



# Quakerphernalia

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

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## SEPTEMBER 2018

- Sept 1 6pm Games Night - Makefield Meetinghouse  
Sept 8 8am-3pm Yardley Meeting Annual Autumn Market  
Sept 8 9:15am-3:15pm Extended Worship - Middletown Meetinghouse  
Sept 7&8 Middle School Friends Family Meetup & Fall Gathering - Location TBD - [mwennerbradley@pym.org](mailto:mwennerbradley@pym.org)  
Sept 8 Noon-3pm K-5th Family Meetup - Location TBD - [mwennerbradley@pym.org](mailto:mwennerbradley@pym.org)  
Sept 10 12:30pm Chandler Hall Auxiliary Meeting - Quaker Meeting Room, Wrights Meeting Hall  
Sept 12 & 26 Gun Violence Prevention Meetings - Yardley Meetinghouse - All are Welcome to Get Involved!  
Sept 12 7-9pm Old Path Sangha Meets at Solebury Meetinghouse Education Building  
Sept 13 7pm Bucks Quarter Oversight Committee Meeting - Buckingham Meetinghouse  
Sept 17 6pm Bucks Food For Friends - Fallsington Meetinghouse  
Sept 20 7pm Underground Railroad Presentation - Friends Village  
Sept 20 7pm Lenape Lifeways - Informational Talk at Fallsington Meetinghouse  
**Sept 22 10:30am-4pm Peace Fair**  
Sept 23 4pm Peace Pole Dedication - Makefield Meetinghouse  
Sept 25 7pm Bucks Quarter Outreach Meeting - Pennswood Village  
Sept 29 11:45am-3pm Quaker College Fair - Friends Center 1515 Cherry Street, Phila.

### Looking Ahead

- Oct 4 Chandler Hall/Kendal Culinary Classics to Benefit the Hospice Program  
Oct 6 1-3:30 Memorial Service for Enslaved People Buried at Middletown Meeting  
**Oct 14 5-8pm** The Peace Center's Annual Auction Gala - Spring Mill Manor - Ivyland, PA  
Oct 28 12:30pm Gospel of Thomas Presented by Alex Miller of Downingtown MM - Buckingham Meetinghouse  
**Nov 18** **Quarterly Meeting - Yardley Meetinghouse**  
Jan 20 1pm-4:30pm Friendly Decision Making; A Curious Thing with Arthur Larrabee - Buckingham Meetinghouse

**Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:  
September ~ Newtown October ~ Solebury November ~ Wrightstown  
Worship 11:00\*\*\*\*Arrive 10:45**

## THE 19th ANNUAL BUCKS QUARTER PEACE FAIR



The Peace Fair is fun, interesting and uplifting for everyone of all ages. Come for the day or a just few hours. There will be peace, social and environmental justice exhibitors, animal rights advocates, kids games, crafters, music, food and a super great vibe. Non-Profit vendors include Fair Districts PA, Bucks Coalition Against Trafficking, LEPOCO, Citizen's Climate Lobby, Fiaria Project, Way Opens Center, The Peace Center, Conversations with a Friendly Vegan and so many more.

**This is also a PYM Young Friends Gathering.** To register go to <http://www.pym.org/event/young-friends-peace-fair-2018/>

There are many opportunities for you to lend a hand before, during or after the fair. Greeters, cafe, and book sale are just a few areas during the fair where you can help. To volunteer: <https://sites.google.com/site/peacefairorg/home/volunteer>

For general info: [www.peacefair.org](http://www.peacefair.org)

**Books!!** Do you have books that you can donate to the book sale? You can bring them any time leading up to the fair. Just leave them to the far left of the carriage shed.

**Treats!!** If you like to bake, sign up using the Volunteer Signup link posted above.

For other questions or info, contact the fair coordinator: Peter Ray at [peter.ray@comcast.net](mailto:peter.ray@comcast.net) or Holly Olson at [hollybqc@verizon.net](mailto:hollybqc@verizon.net)

**PEACE POLE DEDICATION & CELEBRATION  
MAKEFIELD MEETINGHOUSE**

Please celebrate with us the Quaker testimony of Peace on the weekend of the "International Day of Peace." We are dedicating our Peace Pole and Rose Garden on Sunday, September 23, at 4 pm. Please come for peace and potluck to follow. We will have a dedication ceremony, short worship, and celebratory potluck supper. Stop to smell our roses and ponder on peace with us.

