

KENNETT FRIENDS MEETING

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Summer Schedule for June, July and August, 2009

Men's Breakfast June 6, July 4, August 1 at 8 am – in the Meetinghouse kitchen.
Open to men and boys of all ages. Sign-up with Scudder Stevens for
e-mail notification. RSVP helpful for planning but not a requirement.

Meeting for Worship for Business: June 14/7 pm, July 12/9:30am, Aug. 9/9:30am

Meeting for Worship at Old Kennett Meetinghouse: June 28, July 26, Aug.30

*Historic Old Kennett Meetinghouse is located on U.S.Rt. 1 – use entrance to Kendal.
No childcare available. No Worship at Sickles Street Meetinghouse on Old Kennett dates.

June

7 Final Collection Day for Clothing Bank of Delaware
11 am Meeting for Worship held outdoors. No babysitting this day.
Picnic and Swim *weather permitting* at Brumbaugh's.

14 **11 am Meeting for Worship**
6 pm Covered Dish Supper hosted by Care & Counsel Committee
7 pm Meeting for Worship for Business – Geothermal information.
Committees scheduled for Annual Reports: Nominating, Library,
Care & Counsel, Religious Education, Worship&Ministry.

21 **11 am Meeting for Worship**

28 **11 am *Meeting for Worship at Old Kennett Meetinghouse**

July

5 **11 am Meeting for Worship** followed by Family Sunday refreshments

12 **9:30 am Meeting for Worship for Business**
11 am Meeting for Worship

19 **11 am Meeting for Worship.**

26 **11 am *Meeting for Worship at Old Kennett Meetinghouse**

August

2 **11 am Meeting for Worship** followed by Family Sunday refreshments

9 **9:30 am Meeting for Worship for Business**
11 am Meeting for Worship

16 **11 am Meeting for Worship**

23 **11 am Meeting for Worship**

30 **11 am *Meeting for Worship at Old Kennett Meetinghouse**

STANDING and other COMMITTEES SUMMER MEETINGS:

Clerks will notify members of summer meetings.

This summer, check the website for updates: www.kennettfriends.org

Misplace this calendar? You can access it on the website.

SUNDAY MORNING GREETERS:

June: Dave MacKelcan **July:** Mary Lou Ruggieri **August:** Jean Tennent
SUNDAY MORNING CLOSERS: **June:** Jessie Cocks, **July:** Scudder Stevens

FAMILY SUNDAY REFRESHMENT COMMITTEES:

JUNE 7 Sachiko & Dan George, Annie & Rich Burrows, Barbara & Phil Mounts,
Sheila & Eric Magendantz, Chris & Warren Reynolds
JULY 5 Mary Lou Ruggieri, Bob McKinstry, Beppy McKinstry, Walter & Karen Earle,
Neal Kilpatrick
AUGUST 2 Laura & Dave MacKelcan, Sunny & Kevin Livelsburger, Kathy Hahn,
Lars Farmer, Jessie Cocks

SPECIAL EVENTS

Additional details for these events are on page 3 and 4

JUNE 7 final day of Clothing Collection for Clothing Bank of Delaware
11 am OUTDOOR MEETING FOR WORSHIP
All afternoon: weather permitting PICNIC & SWIM at Brumbaugh's

JUNE 14 **6 pm COVERED DISH SUPPER** sponsored by Care & Counsel
7 pm Meeting for Business

JUNE 19 **Western Quarter Girls' Overnight Event**

JUNE 7 and 28 Western Quarter Outings to LaMancha

JULY 17 7:30 – 9:30 pm at Nixon Park **BIG G and the COOL CATS**
Rain date Sunday, July 19 7:30-9:30 pm
Final program of the Hadley Fund 2008-2009 season.

JULY 25 1 – 2 pm DARIA – family-centered international music
At Nixon Park during Family Fun Fest.
Concert, sponsored in part by Sara Bowers Fund of Kennett Meeting

COLLECTIONS – ON-GOING – THIS SUMMER

The Kennett Area Food Cupboard. The Neighborhood Guild. The Quaker Fair.
Food: All non-perishable food and pantry items collected in our baskets in the Meetinghouse.
MaryEtta is our Meeting representative to Neighborhood Guild. New clothing items and unused toiletries
collected for local distribution. Keep your eyes open when searching those SALE racks.
Quaker Fair –when you are housecleaning this summer, remember that both Mabel's Attic and the Book
Department are eager for your books and collectables. Read more on page 5.

