



Quakerphernalia

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

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Your Coordinator will be on vacation March 10 - 17

MARCH 2018

- Mar 3 6pm Games Night - Makefield Meetinghouse
Mar 8 7pm Bucks Quarter Oversight Committee Meeting - Jane Jackson House - BFS
Mar 8 7pm PYM Friends in Fellowship Art/Media - The Art of Persuasion - Arch Street Meetinghouse
Mar 10 10am Bucks Quarter Clerks Meeting - Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall
Mar 11 6pm Camp Onas Board Meeting - Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall
Mar 12 1pm Chandler Hall Auxiliary Meeting - Training Room (basement), Wright Memorial Hall
Mar 17 5:30 Feast Fun and Song - Newtown Meetinghouse - Everyone is Invited!!!
Mar 19 6pm Bucks Food For Friends - Fallsington Meetinghouse
Mar 23 9am Information Session - Buckingham Friend School - www.bfs.org
Mar 24 PYM Continuing Sessions
Mar 25 10am Intervisitation with Doylestown Meeting- Get out of Your Groove...
Mar 27 7pm Bucks Quarter Outreach Committee Meeting - Pennswood Village
Mar 28 11:30am-2pm Open House - Friends Village - RSVP Karen Haney 215-968-3346 - www.fhvpa.org

Looking Ahead

- April 7 Quakerism in a Nutshell - Wrightstown Meetinghouse
April 7 6:30pm Coffee House - Solebury Meeting Education Bldg - John Beacher & Friends www.johnbeacher.com,
May 19 Bucks Quarter Overnight at Camp Onas
May 20 Quarterly Meeting at Onas
June 18th - June 22nd Peace Camp - www.thepeacecenter.org
July 1-7 FGC Gathering - Toledo, OH <https://www.fgcquaker.org/connect/gathering/welcome-2018-gathering>
July 25-29 PYM Summer Sessions at The College of New Jersey
Sept 22 19th Annual Bucks Quarter Peace Fair

**Chandler Hall Worship Services will be organized by:
March ~ Solebury April ~ Wrightstown May ~ Buckingham
Worship 11:00****Arrive 10:45**

QUAKERISM IN A NUTSHELL

Informational Workshop on Quakerism

Are you new to Quakers and Quakerism? Do you wish to be better informed and involved? Please join us for our annual workshop, Quakerism in a Nutshell on April 7th being held this year in the Wrightstown Meeting Social Hall.

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.

Lunch is provided.

To register and for more information, contact Holly Olson 215-860-9747 or hollybqc@verizon.net the registration deadline is April 5th.

Registration is required for planning lunch.

The workshop is free though donations will be greatly appreciated.

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PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING

CONTINUING SESSIONS

MARCH 24TH

LOCATION BEING DETERMINED

Friends of all ages from throughout the yearly meeting and beyond are invited to Continuing Sessions where we gather for fellowship, worship, learning and to carry out the work of our yearly meeting. In the morning, adults will be together in worship and for business. Children, Middle Schoolers and Young Friends have their own, age-specific programs concurrent with Continuing Sessions. We'll enjoy fellowship and hear stories from our meetings about our work to become more welcoming and inclusive meetings and our witness in the community

Everyone is welcome, and all meetings should plan to send at least two members or attenders to carry information and resources back to your meeting. Children, Middle Schoolers and Young Friends (High School Age) need to be registered ahead of time.

BUCKS QUARTER OVERNIGHT - CAMP ONAS

The coolest thing since Camp George is happening on **May 19th and May 20th**. Most of you are asking, "What's Camp George?" Camp George was when Bucks Quarterly Meeting would gather for a weekend at George School for fun (lots of fun), fellowship, worship, and quarterly business.

Well, Camp George, meet Camp Onas! On May 19th and 20th, Friends from all the meetings in Bucks Quarter (you) are invited to gather together for activities, relaxing together, and worship.

The board of directors for Camp Onas are providing a super cool overnight beginning at 2 p.m. on Saturday, May 19th, through breakfast on the 20th. After breakfast, Solebury Friends will be hosting Quarterly Meeting at Onas with a great program for all ages with singer songwriter and member of Fallsington Meeting, Jonathan Sprout (jonsprout.com).

Where can you go for \$10 as an individual or \$30 as a family unit and get games, camp fire, canoeing, sleep over, and more? Nowhere. Bring a friend or two along. The options are almost endless ... you can come for the day on Saturday, you can stay overnight, you can come for the day on Sunday, or you can join for the whole experience (there is no fee for people who only come for the day on Sunday).

Just like Camp Onas is low tech (which is just one of many reasons that it's so great), so is the registration process for the overnight. You simply need to call or email Jess Walcott

215-741-4895, walcott29@verizon.net, and she will walk you through the process. She will also be happy to answer questions you may have and help you determine the best way to participate in this not-to-be-missed event.

