation Working Group will present an introduction to the program on **June 1** at the Solebury Meetinghouse, 2680 Sugas Rd., New Hope **at the rise of meeting (11:00 a.m.)**. Friends are welcome to worship at 10:00.

All are invited to attend and learn first-hand about this unique opportunity to energize and elevate your spiritual practice. Refreshments and coffee will be provided.

*PONDER IN SILENCE  
AND LISTEN FOR GOD'S  
WHISPER*

### YOGA CLASSES

#### AT NEWTOWN MEETINGHOUSE

Weekly Yoga classes are held at the Newtown meetinghouse on Saturdays at 8:30am with Jim Whitmoyer, who has over 11 years experience as a Hatha Yoga teacher. Classes are open to all; no prior experience is necessary. There is no charge, although a small donation to the meetinghouse is humbly requested.

#### LANGHORNE COUNCIL FOR THE ARTS FEATURES TWO MIDDLETOWN FRIENDS IN SUMMER SPEAKERS SERIES

- Tuesday, July 22 -- "Seaside Heights Boardwalk: A Landscape in Transition" presented by photographer David DiMicco
  - Tuesday, August 5 -- "Behind the Scenes of WHY?" presented by Audio News Director Eugene Sonn
- All presentations will be at the Anna Williamson Museum and Library (headquarters of historic Langhorne Association) beginning at 7:30 p.m. Admission of \$5 per event benefits the LCA Scholarship Fund. For more information, see [www.langhornearts.org](http://www.langhornearts.org).

Langhorne Council of the Arts/Langhorne Hist. Assoc  
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Langhorne, PA 19047

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### SUMMER WORSHIP AT CAMP ONAS

Friends are welcome and invited at Camp Onas for Sunday Meeting for Worship when camp is in session. We hold Meeting for Worship in a variety of locations, depending on the weather. Please call the camp office at 610-847-5858 if you plan to attend, so we know to expect you. When you arrive, please park on the Boys Field and come to the camp office. Please arrive around 10am. Please be prepared to walk over hills and rocky terrain, or, if you will need help getting around, please contact the office ahead of time.

Please arrive at 10am and come to the office. One of our staff will walk with you to Meeting for Worship.

**June 29** - Plumstead, Buckingham

**July 6** - Lehigh Valley

**July 13** - Newtown, Wrightstown

**July 20** - **No guests please.**

**July 27** - Plumstead, Makefield, Yardley

**August 3** - Doylestown, Fallsington

**August 10** - Solebury, Middletown

**609 Geigel Hill Rd**

**Ottsville, PA 18942**

### REVITALIZING OUR QUARTERLY MEETINGS

A gathering for those who are passionate or curious about the life of our Quarterly Meetings

**June 7, 10am to 3:30pm**

Reading Meetinghouse.

Quarters are the life blood for the monthly and yearly meeting. Join Friends throughout our yearly meeting to share success stories, challenges and plans for the future of quarters.

For details and to register, go to

[WesternQuarterQuakers.org/RSVP](http://WesternQuarterQuakers.org/RSVP) and click on the button to preregister.

#### Schedule:

10 AM - Registration and refreshments

10:30 - Worship

11:00 - Call for Friends to write a Summary Minute

11:05 - Introductions and sharing successes, questions, challenges

12:15 PM - Break (facilitator helps identify interests for further discussion)

12:30 - Brown Bag Lunch - Interest Groups

1:35 - Report out from small groups and next steps

2:30 - Worship

3:00 - Reading of Summary Minute

3:10 - Self Evaluation

### CHANDLER HALL AUXILIARY

The Chandler Hall Auxiliary will meet on June 11, at 1:00 in the Café of Wright Meeting Hall. There will be a special presentation by the children of the Child Development Center.

If you are interested in joining the Auxiliary or have questions, please contact Kathie Parry at

[jkparry1@comcast.net](mailto:jkparry1@comcast.net)

### MIDWEEK WORSHIP SCHEDULE

Tuesdays at Southampton 7:30 PM

Wednesdays at Lehigh Valley 5:00 PM

Wednesdays at Makefield 7:00 AM

Thursdays at Plumstead 9:00AM

Thursdays at Middletown 7:00 PM

**IMPROVING YOUR LIFE  
SPEAKERS SERIES AT  
MIDDLETOWN FRIENDS MEETING**

On **Sunday, June 22 at 12:15** Middletown Friends welcome Mary Anne Borge. Mary Anne is a naturalist, photographer, writer and educator. She is a Naturalist at Bowman's Hill Wildflower Preserve; writes for *Butterfly Gardener* magazine, a publication of the North American Butterfly Association; and she writes about nature at [www.the-natural-web.org](http://www.the-natural-web.org).

**Native Plants in the Natural Web** - An indoor presentation about native plants and their relationship to animals (including humans!) in the web of life, followed by a walk on the grounds where we'll look for interesting plant species and the animals that may be interacting with them. 12:15 Welcome and refreshments. Speaker at 12:30.

For more information,

Contact [langhorneclerk@gmail.com](mailto:langhorneclerk@gmail.com)

These events are free and open to the public.

453 W. Maple Ave Langhorne, PA 19047

**PYM ON FACEBOOK**

Search under "Families of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting" and connect with others in PYM, find out whose attending a PYM event, or share thoughts and ideas about raising Quaker kids in popular culture—or maybe to just hang out electronically!

**GROWTH DILEMMA PROJECT**

There will be a Growth Dilemma Project open discussion on **June 3rd, 6:30 at Friends Center**. Join members of the Growth Dilemma Project (part of the PYM Ecojustice Working Group) as we to continue to learn about the intersection of economy and ecology. Information: Pamela Haines, [pamelahaines1@gmail.com](mailto:pamelahaines1@gmail.com) or [www.pym.org/calendar/events/growth-dilemma-project-open-discussion](http://www.pym.org/calendar/events/growth-dilemma-project-open-discussion).

Friends Center is located at  
1515 Cherry Street, Phila, PA

**SUMMER IS A GREAT TIME TO  
VISIT OTHER MEETINGS**

Bristol: 11:00

Buckingham: 10:30 - Hymn Singing at 10:15

Doylestown: 10:00

Fallsington: 11:00

Lehigh Valley: 10:00

Mid-week 5:30pm in the meetinghouse

12-1pm Trinity Lutheran

Makefield: 10:00

Middletown: 10:00 July and August

Newtown: 10:00 July and August

Plumstead: 9:30

Quakertown: 10:30

Solebury: 10:00

Southampton: 10:00 (Fourth Sundays)

Wrightstown: 10:00

Yardley: 10:00

**QUAKERQUAKER.ORG**

"Friends, if you have not yet visited the website [www.quakerquaker.org](http://www.quakerquaker.org), it is well worth a look.

Quaker Quaker is an online community of Quaker bloggers, video producers, photographers and readers reaching across our divisions and out into the world in fresh ways to talk about ministry and renewal. We hope to engage new voices and share the Quaker message far out into the world. The spirit of Christ has come to teach the people; are we ready to listen?

We are a proud to be a community of seekers. Our commonality is in our form and we're big on silence and meeting process. Is it any wonder that almost everyone today seems to be a hyphenated Quaker? If we became a religious society of Finders, then we'd need to figure out what it means to be a Quaker-Quaker: someone whose theology and practice is Quaker.

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