



## HADDONFIELD MONTHLY MEETING RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

# NEWSLETTER

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Meeting for worship

10 am Sunday ~ 9:15 am Wednesday

### Upcoming Events

### Religious Education News

Please plan to join us for these upcoming Adult First Day School programs:

November 1 - History of the Meetinghouse (Bob Brookes)

November 8 - Meeting for Worship for Business

November 15 - Clean up and Covered Dish (Property Committee)

November 22 - Discussion of programming for children and youth (Religious Education)

November 29 - Extended Hospitality for Thanksgiving Weekend

December 6 - Simple Gifts

First Day programming for children and youth (11:20 AM-12:15 PM)

*Parents are reminded to personally drop off their children and sign in with teachers each week.*

All HMM members are asked to participate in the 11/22 discussion on programming for children and youth. Underlying this specific topic is the larger consideration of our commitment to the children and youth of our meeting and how we are - or could - express this commitment.



**Nov. 1 - Native American Rights Forum** - Navajo Elder Lenny Foster will speak on Native American religious rights, the International Indian Treaty Council and Leonard Peltier. Leonard Peltier was sentenced to life imprisonment in the deaths of two FBI agents during a 1975 shootout on the Pine Ridge Indian Reservation. There has been debate about Peltier's guilt and the fairness of his trial. Recognizing the importance of traditional Native American religious practice as a source of strength and a necessary means of cultural survival, Lenny Foster has spent the last 28 years fighting to ensure that incarcerated Native Americans have the right to worship with access to their traditional ceremonies. The 1 p.m. event will be held at the Arch Street Meeting House. For more information, contact the Indian Committee co-clerks at [katederiel@verizon.net](mailto:katederiel@verizon.net) or [jasperbeach@verizon.net](mailto:jasperbeach@verizon.net)

**Nov. 5-7 - Arts On Arch** - Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and Fellowship of Quakers in the Arts (FQA) are presenting an Art Show and Sale which opens with a Preview Party (open to all) on Thursday and runs through Saturday afternoon. The show, at the Fourth and Arch Street Meeting House in Philadelphia, will feature up to 40 artists. On Friday evening, there will be a concert with Livingston Taylor and Liz Longley at the Arch Street Meeting House. Tickets are \$30 and can be purchased online.

Information about Arts on Arch events is at <http://www.pym.org/pm/arts-on-arch.php>  
Questions may be directed to Jan Hatchard in the  
PYM Development Office at 215-241-7115 or -  
7271 or [janh@pym.org](mailto:janh@pym.org).

**Nov. 6 – PYM Concert by Livingston Taylor  
and Liz Longley** – Friends and friends of Friends  
will gather to have a good time and raise money  
for the Yearly Meeting’s Annual Fund.

The 7:30 p.m. concert will be held in the Arch  
Street Meeting House. Tickets are \$30.

**Nov. 6-8 – Spiritual Formation Program Retreat  
at Haddonfield Monthly Meeting** – This  
weekend marks the opening retreat for the PYM  
Spiritual Formation Program. Registration (5:30  
to 6 pm) on Nov. 6 will be followed by dinner,  
then the opening exercises of this nine-month  
program that has so many of us excited about  
deepening our understanding of Quaker  
spirituality and sharing our walk with others in  
our Meeting. If you need information about this  
program or wish to register, contact a member of  
the Oversight Committee: Pam Anderson, Judy  
Barnes, Mary Noland, Judy Owens or John  
Sheffield.

**Nov. 7 – Paul Lacey Reflections** – The American  
Friends Service Committee (AFSC) invites  
Friends to join us at 3 p.m. at the Friends Center  
in Philadelphia to hear Paul A. Lacey, clerk of  
the AFSC Board and Corporation and professor  
emeritus of Earlham College. Paul Lacey will  
conclude his time as clerk of AFSC's board with  
reflections on his service with AFSC and his  
work on behalf of peace, justice and human  
dignity. A reception will follow his remarks.  
Friends Center, which has recently completed an  
eco-friendly renovation, is located at 1501 Cherry  
Street in Philadelphia.

