

PYM News & Events Update



Philadelphia Yearly Meeting

November 2017

Events 2017

Continuing Sessions, November 4, 9:30 am - 4 pm

Arch Street Meeting House



We will gather for worship and business, which will include an update on our Multicultural Institutional Audit and reports from our governing councils. We'll enjoy fellowship over a brown bag lunch & continue our work together to focus on becoming more welcoming

and inclusive, led by Sarah Willie-LeBreton and Inspira Williams. The afternoon sessions include tools for Friends to take home to their monthly meetings. All meetings should plan to send at least

two members or attenders to carry the training and resources back to your meeting. Children, Middle Schoolers and Young Friends (*High School Age*) need to be registered ahead of time.

Free! Register Now: www.pym.org/continuing-sessions

Limited parking available. Beverages & snacks provided, bring a brown-bag lunch.

November 2017

Children (K-5) at Continuing Sessions

November 4, Arch Street Meeting House

We will gather at Arch St Meeting House for community, storytelling and play! Registration: www.pym.org/continuing-sessions

Middle School Friends at Continuing Sessions

November 4-5, Arch Street Meeting House & Frankford Monthly Meeting

Middle School Friends will spend the day at fall continuing sessions with workshops, community building and worship...and then we'll have a one-night overnight to keep the fun going! This is a great

gathering for first-time attenders to check it out, and of course will be a wonderful opportunity for old Friends to reconnect. Registration & details: www.pym.org/middle-school-friends

Young Friends (*high school age*) at **Continuing Sessions** (*one-day gathering*)

November 4, Arch Street Meeting House

Young Friends is a great place to find company, spiritual fellowship, and fun. Quaker and Quaker-interested youth are welcomed for whomever they are and encouraged to bloom into their fullest selves. It's a safe and empowering place to be! Join us for this special one-day gathering to learn more about the Young Friends Program and get a better sense if it would be a good fit for you.

Registration: www.pym.org/continuing-sessions/registration/young-friends-registration

Lucretia Mott: Taking a Stand

Saturday, November 11, 11:30 am, Arch Street Meetinghouse

Annual Meeting and panel presentation with Chris Densmore, Nancy A Hewitt, Beverly Wilson Palmer (co-editors with Carol Faulkner of *Lucretia Mott Speaks: The Essential Speeches and Sermons*). The presentation is free and open to the public. Details: www.quakerhistory.org/events/lucretiamott

WE CAN DO IT DAY! *Spiritual Growth through Teaching, Service, & Mentoring*

November 11, 10 am-3 pm, Burlington Meetinghouse

We Can Do It Day is for parents, those who care for children, Religious Education and others who seek to celebrate and nurture the children in our community. The program will begin with a keynote presentation, "Nurturing the Spirit in Children and Adults" Following lunch, four workshops will be offered: Ideas for Service Projects, Innovations in First Day School Teaching, Building Mentoring Relationships, and Unexpected Growth in the Spirit. There will also be educational and fun activities for children.

Registration details: www.pym.org/event/can-day-spiritual-growth-teaching-service-mentoring/?instance_id=951 or Linda Lotz, haddonfieldquarterly@yahoo.com

Bucks Quarter Pot Luck & Sing

November 11, 5:30 pm, Wrightstown Meetinghouse, 535 Durham Rd, Newtown, PA

All are Welcome.

Join Friends on November 11th for a Quarter-wide family social event of feasting, fun and singing. We will begin at 5:30pm with a pot luck meal followed by singing from 7 to 8 pm. Friends of all ages are welcome. Bring your own instrument (or not), recorder, mouth harp, guitar, fiddle, harmonica...your voice is a beautiful instrument too. There are no rules or hefty structure. Just fun. Bring your friends, neighbors and a dish to share. The more of everything the merrier we will be!

Questions? Contact: Holly Olson at 215-860-9747 or hollybqc@verizon.net

Historic Meetinghouse Celebration

November 12, 1:30- 2:30 pm, Atlantic City Area Friends Meeting

Atlantic City Area Meeting is proud to announce the RESTORATION of its historic 1828 Meetinghouse. Join Friends for a tour and brief presentation, followed by refreshments. Details: www.acquakers.org

Mid-Week Meeting for Worship

Dates: November 15, 22 & 29. Time: 6 pm - 6:45 pm

Location: Arch Street Meetinghouse - Monthly Meeting Room

Weekly mid-week Meeting for Worship at 4th and Arch is being held at a time we hope will be convenient convenient for Friends and others seeking a mid-week opportunity for silent worship.

