



## London Grove Monthly Meeting

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**June Bulletin**

### 6th Month Queries on Equality

How does our Meeting help to create and maintain a society whose institutions recognize and do away with the inequities rooted in patterns of prejudice and economic convenience?

Is our Meeting open to all regardless of race, ability, sexual orientation, or class?

What steps are we taking as a Meeting to assure that our Meeting and the committees and institutions under our care reflect our respect for all and are free from practices rooted in prejudice?

*Do I examine myself for aspects of prejudice that may be buried, including beliefs that seem to justify biases based on race, gender, sexual orientation, disability, class, and feelings of inferiority or superiority?*

*What am I doing to help overcome the contemporary effects of past and present oppression?*

*Am I teaching my children, and do I show through my way of living, that love of God includes affirming the equality of people, treating others with dignity and respect, and seeking to recognize and address that of God within every person?*



## June 2017 Calendar

<b>6/1</b>	7:30 pm	Property Committee
<b>6/4</b>	8:15 am	Religious Education Committee
	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship and Children's First Day School
	10:45 am	Meeting for Worship for Business
<b>6/8</b>	7 pm	Care & Membership Committee
<b>6/11</b>	8:30 am	Peace & Social Justice Committee
	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship and Children's First Day School
	10:45 am	Children's Day Program: Awards and Ice-Cream Making
<b>6/15</b>	9:30 am	Library Committee
<b>6/18</b>	9:30 am	Meeting for Worship
	10:45 am	Refreshments (Memorial Committee)
<b>6/24</b>	10am-2pm	Called Meeting, Arch Street Meetinghouse, PYM (Please see PYM website for details)
<b>6/25</b>	9:30 am	Outdoor Meeting for Worship - Please come early to help set up, if possible!
	10:45 am	Refreshments (Kindergarten Committee)



### Childcare and Flowers Volunteers

Date	First Hour	Flowers	
6/4	Carolyn Muller	Carolyn Muller	Elinor Thomforde
6/11	Jill Benjamin	Children's Day	Grace Pfeifer
6/18	No summer childcare (Please see p. 4)		Baz Powell
6/25			Betsy Walker

## 5th MONTH MEETING FOR WORSHIP FOR BUSINESS SUMMARY

- *Treasurer's Report* - Doug Myers summarized Fourth Month and year-to-date financials. We had \$6775 in contributions, with expenses totaling \$3,544. Our Cash balance increased by approximately \$20,000 to \$126,308. We are 33% through 2017 and have received 39% of budgeted contributions.
- *Recorder's Report* - Betsy Walker reported that the death of Julia Anne Smedley on 10/4/17 has been recorded.
- *Care & Membership* - Denis Newbold, Committee Clerk, gave their Annual Report. Ongoing activities include: Sending cards to those needing support because of illness or some other setback, and to those with whom we can share the joy of a special event such as the birth of a child. Brenda Macaluso prepares these beautiful cards every month. Hosting soup luncheons that follow First Day School and allow for all to gather in fellowship. Two luncheons were held in the past year. Greeting members and new faces at the door each First Day. Delivering arrangements of Christmas greens to those who cannot make it to Meeting due to illness or infirmity. Meeting specific needs, such as with transportation or meals, of members and attenders who face challenges to their health, finances, or personal situations. Joining the parents of our Kindergarten students at their start-of-year potluck gathering, and providing the parents with an information packet about Quakers and our Meeting. Providing one-year subscriptions to Friends Journal to new members and graduating high school seniors. Forming Clearness Committees for those requesting membership or marriage under our care is an ongoing activity of the committee.
- Denis next offered the recommendation to accept the marriage request from Kimberly Lloyd & Jeffrey Russell. Meeting members approved the committee's recommendation.
- *Keeper of the Calendar Report* – Based on members' approval of the Lloyd/Russell marriage request, Anna Myers asked for and received approval for use of the meetinghouse for the event on 9/30/17. Anna also presented Bill & Judy Heald's request for use of the meetinghouse on 8/5 for the Moore Family Reunion.
- *AFSC Conference Report* - Barbara Haines reported favorably on the recent AFSC conference — She attended a series of panel discussions on subjects such as Grass Roots Organizing, AFSC history, and current global AFSC initiatives. Featured speaker at the conference was Oscar Arias Sánchez, Nobel Peace Prize laureate and former President of Costa Rica.
- *WQM Update* - Margaret Walton reported on the recent meeting of Western Quarter, which had been combined with Concord Quarter and held at Westtown Friends School. She also reported that the Quarter has approved the revised bylaws. Finally Margaret informed members that she will present the Quarter's proposed budget to us next month.

Summarized by Robert Frye, Clerk  
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Children’s Religious Education ends the 2016-17 school year with the traditional celebration of Children’s Day. At rise of worship, families with new babies and children finishing 8th grade, high school or college will receive recognition. RE Committee Clerk Leona Provinski is making the list—please contact her to confirm your family’s news.

The summer outdoor refreshment schedule begins with ice cream making and social time. Committees that have signed up to participate are listed below.



Worship & Ministry Committee has set outdoor worship (weather permitting) on the last First Days of each summer month. Friends are warmly invited to arrive early on 6/25, 7/30 and 8/27 to help set up the worship circle on the lawn.

During the summer months, children are encouraged to join their families during Meeting for worship. Childcare will not be scheduled until fall.

Children’s First Day School and Adult Religious Education programs will resume the second First Day of Ninth Month. Meanwhile, London Grove Friends enjoy the relaxed summer opportunities for committees to provide outdoor refreshments.

6/11	Religious Education Committee
6/18	Memorial Committee
6/25	Kindergarten Committee
7/2	Peace & Social Justice Committee
7/9	Outreach Committee
7/16	Worship & Ministry Committee
7/23	Care & Membership Committee
7/30	Nominating Committee
8/6	Meeting Inreach Committee
8/13	Library Committee
8/20	Property Committee
8/27	Care Committee

## HELEN CORSON HIGH SCHOOL PEACE AWARDS

Peace & Social Justice Committee is pleased to announce that six area high schools are participating in this year's Helen Corson Peace Award selection. The students who are selected will receive a certificate bearing the message, "In recognition of a graduating senior who by attitude or action advocates or promotes the resolution of conflicts in a nonviolent way. The recipient has, through words and deeds, furthered the causes of human understanding and brotherhood." Meeting recently approved increasing the amount of the award given to each selected student to \$500. Watch this space next month for results of the contest. Meanwhile, enjoy P&SJ's webpage, [helencorson.org](http://helencorson.org).



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