

Caln Quarterlyly

Caln Quarter of the Religious Society of Friends

Fall 2009

Caln Quarterly Meeting Sunday, October 18

Meeting for Worship

10am

Caln Quarterly Meeting

11am

Autumn Apple Themed Lunch

12:30pm

Exhibition of historical photographs, documents and paintings of Exeter Meetinghouse, open fire cooking of apple fritters.

Children's and teens activities include FDS, pressing apple cider on site and apple-bobbing

Program 1:30pm

SETH HINSHAW

Seth B. Hinshaw, Clerk of Ohio Yearly Meeting and Senior Preservation Planner with Wise Preservation Planning earned both a bachelor and master's degree in History from UNC-Greensboro. He then earned his M.S. in Historic Preservation from the University of Pennsylvania in 2001.

His master's thesis on the evolution of the design of Quaker meeting houses won the Penn award for best thesis. His work with Wise Preservation includes National Register nominations, historic property research, historic structure reports, and GIS mapping.



Exeter Friends Meeting is at the junction of Boone and Meeting House Roads in Exeter Township about a mile and a half north of the Daniel Boone Homestead.

(Use this address for map quest) **191 Meeting House Rd, Douglasville, PA 19518**

**The
Monthly
Meetings
of
Caln
Quarter**

Bradford

Worship: 11 am
526 W Strasburg Rd
Marshallton, Pa
Clerk: Sandy Hale

Harrisburg

Worship: 11 am
1100 N. 6th St
Harrisburg, Pa
Clerk: Ken Woerthwein

Sadsbury

Worship: 10:15 am
Simmontown Rd
Gap, Pa
Clerk: Sue Snyder

Chambersburg

Worship: 10:30 am
630 Lindia Dr
Chambersburg, Pa
Clerk: Jim Barton

Lancaster

Worship: 8 & 10 am
110 Tulane Terrace
Lancaster, Pa
Clerk: Joe Moore

Schuylkill

Worship: 10 am
37 N. Whitehorse Rd.
Phoenixville, Pa
Clerk: Megan Connolly

Exeter

Worship: 10:30 am
191 Meetinghouse Rd
Douglasville, Pa
Clerk: Jack Grebinger

Reading

Worship: 10 am
108 N. 6th St
Reading, Pa
Clerk: Jim Morrissey

Uwchlan

Worship: 10:30 am
800 E. Lancaster Ave
Downingtown, Pa
Clerk: Sally McQuail

Old Caln Meetinghouse

Under the care of Quaker Trustees
Worship: 10:30 am
(except the last Sunday of the month)
Rt 340 and Bailey Rd
Coatesville, Pa

Cornwall Worship Group

Under the care of LMM
Worship: 10 am
(the 1st Sunday of each month)
Paymaster House of Cornwall
Manor

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Www.calnqm.org

Caln Quarterly Meetings for Business...

.... regularly occurring events. They take place in:

February —on the 3rd Sunday

May —on the 1st Saturday

August —on the 3rd Sunday

October —on the 3rd Sunday



Please mark those days on your meeting calendar.

Friends gathered for coffee and socializing around 10:00 this morning. At about 10:30, we settled into worship, and at about 11:15, our new clerk, Jody Kinney from Uwchlan Monthly Meeting, introduced herself, as did Jim Herr, recording clerk.

All Meetings of the Quarter were represented. We had guests: Clerk of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting (PYM), Thomas Swain, from Middletown Monthly Meeting (Concord Quarter); general secretary of PYM, Arthur Larrabee, Central Philadelphia Monthly Meeting; Wade Wright, Millville Monthly Meeting, coordinator of Upper Susquehanna Quarter; and Rebecca Sullivan, Pacific Yearly Meeting, travelling with Noah Baker Merrill. In addition, our speaker for the afternoon, Noah Baker Merrill, from Putney Monthly Meeting, New England Yearly Meeting, was present acceptably.

