



# Quakerphernalia

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

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## APRIL 2019

- April 4 6pm Patchwork Project - Fundraiser for Friends Home and Friends Village  
April 5 1:30-6:30pm American Red Cross Blood Drive - Newtown Friends Meetinghouse  
April 5 6:30pm Film - The Human Element - Fallsington Meetinghouse  
April 6 10am BQ Monthly Meeting Clerks Meeting - Wrightstown Meetinghouse  
April 6 6pm Games Night - Makefield Meetinghouse  
April 6 3pm PYM-wide Quaker Family Meetup - Princeton Meetinghouse - ***Note Date Change***  
April 6 5pm United Friends School Spring Benefit - Proper Brewing Co., Quakertown, PA  
Apr 10 8:30am Open house - Preschool - United Friends School [www.unitedfriendsschool.org](http://www.unitedfriendsschool.org)  
Apr 11 7pm BQ Oversight Meeting (Location TBD by the weather)  
April 12 5:30pm Benefit Lasagna Dinner and Game Night - Newtown Meetinghouse  
April 13 9:15am Extended Worship - Southampton Friends Meetinghouse  
April 13 10am BQ Monthly Meeting Property Comm Clerks Meeting - Wrightstown Meetinghouse  
April 15 6pm Bucks Food For Friends - Fallsington Meetinghouse  
April 17 11:30am Open House - Friends Village - RSVP [bheverly@fhvpa.org](mailto:bheverly@fhvpa.org)  
**April 20 10am - 2pm Quakerism in a Nutshell - Wrightstown Meetinghouse & Social Hall**  
April 25 6:30pm Friends in Fellowship - Arch Street Meetinghouse

## Looking Ahead

- May 4 5-8pm Wrightstown Friends Nursery School Auction  
May 5 1:30-4:30pm Chandler Hall Auxiliary Fundraiser - Painting with a Purpose  
May 6 Chandler Hall Annual Golf Classic - Trenton CC - Christine 267-291-2232  
May 19 Bucks Quarterly Meeting - Doylestown  
June 30 -July 6 FGC Gathering - Grinnell College, Iowa Visit [FGCquaker.org/vibrantjourneys](http://FGCquaker.org/vibrantjourneys)  
July 24-28 PYM Annual Sessions - The College of New Jersey  
**August 18 Bucks Quarterly Meeting - Fallsington**  
Sept 21 Bucks Quarter Peace Fair  
**November 17 Bucks Quarterly Meeting - Lehigh Valley**

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

### QUAKERISM IN A NUTSHELL

#### Informational Workshop About Quakerism

Are you new to Quakers and Quakerism? Do you wish to be better informed and involved? Have you been a Quaker for a long time? Please join us for our annual workshop, Quakerism in a Nutshell on April 20th from 10AM until 2PM (lunch is included). This workshop is for Friends, attenders and seekers to explore the life of Quakerism and being Quaker today. Join us for this wonderful workshop led by Melanie Douty Snipes.

Open to the public.

Lunch is provided.

**To register** or for more information:  
contact Holly Olson 215-860-9747 or

[hollybqc@verizon.net](mailto:hollybqc@verizon.net)

**Registration deadline is April 18th.**

**Registration is required for planning lunch.**

The workshop is free though donations to offset expenses will be greatly appreciated.

**535 Durham Rd, Newtown, PA**

[www.quakersbucks.org](http://www.quakersbucks.org)

### SOCIAL MEDIA PERSON NEEDED!!

Do you have a knack for social media? If so the Peace Fair needs you to volunteer to help with promotion on the various social media platforms.

If you're interested, please contact Peter Ray at [peter.ray@comcast.net](mailto:peter.ray@comcast.net)

### BENEFIT LASAGNA DINNER NEWTOWN FRIENDS MEETING

On **April 12th from 5:30pm to 7:00pm** there will be the Lasagna Dinner sponsored by the Children's RE Comm to support Mercer Street Friends' Community Schools. The children of the meeting will serve delicious lasagna, bread, butter, salad, drinks and desserts. Vegan and vegetarian options will be available.

Following the dinner folks can head to George School for *Dance Eclectic* or stay at the meetinghouse for an intergenerational game night.

**219 Court Street - Newtown, PA**

### LIVES PASING

Doylestown Friends suffer the loss of **Mildred Guydon** who died on February 19th.  
Wrightstown Friends suffer the loss of 20 year old **Christopher Nanneman**.

### YOGA CLASSES

#### NEWTOWN MEETINGHOUSE

Weekly Yoga classes are held at the Newtown meetinghouse on Thursday nights at 6:30pm with Jim Whitmoyer, who has many years experience as a Hatha Yoga teacher. Classes are open to all; no prior experience is necessary. There is no charge, although a small donation to the meetinghouse is humbly requested.

