

# 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.

## September 2009

- Sept 2 7:30pm BQ Singing Group Meets at Makefield Meeting  
Sept 2 6:30pm Farm Tour at Manoff Market Garden (*See Article*)  
Sept 8 7pm BQ Outreach Committee Meets at Pennswood Village  
Sept 9 7:30pm Buckingham Meeting Films Series Presents, "The Killing Screens" (*See Article*)  
Sept 10 7pm BQ Oversight Committee Meets at Buckingham  
Sept 12 8am-3pm Yardley Flea Market ~ Yardley Friends Meeting (**Rain Date September 19, See Article**)  
Sept 12 2-5pm Friends Center Transformation Celebration (*See Article*)  
Sept 17 1:30pm Friends Home and Village Board Meets at Friends Village  
Sept 21 3pm Creative Hands Meets at Wrightstown Meeting ~ Pauline 215-860-5554  
Sept 22 7pm Closing The School of the Americas ~ Contact Bill Strong for more info 609-430-2245  
Sept 26 11am-4pm Peace Fair ~ The Campus of Buckingham Friends School and Meeting (*See Article*)

## Looking Ahead

- Oct 3 10-Noon Bucks Quarter Presents a Pastoral Care Workshop (*See Article Below*)  
October 3 1-4 Day of Peace Celebration - Bristol Campus of Bucks County Comm. College  
November 5-7 PYM Presents Arts on Arch at the Arch Street Meetinghouse (*See Article*)

### Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:

September ~ Newtown October ~ Wrightstown November ~ Yardley

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

### 42nd ANNUAL FLEA MARKET AT YARDLEY MEETING

**Saturday September 12, 8am-3pm** (rain date Sept 19th) is the date for the annual Yardley Friends Flea Market. Plan to attend and shop all day...yes, all day! There will be over 100 vendors, plus the Yardley Meeting super-colossal—super-cool White Elephant sale offering you a variety of treasures at bargain prices! As always, there will be plenty of great food, including homemade desserts to keep you well-fueled as you browse and buy. Don't miss this popular event!!

### 10TH ANNUAL PEACE FAIR BUCKINGHAM MEETING AND SCHOOL

The keynote speaker for this year's Peace Fair will be Jim Fine, member of Bristol and Ramallah Friends Meetings. Jim is the legislative secretary for foreign policy at the Friends Committee on National Legislation and the chair of the board of Churches for Middle East Peace. He has lived in Israel, Palestine, Lebanon, and Iraq and has worked on Middle East peace issues for over forty years. Jim's talk will focus on the following subject, "**Israelis and Palestinians for Peace vs. Israelis and Palestinians against Peace: How Can the U.S. Tip the Balance?**"

#### Small ways that you can help make the fair a success

**Baked goods:** Please drop off two dozen of any portioned baked good on Friday September 25th or the morning of The Peace Fair. You may also bring your donation to the fair that day if you're planning to attend.  
**Gently used books:** The Peace Fair needs your gently used books. These may be dropped off anytime in September on the porch of the meetinghouse.

### PASTORAL CARE WORKSHOP

Do you currently serve your Meeting in the role of Pastoral Care? Does Pastoral Care speak to your condition? Please join us on October 3 from 10AM-Noon at Southampton Meeting for a conversation on supporting Meeting members and attenders in this vital, tender and rewarding way. George Shaefer and Tricia Coscia are the staff people for our Yearly Meeting serving us in the roles of Pastoral Care and Aging services and will share with us, ideas for general Pastoral Care as well as those concerns that face aging Friends. The forum is set up to be easy and comfortable so that we can all share the opportunities and challenges that face those of us who are led in this service.

Southampton Meeting is located at 710 Gravel Hill Rd., Southampton, PA 18966.

If you plan to attend, please let Holly Olson know. 215-860-9747 or hollybqc@verizon.net

### GEORGE SCHOOL CHILDREN'S CENTER for friendly beginnings and creative education

GSCC offers a ten-month early childhood care and education program for children six weeks through five years. Guided by the Quaker belief that there is that of God in every person, we are a community of children, teachers, and parents engaged in creating a safe and open environment where children learn through collaborative exploration with one another and with the adults who nurture them. We offer full-day care for infants and toddlers as well as half-day preschool programs with extended care options.