BUCKS QUARTER INTERVISITATION DAYS

Visit with Doylestown Friends on March 25th, 10AM

Intervisitation is an opportunity for you to get out of your self-designated spot on your self-designated bench in your self-designated meetinghouse... (lots of Friends have gotten into this habit/groove) and go worship with Friends in a different meetinghouse. It's not a radical idea, Friends used to do it quite frequently and they did it because it was spiritually uplifting and by doing so, uplifted the whole community of Friends.

Give it a try, get out of your Friendly rut and explore!

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 in the Sloebury Meeting education building. The dates for 2018 are: March 14, April 11, May 9, June 13, July 11, August 8, 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 or www.leadsmartcoaching.com

SOLEBURY FRIENDS MEETING PRESENTS...

Saturday April 7th 6:30-9pm

John Beacher and Friends,

Performing Songs For the Spirit.

A fundraising event to support youth in need with scholarships to attend Camp Onas

Join singer/song-writer John Beacher and Friends on **Saturday April 7th, 6:30 to 9pm in the Solebury Meeting Education Bldg.** for a night of music and fellowship, while raising money for a great cause. Doors will open at 6:30 and the concert will begin at 7pm.

A prolific songwriter, natural performer, and "hope enthusiast," John Beacher has built his decade-long career not only with talent, but also with a genuine spirit and a kind heart. With the intent of healing divisions, strengthening trust, and building community, John's music is a homecoming for the soul, timeless, and sincere.

The concert will be on a donation basis and 100% of the proceeds will go to providing youth in need with scholarships to attend Camp Onas. There will be two 45 min sets of music with a 20 min set break and a short presentation about Camp Onas in between.

This is an all ages event, and food and refreshments will be provided. For more information on the event go to www.johnbeacher.com, or www.facebook.com/johnbeacher.

2680 Sugas Rd, New Hope, PA 18938



19TH ANNUAL BUCKS QUARTER PEACE FAIR

You are invited to participate in the 19th Annual Peace Fair on **Saturday, September 22**. The table fee remains a modest fee if your application is received early.

If you wish to volunteer to help out at this year's fair, send an email and Peter Ray.

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 2018 Peace Fair.

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

MEMOIR WRITING GROUP

If you want to make a difference consider our Memoir writing group

We have met for several mounts. The second and fourth Thursdays.

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For more information, contact Judith Solt
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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

MORE OPPORTUNITIES FOR WORSHIP

In addition to the occasional Intervisitation Sundays and worship at Chandler Hall, there is another group of Friends who would enjoy your spiritual nurture...every third Sunday, there is Quaker worship at Friends Village at 10:00am in the Friends Village/Styer Hall sunroom. You are welcome to join residents for worship at this time. Please check in with the Receptionist.

331 Lower Dolington Rd, Newtown

EXTENDED WORSHIP

Extended Worship will be held **March 3** at the **Swarthmore Friends Meetinghouse**.

Please let Lola know by February 19th if you are requesting childcare. Please also remember to bring your own brown bag lunch.

If you are interested, the facebook event is here:

<https://www.facebook.com/events/185954235336620/>

The PYM event is here:

http://www.pym.org/event/extended-worship-3/?instance_id=808

9:15 to 9:30 am - Gathering and Welcome
9:30 to 12:30 pm - Extended Meeting for Worship
12:30 to 1:30 pm - Lunch (bring your own)
1:30 to 3:00 pm - Worship Sharing
3:00 to 3:15 pm - Clean-up and Departure

12 Whittier Place, Swarthmore, PA

For more info or questions, contact Lola Georg
LolaGeorg@gmail.com
(484) 368-4637 [voice mail or text]

PYM FRIENDS IN FELLOWSHIP EVENT

PYM's new **Friends in Fellowship** program is after work and free. It is being held at the Arch Street meetinghouse 7:00-8:30PM with refreshments.

FRIENDS IN FELLOWSHIP EVENT DATES – all events are at Arch Street Meetinghouse 7PM-8:30PM

March 8: Art/media – The Art of Persuasion – two cartoonists will share insight on how art challenges and shapes perception

Signe Wilkinson, Pulitzer prize winning Editorial Cartoonist for the Philadelphia Inquirer (Germantown Monthly Meeting)

Ramona Sharples, Trans Girl Trans Comics <https://ramonaisonline.tumblr.com/>

To register for Friends in Fellowship events, go to:
<http://www.pym.org/fellowship/rsvp-form/>

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

March - Solebury
April - Wrightstown
May - Buckingham
June - Doylestown
July- Fallsington
August - Middletown
September - Newtown
October - Solebury
November - Wrightstown
December - Buckingham
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January - Doylestown
February - Fallsington

Friendly Services Offered and Friendly Services Needed

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