215-968-0927 or jim.whitmoyer@verizon.net

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#### HOW GUN VIOLENCE AFFECTS US

On **April 12, from 7 -9 PM** Southampton Friends Meeting hosts a talk by Nancy Scheible.

If you missed Quarterly Meeting in November, this is your second opportunity to learn.

Nancy will talk about how gun violence affects family friends, and whole communities, not just the person who was killed. She will also talk about those who were injured and the physical and mental trauma they and their families go through.

We invite all interested people.

There will be a Q&A following with refreshments.

For more information, contact Carolyn Peters-Eckel at caeckel@gmail.com

**710 Gravel Hill Rd, Southampton PA 18966**

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#### THE HUMAN ELEMENT

We Are a Force of Nature. As We Change the Elements, The Elements Change Us.

**Friday April 5 6:30 for dessert and film at 7pm.**

Fallsington Meeting will present, The Human Element, a film about human impacts on fire, water, air and earth and the consequences on us. WE humans are a force of nature. AT the same time human activities alter the basic elements of life - earth, air, water and fire - those elements change human life in turn.

In the riveting and visually rich 80 finite drama, blending art and science, we follow renown environmental photographer James Balog as he explore wildfires, hurricanes, sea level rise, a struggling coal mining community, and our changing air supply. With rare compassion and heart, THE HUMAN ELEMENT highlights Americans who are on the front lines of climate change, inspiring us to re-evaluate our relationship with the natural world.

No charge for admission. The film is brought to us by the Fallsington Meeting Peace and Service Committee.

For more information, contact Tom Wells  
[tomwellscl@gmail.com](mailto:tomwellscl@gmail.com)

Trailer: <https://www.youtube.com/watch?v=k34FhplukXQ&feature=youtu.be>

### BLOOD DRIVE

#### NEWTOWN MEETINGHOUSE

Newtown Friends will hold a Blood Drive on Friday **April 5th, 1:30 to 6:30PM.**

Make an appointment online or call 1-800-733-2767

Sponsor Code - Newtown Friends

<https://linkprotect.cudasvc.com/url...>

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#### MEMORIAL TO THE LOST

On **Saturday April 20 to mark the 20th Anniversary of the Columbine shooting**, 10AM-12 noon.

Southampton Friends will erect the "Memorial to the Lost", at T-shirt display of Bucks County residents who died by homicide in the past 10 years. There will be a Vigil to follow placing of the "Memorial". Anyone who wishes to help is invited.

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#### BUCKINGHAM FRIENDS SCHOOL PRESENTS

##### The St. Thomas Gospel Choir

The choir is performing a free concert for the community on **Friday, April 12 at 7:30pm** in meetinghouse.

The St. Thomas Gospel Choir is an award winning choral group based in Philadelphia. More information about them can be found online at <https://www.stthomasgc.org/>. BFS has hosted the St. Thomas Gospel Choir for many years and we are so excited to have them back! Please join us!

5684 Old York Rd - Lahaska

#### QUAKER WOMEN'S SOCIAL HOUR

This monthly gathering includes women throughout Bucks Quarter. The group meets at a restaurant in the Langhorne/Newtown area the first week of every month rotating the days Tuesday, Wednesday and Thursday.

**The next meeting will be held at the Green Parrot in Newtown.**

If you would like to be on the email list, contact Kris Sheffer, [kmichaelsheffer@hotmail.com](mailto:kmichaelsheffer@hotmail.com).

**Please RSVP to Kris if you will be attending.**

#### MEMOIR WRITING GROUP

If you want to make a difference consider our Memoir writing group. The group meets at Friends Village the second and fourth Thursdays with a writing coach on the first Thursdays.

*The pen is mightier than the sword.*

For more info: Judith Solt [judtsolt2@gmail.com](mailto:judtsolt2@gmail.com) or 215-968-2897.

## PATCHWORK IMPROVEMENT PROJECT

### Fun ~ Food ~ Friends

A Celebration to Benefit the Friends Village

On **April 4th at 6PM** there will be a celebration and fundraiser at Friends Village in Newtown.

In 1920, Darlington and Helen Styer made the courageous decision to donate their stone farmhouse and seven acres of their surrounding apple orchard to Friends Boarding Home of Bucks Quarterly Meeting. Their home would later become the thriving Styer Hall/Friends Village campus of Friends Home & Village (FHV).

For almost 40 years FHV has carefully stewarded the Styer legacy. **But stewardship alone is not enough.** Donors like you play a crucial role in the success of Friends Home and Village. Your generosity keeps the mission alive: *To provide moderately-priced, small-community retirement living in a caring environment.*

Much like a beloved quilt that wears over time, patches of the beloved Friends Village campus require attention. This project helps to bring new life to the well-used resources in the community.

