

May 2017 NEWSLETTER

HADDONFIELD MONTHLY MEETING OF THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS



Haddonfield Monthly Meeting

From your editor

Greetings from the shore, where Spring has not yet appeared, although I heard rumors that somewhere it is beginning to warm up a bit.

I do want to reiterate that I need items for the Newsletter by the 25th of each month. It does take a few days to get everything together and I like to send the Newsletter out by the 1st of each month.

Thank you all for your cooperation!

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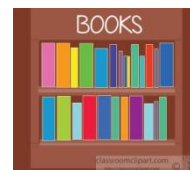
Meeting for Worship for
Healing

7 PM

Monday, May 15th

Book Club

Life Lessons from a Bad Quaker is a great beach read! We will have our book club discussion in September at a date to be announced over the summer.



PICNIC

Our annual end-of-the-program-year Picnic will be held on **Sunday, May 7th**. Sandwiches and cake will be provided. Feel free to bring other goodies. Weather

permitting, bring a blanket if you'd like to eat outside. Musical Friends, bring your stringed instruments, kazoos or whatever for an informal jam.

Thoughts on our Haddonfield Meeting Community

Worship and meditating in our beautiful, historic Meeting House, with our own chosen spiritual community is a great treasure. We respectfully gather among fellow members and attenders in the comfort of our spiritual home.

The building and its peaceful surroundings, and the very attractive grounds with its wonderful old cemetery, are in our care to enjoy during our lifetimes and pass on to future generations. We are its present caretakers. This very special gift in true Quaker simplicity has very small needs, since we do not have paid staff. We are led by the guidance of our testimonies, queries and our community. The responsibility for financial stewardship is clearly stated in one of our testimonies.

Everyone's support is essential. It came as a surprise

to me to learn that only about 60% of our members give financial support. Their generosity is what keeps us going but on a bare bones budget. All it takes is living by our testimony for good stewardship.

The way we try to raise our contributions is intended to be in a very respectful manner. I can't imagine that anybody in our community is not able to make small donations of \$5 or \$10 a month. Even such a small amount would ease the financial burden. It is wonderful to think about the differences this could make.

One of our former members, whom I will always count as one of my wonderful spiritual guides, told me that if one gives in a manner that makes one feel good, that is all one needs to do.

I would love to picture our meeting being able to do projects with our committees. Peace and Social Concerns Committee could guide us in making a difference in our neighborhoods and in many social research projects. Refugee issues, and support of prison projects are just two of the places we could contribute.

Quakers are respected in the world and in this country. This reputation came about because Quakers live their testimonies.

We need to consider what we will pass on to the next generation.

Holding our Meeting in the Light with kindest thoughts,

Hiltrud Dodge



Haddonfield Quarterly Meeting Activities

Resources & Renewal Retreat for First Day Teachers -

May 5, 2017 @ 9:30 PM - May 7, 2017 @ 12 PM

West Chester Friends Meeting
425 N High ST., West Chester, PA

\$75 for the weekend

www.pym.org/event/resources-renewal-2017/?instance_id=771

Lenape & Quaker Relationships in South Jersey

Friends Historical Association

Saturday, May 6

Salem Oak & Burial Grounds,
West Broadway, Salem

Contact: fha@haverford.edu

Or call 610-765-1211

Memorial to the Lost
Honoring those killed by gun-violence

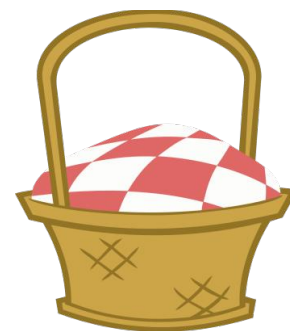
**Sunday, June 4 - Opening Event
Exhibit through end of June**

Haddonfield Meeting Cemetery

Haddon Ave, Haddonfield

Contact:

HaddonfieldMeeting@gmail.com



Hold the date!

**Haddonfield
Quarter's Annual**

Family Picnic will be held on Sunday, June 25 at Haddonfield Meeting following Meeting for Worship.

12:00 in the Haddonfield Meetinghouse library. The purpose of this group is to deepen interpersonal relations and spiritual life among members and attenders through dialogue. All are welcome to attend.

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A Quaker Creative Listening group will meet every fourth Tuesday of the month from 10:00-

MAY 2017						
◀ January 2016						March 2016 ▶
Sun	Mon	Tue	Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat
	1	2	3 9:15 am Meeting for Worship	4	5	6
7 10am Meeting for Worship Picnic	8	9	10 9:15 am Meeting for Worship 7-9pm- Care/Worshi p & Ministry Committee Mtg.	11	12	13
14 9am-10am Peace & Social Concerns Committee 10am Meeting for Worship 11am- 12pm MFWFB	15 7PM Meeting for Worship for Healing	16	17 9:15 am Meeting for Worship 7pm-9pm Finance Committee Mtg. Auditorium	18	19	20 Haddonfield Meeting Retreat at Pendle Hill
21 10am Meeting for Worship 11-12:30 Covered Dish Potluck	22	23	24 9:15 am Meeting for Worship	25	26	27
28 8:45am- 10am Child Life Committee Mtg. Library 10am Meeting for Worship	29	Notes:				