The agenda was presented and approved.

Arthur Larrabee, general secretary of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting (PYM), said an extremely important part of his ministry is to knit our faith community together, which was part of his reason for being here. He told us about the list of four priorities accepted as a framework for all the work of our Yearly Meeting. Arthur also showed us a marvelous booklet that tells about all the structural pieces of PYM.

Darlington Hoopes, jr. presented the treasurer's report. Beginning balance was \$18,101.87, receipts totaled \$50,542.89, disbursements were \$45,181.18, which left a balance as of August 16 of \$23,463.58.

Mose Cornwell told us that Bradford, just over the hill from here, is not an active Meeting, but quiet and circumspect. It is a small Meeting, with perhaps four there today.

James Barton told us that Chambersburg Meeting used to say that "where 2 or 3 are gathered..." But there is optimism with a vigorous adult series of forums, and they are looking for college students. The overseers will be considering where they are going at this point. A young former member of Meeting came back to the meetinghouse to play some Bach cello suites.

Jack Grebinger said Exeter has been having a challenge with some members in the Meeting opposed to financial support of the Quarterly Meeting's coordinator program and others in favor. They have nearly come to a point of requesting intercession. Exeter is about to celebrate their 250th anniversary. As a meetinghouse quite close to the Daniel Boone Homestead, they are outreaching to the community about Quakerism. And the Meeting is growing vigorously—at one time they felt 12 was crowded, now it takes 35 to be crowded—and there is an active First-day School.

Cindy Herr, one of three clerks of the Committee for Oversight of the Regional Coordinator (CORC), gave the committee's report. The Committee supports Marie's participation in the school of the Spirit, and hopes that she will be fully funded by various scholarships for the \$6000 tuition. If she cannot find the rest of the funding, she may come to the Quarter. Marie has visited all the Monthly Meetings in the Quarter. CORC will be joining Marie at the annual gathering for Oversight Committee members.

Marie presented a report on her activities. She offered us fliers on the barn dance and Quarterly Meeting at Exeter in October. She had a work grant at the FGC Gathering, which she felt was wonderful, and she was at Yearly Meeting annual sessions. She is looking forward to the School of the Spirit, and has received further funding from her Monthly Meeting. Reading is showing a film "Before You Enlist," and is hoping to have viewers from all over. Marie is assisting at the Upper Susquehanna Quarter's annual weekend gathering. She has a great deal of activity planned during the next two months. There will be a talk by someone from the work camp at William Penn House in Washington, D. C., where Marie will be spending some time. She said she is available to Exeter, whether all of them are in favor of supporting the Quarter's coordinator program or not. It was brought up that individuals of Exeter are contributing to the coordinator's support. Marie expressed a hope that the Quarterly Meeting can help, in whatever way, as a larger body. Francis Brown expressed appreciation to the Yearly Meeting for its support of our coordinator program. Marie expressed her immense gratitude for the ability to serve this community.

Kay Pickering from Harrisburg Monthly Meeting said there are only two on the Quarter's nominating committee, and she brought the name of Sandy Grotberg to add to the committee. Meeting approved. Meeting also sent best wishes to Sandy as she recovers from knee surgery. Kay also mentioned that Bill Pickering will be leaving the Yearly Meeting nominating committee in February, and she hopes someone will come forward to volunteer to join the other two currently serving in that position.

John Bryer from Uwchlan Monthly Meeting, as representative of the trustees of Old Caln meetinghouse, told us they are attempting to make this building more visible in the community. There will be a concert here in October to serve as a fund raiser. John said the trustees are hoping to establish an endowment for the building. At this point, people are meeting here for worship every Sunday but the last Sunday of the month, with 11 to 20 people. The local historical society still uses the building for their museum. A local painter, Adrian Martinez, has donated prints of a beautiful painting of the building for the trustees to use as a fund raiser. Money from the Quarter paid to cap a wall. There was a project to replace flooring. And at this point there is concern about a crack in one of the building's walls.