Please plan to spend the evening of April 4th with the Friends Village community and board members for an evening of great food, entertainment and friends to support and celebrate the *Patchwork Improvement Project.*

Inspired by this project, FHV residents partnered with the generous members of the Newtown Quilters' Guild to create a commemorative quilt as a symbol of this important campaign of campus renovation.

### Residents will unveil the quilt at this event!

RSVP to 215-968-3346 ext 201 or via email at [info@fhvpa.org](mailto:info@fhvpa.org)

Cant attend, but still would like to make a donation?

## FRIENDS IN FELLOWSHIP

### THE NATIONAL TRAILS SYSTEM & THE QUAKER PATH

**April 25, 6:30 to 8:30 PM**

**Arch Street Meetinghouse - 4th and Arch, Phila.**

The talk will be given by Steve Elkinton on our nation's network of trails. Steve (Chestnut Hill MM) is the recipient of the 2013 American Trails Lifetime Service Award, and he served as the program leader for the National Trails System at the National Park Service

## 16th ANNUAL PHILADELPHIA INTERFAITH WALK FOR PEACE AND RECONCILIATION

A walking dialogue among Muslims, Buddhists, Christians, Jews, Hindus, Sikhs, Wiccans and others on

**Sunday April 28th from 2:00 to 5:00pm.**

There is a pre-walk gathering at the Al Aqsa Islamic Center. There will be three stops during the walk at houses or worship in center city: Society Hill Synagogue, Arch Street meetinghouse and Central Philadelphia meetinghouse.

For more information:

[www.InterfaithPeaceWalk.org](http://www.InterfaithPeaceWalk.org)

[InterfaithPeaceWalk@gmail.com](mailto:InterfaithPeaceWalk@gmail.com)

Facebook: InterfaithPeaceWalk

## PHILADELPHIA YEARLY MEETING

### QUAKER FAMILY MEETUP

**You're invited!!!**

**Princeton Friends Meetinghouse**

**470 Quaker Rd, Princeton, NJ**

The vision of Quaker family meetups is to provide a welcoming, comfortable space for parents to gather for a relaxed program of fellowship and worship sharing. Kids get to play (with care providers) and get to know other kids, and we all get to enjoy refreshments!! (Grandparents and other family caregivers are welcome too).

Create the opportunity to connect with other families and support one another in grounding our parenting in the "tools" we have as Friends: queries, space for listening, openness to finding new ways, and Quaker testimonies.

3pm - Arrival, introductions and refreshments

3:30 Worship Sharing for parents and concurrent children's program

4:30 Family fellowship

5:30 So long...until the next meetup

\*\*Parents and caregivers of infants to teens are welcome to join in the fun

\*\* Child care provided - Attend with or without the kids!

Please let Melinda Wenner Bradley (Youth Engagement Coordinator) know if you'll be there.

[mwennerbradley@pym.org](mailto:mwennerbradley@pym.org)

Directions:

[www.princetonfriendsmeeting.org/about-us/directions](http://www.princetonfriendsmeeting.org/about-us/directions)

### Bucks Quarter's Worship Schedule for 2019 Chandler Hall 2019

April - Newtown

May - Solebury

June - Wrightstown

July - Buckingham

August - Doylestown

September - Fallsington

October - Middletown

November - Newtown

December - Solebury

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January - Wrightstown

February - Buckingham

March - Doylestown

## EXTENDED WORSHIP

Extended Worship will be held **April 13** at the Southampton Friends Meetinghouse.

Please remember to bring your own brown bag lunch.

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

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For more info or questions, contact Jim Strong

610-864-6812 or [jjm.strong@gmail.com](mailto:jjm.strong@gmail.com)

# Friendly Services Offered and Friendly Services Needed

## Earth School!

Earth School is a non-profit, educational organization, which nurtures a deep connection to one's self, through a connection to natural world. Our programs are a blend of the physical and metaphysical aspects of nature. We work with singing bowls, meditation, tadpoles, forests, streams, silence, and art. Earth School speaks to a child's mind, body and spirit.

**Earth School Summer Camp** - Children 6-13 yrs.

June 24 - Aug. 23 (8) one week sessions, 9am - 3pm daily,

**Earth School for Teachers Workshop**- Tues. May 7th, 9-3pm, This integrative workshop provides educators with new pathways of holistic teaching through the unique synthesis of Earth School activities and practices. Programs are located at Bucks County Audubon, Creamery Rd., Solebury PA.

**Earth School Retreat** - Aug. 15-17, Elmore, Vermont

Founder/Director Patricia Walsh-Collins, Solebury Meeting. Co-facilitator, Peter Pearson, Wrightstown Mtg. along with other experienced and dedicated educators. Web Site: [www.earthschoolforkids.com](http://www.earthschoolforkids.com)

## "Simply Real" News is Growing!

### Published monthly w/Quaker Values

**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.

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