

## MARCH CALENDAR OF EVENTS

Feb 27	11:20 am–12:30 pm	<a href="#">Doylestown Meeting Quaker Forum</a>	<i>Money &amp; Soul</i>
Mar 1		<a href="#">Quaker Buildings &amp; Programs Grants</a>	<i>Application deadline</i>
Mar 1		<a href="#">Travel and Witness Grants</a>	<i>Application deadline</i>
Mar 3	6:30–8:00 pm	<a href="#">One Book One Bucks: Kindres</a>	<i>Sponsored by The Peace Center</i>
Mar 3	11:00 am–12:15 pm	<a href="#">Online Health Resources Workshop</a>	<i>FHV Senior Planet Workshop</i>
Mar 5	9:30 am–3:00 pm	<i>Hybrid Extended Worship</i>	<i>Abington Friends Meeting</i>
Mar 5, 6 & 12		<a href="#">Friends Couple Enrichment: Caring for Your Relationship While Caring for Others</a>	<i>A Pendle Hill Workshop</i>
Mar 7	7:30–9:00 pm	<a href="#">Pendle Hill First Monday Lecture</a>	<i>Love Knows No Borders</i>
Mar 12	10:00–11:00 am	<a href="#">Breathe Easy Webinar</a>	<i>Way Opens Wellness</i>
Mar 12-15		<a href="#">FCNL Spring Lobby Weekend 2022</a>	<i>Accepting only virtual attendees</i>
Mar 20	9:00–9:45 am	<a href="#">Giant Children’s Meeting</a>	<i>Spring Into Being</i>
Mar 20	3:30–5:30 pm	<a href="#">FGC Youth Clerking Workshop</a>	<i>Online and in person</i>
Mar 23	6:30–8:00 pm	<a href="#">Pendle Hill’s Reading Group</a>	<i>Spiritual Gifts, the Beloved Community, and Covenant (PHP #461)</i>
Mar 25-27		<a href="#">PYM Spring Continuing Sessions</a>	<i>Registration is open</i>

## ONGOING EVENTS

Every Sunday	3:00–4:00 pm	<a href="#">Southampton Meeting Vigil for Justice</a>	<i>Southampton Friends Meeting</i>
Mar 12 & 26	11:00 am–12:00 pm	<a href="#">Newtown Meeting Black Lives Matter Silent Vigil</a>	<i>State Street, Newtown PA</i>

## LOOKING AHEAD

Apr 23	12:00 pm–4:00 pm	Edward Hicks Day	<i>Sponsored by Langhorne Council for the Arts</i>
May	9:45 am–3:30 pm	<a href="#">May Bucks Quarterly Meeting</a>	<i>Doylestown Friends Meeting</i>
Jun 25	10:00 am–4:00 pm	<a href="#">PYM Workshop Saturday</a>	<i>Runway to Annual Sessions</i>
July 3–9		<a href="#">FGC Gathering 2022</a>	<i>Virtual and in person</i>
Jul 26–Jul 31		PYM Annual Sessions	<i>Mark your Calendar!</i>

## Are You Interested?

At the February Quarterly Meeting there were proposals for two different Quarter-wide programs; read the descriptions below and email the Coordinator at [quakersbucks@gmail.com](mailto:quakersbucks@gmail.com) if you are interested in one or both of these activities.

### Meditative Writing Workshop

Doylestown Friend Jen de Richemond has presented this workshop at two FGC Gatherings, with the goal of participants using writing as an avenue of discovery and to expand the experience of personal creativity. Workshop goals would be to develop skills and comfort levels in using writing as an avenue for worship, daily journaling, and an increased confidence in the ability to use writing as a form of self-expression. This would begin as a weekly workshop, running for 1-1.5 hours in the early evening for eight weeks, with the possibility of continuing longer if participants wish.