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**RUN FOR PEACE**  
**BUCKINGHAM FRIENDS SCHOOL**  
**SATURDAY SEPTEMBER 26**  
**1 MILE FUN RUN/WALK – 8:30 AM**  
**5K TRAIL RUN / WALK – 9:00 AM**

The 5k course is a beautiful trail run through the hills and wooded campus of Buckingham Friends School. Everyone is welcome – athletes, amateurs, runners, walkers, adults, children and groups. **T-SHIRTS:** Custom-designed souvenir t-shirts provided for all advance registrants. Youth and adult sizes, including women's style tees. **AWARDS:** Prizes for top three men and women overall, and top three men and women in each age group: under 10, 10 to 19, 20 to 29, 30 to 39, 40 to 49, 50 to 59, 60 to 69, 70 +.

**COURSE MAP & ADDITIONAL INFORMATION** available at [www.bfsrunforpeace.org](http://www.bfsrunforpeace.org)

**REGISTRATION:** \$25 for 5k and \$10 for fun run if received by Thursday, September 21st.

Register online at [www.active.com](http://www.active.com) OR BY MAIL: Make checks payable to Buckingham Friends School c/o Racing Resources, PO Box 262, Warrington, PA 19876. Race Day Registration: 7:30 am, \$30 for 5k and \$10 for fun run. **PARKING:** Parking is available courtesy of Peddler's Village. Park south of the carousel near the entrance to Buckingham Friends School.

**PROCEEDS:** All proceeds benefit Buckingham Friends School's Joint Environmental Mission, an international program with partner schools throughout the world. For more information, visit [www.bfs.org/global\\_commitment](http://www.bfs.org/global_commitment)

*After the Run*  
*Enjoy Buckingham Friends*  
*10th Annual Peace Fair.*  
*Coupon to all race participants for a*  
*free Peace Fair activity or*  
*refreshment.*

**PEACE VIGILS AND MEDITATIONS**

**Doylestown:** Tuesdays at State & Main Sts 6-7pm

**Newtown Meeting:** 4th Tuesdays, 7pm

**Newtown:** Mondays at Routes 332 & 413 5-6pm

**ARTS ON ARCH**

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting presents Arts on Arch, **Thursday November 5 through Saturday November 7th** at the Arch Street Meetinghouse.

**Juried art show and sale:** Opens with a preview party on Thursday evening Nov. 5. Show runs Friday morning through Saturday afternoon, Nov. 6-7, works by up to 40 artists.

**Concert Friday evening November 6: Livingston Taylor and Liz Longley. Tickets: \$30 available online, Sept 15 at [www.pym.org](http://www.pym.org)**

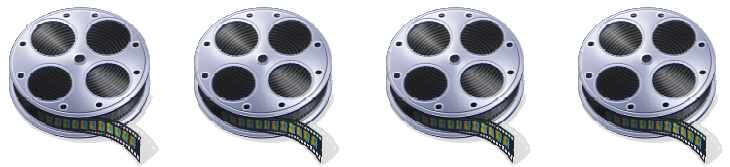
For more information, call the PYM Development Office at 215-241-7115 or 7271

**FARM TOUR AT MANOFFS**

In cooperation with The Bucks County Foodshed Alliance, there will be a farm tour on **Wednesday, September 2**, at Manoff Market Garden, 3157 Comfort Road (between Laurel and Paxson roads), Solebury PA 18963. There will be a **pot luck meal** starting at **6:30** with the **farm tour at 7:30**. Bring chairs or blankets, your own plates and utensils, and food to share if you wish.

Gary and Amy Manoff, members of Solebury Meeting began farming on Comfort Road in 1984. They are known for their white and yellow peaches and nectarines and 20 different varieties of apples, as well as strawberries, blackberries, melons and pumpkins. Depending on where the peaches are in the season, visitors will take a look at the peaches that haven't been picked yet; probably White Hale and maybe JH Hale. The Manoffs will show off their tunnel raspberries that will be in full swing and they'll enjoy showing off all the apples that should be ripening by then, and some new strawberry plantings that should be looking quite good.

The evenings at that time are delightful!



**BUCKINGHAM MEETING PRESENTS**  
**FILM SERIES**

**Wednesday, September 9, 2008**

**The Killing Screens:** This film addresses violence and the media. It looks at the effects of the media in new and complex ways. It makes us think about the psychological, political, social and developmental impacts of growing up and living within a cultural environment of pervasive, ritualized violent images. 46 min.