**Nov. 7 – Anti-Bullying Workshop for  
Elementary School Educators** – The PYM Non-  
Violence and Children Working Group will offer

an experiential workshop that will cover:

- \* current research
- \* cyber bullying
- \* a process for reporting bullying
- \* how to gather information to help and protect  
the target
- \* strategies to help all students deal with and  
decrease bullying

Act 48 Credit\* is available for Pennsylvania  
teachers.

\*There is a \$15 fee for Act 48 credits

Free Parking Onsite

Fee: \$5:00 will be collected at the door

Contact: Elke Muller at [elkem@PYM.org](mailto:elkem@PYM.org) or call  
her at 215-241-7223 for more information and to  
register.

**Nov. 14 – Friends Historical Association  
Lecture on John Woolman** – The public is  
invited to attend the association’s annual  
meeting at the Arch Street Meeting House  
featuring a lecture by University of Rochester  
Professor Thomas Slaughter. The author of *The  
Beautiful Soul of John Woolman, Apostle of  
Abolition*, Slaughter will speak on “Who Owns  
John Woolman?” The 1 p.m. lecture is free.  
Lunch will be available at noon by advance  
reservation. For more information, call 610-896-  
1161 or write [FHA@haverford.edu](mailto:FHA@haverford.edu).

**Nov. 14 – Quaker College Fair** – High school  
students, recent graduates and parents are  
invited to learn about Quaker colleges and adult  
study centers including Bryn Mawr, Earlham,  
George Fox, Guilford, Haverford, Pendle Hill,  
Swarthmore, Whittier, William Penn,  
Wilmington and Woodbrooke. Sponsored by  
Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and Friends  
Association for Higher Education, the fair will be  
held from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. at Friends Center at  
15<sup>th</sup> and Cherry Sts. For more information, visit  
[www.fahe.org](http://www.fahe.org). To register, please contact Elke  
Muller at 215-241-7223; [elkem@pym.org](mailto:elkem@pym.org).

**Nov. 15 – Haddonfield Monthly Meeting  
House Fall Cleanup** – This is a day for raking  
leaves and for other miscellaneous cleaning

activities. Everyone is invited to participate. We will work between the rise of Meeting at 11 and the beginning of Covered Dish at 12:30, so come prepared and "dig right in." If you plan to rake leaves, bring a rake, bring a tarp if you have one and wear gloves. Extra rakes will be helpful. If you would rather clean inside, give some thought to what you'd like to accomplish. Windex and rags will be available in the foyer. If you need something else to do your job, bring it with you.

**Nov. 15 – Max Carter Lecture** – Moorestown Friends Meeting will host a lecture on the Biblical Roots of Friends Testimonies. The Bible Association of Friends in America and the Adult Religious Education Working Group of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting are sponsoring the talk by Max Carter, director of Friends Center and campus ministry coordinator at Guilford College. The talk, from 2:30 to 3:30 p.m., will be followed by refreshments. Moorestown Friends Meeting House is located at 118 E. Main Street in Moorestown. For child care or further information, please contact Charlotte Lippincott at 609-267-1736; [clmood@aol.com](mailto:clmood@aol.com).