**877 Dolington Rd, Newtown, PA**

**ARE YOU STRONG AND AVAILABLE ON  
EITHER OF THE FOLLOWING DATES?**

**August 26, from 2pm until 3:30**

**September 20th 1pm to 3pm**

**Please do not assume someone else will do this...**

**Sunday August 26th: The Bucks Quarter Peace Fair needs a few people to help move boxes of books from Doylestown Methodist Church to the Buckingham meetinghouse.**

**Thursday September 20th: The fair needs two people to help with setting the vendor tables in place.**

**If you are able to help, contact Peter Ray [peter.ray@comcast.net](mailto:peter.ray@comcast.net) 215-794-5816 or Holly Olson [hollybqc@verizon.net](mailto:hollybqc@verizon.net) 215-860-9747**

**MEMORIAL SERVICE  
FOR THE ENSLAVED PEOPLE BURIED AT  
MIDDLETOWN MEETING  
335th ANNIVERSARY**

*Middletown Monthly Meeting will have it's 335th anniversary this fall. The meeting has come a long way over the centuries and part of that journey is recognizing a dark period of the past and doing what can be done today to bring those ways to light and give long overdue respect to those who are known only to God.*

**On October 6 at 1pm,** Middletown Meeting will hold a Memorial Service for the enslaved Africans and African Americans buried in two locations on the meeting property.

The event will start in the meetinghouse with a talk given by Jesse Crooks, Bucks County Historian, a Memorial Meeting for Worship and a performance by the Lincoln University Gospel Choir. Those gathered will then go to the first site where a memorial marker will be dedicated and the burial ground blessed. Keith Spencer, Baritone Vocalist will perform a selection of songs, and the choir will sing a benediction. The group will then go to the second location to dedicate and bless that area. Golf carts will be available for those of need. A reception will follow at 3:30.

This event is open to the public. It is possible that parking and seating will be at a premium. Middletown Friends request that Friends arrive early to allow time for others to park and get into the meetinghouse and that Friends who can climb stairs to please fill the balcony first.

**453 W. Maple Avenue, Langhorne, PA 19047**

**NEW COOING ADDITIONS**

Newtown Friends welcome **Caroline Fox**. Welcome dear Caroline!

**YARDLEY FRIENDS MEETING AUTUMN MARKET  
Saturday Sept. 8th - 8AM to 3PM**

(Rain date - September 22)

Crafts, Art, Antiques, Household Items & MORE!! Plus a Silent Auction, Live Music, and our Delicious Homemade luncheon, desserts & Vegetarian Fare. A great way to enjoy an early September Saturday. For more information visit the Autumn Market page at <http://yardleyfriendsmeeting.org/flea-market/>.

**65 N. Main Street - Yardley, PA**

**LIVES PASSING**

Newtown Friends suffer the loss of **Victoria Roza**. Solebury Friends suffer the loss of **Sue Tinsman** who died on August 10th. A Memorial Service will be held at the Solebury meetinghouse at 4pm on September 29th.

Wrightstown Friends suffer the loss of **Mabel Bankes**.

**THE GOSPEL OF THOMAS**

In terms of religion, the Gospel of Thomas may have been the most important find of the twentieth century. Upon discovery, it was promptly deemed to pose "grave danger" to the Church. Even neophytes will find a measure of intrigue in that reaction. The Gospel is a modest document written in Coptic. It consists of 114 verses, many matching the Synoptic Gospels word-for-word. What can be so dangerous about that? The Gospel of Thomas offers excitement and great spiritual potential for Friends. It not only rekindles the power early Friends found in the Spirit, but in terms of outreach, it enhances the message we can bring to the world.

A couple of years ago, Downingtown Meeting's Bible Study group tackled the Gospel of Thomas. The Gospel of Thomas is unlike the synoptic gospels and sometimes cryptic. Downingtown Friend, Alex Miller has created a Power Point presentation to reveal the nuggets and stimulate interest in this singular tract. There have been enthusiastic receptions from several Quaker audiences, including an Annual Sessions workshop in 2017.

**Bucks Quarter invites you to a presentation and discussion led by Alex Miller of Downingtown Meeting on October 28th, 12:30PM in the Buckingham meetinghouse.** Join Friends for worship at 10:30 with 15 minutes of singing at 10:15. A brief time for refreshment and fellowship will follow worship before the program

**5684 Old York Rd, Lahaska PA**

**LOOKING TO KNOW MORE ABOUT  
PYM EVENTS?**

Go to <http://www.pym.org/newsletters/> to sign up for all sorts of information.

Also, don't forget about the PYM calendar. It is chock full of things to do and you can post your meeting events here. <http://www.pym.org/calendar/>

## VOLUNTEER HELP NEEDED

Fallsington Friend Judith Solt needs a little help (5 hours, can be split up) in the Friends Village library with shifting books around on the shelves. It can be done in the evening or daytime. Judith can work around your schedule. If you come mid-day you will be treated to lunch at 12:30 or supper if you come later.