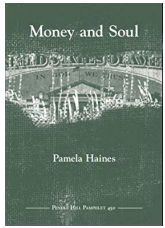
### Friends Position Papers

Makefield Friend Jerry Taylor describes himself as a “political creature.” With this in mind, he has created a platform for a “Party of Friends” and suggests that at each Meeting Friends gather, debate and present position papers from their Meeting on a variety of topics, such as climate change, immigration and health care. *This is supposed to be light.* It could be Young Adult focused or it could be inclusive of all ages. If we get a few meetings participating, we could create a zoom meeting with chat rooms to discuss and formulate positions. Questions? Contact Jerry Taylor at [jerry.taylor35@verizon.net](mailto:jerry.taylor35@verizon.net).

Doylestown Meeting

Quaker Forum–Money & Soul

The February Quaker Forum, facilitated by Doylestown Meeting’s Peace and Service Committee, is titled “Money and Soul.” It will be framed around the thoughts expressed by Friend Pamela Haines in a Pendle Hill pamphlet of the same name.



The pamphlet and talk discuss the ageless struggles between what we truly need for ourselves, what we need to do for each other and what we need to do all together to maintain a human healthy planet.

The Forum will begin at 11:20 AM after the rise of Meeting for Worship on February 27th. It will be held on Zoom only, and access will be through the link provided via the DMMF listserv email sent out for that day’s Meeting for Worship.

Contact John Baker at [givingnature@me.com](mailto:givingnature@me.com) for the link. For more information, go to [www.quakersbucks.org/events/doylestown-meeting-quaker-forum-money-and-soul](http://www.quakersbucks.org/events/doylestown-meeting-quaker-forum-money-and-soul).

Bucks Quarter Meeting for Worship Schedule

Bristol	4th Sunday 10:00 am	Indoor worship; Email for information: <a href="mailto:pws@seas.upenn.edu">pws@seas.upenn.edu</a>
Buckingham	Sunday 10:30 am	Indoor hybrid; email for zoom link: <a href="mailto:buckinghamfriends@gmail.com">buckinghamfriends@gmail.com</a>
Doylestown	Sunday 10:00 am	Virtual or labyrinth walk; email: <a href="mailto:doylestownfriends@gmail.com">doylestownfriends@gmail.com</a>
Fallsington	Sunday 11:00 am	Indoor hybrid; go to <a href="http://fallsingtonmeeting.org">fallsingtonmeeting.org</a>
Lehigh Valley	Sunday 9:30 am Wed 8:00 pm	Virtual only; go to <a href="http://lehighvalleyquakers.org">lehighvalleyquakers.org</a>
Makefield	Sunday 10:00 am	Indoor worship
Middletown	Sunday 11:00 am Wed 7:00 pm	Virtual only; email for zoom link: <a href="mailto:robin.hipple@gmail.com">robin.hipple@gmail.com</a> Wednesday worship in person only - SUSPENDED
Newtown	Sunday 11:00 am	Indoor worship with virtual option; go to <a href="http://newtownfriendsmeeting.org">newtownfriendsmeeting.org</a>
Plumstead	Sunday 9:30 am	Indoor worship
Quakertown	Sunday 10:30 am	Indoor worship
Solebury	Sunday 10:00 am	Indoor worship with virtual option; go to <a href="http://soleburyfriendsmeeting.org">soleburyfriendsmeeting.org</a>
Southampton	Sunday 10:00 am Tuesday 7:30 pm	Indoor hybrid; email for zoom link: <a href="mailto:jmm9724@gmail.com">jmm9724@gmail.com</a>
Wrightstown	Sunday 10:00 am	Indoor hybrid; email for zoom link <a href="mailto:daugen13@hotmail.com">daugen13@hotmail.com</a>
Yardley	Sunday 10:00 am	Indoor hybrid; email for zoom link: <a href="mailto:info@yardleyfriendsmeeting.org">info@yardleyfriendsmeeting.org</a>

More information can be found at [quakersbucks.org/local-meetings](http://quakersbucks.org/local-meetings)

Welcome our new Bucks Quarter Clerk

At the February Quarterly Meeting **Bill Daly** was approved as our next Quarter Clerk. Let’s get to know him!



Bill is a graduate of the University of Pennsylvania's Wharton School and a Certified Public Accountant.

He has over forty years of experience practicing accounting and has worked in manufacturing, health care and providing inner city housing. Prior to his retirement he was Comptroller of Friends Rehabilitation Program (FRP) a provider of low income housing and services to the homeless. FRP developed and managed low income housing in the ring of depressed neighborhoods surrounding Center City Philadelphia. Some of these properties were built with grants from US Federal Department of Housing and Urban Development. Other properties yielded Federal Tax credits and were developed with funds from investors.