QUERIES For the Summer please refer to ***Faith & Practice*** pages 205-214
June: Equality July: Social Responsibility & Witness August: Peace

DEADLINE for September Newsletter will be August 29

Look for the September Newsletter after Labor Day

JUNE 7TH at Kennett Meeting – Morning Worship Outdoors – Afternoon Swim

This is the final day of the Annual Clothing Collection. Bring bags to the lower level in the back of the Social Room. Your donations should be gently worn and clean. The Clothing Bank of Delaware is not able to collect anything in need of washing or repair. Clothing for children, women, boys and girls is always needed. Donation slips are available on a side table.

Let's hope for fair skies in the morning and full sun in the afternoon for 11 am. Outdoor Meeting for Worship at KMM then an Afternoon Picnic and Swim at Brumbaugh's. Bring snacks or finger foods to share and don't forget your towels and sun protection. Directions will be available on the piano and everyone is most welcome to come regardless of desire to swim! In the event of too cool temperatures or rain, Meeting for Worship will be held inside the Meetinghouse, but the Swim and Picnic will be postponed until a date in July.

JUNE 14th - Evening Meeting for Business at Kennett Meeting:

6 pm Covered Dish Supper precedes a full schedule of evening business.

7 pm Meeting for Business.

Scheduled Annual Reports: Nominating, Library, Care & Counsel, Religious Ed.,
and Worship & Ministry committees

More Geothermal Information from House & Property:

H&P will present an update on the HVAC replacement for the Meeting House. Kevin Arnold, Clerk of H&P of London Grove Meeting will be speaking to the Business Meeting about the geothermal system currently in operation at Fairville Friends School and the feasibility of such a system for KFM. There will be opportunity for attendees to get information, ask questions and help formulate a plan of action for the replacement of the now partially inoperable heating system before the Fall. H&P needs Business Meeting participation, please come!

JUNE 7 and JUNE 28 Western Quarter Youth At LaMancha:

Please contact Greta if you are interested, spaces may be filled.....

The dates and times for La Mancha volunteer training are set!! June 7th and June 28th at 1pm. Greta is opening up the "sign ups" - there are 5 spaces for each date. These will be filled on a first-respond, first-signed up basis. We are keeping the number of children/adult volunteer teams to 5 for each date in order to make this manageable.

For those who are interested, the plan is to gather at London Grove around noon for a bag lunch in order to check in and gather any paperwork. Then, leave from London Grove by 12:45 to arrive for a 1pm training.

On June 13, 2009 10 am – 3 pm, Birmingham Friends Meeting HOSTS 2ND ANNUAL PEACE FAIR.

Peace Fair is a fun event for people of all ages. Included are children's events, food, used book and DVD sales, a tour of the garden and more. The main purpose is to raise money to buy hand-held, effective and simple-to-use metal detectors to help people in war-ravaged developing countries to locate and remove buried anti-personnel landmines.

Last year money was raised to buy four detectors that were shipped to a needed area by the United Nations. Your support will greatly help this worthwhile cause. www.birminghamfriends.org

There will be flyers on the piano. Visit the historic Meetinghouse and grounds and meet some Concord Q Friends.

On June 14, 2009 - 12:15 PM MARLBOROUGH MEETING PICNIC

Bring food to share if possible and a plate for yourself. Meetinghouse will be open to visitors.

JUNE 19 Western Quarter Event for Women and Girls:

Please contact Greta if you are interested.....

This is an overnight for girls 8 and older and a significant female role mode (mom, step-mom, other). The overnight will begin at 7pm on June 19th at Centre Meeting (no dinner). The time together will be a thoughtful, deep and fun-filled exploration of this special relationship.

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The leader is Megan Hegenbarth of Centre Meeting who brings with her the experience of a mom, step-mom, teacher, and leader of retreats for mothers/daughters and outdoor experiences for intergenerational women's groups. Plan to stay until 12 noon Saturday June 20th morning.

A nominal fee of \$10.00 is asked to hold your space and to defray some of the costs. Financial assistance is available. Please don't delay – contact Greta.

Registration is necessary in order to prepare enough materials for each pair. Please contact Greta Rech, Western Quarter Youth Activities Facilitator at WesternQYouth@aol.com or 484 356 6028, for more information and to register.

Final HADLEY FUND Concert of the 08-09 Season:

Wed., JULY 17 - 7:30-9:30 pm Concert at NIXON PARK: BIG G and the COOL CATS

Rain date: July 19th, 7:30-9:30 pm Come out tonight and s w i n g with Big George Whittam and Barbara Kovachs at this “meowing” summer concert in Nixon Park.

