



Quakerphernalia

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

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JUNE 2018

- June 2 9:15am-3:15pm PYM Extended Worship - Chester Meetinghouse
June 2 11am-2pm Chandler Hall's 45th Anniversary Celebration
June 2 6pm Games Night - Makefield Meetinghouse
June 6 & 20 7pm Gun Violence Prevention Committee Meeting - Yardley Meetinghouse
June 7 2-7pm Red Cross Blood Drive - Yardley Meetinghouse
June 9 4:30pm Party!! Friends Village Grand Re-Opening of Bartram Court - Food, music and fun for all!
June 13 11:30am Open House - Friends Village (includes lunch) - khaney@fhvpa.org
June 15 - 17 Bucks Quarter Spiritual Formation Closing Retreat - Makefield Meetinghouse
June 18 6pm Bucks Food For Friends - Fallsington Meetinghouse
June 20 7PM Bucks Quarter Goes the Ballpark - Trenton Thunder vs. Binghamton Rumble Ponies
June 21 6pm Bucks Quarter Oversight Pot Luck Dinner and Meeting - Buckingham Meetinghouse
June 22 7pm Camp Onas Board Dessert Pot Luck with Staff - Camp Onas
June 23 10am-2pm Open House - Friends Village - khaney@fhvpa.org

Looking Ahead

- July 1 - 7 FGC Gathering - Toledo, OH - www.fgcquaker.org/connect/gathering
July 25-29 PYM Annual Summer Sessions - The College of New Jersey - Registration Open Soon!
Aug 19 Quarterly Meeting - Wrightstown Meetinghouse
Nov 18 Quarterly Meeting - Yardley Meetinghouse

**Chandler Hall Worship Services Will be Organized by:
June - Doylestown July - Fallsington August - Middletown
Worship 11:00****Arrive 10:45**

GRAND RE-OPENING

BARTRAM COURT - FRIENDS VILLAGE

You are invited to celebrate the grand re-opening of Bartram Court at Friends Village on **Saturday June 9, from 4:30 to 7:30pm** (rain or shine). There will be fun and food (cook-out style) for everyone, featuring the music of Fools and Prophets.

"Fools and Prophets" started out as "Faith and Practice". They are an eclectic gathering of friends who have a wide range of musical tastes and backgrounds. They play folk music as well as old blues tunes and Celtic fiddle tunes, and more. Each performer plays an instrument or two, sings lead or background harmonies, and finds ways to layer their sound to enhance the sound and bring joy to each song. Dave plays guitar and tenor banjo. Gene plays fiddle and harmonica. Erica plays mandolin and bass. Anthony plays guitar and 12 string guitar as well as the bass. Lynne adds another guitar to the mix. Our goal is to have fun and use music to decrease the stress modern life provides.

<https://www.facebook.com/FoolsandProphets/>

Kindly RSVP Beth Hudson-Keller at 215-968-3346 or info@fhvpa.org

**331 Lower Dolington Rd
Newtown, PA**

YOUR MONTHLY MEETING'S SUMMER WORSHIP SCHEDULE AT CAMP ONAS

- July 1 (1st Session) Doylestown and Yardley
- July 8 (between 1st and 2nd session) Buckingham & Quakertown
- July 15 (2nd Session) - Bristol, Fallsington & Newtown
- **July 22- No visitors, please**
- July 29 (3rd Session)- Middletown & Plumstead
- August 5 (between 3rd and 4th session) Makefield, Southampton & Wrightstown
- August 12 (4th session)- Lehigh Valley & Solebury

Please call the Camp Office (610) 847-5858 if you plan to join us for Meeting for Worship, or email us at: friends@camponas.org, so we know to expect you. This is especially important if special arrangements are needed to help guests reach Meeting for Worship. Please wear sturdy shoes that are appropriate for walking over our rocky & hilly terrain. Guests should come to the Camp Office upon arrival at Camp Onas so camp staff can meet you and walk with you to Meeting for Worship. **Arrive between 9:50 and 10:00 AM. Worship begins at 10:00, and we settle into meeting by 10:10.**

609 Geigel Hill Rd, Ottsville, PA

WHAT? NO FEAST FUN AND SONG IN JUNE?

