

YARDLEY FRIENDS MEETING

NEWSLETTER

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65 North Main Street, Yardley PA 19067
<http://yardleyfriendsmeeting.org/>

Meeting for Worship 10:00–11:00
First Day School 10:15–11:00

Peg Smedley and Ted Taylor, Co-Clerks
Ed Snyder, Newsletter Editor

This month at YFM

Zoom Meetings for Worship continue at the normal 10 AM Sunday time. Sometimes outdoor worship is held concurrently, with a Zoom feed – depends on who is there and able to set things up, and the weather.

Also mid-week Meetings at 7 PM Thursdays, and a women's group Wednesdays at 2:30 PM.

Invites are sent the google group. If you are not connected on the google group, please, *please* feel free to reach out if you need information or assistance. If you don't have the contact list to call an individual directly, the Meetinghouse phone - (215) 493-5376 - is forwarded to the co-clerks. You can also write to info@yardleyfriendsmeeting.org, which is forwarded to the co-clerks as well.

If you are not on the google group and would like to be added, please send an e-mail to info@yardleyfriendsmeeting.org with a request to join.

Meeting for Business will follow Meeting for Worship on August 9.

Around the Quarter/PYM

Quarterly Meeting is August 16, via Zoom. See Quakerphernalia (more info immediately below) for more information. Yardley's annual report is on the agenda.

Quakerphernalia, the Bucks Quarter newsletter, is being sent almost entirely electronically. If you are not on the list, or if you have articles or announcements for Quakerphernalia, please contact Wendy Kane, the coordinator, at quakersbucks@gmail.com.

Jul 29-Aug 2

PYM Annual Sessions (virtual):

<https://www.pym.org/annual-sessions/>

Your Francis and Betty Irwin calendar inspiration for the month

In the sweetness of friendship let there be
laughter and sharing of pleasures. For in the dew
of little things the heart finds its morning and is
freshed.

Khalil Gibran

2020 Flea Market cancelled

Due to ongoing concerns and uncertainty about Covid-19 and an understandable lack of volunteers, the Flea Market has been cancelled for 2020. Let's hope we can bring back this great event in 2021!

Newsletters can be found on our website at <http://yardleyfriendsmeeting.org/news/> Email articles, pictures, book reviews, events to ed@mrpplansinc.com. Feel free to share your experiences during the Coronavirus pandemic.

Query 8. Grounding for Transformed Lives: Integrity and Simplicity

What is the interplay between simplicity and integrity in the life of our meeting?

How does our meeting embody simplicity and integrity in its structures and practices?

How has our meeting considered humanity's impact on the earth's ecological integrity and the ways in which violence and injustice exacerbate this impact?

How do I strive to achieve harmony between my inner and outer commitments in my spiritual journey, my work, my family and my other responsibilities?

Am I temperate in all things?

Am I open to counsel regarding addictive behavior?

Am I involved only with those organizations and activities whose purposes and methods complement my integrity?

Am I careful to speak truth as I know it and am I open to truth spoken to me?

Am I mindful that judicial oaths imply a double standard of truth?

Rose Frank Koch

We were all so happy to have Rose transfer membership to Yardley after years as an active member of Monmouth Meeting. Within the month of her becoming a member she passed suddenly. It's been such a gift to get to know Rose in the last few years. Rose first visited years ago when visiting her mother who lived nearby. When she moved to the area she started to attend Yardley. She was present for worship, business and many events. She often shared stories of her rich experiences. She had been a teacher and she continues to teach all that were lucky enough to be in her company. At women's group and yoga we got to know her well. More than one of us told of the wonderful strawberries she brought them. She loved to reach out and share. You could tell she loved life. I still expect to see her smiling face as I log onto a zoom call. We thank Rose for sharing so much in the last few years with us. We will miss you Rose.

Linda Jacobs Snyder



The picture above and on the masthead were taken by a drone manned by Paul Shaffer of Bristol Meeting in March 2018. There were thoughts/plans for a Bucks Quarter calendar with pictures of all meetings but that part never got off the ground (get it?). Do you recognize your car?