

DECEMBER 2016 NEWSLETTER
HADDONFIELD MONTHLY MEETING OF THE
RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS



From Your Editor

Fall has been exhausting, and for many of us, dispiriting. My Christmas wish for Friends is that we be able to enjoy this joyous season with friends and family. In this time of giving, let us all examine our lives to see the opportunities open to us to effect positive change in our own communities.

Peace,

Fran



**“People are illogical,
unreasonable, and self-centered.
Love them anyway.”**

- Ken M. Keith

**YEAR END DONATIONS TO
MEETING**

Please remember that if you wish to make a donation to support Haddonfield Monthly Meeting in this calendar year, the clock is ticking! All contributions are welcome and much needed . Checks can be sent to Susan Borkowski, 128 North Drive, Haddonfield, 08033. Alternatively, set up recurring payments through the online bill pay at your bank. Ask your bank how to set this up, or ask Susan or Lisa Boyell for assistance. Haddonfield Monthly

**Meeting appreciates each
gift, regardless the size.**

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**Ad Hoc Financial
Stewardship
Committee**

**YOU ARE INVITED TO THE
ANNUAL CHRISTMAS BREAKFAST**



SUNDAY, DECEMBER 18TH

8:30 a.m

Please bring a Christmas bread to share!

Haddonfield Monthly Meeting Meeting for Worship for Business

November 13, 2016

MINUTES

The Meeting for Worship for Business began with a period of silent worship. The Clerk read Query # 11, "Stewardship of Resources," Faith and Practice, p.212.

17 Friends attended.

Friends approved the minutes of the October 2016 Meeting for Worship for Business.

Kathy Fastiggi raised a question for FCNL. How would people would like to receive FCNL information from her, on behalf of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, including via email as currently being done? Also, are people receiving FCNL materials separately, via email or Facebook or text? After some discussion, Kathy said she would consider creating a weekly digest of FCNL communications or sending links to FCNL materials.

Peace & Social Concerns is co-sponsoring an Amnesty International "Write for Rights" event here on Dec. 10 from 10 am – 4 pm.

Kathy Fastiggi also discussed a worldwide Quaker letter expressing concerns about climate change.

The Clerk presented a draft minute for Meeting approval concerning Lisa Boyell's role as Treasurer. A copy is attached. Friends approved.

Lisa Boyell presented the Treasurer's report on income and expenses, compared to the budget, as of October 31, 2016. A copy is attached hereto. Last year the budget was higher than this year, but as of November 30, 2015, we were at 24% of budgeted contributions. As of October 31, 2016, we are at 18% of budgeted contributions.

Susan Borkowski announced that we have had \$5,000 invested in the Reinvestment Fund since 1996 at 0% interest rate. It is time to decide whether to continue that investment. Do we want to continue to support the Reinvestment Fund? If so, do we want to do so at 0%, 1% or 3.5%? Information about TRF may be found at www.reinvestment.com. We will defer action on this question until December 11.

Veronica Salaam presented the report of the Library Group. The Group continues to support the programs of Meeting committees and is creating an online catalog. There will be a Cozy Bookchat starting in January.

The Clerk presented Membership news. E.Domras is now a new member of the Meeting.

The Clerk mentioned that Haddonfield Quarterly Meeting is asking whether Meeting would wish to endorse a statement regarding Climate Change. The statement will be circulated and we will consider this issue in December.

Hiltrud Dodge asked if anyone knows where the enhanced hearing support equipment is located. No one present knew. Ginny Barker had the locks to the library and office changed. The new locks are not the same as the front door lock. The Clerk and Friends thanked Ginny Barker for her hard work in cleaning the office, getting the shutters approved, etc.

The Clerk read a letter from the Burlington Quarter Meeting House board. It wants to achieve financial independence from PYM and to preserve the presence of Quakers and their historical contributions in South Jersey. There will be an informational meeting on Sunday Dec. 11 at the Meeting House at 340 High Street in Burlington City.

