



KENNETT FRIENDS MEETING NEWSLETTER



APRIL 2009

Date Day Time

“←” – arrow indicates a change or addition to our regular schedule

- 4 Saturday 8 am Men’s Breakfast Group
- 5 Sunday 9:30 am **Meeting for Worship for Business** ←
Youth Class: classes for K-2 and for grades 3 – 8.
11 am **Meeting for Worship**
11:30 am **Family Sunday Refreshments** – check p.2 for hosting committee
noon Library Committee will meet briefly in the Library



- 12 Sunday **EASTER SUNDAY** ←
Please turn to page 3 for details.
EVERY EFFORT WILL BE MADE TO KEEP TO THIS SCHEDULE
BUT THE BEST WAY TO BE SURE THAT YOUR CHILD IS NOT LEFT OUT
IS TO ARRIVE AT MEETING BY 9:45.
9:30 am **Covered Dish Breakfast**
10:15 am **Easter Egg Hunt**
10:45 am **Meeting for Worship**

- 19 Sunday 9:45 am **Adult Class:** Faith & Practice, pgs. 63-67, Jessie Cocks
Youth Class: classes for K-2 and for grades 3 – 8.
10:45 am **Gathering followed by 11 am Meeting for Worship**
Noon Worship & Ministry Committee meets in Martha Hannum Rm.
3 pm Hadley Program: The Kennett Trio at Kennett Meeting ←

- 26 Sunday **STUFF THE VOLVO this morning.** Details pg. ←
9:45 am **Adult Class:** Faith & Practice, pgs. 43-47 and pgs.56-62
Leader: Laura MacKelcan
Youth Class: classes for K-2 and for grades 3 – 8.
10:45 am **Gathering followed by 11 am Meeting for Worship**
At the rise of Meeting Bookclub Meets. This month’s selection by Ram Dass - ←
“Still Here: Embracing Aging, Changing & Dying”

Looking ahead....

- May 1 Hadley Program: Chester County Youth Orchestra at Unionville High School
At 8 pm. Alex Kimmel plays violin in this orchestra. www.ccyo.org
- May 3 9:45 am Adult Class: Faith & Practice, leader: Sheila Steuteville, pgs. 74-81
- May 3 at the rise of Meeting: Quaker Fair Committee meets

GREETER FOR MEETING FOR WORSHIP IN APRIL: Walter Earle
CLOSER FOR MEETING FOR WORSHIP IN APRIL :

FAMILY SUNDAY REFRESHMENT COMMITTEE FOR APRIL

Mary Etta Clendenin, Liz and Bill O'Neill, Sheila Steuteville, Alison Dobbs Thompson, Julie Rickerman

SPECIAL EVENTS THIS MONTH:

- 4/5 Meeting for Worship for Business will be held on the first Sunday in April at 9:30 am
- 4/12 Easter Sunday
- 4/19 Western Quarterly Meeting will be held at Mill Creek Meeting
Hadley Program to be held at Kennett Meeting at 3 pm. The Kennett Trio.
- 4/26 "Stuff The Volvo"
Kennett Meeting Bookclub

DEADLINE FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER: Monday, April 27

Family Sunday Refreshment Committee for May: Kathy and Paul Gamble, Chris and Bruce Howells, Michelle and Paul Scheibe, Bob Bean, Melanie and Michael Pratola, Rita Funchin

4th Query To Be Considered In April – Care for the Meeting Community

Are love and unity maintained among us? When conflicts exist, are they faced with patience, forbearance, and openness to healing? Are avenues for exploring differences kept open? To what extent does our Meeting ignore differences in order to avoid possible conflicts?

Is the Meeting a safe, loving place? When we become aware of someone's need, do we offer assistance?

Are the Meetinghouse and the Meeting property physically accessible to all?

Do all adults and children in our Meeting receive our loving care and encouragement to share in the life of our Meeting, and to live as Friends? Do we truly welcome newcomers and include them in our Meeting community?

When a member's conduct or manner of living gives cause for concern, how does the Meeting respond?

How does our Meeting keep in touch with all its members?

HIGHLIGHTS OF March 8, 2009 MONTHLY MEETING

-Daniel George presented annual report for Sara Bowers Committee. Grants for 2008-09 are listed on pg.

-Sarah Kastriner reported on the very successful Fairville Friends Spaghetti Dinner held at KMM. Alison Frey, Clerk of FF Board was in attendance too and answered questions about the school.

-discussion on meetinghouse heating system deferred until April. However, Sarah Kastriner and Alison Frey were able to answer some questions about the geothermal system at FFSchool.

-Meeting approved move of next Meeting for Business to April 5 as Easter falls on April 12.

-Maceo Davis reported on Interim Meeting and those suggested procedure changes.

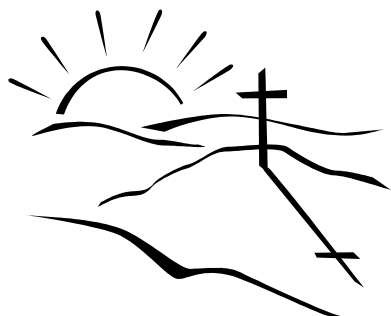
-It was announced that Western Quarterly Meeting will be at Mill Creek Meeting on April 19.

Items Carried Over: Kennett Meeting's heating and air system replacement project.

Annual Reports Next Month From: Social Services Committee

Complete minutes and committee reports are available in the binder on the hall table in the meetinghouse.

PLEASE JOIN TOGETHER.....



E A S T E R M O R N I N G 4/12

9:30 am Traditional Covered Dish Breakfast

Elaine Amoss & Sarah Kastriner will organize.
Beverages provided. Please bring food to share.
Helping hands are welcome.