Taylor Lamborn, Reading Monthly Meeting, is also a member of the Climate Action Network of the Yearly Meeting. He told us that there is an effort, with the National Council of Churches, to collect post cards to send to President Obama in support of a strong treaty on the environment at Copenhagen in December. Taylor had a box of these cards to distribute to the Monthly Meetings, for people to return to our next Quarterly Meeting in October. These cards will be sent as a batch to the National Council of Churches in the hope of having a major publicity event, showing support from all churches. There is also a packet of information on the Friends Committee on National Legislation (FCNL) efforts to bring a strong environmental bill to congress. A friend urged us to think for ourselves, before signing on to anything.

Talking about the environmental efforts of PYM, Taylor mentioned that PYM has put forth a tremendous effort to reduce the carbon footprint of Friends Center, which will be LEED certified as gold, at least, perhaps platinum. Arthur Larrabee told us there will be a celebration of Friends Center on September 12. Taylor also urged us to contact our senators to bring forth a strong bill to address climate change.

These minutes were read, corrected, and approved. There were 41 present. We planned to have a brown bag lunch, and then out of a spirit of worship, to listen to Noah Baker Merrill who coordinates the work of Direct Aid Iraq, a grassroots aid, advocacy, and peace building effort supporting a future of peace for and with Iraqis.

Our next meeting will be held in Exeter, October 18, 2009, as we help them celebrate the 250th anniversary of the building of their meetinghouse.

Respectfully submitted,

Jim Herr, Recording Clerk

From the Desk of the Coordinator

October is a month full of wonderful happenings in (and around) Caln Quarter.

On **Saturday October 3rd**, Friends can learn a great deal about the history of Exeter Meetinghouse and 18th Century Quakers by attending an exhibition at the DeTurk House at Daniel Boone Homestead. There will be "trolley service" from the Homestead to Exeter MH where walking tours hosted by a local architectural historian will take place at 10:45am, and also at 1, 2, & 3pm. Local artists will be onsite.

On **Sunday October 4th**, Exeter Friends will have meeting for worship at 10:30am and at 1pm. An eighteenth Century Quaker wedding Reenactment will be held following each worship service.

On **Saturday October 10th** Uwchlan Friends at Downingtown hold the Friends Fall Festival, continuing a 30 year tradition of offering one of the area's largest fall festivals. There will be food, live music, quality crafts, and more. See a fuller write-up on page 7.

Happenings in and around the Quarter (con't from p. 4)

On **October 18th** we meet for Quarterly Meeting at Exeter Friends Meeting. Exeter Friends have planned a weekend of events in celebration of their 250th Anniversary. Quarterly Meeting is a perfect opportunity for fellowship with the wider Quaker community. We will worship together, share a festive fall lunch, and younger friends will press cider and apple-bob among other activities.

On **Saturday the 17th** there will be a Barn Dance from 6 to 8pm at the Crow's Nest Preserve in Elverson, Pa (201 Piersol Road).

Please see our website for more detailed information: www.calnqm.org.

The Annual Arts Conference sponsored by The Fellowship of Quakers in the Arts (FQA) takes place on **Oct 24th** at Pendle Hill. Members of FQA can choose between 8 workshops. FQA has a website where you can learn more about the organization: <http://www.quaker.org/fqa/>

For Young Friends and Middle School Friends: <http://www.pym.org/youngfriends/index.htm>

PYM **MSF** Halloween Gathering - Fri-Sun, **Oct 23-25** at Burlington

PYM **Young "Fiends"** Halloween Gathering - **Oct 30-Nov 1** also at Burlington.

On Sunday, **October 25** at 2pm: Join us at the Old Caln Meeting House, Coatesville, PA for a very special musical treat: **Bill Kirchen, legendary guitar player, in concert for the benefit of the Old Caln MH** Seating is limited, tickets should be purchased in advance. info <http://www.oldcalnmeetinghouse.org/kirchen.htm> Bill Kirchen has been called "a one-man living history museum of the coolest rock guitar licks ever performed," and "a virtual encyclopedia of rock 'n' roll knowledge."

