

- Mar. 3** **Gwynedd MM: Silent Retreat.** 9:30 am-4 pm.
Registration-Connie Lezenby (267) 664-3721, lezenby@gmail.com
- Mar. 4** **Byberry MM: Abington Quarter Representatives Meeting,** 9 am-12 pm,
Kathy Singer, 215-490-2595, aqc.kathys@gmail.com
- Mar. 10** **Gwynedd MM: Coffeehouse: Newman & Mascaro: flute & guitar.** 8 pm.
Gary Lapreziola, 215-699-3055, gwyneddfriends.net
- Mar. 11** **Norristown MM: GEM (Greet, Eat, Meet),** 11am. (Rise of Meeting).
Karen Shanoski, shanoski@comcast.net, 610-539-7274.
- Mar. 14** **Richland MM: Food for Friends,** Free dinners/fellowship for those in need
Andre Salz, 215-536-0395 or 267-733-2977.
- Mar. 16- 18** **PYM Middle School Friends: Journeys, Justice, Generations.** Weekend
Gathering at Medford Leas. *Stephen Dotson, 215-241- 1717, sdotson@pym.org*
- Mar. 17** **Plymouth MM: Peace Vigil “at the Wall”.** 12:15 pm, at Rise of Meeting.
Rebecca Cratin, rhcratin@cratin.com.
- Mar. 17** **Gwynedd MM: Spaghetti Dinner (gluten free/vegan options),** Benefits Wales
Exchange, 6:30-9:30 pm., *Gary Lapreziola, gwyneddfriends.net*
- Mar. 18** **Unami MM: Spiritual Reading Group.** *Listening Spirituality, Volume 1,* by
Patricia Loring. 10-11 am. *Mary Hanisch, mary.hanisch@gmail.com*
- Mar. 18** **Abington MM: Spring Fling Lunch to celebrate new attenders/members,**
12:30 pm, Barnes room. *Loretta Fox, amm@abingtonfriends.net, 215-884-2865*
- Mar. 19** **Abington MM: Adult Film Series: Cats of Mirikitani,** 1:30 pm,
Loretta Fox, amm@abingtonfriends.net, 215-884-2865
- Mar. 24** **Gwynedd MM: Flea Market,** 9 am-1 pm,
Gary Lapreziola, gwyneddfriends@verizon.net, 215-699-3055
- Mar. 25** **Plymouth MM: Friendly Fourth Potluck,** 12:15 pm (Rise of Meeting)
followed by-Friendly Households discussion group.
Rebecca Cratin, rhcratin@cratin.com
- Mar. 28** **Richland MM: Food for Friends,** Free dinners/fellowship for those in need
(See information under March 14).
- Mar. 30 - April 1** **PYM Young Friends: Urban Life Skills.** Weekend Gathering at
Germantown MM. *Cookie Caldwell, 215-241-7222, ccaldwell@pym.org*
- Mar. 31** **Gwynedd MM: School of the Spirit, Information session/retreat,**
9:30 am-3:30 pm. *Carolyn Moon (215) 283-7389, www.schoolofthespirit.org*
- Mar. 31** **Arch Street Meeting House (PYM): Wm. Penn Lecture.** Signe Wilkinson,
editorial cartoonist. 7 pm. *pym.org/william-penn-lecture*
- April 1** **Abington MM: Adult Class: Toward Deeper Worship, Pamphlet Discussion,**
10-11 am, Barnes Rm. *Craig SanPietro, craig@craden.com*
- April 5** **Gwynedd MM: ECO(logical) movie: The 11th Hour,** 7 pm,
Gary Lapreziola, gwyneddfriends@verizon.net, 215-699-3055
- April 11** **Gwynedd MM: Movie: Inside Job,** 5 pm,
Gary Lapreziola, gwyneddfriends@verizon.net, 215-699-3055
- April 11** **Richland MM: Food for Friends,** Free dinners/fellowship for those in need
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Silent Retreat, Mar. 3, 9:30 am-4 pm. Gwynedd MM: US Route 202 & Sumneytown Pike, North Wales, PA 19454. Sharing of prayers & hopes for the day, journaling, art work, walking, meditation, quietness. Most of the day is free to use as you choose. At day's end, we will gather to share. Bring journals, sketchbooks, needlework, crafts, spiritual reading, etc. in addition to a bag lunch & snacks to share. Beverages provided. \$10.