Everyone is encouraged to join in –
especially families with young children.
Having all youngsters present during breakfast
greatly facilitates the timing of the Egg Hunt.

10:15 am Easter Egg Hunt

Sheila Steuteville will organize.
Parents and others are invited to contribute
one doz. eggs/per child.
Please have eggs and children at the meetinghouse
By 9:45 am. This allows time to hide the eggs and
ensures that no one will be left out.

10:45 am Gathering followed by Meeting for Worship

Adult Classes – April 19, 26 and May 1: Faith & Practice

April 19 – Opportunities for Wider Religious Fellowship & Action, Concerns, Leadings and testimonies. P. 63-67

April 26 - Friends and Education p. 43 – 47, Intervisitation, Death and Bereavement, Funds, Property, Burial, p. 56-62

May 1 – Living In the World, p. 74 – 81.

Western Quarterly Meeting at Mill Creek on April 19:

Adult Program: "What is Yoga?" Speaker: Leslie Beckett

Youth Program: Musical program. Featured performer: Jon Watts followed by Drumming, singing, games, food, and more!

Greta writes, "Jon's music is a unique experience, blending his work on the acoustic guitar with a knack for rhyme, rhythm and the spoken word. His poems and songs offer a window into a truly rich spiritual journey, as well as a deep relationship with Quaker history and practice."

For schedule and more details see The Friendly News, newsletter of Western Quarter – or our bulletin board.

HADLEY Fund Programs in April and May:

Sunday, April 19th, 3 pm at Kennett Meetinghouse – The Kennett Trio.

Friday, May 1st, 8 pm at Unionville High School – Chester County Youth Orchestra

Alex Kimmel is a member of this orchestra and will be playing violin.

To learn more about the Youth Orchestra, www.ccyo.org.

Patricia Hsiao

A Memorial Meeting was held at Kennett Meeting on March 28th in celebration of the life of Patty Hsiao. Patty's light shone brightly during her full and loving life. She touched the lives of so many who spoke to the joy of knowing her, none more than her beloved children Max, Nina, Davie and Babs, her loving husband Dave, her parents and siblings, the Tennent Family, and her many friends and members of both Birmingham Meeting and Kennett Meetings.

From the **Sara Bowers Committee**

Dan George, Clerk, reported to the Meeting on March 8. Following are the grants made by the Sara Bowers Committee for 2009.

Direct Requests to Sara Bowers Committee:

Kennett Meeting Religious Education	3,500
Kennett Meeting Social Services*	7,003
Kennett Meeting House & Property	10,000
Belize Birds Ltd.	6,450
Camp Dreamcatcher	1,000
Chester County Futures	1,500
Community Gardens	2,000
Delaware Pacem in Terris	500
FCNL Education Fund	1,500
Friends General Conference	1,500
Friends Home	8,500
Friends Publishing	3,000
HomeAid for Africa	500
Kennett After School Association	2,000
Kennett Area Park Authority	500
Nurturing Minds, Inc.	2,417
Pennsylvania Women's History Project	500
William Penn House	2,000
	\$54,370

*Breakdown of Social Services Committee List:

Camp Dreamcatcher	753
Kennett Area Community Service	1000
Family Service of Chester County	1000
His Mission	1000
Friends Assn Care & Protection	500
Quaker Inner City Endowment	500
Tick Tock Learning Center	500
Friendship House	1000
Study Buddies, Bethel AME	250

The complete report will be on file along with Minutes from the March 9, 2008 Meeting for Worship for Business on the hall table in our meetinghouse.

April 22, 2009 is Earth Day



Query: Are you walking gently on the earth?



“As Friends become aware of the interconnectedness of all life on this planet and the devastation caused by neglect of any part of it, we have become more willing to extend our sense of community to encompass all living things. We must now consider whether we should lay aside the belief that we humans are acting as stewards of the natural world, and instead view human actions as the major threat to the ecosystem.

Friends are indeed called to walk gently on the earth. Wasteful and extravagant consumption is a major cause of destruction of the environment. The right sharing of the world’s remaining resources requires that developed nations reduce their present levels of consumption so that people in underdeveloped nations can have more, and the earth’s life-sustaining systems can be restored. The world cannot tolerate indefinitely the present rate of consumption by technologically developed nations.”

from Faith & Practice, p. 81 – Walk Gently on the Earth

To increase your awareness or to help to make greener choices, here are a few interesting sites:

Southeastern Chester County Refuse Authority – *that’s right* – the dump! www.seccra.org.
info about recycling *and* conserving

The Earthdaynetwork www.earthday.net where you can take the carbon footprint quiz

Greenpeace www.greenpeace.org where you can access an electronics guide
and a tissue guide.

Pennsylvania Environmental Council www.pecpa.org.

PennEnvironment www.pennenvironment.org Environmental activists

Water Use It Wisely www.wateruseitwisely.com “100 Ways To Conserve Water”

STUFF THE VOLVO

SUNDAY, APRIL 26

Let's "Stuff the Volvo" with food to help the Kennett Food Cupboard.

Don't Know What To Bring? Here Are Some Suggestions:

**CANNED
SOUPS**

Vegetables

Boxes of Spaghetti

Peanut Butter

Dried Milk

Fruits

Rice

Paper Products

Jelly

CEREAL

- ANYTHING NON-PERISHABLE

LOOK FOR THE GRAY VOLVO WITH BALLOONS AND AN OPEN TRUNK

- All food will be delivered to the Food Cupboard and unpacked by the First Day School that day. In addition there will be a complete tour of the Cupboard and details given on how it operates.



A project of Kennett Meeting's Social Service Committee and First Day School