We will have a Meeting for Worship and worship sharing on Thanksgiving Day at 10 am.

The next Meeting for Worship for Business is scheduled for December 11. The Annual Report of Peace & Social Concerns is due at that time.

Monthly Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business concluded with a period of worship.

Respectfully Submitted,

Patricia Kane Williams, Recording Clerk.



2016 Holiday Schedule

Haddonfield Monthly Meeting



- Thursday, November 24th:** **Thanksgiving Day**
10:00 - 11:00 am > Meeting for Worship
- Friday, December 2:** **HFS Fund Raiser @ Barnes and Noble (Cherry Hill)**
5:00 - 8:00 pm > Children will sing and we'll listen and shop
- Sunday, December 4:** **Simple Gifts**
10:00 - 11:00 am > Meeting for Worship
11:20 am - 12:30 pm > Enjoy making ornaments, decorating wreaths and preparing other "simple gifts" for the holidays.
- Thursday, December 15:** **HFS Concert**
7:00 - 8:30 pm > Haddonfield Friends School Winter Concert: an annual, all-school performance.
- Sunday, December 18:** **Christmas Breakfast**
8:30 - 9:30 am > Breakfast and Christmas music prior to Meeting for Worship. Eggs and sausage are provided; bring your favorite bread to share.
1:30 - 2:30 pm > Visit Cadbury Nursing Home to sing carols with Meeting children and give simple gifts to residents.
- Saturday, December 24** **Christmas Eve Worship**
7:00-8:00 pm > Meeting for Worship, followed by Christmas carols and light refreshments. Bring cookies to share!
- Sunday, December 25** **Christmas Day**
10:00 -11:00 am > Meeting for Worship

WORRIED ABOUT THE FUTURE?

== OVERCOME FEAR AND HOPELESS HELPLESSNESS ==

== HAVE FUN WHILE SPEAKING TRUTH TO POWER ==

(CARRY A SIGN IF YOU CAN'T CARRY A TUNE)

BE A RAGING GRANNY!

SING OUT AGAINST VIOLENCE AND INJUSTICE
IN THE ANCIENT TRADITION
OF GRANDMOTHERS CARING FOR ALL CHILDREN AND THE NATURAL WORLD

Let's entertainate Haddonfield during the holiday season!

Sign up **NOW** with Rose at quakerthunder@aol.com
856-428-0402

Equal Opportunity Notice. Younger women and men who are willing to wear funny granny hats while singing in public may apply as Associate Grannies.

NOTE: The Raging Grannies began in 1987 in Victoria, British Columbia, and quickly spread. The older women's "Gaggles" reacted to threats to health and the environment as well as sexism and ageism among peace activists by singing topical criticism set to popular tunes and wearing hats that parodied stereotypes of old women. For more, see <http://raginggrannies.org/>



Library Corner

Cozy Book Chat

First Day Program

January 29th 2017

Enjoy warm winter beverages while we highlight some titles in our Meeting Library's collection. Please share your recommendations for books you have read recently that Friends may enjoy.

~ December 2016~						
◀ September						November ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
				1	2 5pm-8pm HFS Fund Raiser Barnes & Noble	3
4 10:am Meeting for Worship 11:20 to 12:30pm Simple Gifts	5	6	7 9:15 am Meeting for Worship	8	9	10
11 9-10am Peace and Social Concerns 10:am Meeting for Worship 11am-12pm MFWFB	12	13 10am-12pm Quakerism 101	14 9:15 am Meeting for Worship 3-5pm Care/Worship and Ministry Committee	15 7-8pm HFS Winter Concert	16	17
18 8:30 am Christmas Breakfast 10:am Meeting for Worship 1:30-2:30pm Visit Cadbury; caroling with children	19	20	21 9:15 am Meeting for Worship 7-9pm Finance Committee Auditorium	22	23	24
25 10:am Meeting for Worship	26	27 10am-12pm Quakerism 101	28 9:15 am Meeting for Worship	29	30	31