Bill also has worked in several capacities for the Society of Friends. He served as clerk to the Budget Review Committee of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting during yearly meetings transition to a covenant based funding. He has served as clerk of Middletown Meeting. He currently is a member of Bucks Quarterly Meeting's committee for Budget and Nominating and on the Quarter’s committee of Oversight of its Coordinator. He is in his last year as a member of the Board of Directors of Friends Home and Village.

Welcome Bill!

Friends Home & Village

**FREE Technology Classes:** Friends Village is partnering with Senior Planet from AARP to help older adults use technology to learn new skills, save money, get in shape, and make new friends. Classes are hosted at the Styer Campus, located at 331 Lower Dolington Road in Newtown, PA, and are intended for adults 60 and over. Sessions will be held on Mondays and Thursdays from 11 am to 12:15 pm.

**Online Health Resources Workshop:** Did you know that searching a reputable site like MedlinePlus for medical and health-related issues gives better results than using Google? During this hands-on workshop, you’ll learn to use [medlineplus.gov](http://medlineplus.gov). You’ll search the site and explore its many sections to read about drugs, watch videos, and access tools.

Look interesting? Sign up! Call (215) 968-9222 x206 or email [info@fhvpa.org](mailto:info@fhvpa.org).



**Writing Group:** have you every wanted to write a book or start journalling but didn’t know to get started? We can help you get clearness about what you would like to write about and help you get started. Contact Judith Solt at 215-968-2897 or email [judysolt2@gmail.com](mailto:judysolt2@gmail.com).

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In Memoriam

**Yardley Friends** experienced the loss of Laura Clappison on January 30th and Katherine Cadwallader on February 3rd.



Please hold family and friends in the Light.

## Way Opens Wellness

### March Webinar: Breathe Easy

Fallsington Friend Amy Ward Brimmer is offering a free webinar on Saturday, March 12th from 10:00–11:00 am that will investigate how the breath is the core of all well-being, examine some of the ways you might be limited or harmed because breathing is malcoordinated, and experiment with some ways to restore free and easy breathing.

You will learn what's happening in your body as you breathe, how to seize the moment—even when you're very busy—to slow down and attend to your breathing.



This webinar is free – no charge when you attend live. [Click here for more information and to sign up.](#)

## Camp Onas



Last spring the Directors and the Board resolved to run the 2021 summer camp program at a reduced capacity, knowing it would cost more to operate than tuition could cover. They were in unity that safety was the most important thing they could do for the long term health of the Onas community, the campers and staff.

But long term planning could not stop because of the pandemic. The work to replace both crumbling 50-year-old Shower Houses needed to start in the fall in order to be completed for this 2022 season. While they are working on financing they still are seeking grants and dedicated donations. If you feel led to donate [you can click here.](#)

To read what Camp Onas meant to a first time camper: <https://www.quakersbucks.org/stories-of-vitality/my-first-time-at-camp-onas>

## Around the Yearly Meeting

### Hybrid Extended Worship

#### March Extended Worship: March 5th –

PYM's informal Extended Worship group is going hybrid! This month the group will meet at Abington Friends Meeting and will follow the usual format of worship from roughly 9:30 to 12:30, and worship sharing from 1:00 until around 2:30 to 3:00, with a bring-your-own lunch break in between. With these hybrid meetings, there will be a different Zoom link, depending on which meeting is hosting. To be placed on an e-mail list to receive Zoom links for this and future Extended Worship meetings, contact Jim Strong at [jmmstrong@gmail.com](mailto:jmmstrong@gmail.com).

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### ASMH Parking Permits

The 2022 application for Arch Street Meeting House parking permits is now open. Annual parking permits are available only to members of Friends monthly meetings, members of Arch Street Meeting House Preservation Trust, or employees of Quaker organizations, and are issued on a first-come-first-served basis. To apply: please visit [Arch Street Parking](#) to read over the guidelines and to fill out the application form. Questions? Contact Joyce David at [jdavid@pym.org](mailto:jdavid@pym.org).



