



London Grove Monthly Meeting

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July Bulletin

7th Month Queries on Social Responsibility and Witness

How does our Meeting work:

- to overcome social, legal, economic, and political injustices, locally and in the wider world?
- for the funding of community services that does not rely on gaming income?

Does our Meeting serve the community through action on concerns for civic improvement? What actions are we taking to assure everyone equal access to education, health care, legal services, housing, and employment as well as equal opportunities in business and in the professions?

When a member has lifted up a concern, how does our Meeting respond?

Does our Meeting encourage those seeking clearness for their convictions of conscience to hold up such convictions with prayerful openness to the Light?

Am I mindful of how my lifestyle and my investments can contribute to the improvement of the human condition, or to the exploitation of others?

Am I open to seeking clearness on matters of conscience and to assisting others in doing so? How do I respond and support one who acts out of a clear leading when I am under the weight of another?

What am I doing to work for the betterment of my community to assure the maintenance of effective public services which do not rely on funding from gaming?

Do I fulfill my civic responsibilities when they do not conflict with divine leadings?



July 2017 Calendar

7/2	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship
	10:45 am	Meeting for Worship for Business — Refreshments to follow
7/6	7:30 pm	Property Committee
7/9	8:30 am	Peace & Social Justice Committee
	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship
	10:45 am	Refreshments provided by Outreach Committee
	11 AM	Religious Education Committee Work Session (Please see page 4.)
7/13	7 pm	Care & Membership Committee
7/14	3 pm	Graveside Service for Lee Powell
7/16	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship
	10:45 am	Refreshments provided by Worship & Ministry Committee
7/20	9:30 am	Library Committee
7/23	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship
	10:45 am	Refreshments provided by Care & Membership Committee
7/30	9:30 am	Outdoor Meeting for Worship — Please come early to help set up, if possible!
	10:45 am	Refreshments provided by Nominating Committee



Flowers Volunteers

Date	Flower-Bringer
7/2	Mary Jo Ciganek
7/9	Sam Cypressi
7/16	Leona Provinski
7/23	Tammy Brosius
7/30	Baz Powell

6th MONTH MEETING FOR WORSHIP FOR BUSINESS SUMMARY

Plant Sale Update - Betsy Walker updated members on the recent annual charity Plant Sale. Despite the most horrific weather in memory, the sale was successful, with regular customers showing up despite the rain, wind, and mud. The remaining inventory was sold throughout the following week. Sincere thanks were offered to all members and Attenders who braved the inclement weather to make the event a success for the charities we support.

Treasurer's Report – Financials for Fifth Month and year-to-date were provided. London Grove had approximately \$40,300 in total income (\$5,000 in contributions) and \$17,000 in expenses. We are 42% through the year and have received 43% of budgeted contributions.

WQM Budget Proposal - Margaret Walton, our Western Quarter liaison, reviewed the Quarter's proposed 2018 Budget. Monthly Meetings will have about six weeks for review and input, and should see a final draft in July. Margaret also announced that the 7th Month meeting will be primarily social - a picnic at Shelley Hastings farm.

Leadership Fund Report - Susanna Davison provided the Leadership Fund Committee's annual report. The fund was created to support Members and Attenders with reimbursement for scholastic materials, participation in workshops relevant to the life of London Grove MM, or specific service projects in which the member is actively engaged. Two \$1,000 awards were given in 2016, and four bequests totaling \$2,170 were received.

RE Committee Annual Report - Leona Provinski summarized the responsibilities and activities of the Religious Education Committee. The weekly First Day programs for adults and children were highlighted, along with the annual Ornament Making, morning and evening Christmas programs and Easter program. Thanks went to all who volunteered time for the children and adults, with special mention to Mark Myers, Elinor Thomforde, and Don LaBranche.

Kimberly Lloyd / Jeffrey Russell Wedding Oversight - Members accepted the selection of Anna Myers, Mark Myers, Robert Frye and Kathy Yerkes as the couple's marriage Oversight Committee.

Building Bicentennial Update – Mark Myers plans to continue his First Day Class series in 2018, incorporating themes related to our building bicentennial.

Summer Refreshments On The Porch Update – Members approved having refreshments after Meeting for Worship for Business on 7/2 and 8/6.

Robert Frye
Clerk

NEWS FROM WESTERN QUARTER

July 16 - Quarterly Meeting begins at 10:30 am - Meeting for Worship at London Britain Friends Meeting, 1415 New London Road, Landenberg, PA 19350 (directions are on website: www.westernquarterquakers.org)

July 16 - Quarterly Meeting Picnic - 12:30 to 4:30 at the home of Shelley Hastings, 270 Elbow Lane Elkton, Maryland. Lunch provided; please RSVP for picnic by July 9 to: coordinator@westernquarterquakers.org

July 29 - Family Movie Night at Hockessin Meeting 5-9 pm (Please see www.westernquarterquakers.org for details)

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

Refreshments after Meeting: A supply of cups for all Committees to use are in the classroom hall Store Room, behind the door. Please NOTE: All leftover food should be taken home. The Health Department requires that we label stored foods and beverages with committee name and the date opened.

Religious Education Committee will hold its Summer Work Session at 11 am on Sunday, July 9. All interested Children's First Day School teachers are invited to attend, bringing a bag lunch. We will discuss ideas and resources and plan the theme for fall classes, beginning September 10.

Committee Clerks are invited to email Leona Provinski with Religious Education program ideas and to reserve a date for your committee to present an Adult Religious Education Session. Third and fifth first days are available. provinskileona@hotmail.com

Missing items:

Red, white and blue vinyl tablecloth for card table, 52" x 52"

Library book: The Story of Kennett by Bayard Taylor

Stray Library books: Please check your book piles—we are missing about a dozen adult and children's books!

Found items: Unclaimed coats and hats are in the entrance hall, behind the front door.

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