Registration/questions, *Connie Lezenby*, 267-644-3721, lezenby@gmail.com

Abington Quarter Representatives Meeting, Mar. 4, 9-12 pm. Byberry MM: 3001 Byberry/Southampton, Philadelphia, PA 19154-1842, in school house, 8:30-9 am, Meet & Greet, 9-11 am, AQ Representatives meeting, 11-12 pm-Meeting for worship.

Kathy Singer, aqc.kathys@gmail.com, 215-490-2595.

Gwynedd Coffeehouse: Newman, Mascaro: flute & guitar, Mar. 10, 8-10 pm. Gwynedd MM: (address above under Mar. 3). Veronica Mascaro & William Newman have a repertoire including renaissance, contemporary, & light jazz. mascaronewmanduo.com \$5 suggested donation to help support musicians. *Gary Lapreziola*, gwyneddfriends@verizon.net, 215-699-3055.

GEM (Greet, Eat, Meet), Mar. 11, 11 am. Norristown MM: Swede & Jacobi Streets, Norristown, PA 19404. Fellowship following Worship. *Karen Shanoski*, shanoski@comcast.net, 610-539-7274.

Food for Friends: free dinners for those in need, Mar. 14, 28 Ap. 11 (Monthly every 2nd, 4th, 5th Wed.). Richland MM: S. Main St. & Mill Rd. (just off Rte. 309), Quakertown, PA 18951. Questions, *volunteering-Andre Salz*, 215-536-0395 or 267-733-2977.

Middle School Friends Gathering (PYM); Journeys, Justice, Generations, Mar. 16-18. Medford Leas Retirement Community: Rte. 70, Medford NJ 08055. Middle School Friends & the Medford Leas community come together to learn and grow from one another. Join this weekend of fun, storytelling, and learning about peace & justice. Friends from Medford Leas will share experiences of being conscientious objectors during wartime. \$70 (scholarships available). *Stephen Dotson*, sdotson@pym.org, 215-241-1717.

Peace Vigil "at the Wall", (Butler Pike part of wall that surrounds Plymouth MM), Mar. 17. 12:15 pm. Plymouth MM: 2150 Butler Pike, (Butler & Germantown Ave), Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462. *Rebecca Cratin*, rhcratin@cratin.com.

Spaghetti Dinner: benefit for Wales exchange, Mar. 17, 6:30-9 pm, community room. Gwynedd MM: (address above under Mar. 3) Candlelit meal, choice of pastas & sauces (gluten-free & vegetarian choices), green salads, garlic bread, variety of delectable desserts. Donate what you might pay for eating out. About Wales Exchange: Every 3 years, Gwynedd MM hosts Middle/High School age Quaker youth from Meetings in Wales & England. This partnership is more than 20 years old and is a wonderful way to make cross-cultural Quaker connections among youth. *Gary Lapreziola*, gwyneddfriends@verizon.net, 215-699-3055.

Spiritual Reading Group, Mar. 18, 10-11 am. Unami MM: 100 5th St., Pennsburg, PA 18073. Discussion of the book, *Listening Spirituality, Volume 1*, by Patricia Loring. *Mary Hanisch*, mary.hanisch@gmail.com

Annual Spring Fling Luncheon, Celebrate New Members and Attenders, Mar. 18, 12:30 pm (at Rise of Meeting). Abington MM: 520 Meetinghouse Rd. Jenkintown, PA 19046. Lunch & entertainment provided in Barnes room. *Loretta Fox*, amm@abingtonfriends.net, 215-884-2865.





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Film Series: *The Cats of Mirikitani*, Mar. 19, 1:30 pm. Abington MM: Short stable. (address under March 18 Luncheon). “Make art not war” is the motto of 80-year-old Jimmy Mirikitani who survived the trauma of WWII internment camps & homelessness by creating art.

Loretta Fox, amm@abingtonfriends.net, 215-884-2865.

Flea Market, Mar. 24, 9-11 am. Gwynedd MM: US Rte.202 & Sumneytown Pike, North Wales, PA 19454. Gary Lapreziola, gwyneddfriends@verizon.net, 215-699-3055.

Friendly Fourth Potluck/Friendly Households Discussion Group, Mar. 25, 12:15 pm.