Thanksgiving Worship at Plumstead Meeting

4914 Pt. Pleasant Pike, Doylestown, PA 18902

Plumstead Friends invite you to worship on Thanksgiving morning, November 23 at 9:30.

Following worship you are also invited to share in the pot luck brunch.

Questions? Beth Taylor, 215-822-2299 or huldah44@verizon.net

<https://plumsteadfriendsmeeting.org>

December

Extended Meeting for Worship

Saturday, December 2, 9:15 am - 3:15 pm, Green Street Friends Meeting

Need a spiritual boost? Feeling drained or weary? Try Extended Worship as way to feel spiritually renewed, and reconnected with the spirit of the Divine. Most newcomers to Extended Worship are surprised at how quickly time passes, and are surprised about how refreshed they feel.

All are welcome. Attend just a portion of the day or the full day. And remember to bring your lunch. If you will need childcare, please email Lola Georg by

Monday, November 20th.

Details: www.pym.org/event/extended-meeting-worship-3/?instance_id=851 or

Lola Georg, lolageorg@gmail.com

Silent Retreat, Gwynedd Friends Meeting

Saturday, December 2, 9:30 am - 4:30 pm

We will gather to share our prayers and hopes for the day, then see where the spirit will lead each of us through journaling, art work, labyrinth walking, meditation and sitting quietly by ourselves in silence. At the end of the day we will meet to gather the graces. Bring a journal, sketchbook, needlework, simple crafts, or spiritual readings. Bring a bag lunch and snacks to share. Drinks will be

provided, try a new practice! Details: www.gwyneddmeeting.org/GatheringGarden.html
Registration & questions: Connie Lezenby 267-664-3721 or lezenby@gmail.com

Employment

Executive Assistant to the General Secretary

American Friends Service Committee

Responsible for managing the General Secretary's Office, including providing general executive administrative support to the General Secretary (GS) and Deputy General Secretary (DGS); accomplishing general duties of office management and of meeting support and planning for GSO. Responsible for other administrative duties in support of the General Secretary's Office as needed.

Application Deadline: October 13, 2017

Details: <https://recruiting.ultipro.com/AME1068/JobBoard/34b788f5-e07e-3fb3-8e73-08c36602a07b/?q=&o=postedDateDesc>

Educator in the Early Childhood Program's After School/Late Day Program Ages 3-5, Germantown Friends School

The successful applicant is someone who enjoys talking to, playing with, and planning creative and engaging theme-related programming for curious, active, thoughtful children during the hours between 3:10 p.m. dismissal and 6:00 p.m. pick up. The ideal applicant also is interested in working with committed colleagues on the design and implementation of fun, enriching, and play-oriented art and science projects, cooking activities, outdoor games, and much more.

Application Deadline: November 15, 2017

Details: www.germantownfriends.org/about-us/employment-opportunities/current-opportunities

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Quaker Pilgrimage to Fox & Fell Country 2018

Sponsored by Friends Council on Education & Philadelphia Yearly Meeting

The next Pilgrimage will run from July 16 to 22, 2018. About 30 Friends and Quaker educators from Monthly Meetings and Friends schools gather as a multigenerational group to explore Quakerism's past as it relates to the present. The group will explore the roots of the Religious Society of Friends in England's "1652 Country" with the help of guides from Britain Yearly Meeting. Quaker Pilgrims said of the last journey...*"I have a new awareness of the Quaker faith and Quakers living in the world today."*

Registration opens on Wednesday, September 30, 2017, at which time participants will reserve a space by mailing in a paper registration form with a non-refundable deposit of \$500.

Details: www.friendscouncil.org/default.aspx?RelId=632752 or

Deborra Sines Pancoe, deborra@friendscouncil.org

Grants Application Deadlines

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting makes over 500 grants every year to individuals, Meetings, and non-profit organizations. Grants are made from income from restricted bequests and Trusts given to our Yearly Meeting by generous donors since 1795. All granting deadlines are listed by month at www.pym.org/grants/grants-resources/grants-application-deadlines

Information: Carol Walz, cwalz@pym.org, or 215-241-7201.

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