Nope, everyone is encouraged to go to the party at Friends Village to feast, have fun and enjoy the music of Fools and Prophets. See you there!

Don't forget to RSVP Beth Hudson-Keller at 215-968-3346 or info@fhvpa.org

BUCKS QUARTER BLOOD DRIVE HOSTED BY YARDLEY MEETING

Kick off your summer with the gift of life.

Bucks Quarterly Meeting will hold another Blood Drive hosted by Yardley Friends Meeting on **Thursday June 7th from 2 to 7PM**

Sign up at <http://www.redcrossblood.org/>
65 North Main St., Yardley PA

LABYRINTH GATHERING June 20th, 11AM

Explore the history of the labyrinth, walk the labyrinth at Friends Village and draw one to take home.

There will be a break for lunch and the gathering will resume after lunch.

There is a \$10.00 charge for lunch. If you are not a resident of Friends Home or Friends Village, please pay Donna at the front desk.

RSVP Judith Solt at 215-968-2897. Space is limited! Register Early.

Judith needs to let the kitchen know how many people are coming.

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YARDLEY MEETING GUN VIOLENCE PREVENTION SUBCOMMITTEE PLEASE JOIN US!

Yardley Friends Meeting Gun Violence Prevention Subcommittee (subcommittee of the Yardley Friends Peace and Social Action Committee) has been meeting biweekly since December 2017. It was formed as a result of serious concerns regarding the mass shooting in Nevada in October 2017 and the accelerating level of gun violence in the US in general.

The focus so far has been:

To encourage voting in accordance with common sense gun safety and gun control measures by familiarizing Meeting members/attenders with our legislators and candidates and their prospective positions on these matters.

To familiarize the Meeting members/attenders with the numerous organizations which have substantial gun safety and control initiatives in place.

The Subcommittee is non-partisan and strives to keep the Quaker testimony of Peace and Non-violence at its' core. We are passionate about gun violence prevention!

The Subcommittee has had guests from other gun safety organizations and would welcome members/attenders from other PYM Meetings to attend our meetings and possibly enlarge the group to include more Meetings.

Upcoming Gun Violence Prevention Subcommittee meetings will be held at Yardley meetinghouse at **7PM on the following Wednesday's: June 6, June 20, July 11, July 25, August 8, August 22.**

65 N. Main Street, Yardley, PA

HOLD IN THE LIGHT

Many of you know our Bristol/Fallsington Friends, **Jim and Debbie Fine**. For many years Jim and Debbie have been involved with service work with the Mennonite Central Committee.

Most recently, they have been in Iraq to work on refugee relief. They will return to us in mid-August and look forward to speaking this fall to share their recent experiences.

Here is an excerpt from a recent email from Jim:

"Where we are is very safe, safer than some places in Bucks County, let alone Philadelphia.

Iraq is a country of 37 million where the UN estimates that 8.7 million, most of them internally displaced, are in need of international assistance, yet normal life persists. Erbil is a large island of normality and calm. Despite the current inability of the Kurdish regional government to pay full salaries in the large civil service sector due to disputes with the central government in Baghdad, business is strong in Ankawa, the suburb of Erbil where we live. Even since Deb's last visit less than a year ago new restaurants and hotels have opened. I met a Syrian refugee entrepreneur last night who has opened a wonderful "lahme bi ajeen," aka Arab pizza, shop nearby. He is from Haseke in northeastern Syria. His workers are from Idlib in western Syria.

So life goes on. People show remarkable resilience and try to make the best of things.

In a move that I suspect few Quakers would find it possible to affirm, given the presence of so much need, the Chaldean Catholic Church has completed a beautiful, and undoubtedly expensive, renovation of the cathedral of the Archdiocese of Erbil not far from us. Yet the renovation is a powerful symbol of the Church's determination to remain and flourish here. I suspect many local Christians are greatly encouraged by it.

Deb will spend much of her time at the K-12 school of the diocese, Mar Qardakh, while I will be working mostly with other MCC partner organizations. It's the opportunity to make common cause with conscientious and welcoming souls, and help advance their efforts, that is the great reward of this work."