### **Silent Retreats for Friends in 2010**

Friends and attenders who are drawn to the mystery we call God may find a retreat helpful. Two retreats are again offered in 2010 at St. Raphaela Center in Haverford PA. The retreats are one eight-day retreat, Tuesday, Jan. 5 to Wednesday, Jan. 13; and one midweek retreat Tuesday, Feb. 9 to Thursday, Feb. 11. Retreatants have private rooms and the run of the house, chapel, and spacious grounds for a prayer-filled time away. Renee Crauder from State College Meeting is the spiritual director for these retreats, which are co-sponsored by PYM's Adult Religious Education Concerns Group. The cost for the eight-day retreat is \$450; the midweek retreat is \$175. These fees include room, board, the facilities of the Center, and Renee's availability. A non-refundable deposit of \$50 is due at the time of registration. Each retreat

is limited to five retreatants. To register, call St. Raphaela Center at 610-642-5715; for more information, call Renee Crauder at 814-867-0644 or email [rcrauder@comcast.net](mailto:rcrauder@comcast.net)



### **Meeting for Worship for Business - Oct. 11**

The Clerk read extract 198 from p. 146 of *Faith & Practice*.

Karen Dillon presented the annual report for Friendship Committee as attached. The meeting accepted the report with gratitude for the work the committee does throughout the year.

Because Quarterly Meeting will be held at Haddonfield in February 2010, covered dish lunch day will be changed to 4th Sunday to coincide with the meeting.

Nominating Committee requested approval for the appointment of Michelle Tartar to Religious Education Committee, to begin as of the moment of approval. Friends approved.

Beginning with a weekend retreat on November 6, 7, 8, John Brady, Diane Kessler and Jeff Perkins – members of the Working Group overseeing the program - will be guiding PYM's "Spiritual Formation Program" for members and attenders of Haddonfield Meeting.

Judy Barnes, representing Haddonfield Meeting's Oversight Committee for the program, requested approval from Meeting to apply to PYM's Membership Development Fund for \$500.00 to help defray the costs of the reading materials (\$130) and other fees (\$80) for members and attenders of Haddonfield Meeting who find the cost to be a hindrance to their participation in the program. Friends with questions about the nine-month program should contact Judy Barnes, Judy Owens, Pam Anderson or John Sheffield. Haddonfield Monthly Meeting, through the Oversight Committee for this Spiritual Formation Program, accepts the responsibility for meeting all requirements of this grant. Requirements include, but are not limited to, providing a timely financial report

and returning any unspent funds.

The Clerk read a report from Kira Adams describing her recent trip to Japan for her study abroad program with Dartmouth College. It was a detailed account of her activities and of her experiences living with two Japanese host families. Haddonfield Meeting had given a grant to Kira to help defray some of the travel expenses. Friends agreed that our financial assistance to Kira was money well spent.

Dan Tompkins updated the meeting on the School/Meeting Separate Incorporation process. Members of School and Separate Incorporation Committees have reached unity on the licensing, lease and operating agreements. Pat Williams and Dan Tompkins are working with the school to secure various documents needed to finalize the full separate incorporation. The not for profit status of the newly incorporated school will fall under the umbrella of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. We hope to identify a date for closing during the next meeting, which is scheduled for November 17th. Dan said he would ask Connie Brookes if members will be able to review the agreements.

Lisa Boyell gave the Treasurers report for John Donch. John will answer questions related to the report at the November Meeting for Business. If you would like a copy of the report, contact John.

Business meeting concluded with a period of worship.

Respectfully Submitted,

Joanne R. Hoxie Heizer, Recording Clerk

Friends and regular Attenders may request copies of the complete minutes from the Recording Clerk at [Joanne@synchcorp.com](mailto:Joanne@synchcorp.com).

### **Some Suggestions for Meeting for Worship**

- ♥ Sit in a different place each First Day for a new perspective.
- ♥ Talk to people you wouldn't talk to at coffee hour.

♥ Stroll the grounds before worship, or sit in your car for 10 minutes and observe.

♥ Come for the full hour of worship (benefits everyone).

♥ Come for 1 1/2 to 2 hours of worship sometimes.

♥ A cure for racing mind: hold someone you pick at random in the light.