Saturday, July 25th Family Fun Fest at Nixon Park, 10 am – 2 pm

The Sara Bowers Fund assists to sponsor the “world music” performance by DARIA. It begins at 1 pm, but get to the park early for a fun-filled family program.

This, and all summer park events, will be listed at www.ansonbnixonpark.org.

Worship Times at Old Kennett Meeting

Meeting for Worship will be held at Old Kennett Meeting, as is the custom, on the last Sundays in June (28th), July (26th) & August (30th) at 11:00 am. The Old Kennett Committee invites you to our historic Meetinghouse in its 299th year. The Meetinghouse is in pretty good shape, considering its age, but it's usually hot, so dress lightly. The antique wooden benches are treasures but still are only wood, so you may want to bring a cushion to sit on.

Old Kennett Meeting Committee Members are reminded to arrive 1-hour early.

Westward Ho!

Our friends Loralie and Lee Parks left in February for an extended RV trip to see America. They are having the time of their lives. Visit their blog spot for commentary and beautiful photographs:

<http://wearereadytoroll.blogspot.com/>

Let Us Re-Introduce You!

Fairville Friends Preschool has been in a care relationship with Kennett Friends Meeting since 2004, but many members of meeting are still unfamiliar with the school. We are seeking to change that!

Founded in 1973 by fellow Friend Barbara DesJardins, Fairville Friends is now located in the old farmhouse that was once part of Woodward Farms. There young children (ages 2-5 years old) explore art, nature and learning in self-directed ways with teachers who honor their individual experiences, as well as Quaker principles. All FFS children attend (a very short!) Meeting for Worship each day, and learn the SPICES (simplicity, peace, integrity, community, equality and stewardship) through their daily interactions.

As we work to strengthen the relationship between our meeting and this school, we hope that KMM members who are interested might come for a visit while school is in session this fall. Especially welcome would be Friends who wish to volunteer to read a story, organize a craft project, lead a “nature walk”, or in some other way get to know the children of Fairville Friends. Please contact Sarah Kastriner or Debby Brumbaugh for more information.

From The Quaker Fair Committee.....

Quaker Fair Committee Keeps Fair Robust

The Fair Committee is actively working towards another great traditional Quaker Fair. There is a lot going on behind the scenes as the new Quaker Fair Committee plays its role with organization of the largest annual event at Kennett Meeting. The committee's function is to provide structure and overall support for the Fair. The committee also carries on the tradition of the Fair by maintaining records and following an annual time line of events for preparing for the Fair. The committee also oversees the volunteer Leaders for each of the Fair's many Departments. Key roles are those of the **Fair Chairman and Co-Chair** who rally everyone and act as top coordinators before and during the Fair. Each year a new Co-Chair is confirmed. That person works to assist and learn in all matters of the Fair. After serving as Co-Chair, that person becomes the Fair Chairman for the next year, and a new Co-Chair is selected. Some Department Leaders have served the Quaker Fair for many, many years, though year to year we also see new department leaders too. Bob and Deb Brumbaugh have continued for years to head up the "Attic", bringing in cool used stuff every year for sale. Melanie Pratola has been bringing the Pony Ride ponies for longer than can be remembered. Families in our Meeting such as the Amoss's, Lighty's, Georges, Tennents and many others have been mainstays at the Fair, bringing their families to help each year.

The Quaker Fair has been a tradition for over 50 years now. The new Quaker Fair Committee will work to ensure that the Fair remains a tradition. Please let our committee members know of your concerns regarding the Fair.

2009 Quaker Fair Committee: Chairman – Lars Farmer, Co-Chair – (TBD), Clerk – Betsy Neuville, Members – Debby Brumbaugh, Mary Clendenin, Kathy Hahn, Sally Lighty, Sheila Magendantz, and Marcie Potter.

Quaker Fair Committee Seeks Co-Leader

The Quaker Fair Committee is searching for this year's Co-Leader. The Co-Leader works with the Fair committee to plan for the Fair and learn about the process of having a successful Quaker Fair, then becomes the Fair Chairman the following year. Please contact Lars Farmer (larsfarmer@hotmail.com) or any of the Quaker Fair Committee Members if you – or someone you know - would be interested in this position.

This summer, don't forget. MABEL'S ATTIC and the BOOK DEPARTMENT

Before you toss anything or give it away, think twice!

Your clean, used items might become someone else's best found treasure from the 2009 Quaker Fair. Items you might not even consider are very collectible: baskets, perfume bottles, costume jewelry, ladies belts, a single dinner plate or mismatched flatware.

If storage is a problem for you, speak to Debby or Bob Brumbaugh about "attic" items or to Chris Kimmel about books.