Lancaster Friends Meeting will be offering the basic workshop in the Alternatives to Violence Project (www.avpusa.org) on **October 24 and 25** from 9-5 each day. Lunches and refreshments will be served. A free will offering will be asked for. The Alternatives to Violence Project is a Quaker- started experiential workshop series that helps participants learn ways to resolve conflicts in a non-violent manner. It builds on the concepts of affirmation, community, communication, cooperation and conflict solving skills.

Please notify Joe DiGarbo, jdigarbo@gmail.com 717-627-0837 if you are interested.

And finally, early in November we have a combined Art and Music event that shouldn't be missed:

Arts On Arch presented by Philadelphia Yearly Meeting on Thurs Nov. 5 thru Sat. Nov. 7.

This three-day event includes a juried Art Show and Sale (11/5-7) and a Concert on Fri. **11/6** featuring **Livingston Taylor and Liz Longley**

in the West Room of Arch Street MH. Proceeds will benefit the PYM Annual Fund. Concert is limited to 600 tickets available for online purchasing at www.pym.org or by telephone 215-241-7115 or 7271.

Nov 7 Anti-Bullying Workshop for Elementary School Educators 9am-1pm

To register (or for more information), email Elke Muller at elkem@PYM.org or call her at 215-241-7223

Nov 7 PYM Meeting on Worship and Ministry Fall Gathering —at Burlington 9:30am—3:30 p m Contact information: wm@pym.org, 215 421 5811

Sat Nov 14 Quaker College Fair: Friends Center CONTACT...Elke Muller at elkem@pym.org 11:00-2:00pm at FC This FREE event includes light fare and:

* A morning address by Tom Tritton, past President of Haverford College.

* Information on how to strengthen your application to a Quaker College, and navigating the financial aid pathways.

* 15 historically Quaker colleges and adult learning centers will be represented.

The Quaker College Fair usually attracts 100 high school students and parents from all parts of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting; it has consistently been regarded as a valuable and worthwhile experience.

January 30, 2010 —>**The 3rd annual Youth Contra Dance** planned and hosted by The High School Youth at Lancaster Friends Meeting (snow/rain date of Feb. 6). A sleepover for teens follows the dance; special FDS offering on Sunday Jan 31 (or Feb 7 if there is bad weather on 1/30)

NEWS from our First Day Schools

Exeter FDS Peace Card Project

After studying the Peace Testimony, the children in Exeter's FDS decided to go global and spread peace, one card at a time. Cards were designed and created by the class. Directions for the recipient of a Peace Card were printed on the back.



3 Peace cards (front)



The Cards were laminated; a blog was created and Exeter Friends have been passing the peace cards out since last Spring. Responses have been showing up on the blog!



The message found on the back of each card

Please spread peace.

Once you receive this peace card, please post your location (town, state, country) on our blog at <http://peacecardproject.blogspot.com>. You can share a message of peace there too. Next, please send this card to a friend or family member so we can spread peace to as many people as possible, one by one.

The peace card designs were created by the students of the Exeter Friends First Day School in Berks County, PA. Let's see how far our message of peace spreads!

Peace Card Project 2009

RE Committee at Uwchlan in Downingtown undertakes major reorganization for FDS Program

The Religious Education Committee of Downingtown Friends have spent the last two years reorganizing their FDS curriculum and procedures.

It has been a "monumental task" says clerk, Sue McKenna. In spite of the differing religious backgrounds these Friends came from they decided to form guidelines for teachers regarding "what Quakers believe" and to "set parameters for the teachers in the classrooms."