### Workshop Proposals

#### Annual Sessions Workshop Proposals:

Applications are currently being accepted to facilitate a workshop at Annual Sessions. Workshops will take place simultaneously on Saturday June 25, 10 am to 4 pm. Five workshops will be chosen. This makes it imperative for workshop applications to reflect the goals set by the Sessions Coordinating Committee. Workshops need to be simple, direct, and they should be grounded in Quaker faith and practice. Workshops should respond to this year's theme of: "Across the generations, as

we repair broken foundations, we become unified in our beloved Quaker community." Workshops need to relate to at least one of the following topics: inclusion and belonging, embracing new people, climate change, equity and justice, or supporting local Quaker meetings. They should also include opportunities for skill building, concrete suggestions for further engagement with the issues being discussed, relationship building, and concrete things to take back to participants' communities. [Click here to apply.](#)

## PYM Spring Continuing Sessions

[Click here to register](#)

### Friday, March 25th 7 pm (Hybrid)

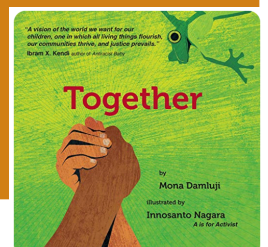
Musical Fellowship with Molly Hicks at Arch Street Meetinghouse. Molly is a member of Old Haverford Meeting, a music therapist, and a songwriter. She is once again bringing her gift of song to help us open the weekend together in community. Join the event via Zoom or in-person. Friends attending in person will need to show proof of vaccination and wear a mask in the meetinghouse.

### Sunday, March 27th after worship (at your Meeting)

Create your own intergenerational gathering of Friends. While the pandemic has opened the possibility to join together from across the PYM region without travel, our local meetings are where we gather most often across generations for fellowship, worship, learning, and business. The book "[Together](#)" by [Mona Damluji](#) is a great anchor for this time! It's story of how we are more whole when we are together. If you do not have a copy, and would like PYM to send you one, email [sessions@pym](mailto:sessions@pym) along with the request. You can also watch the story being shared in a read aloud on [YouTube](#). Activity suggestions to use with the book [can be found here.](#)

### Saturday, March 26th 9:30–4 pm (Online)

- 9:30–10:00 am Meeting for Worship
- 10:00–11:30 am Exploring the Theological Roots of Social Justice with Francisco Burgos, Executive Director of Pendle Hill.
- 11:30 am–12:00 pm Lunch break
- 12:00–4:00 pm Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business (draft agenda)





## PYM Grants

**PYM Quaker Buildings and Programs Granting Group:** QB&P Granting Group makes grants for construction, renovation, and capital improvement projects of Quaker organizations, and to support programs that strengthen Quaker

retirement communities and other specific Friends organizations, in accordance with the donor restrictions of the funds under the group's care.

The granting group meets twice yearly to consider applications, with deadlines on March 1 and August 1 of each year. The members of the group conduct site visits to many applicants following those deadlines, as part of their review process. Consult the [Quaker Buildings & Programs Guidelines](#) [PDF] for application details; in addition to the Guidelines, download a copy of the [Quaker Grantmaker Common Form](#) [PDF], which the Guidelines will instruct you to complete.

**Travel and Witness Granting Group:** provides grants to support active service and witness by individuals following leadings of the Spirit. The group has made fewer grants since March 2020 resulting in more funds available for future grants.

One fund in particular, the Pemberton Fund, has over \$50,000 available for granting to PYM members and attenders traveling in Quaker service or under a religious concern recognized by their meeting, or under appointment by and on behalf of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. [Click here for more information and to apply for a grant.](#)

**Quaker Fund for Indigenous Communities:** Formerly known as the Indian Committee, the group is composed of Quakers from all parts of PYM who support Indigenous communities through grants as well as advocacy. Their small grants provide seed money for projects identified and implemented by Native communities in the Philadelphia area and throughout North, Central and South America. These include projects to build cultural, economic, environmental, and social well-being.

With a limited funding base they sometimes cannot fund all the grant requests received. They hope to build their funding base which is built on restricted endowments from Friends so that they can make more and larger grants which will ensure that projects planted with the help of this "seed money" have the chance to grow.