*~ Judy Kruger*

### **Yearly Meeting Annual Report on Web**

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends has published its first Annual Report in more than a decade. General Secretary Arthur Larrabee, in an email to members and attenders, announced that the report is now available for download on the PYM website [www.pym.org](http://www.pym.org). Read about the services provided by our Yearly Meeting to support Friends Meetings and their members and attenders. Topics highlighted include pastoral care, outreach, education, youth programs, Quaker service, Arch Street Meeting House and Conference Center, and a look to the future. The report also has a handy directory of PYM staff with their job titles and a statement of the Yearly Meeting's finances. With our Yearly Meeting's heightened concern for EarthCare, and with sensitivity to our finances, PYM is distributing this Annual Report almost exclusively electronically. Printed copies are available on request to Friends without Internet access, or who prefer a printed version for other reasons. To receive a printed copy, please contact Kaye Henley in our Development Office: 215 241-7271, or [kayeh@pym.org](mailto:kayeh@pym.org)

### **Deadline Extended for Quaker Youth Pilgrimage**

Young Friends now have until Nov. 30 to consider applying for next summer's Quaker Youth Pilgrimage in the Northwestern United States. Please share this opportunity with young Friends in your meeting! The price has now been

set at \$1,300 for the month-long pilgrimage; some scholarship funds are available. Travel to and from Seattle, the starting point for the pilgrimage, is additional. Visit <http://www.fwccamericas.org> for details on this event sponsored by Friends World Committee for Consultation. The Quaker Youth Pilgrimage connects European young Friends with other 16-18-year-olds from the Section of the Americas. The extended deadline also applies to adults seeking to be leaders on this pilgrimage.



### **Food for Thought from Pennsylvania Climate Action Network**

Your diet choices are a vote three times per day for a healthy environment. We rarely think about how our diet choices affect climate change. For meat eaters, here are some numbers and healthy choices to consider for our diets and climate:

\* The livestock sector accounts for 18 percent of global greenhouse gas emissions, and cattle are the largest contributor. The production of meat and dairy products emits more greenhouse gasses than cars, trucks, ships and planes combined.

\* Producing a kilogram of beef creates 16 kilograms of carbon dioxide equivalents. That's four times higher than pork, and 10 times higher than poultry.

\* By swapping chicken for beef, greenhouse gases generated by the meat's production drop 70 percent.

A diet consisting largely or entirely of fruits, vegetables, and grains results in even greater greenhouse gas reductions. At each meal we can make choices for the health of both body and climate.

Bon Appétit!

-- John Hayden and Taylor Lamborn,  
Greater Pennsylvania Climate Action Network

### **Friends Employment Opportunity**

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting is searching for an Executive Assistant to the General Secretary.

This position supports the General Secretary in contributing to the vitality and effectiveness of PYM; provides organizational and administrative support to the General Secretary and has responsibility for the well functioning of the General Secretary's office. Provides general support for PYM office and staff, and provides staff support for Interim Meeting and the Clerk of the Yearly Meeting. May have responsibility for independent projects.

This position will be filled on a full-time or 80% basis, yet to be determined.

We seek candidates with a positive and outgoing manner, good interpersonal skills, strong organizational skills, experience with Microsoft Word and Excel, and who are able to be flexible to shifting organizational needs. Must be knowledgeable about the Religious Society of Friends and be able to operate with discretion and confidentiality.

Please visit our web site ([www.pym.org](http://www.pym.org)) to view the full job description and the application process or contact Ginny Connolly, Human Resources Coordinator, [humanresources@pym.org](mailto:humanresources@pym.org) or 215-241-7225.

### **Worship at Burlington Meeting House**

After an 18 year hiatus, Burlington Meeting House has resumed Meeting for Worship every Sunday! Join us at 10 a.m. for Meeting followed by refreshments. Help us spread the word about renewed Sunday Worship at Burlington.

For more information call Carol Strawson at 609 387-3875; [carols@pym.org](mailto:carols@pym.org). Location: 340 High Street, Burlington, NJ 08016. Map and directions can be found at [www.pym.org](http://www.pym.org)