**Films for the Fall :**

**Wed. Oct. 14 ~ Life in Occupied Palestine**

**Wed. Nov. 11 ~ Capitalism Hits the Fan**

**Wed. Dec. 9 ~ Brothers Keeper**

**All films are open to the public**

**Starting Time: 7:30 p.m.**

**Refreshments and Discussion After Each Film**

For more info: [www.buckinghamfriendsmeeting.org](http://www.buckinghamfriendsmeeting.org) or call 215-794-7299

**CELEBRATING GREEN AT FRIENDS CENTER**

**Sept. 12 (Saturday; 2 p.m.-5 p.m.)** - Quaker Gray has gone **Green!** You are invited to join the celebration of the transformation of Friends Center at 15th and Cherry Streets. Come for **tours, workshops** and **refreshments** as we appreciate and celebrate our environmental witness for peace, integrity, equality and simplicity. 1515 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, PA **Contact:** Louise Tritton at (267) 324-5646; [ltritton@gmail.com](mailto:ltritton@gmail.com)

**BARBARA SIMMONS**

Please welcome Barbara Simmons back to The Peace Center! Barbara resumed her position as Executive Director of the Peace Center on August 3rd.

Please hold the Peace Center, it's mission and work and Barbara in the Light

If you can offer time talent or treasure, please contact the Peace Center at 215-750-7220.

## WE MISSED YOU AT SUMMER SESSIONS...AND YOU MISSED A REALLY GREAT TIME!

If you were not able to attend, we missed you. If you were able to attend, we are all better F/friends as a result! On July 29<sup>th</sup>, Friends gathered on the sun drenched hills of Center Valley, PA. The theme for the 329<sup>th</sup> session was Earth Care. On Wednesday evening, Friends heard from Peter Brown, co-author of Right Relationship: Building a Whole Earth Economy. Thursday evening the guest speaker was Keith Helmuth from the Quaker Institute for the Future. Keith spoke on consumerism and the consumption of our planets resources. Saturday evening Friends were blessed to have Joe Volk, Executive Secretary for Friends Council on National Legislation, George Lakey from Swarthmore College, Hollister Knowlton, of the Earth Care Working Group who in 2002 took early retirement to serve Quakers in earth care and Carl Magruder of The National Council of Churches Eco Justice Program.

### A summary of the business that took place during Sessions follows:

- ◆ The budget was approved. There are no further staff reductions planned.
- ◆ There is a plan to hold another National Peace Conference in 2010, but this conference is to be organized by faith organizations other than Friends, Brethren and Mennonites.
- ◆ The report of the Governance Implementation Committee and recommendations was accepted and approved.
- ◆ The entire proposed 2009-2012 Framework for Action of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Priorities was approved with some additional refinements after an extended period of discernment. **The priorities are as follows:** It should be noted that these priorities are not ranked by the level of importance; they are all of equal weight. #1. Spiritual growth and renewal #2. Caring for our community #3. Witnessing our faith #4. Making ourselves known.

On our final morning together Friends heard the outgoing epistles from our children and what they had been doing during their sessions throughout the week. They studied earth care as well by learning about soil, plants, air, breathing, being connected to the web of life, creation of the earth, leadings and more. The young children's reporting ended with all Friends singing, "Dear earth, dear earth, let us tell you how we feel, you have given us such treasure, we love you so."

Friends departed on Sunday after the drenching three inches of rain soaked the hills. Friends departed with love and fulfillment in their hearts for having spent five days together doing the good work of our Yearly Meeting. Friends were moved by the workshops, the enlightening speakers, singing, dancing, sharing thoughts, sharing stories, sharing the peaceful space that lies between the chaos and havoc of our lives. Friends spent five days in the company of happy, loving, tender, smiling people. Friends departed glad in the spirit that leads and stirs each of us. There is great and wonderful work for us to do individually, for each other and the greater world beyond our Summer Sessions privacy hedge. We are called to go forward in the love and Light and know that we are blessed and able.

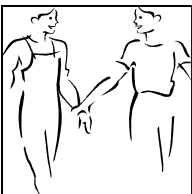
- \* All of the Re-creation supplies were from recycled, reused or reclaimed items brought to sessions by Friends. There was a project to make cloth napkins so that Friends wouldn't use paper napkins during meals. Small signs could be found everywhere Friends turned with helpful hints on how to be less abusive of our resources.
- \* Know your ecological and carbon footprints – know what yours is and learn how to make it smaller.

### The closing prayer from the Outgoing Epistle to Friends Every Where:

God, how are you directing us?

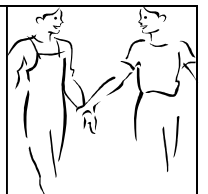
How might we walk in that Light which transforms all our endeavors into acts of love?

**HOPE TO SEE YOU NEXT YEAR!!!**



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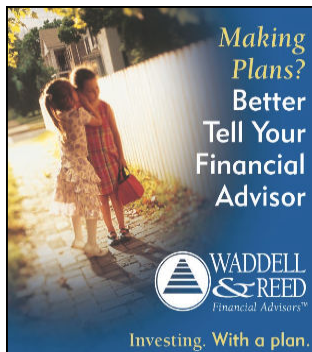
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