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

**July - Fallsington
August - Middletown
September - Newtown
October - Solebury
November - Wrightstown
December - Buckingham
2019**

**January - Doylestown
February - Fallsington
March - Middletown
April - Newtown
May - Solebury**

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 <http://www.pym.org/calendar/>

You can post your meeting events here also.

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

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 located at 2680 Sугan Road in New Hope. The remaining dates for 2018 are: 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
2680 Sугan
2680 Sугan Rd, New Hope (north of Route 202)

GOOD TIMES, OLD & NOW

Chandler Hall's 45th Anniversary Celebration June 2, 2018, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Enjoy good times while we take a look back at Chandler Hall's beginnings and celebrate where we are today!
Be our guest and savor all of the ingredients that make retirement living at Chandler Hall engaging and fulfilling. When you join us, you'll also have the opportunity to see many on-site amenities—including the YMCA indoor pool, fitness center, well appointed apartments, library, and much more. We're grilling up good times, so please plan to join us for our Anniversary Picnic!
Dance to the oldies, take a tour and enjoy good food.
99 Barclay Street • Newtown, PA 18940
Kindly RSVP to **888-759-0128** by May 28.

Bucks Quarterly Meeting (you) functions because people volunteer their time, give financial support and connect on a spiritual level. Please consider how you participate in this spiritual community.
Financial donations can be made to Bucks Quarterly Meeting, P.O. box 4477 - George School, Newtown, PA 18940

MEMBERSHIP DEVELOPMENT SUPPORT FUND

Take a moment to dream about getting the word out to the public about how special Quakerism is and how you would like to see more people visit and then hopefully join...

Ok, now think about how to fund that project...did you know that there is money available to help your meeting with your project?

To find out more, visit <http://www.pym.org/grants/granting-groups/membership-development-granting-group/membership-development-support-fund/>

There is even a committee, Membership Development Granting Group with members who can help you.

STEWARDSHIP OF OUR ENVIRONMENT

Query 6E from the new Faith & Practice:

How do I demonstrate in my own decision making a concern for ecological, economic and social justice?

PennEnvironment is a state group that works to protect our environment in Pennsylvania. On **June 12th**, there will be a Lobby Day if you wish to carry your concerns for the environment to Harrisburg and our lawmakers.

Pennsylvanians will come to Harrisburg to help drive Pennsylvania towards 100% renewable energy—cutting climate pollution, creating clean energy jobs, and saving consumers money.

9:30 am: Attendee Registration (East Wing by Cafeteria picnic benches)

There will be coordinators at the registration table all day to assist you.

In addition to legislative meetings, there will be other activities throughout the day to boost your impact to move PA to 100% Renewable Energy. These will include writing a letter to your local paper about your experience, writing a personal letter to the Governor, tours of the Capitol and more.

www.pennenvironment.org

Friendly Services Offered and Friendly Services Needed

"Simply Real" News is Growing!

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Times Publishing Newspapers, Inc. has rolled out with our ninth newspaper in Bucks County - the Fairless FOCUS. Covering the Fairless Hills area our new total mailed (via US Postal Service) circulation is 115,716 households and businesses. We cover "all the 'good news' that's fit to print." Over the past 18 years we've started and continue to publish these additional 8 monthly publications: Yardley VOICE, Morrisville TIMES, Newtown GAZETTE, Northampton HERALD, Lower Southampton SPIRIT, Langhorne LEDGER, New Hope NEWS, and the Doylestown OBSERVER.

Donna Allen, Publisher: 215-702-3405

www.timespub.com - (updated daily)

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(8) one week sessions, 9am - 3pm daily

June 18 - Aug. 10

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Tel: 267-454-4491

Web Site: www.earthschoolforkids.com,

Thai Foot Reflexology

Jeff Bishop, member of Yardley Meeting invites you to experience Thai Foot Reflexology under the trees overlooking the Delaware Canal in a Peace Cabin. Sessions are 90 minutes either inside or outside the Peace Cabin weather permitting. Using the gliding movements of a 2,500 year-old tradition originating, in India and Thailand, Jeff will provide relaxing work on your feet, legs to the knees, hands and head.

Email: Jeffjb164@gmail.com

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