They researched and categorized all of their existing curriculum and visited PYM to research available materials there. They then developed standardized lesson plans and agreed upon a format. There are binders with all curriculum sorted by year and subject, a google database of lesson plans that teachers can search from home, teachers manuals, legal documents (such as child abuse clearance forms and photo release permission forms) and all teachers attend orientations on the first day of a new term. The group has also created evaluation & suggestion forms, keeps supply lists handy, and hopes that the more formal structure is a help for volunteers who work so lovingly with our young people.

*****These Friends have offered to "host a forum for RE FDS regarding how we did what we did and share that which we have and hope that other Meetings will share their ideas" late in the winter or early spring of 2010.*****

Contact the coordinator to take part: 610-777 5825

The Earth-Quaker

Cain and Upper Susquehanna Quarters have been working together on EarthCare issues ever since the Called Session on Climate Change held by our Yearly Meeting in June 2004. At that session Friends approved the following Minute:



"Friends at this session unite behind the desire that Philadelphia Yearly Meeting incorporate this concern about the rise of global climate temperatures and its dangerous implications for life on our earth into the body of its work in the world.

We feel ready with divine assistance, to assume the challenges of being prophetic witnesses to protect our earth.

We call upon the Yearly Meeting, in all its manifestations, to seek ways to hold our members lovingly accountable to live in God's world in a more environmentally sustainable fashion and to join other like-minded groups and organizations in supporting this concern."

We (the Greater PA Region of the Climate Action Network) meet monthly by conference call considering current legislative efforts, sharing updates of the work being done in our meetings for the environment, and we have taken on a project of writing monthly articles for the "News for newsletter editors" mailing that Allen Reeder sends out.

350.org

350.org is a global grassroots campaign to stop the climate crisis

24 October 2009

INTERNATIONAL DAY OF CLIMATE ACTION

On October 24, join people all over the world to take a stand for a safe climate future.

Learn more about what the number 350 represents and Find an event near you by going to the website

<http://www.350.org/>

33rd ANNUAL FRIENDS FALL FESTIVAL

Downingtown Friends Meeting will hold its annual Fall Festival on October 10 from 9 AM to 4 PM on the historic grounds of Downingtown Friends Meeting.

Families have gathered here for over 30 years to enjoy music, delicious foods, and a variety of activities for children. The Festival offers a special sale of fall-blooming perennials that will thrive locally but aren't available at retail outlets in the area. Gardeners will have a special opportunity to speak with internationally known horticulturist David Culp at The Grapevine, which also offers preserves, houseplants, and other items for the home.

The Friends Mercantile, a not-to-be-missed stop for serious garage-sale shoppers, opens its doors at 9 AM.

Over 40 craft vendors offer everything from handcrafted needlework to woodcraft, leather, ceramics and more to those who cherish handcrafted items.

The Friendly Café features home-made sweet treats while The Wooden Ladle offers hearty vegetable soup, homemade vegetarian chili, juicy grilled hot dogs with all the trimmings, funnel cake, and soft pretzels

A Wedding Reenactment

History buffs can tour the Meeting House to see an exhibit of antique Quaker clothing and memorabilia and at 1:30 PM attend the authentic reenactment of the first wedding held there in 1806. At 1:00 PM the wedding party assembles outside and welcomes visitors to attend the wedding inside the Meetinghouse.



The traditional clothing is handmade by the members of the Sewing Group of Uwchlan Friends Meeting. This group has met weekly for many, many years.

Live folk and rock music will be performed throughout the day



Admission and parking are free. For more information, contact Bob Santangelo at 610-296-7861.



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Agenda

Quarterly Meeting for Worship with attention to Business

October 18, 2009

Exeter Friends Meeting

10 AM Meeting for Worship

11 AM Meeting for Business

Opening Worship

Welcome and Introduction of Visitors

Treasurer's Report and Swatara Wrap-up

Meeting Reports:

Harrisburg

Lancaster

Reading

CORC Report

Coordinator's Report

Nominating Report

Announcements

Closing Worship

See page 1 for the full day's schedule