The Indian Committee began its ongoing relationship with Native peoples in 1795, and in the past Quakers were complicit in efforts to "civilize" Native peoples, including the operation of boarding schools where children were stripped of their culture. Supporting young people and their communities in their efforts to learn and take pride in their identity and traditions is one way to redress wrongs of the past. [Click here to learn more about their work.](#) You can also explore the work of the [PYM First Contact Reconciliation Collaborative](#) as another way to act on concerns in support of Indigenous peoples.

## Eco Justice News

PYM has committed to a corporate witness on climate change. The Eco-Justice Collaborative (EJC) of PYM issues a monthly bulletin to provide Friends with time-sensitive information and resources to

help in their ongoing work witnessing for social and climate justice. [If you would like to subscribe, click here.](#)

The latest issue provided a link to a 5-minute test to measure your carbon footprint. [Click here to calculate your carbon footprint!](#) If you have events or resources to share, please send them to Ruth Darlington at [rdarlington49@gmail.com](mailto:rdarlington49@gmail.com).

## Pendle Hill Programs

**First Monday Lecture – *Love Knows No Borders*** – Mar 7th, 7:30–9:00 pm: Pedro Rios, director of the American Friends Service Committee's U.S./Mexico Border Program, will explore how his lifelong

work and time with the American Friends Service Committee is dedicated to upholding the dignity of border residents and migrants who cross through the region, as well as the ways this work challenges the troublesome border narrative used to create detrimental public policy. [Register here.](#)

**Pendle Hill's March Reading Group**–Mar 23rd, 6:30–8:00 pm: In March, we will be considering Emily Provance's [Spiritual Gifts, the Beloved Community, and Covenant](#) (PHP #461). You can purchase a copy of the pamphlet here. [Register here.](#)

**Friends Couple Enrichment: Caring for Your Relationship While Caring for Others** – Mar 5, 6, 12: This is an



introductory workshop intended for couples interested in growing their own relationship and providing a community of support to other couples. It is preventive medicine, not therapy. We will tend the theme of "caring for your relationship while caring for others," but any couple in a committed relationship, whether you are currently responsible for the care of others or not, is encouraged to participate. For more of an introduction, watch the Friends Couple Enrichment [QuakerSpeak video](#).

Included among the leaders of the workshop are Jess Walcott and Gene Sonn of Middletown Friends Meeting. Cost is \$180 per couple, with financial assistance available. [Register here.](#)

## PYM Youth Programs

**Quaker Parenting Initiative:** Searching to Better Nurture and Guide Children – Wednesdays in March.

Wednesdays in March a five-week series starting on the Second. Using queries such as, "where is that of God in my child and in me," challenge us to look deeper into the foundation of our faith and into our family life, its joys and frustrations and describe alternative scenarios as we move from dreams to reality. For further information contact Harriet Heath at [harriet.e.heath@gmail.com](mailto:harriet.e.heath@gmail.com).

**Young Clerks Training:** FGC has re-envisioned its Young Clerks training for 2022 and is working in collaboration with PYM Youth Programs! The goal of this training to strengthen young Friends understanding of the spiritual grounding of Quaker business practices. This is a training in three parts—two online, and one in-person session at Arch Street Meetinghouse in Philadelphia on Saturday, April 23. PYM's Young Friends staff are hosting an overnight program Saturday-Sunday and promise fellowship and fun!

- **Online Sessions** — Sunday, March 20, 3:30-5:30 pm (EST) and Sunday, April 3, 3:30-5:30 pm (EST)
- **In Person Workshop** — Saturday, April 23 10 am – 5 am (EST) at Arch Street Meetinghouse
- **Optional Overnight** — Hosted by PYM Young Friends co-facilitators, Aeryn Luminkith and Clare Chalkley, this is an overnight for high school age youth. Dinner and breakfast are included, and we will worship with the Monthly Meeting of Friends of Philadelphia on Sunday morning.

**Questions?** Contact the Youth Religious Life Coordinator: [mwennerbradley@pym.org](mailto:mwennerbradley@pym.org)

[Click here to register](#)

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