If you can help, contact Judith at 215-968-2897 or [judysolt2@gmail.com](mailto:judysolt2@gmail.com)

**331 Lower Dolington Rd, Newtown**

## THICH NHAT HANH MEDITATION GROUP SEEKS MEMBERS

Old Path Sangha, a mindfulness meditation group that practices in the tradition of Thich Nhat Hanh seeks new members. **OPS meets the second Wednesday of each month from 7-9pm at Solebury Friends Meeting education building. The dates for 2018 are:**

**September 12, October 10, November 14, December**

**12.** Everyone is welcome and each session includes silent meditation, inspirational reading, chanting, walking mindfully, and mindful discussion. For more information contact Valerie Brown at

[ValerieBrown95@gmail.com](mailto:ValerieBrown95@gmail.com) or

[www.leadsmartcoaching.com](http://www.leadsmartcoaching.com)

**2680 Sugas Rd, New Hope (north of Route 202)**

## QUAKER YOUTH

*Now is the time to get your kids hooked on the wider  
PYM community of Friendly kids.*

On September 8, the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's Youth Programs staff is hosting an all-ages (K-8th) picnic for families (parent Meetup) to kick off the program year!!! Location TBD

There will be a Middle School Friends overnight Sept. 7-8. Join us Friday evening for fellowship and fun — we'll welcome new Middle School Friends and reconnect with others!

MSF will reunite with Families the next day, when we kick-off the Youth Programs year at a **Family Meetup and Potluck Picnic**, Noon-3:00pm (same location).

Registration here, in email [mwennerbradley@pym.org](mailto:mwennerbradley@pym.org)

or call Melinda at 215-241-7171 or on Facebook at

[https://www.facebook.com/groups/](https://www.facebook.com/groups/175380782486/?ref=bookmarks)

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## PYM SPIRITUAL FORMATION RETREAT

PYM's Spiritual Formation Collaborative is calling all who are interested in a deeper communion with Spirit, spiritual formation, and/or spiritual nurture to join us at Kenbrook Retreat Center for a weekend retreat October 12-14. The retreat is designed to refresh, renew, deepen, nurture, and learn. Register on line at <http://www.pym.org/event/spiritual-formation-weekend-retreat>

## 2018 EDITION OF FAITH AND PRACTICE

The 2018 revision of Faith and Practice will be available through QuakerBooks this fall!

You can order your copy in a few months at <https://quakerbooks.org/>

"TO BE A FRIEND IS TO BE COMMITTED TO  
THE HOLY MYSTERY OF FAITH,  
EVEN WHEN WE'RE NOT SURE WHERE  
A LEADING WILL TAKE US."

## 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

## UNDERGROUND RAILROAD PRESENTATION

Thursday, September 20, 7PM

Join us at Friends Village for an inspiring presentation about the critical roles both Quakers and Bucks County played in the operation of the Underground Railroad. Come listen to Jesse Crooks of the Doylestown Historic Society and the Rev. David Jackson of Mount Gilead Church share stories of bravery, sacrifice and the secret network of kind communities who helped many people on their journey to freedom.

**331 Lower Dolington Rd, Newtown PA**

<https://www.fhvpa.org/>

## EXTENDED MEETING FOR WORSHIP

**September 8, 9:15 am - 3:15 pm,**

**Middletown 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? Attend just a portion of the day or the full day. And remember to bring your lunch.

Lola Georg 484-368-4637 or [lolageorg@gmail.com](mailto:lolageorg@gmail.com)

**453 W. Maple Ave - Langhorne, PA**

## **Bucks Quarter's Worship Schedule for 2018-19 Chandler Hall 2018**

**September - Newtown**

**October - Solebury**

**November - Wrightstown**

**December - Buckingham**

**2019**

**January - Doylestown**

**February - Fallsington**

**March - Middletown**

**April - Newtown**

**May - Solebury**

**June - Wrightstown**

**July - Buckingham**

**August - Doylestown**

## LENAPE LIFEWAYS

On Thursday, September 20, 7:00 - 8:00 p.m. Historic Fallsington, Inc. presents a Slide Show and Presentation by Susan Plaistead, owner of Heart to Hearth Cookery who will bring a Lenape Village to Life with her lecture featuring European narratives, archaeology, objects and slides.

Free admission.

PA 19054. Please call 215-295-6567 to reserve your seat.

**Fallsington Friends Meetinghouse,  
9300 S. Main Street, Fallsington**

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**FOR MORE INFORMATION: Contact Holly Olson: [hollybqc@verizon.net](mailto:hollybqc@verizon.net) or 215-860-9747**

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**Tel:** 609-689-9400

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