Plymouth MM: 2150 Butler Pike, (Butler & Germantown Ave), Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462
Discussion follows potluck. Rebecca Cratin, rhcratin@cratin.com.

Food for Friends: free dinners for those in need, Mar. 28 Ap. 11 (Monthly every 2nd, 4th, 5th Wed.). Richland MM: S. Main St. & Mill Rd. (just off Rte. 309), Quakertown, PA 18951.
Questions, volunteering-Andre Salz, 215-536-0395 or 267-733-2977.

Young Friends (PYM): Gathering-Urban Life Skills (high school through college age), Mar. 30-Ap. 1, Germantown MM: 47 West Coulter St., Philadelphia PA, 19144. Work service-projects, fun discover Philly scavenger hunt, Signe Wilkinson Wm. Penn lecture, and more! \$80 (scholarship aid available), Cookie Caldwell, 215-241-7222, ccaldwell@pym.org,
more information: pym.org/sites/pym.org/files/2012-03_March-Urban_Life_skills_training.p

School of the Spirit (PYM) sponsors: “On Being a Spiritual Nurturer-testing the waters”-Introductory session & retreat, Mar. 31, 9:30 am-3:30 pm. Gwynedd MM: (address under Mar. 24 flea market). Led by core teachers of the Spiritual Nurturer program. \$25 for expenses (scholarships available), Carolyn Moon (215) 283-7389, www.schoolofthespirit.org

Signe Wilkinson, editorial cartoonist: Wm. Penn Lecture (PYM), Mar. 31, 7 pm. Arch Street Meeting House: 4th & Arch Streets, Philadelphia, PA 19106. Best known for her work at *The Philadelphia Daily News*, Signe has concerns for outreach, humor, & support of young adult Friends. *About the lecture:* pym.org/william-penn-lecture, about Wilkinson, cartoonistgroup.com/properties/signe/signetoons/index.htm.

Adult Class, Discussion on Pendle Hill Pamphlet, *Toward Deeper Worship*, Ap. 1, 10-11 am. Abington MM: Barnes Room, (address under Mar. 19 film series). Craig SanPietro, craig@craden.com.

ECO(logical) Movie: *The 11th Hour*, Ap. 5, 7 pm. Gwynedd MM: (address under Mar. 24 flea market). Documentary explores nature’s operating instructions, solutions we already have, our reactions in the face of environmental collapse, and religious perspectives. Mary Himmer, 610-272-2164, mary.himmer@verizon.net.

Movie: *Inside Job*, Ap. 11, 5 pm. Gwynedd MM: (address under Mar. 24 flea market). 2010 Academy Award Winning documentary about current financial crisis is described by the director, Charles Ferguson, as: “the systemic corruption of the US by the financial services industry & the consequences of that systemic corruption.” Gary Lapreziola, gwyneddfriends@verizon.net, 215-699-3055.

Food for Friends: free dinners for those in need, Ap. 11, (Monthly every 2nd, 4th, 5th Wed.). Richland MM: (see address/contacts under March 28).





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Abington Quarter Sunday Worship	Gwynedd: 9:30 -10:30 am	Byberry: 11am-12 pm
	Norristown: 10-11 am	Foulkeways : 11 am-12 pm
	Upper Dublin: 10-11 am	Pottstown : 11 am-12 pm
	Horsham: 10:30-11:30 am	Unami: 11am-12 pm
	Richland: 10:30-11:30 am	Abington: 11:15 am-12:15 pm
		Plymouth: 11:15 am-12:15 pm (also, Wed. evening at 7 pm)



MARK YOUR CALENDARS FOR:



ABINGTON QUARTERLY MEETING, May 6, 9 am-12pm
Richland Monthly Meeting, S. Main St. & Mill Rd., Quakertown, PA 18951.

Abington Quarter MUSIC & PERFORMING ARTS FESTIVAL, May 12, 7:00 pm
 Abington Monthly Meeting, 520 Meetinghouse Road, Jenkintown, PA 19046.

- ◆ Opportunity for the whole Quarter to come together
- ◆ Enjoy fellowship and entertainment.
- ◆ Multi-generational event.
- ◆ This is OUR festival so... (we are)
- ◆ Looking for musicians, slam poets, actors/actresses, etc. to perform.
- ◆ Especially looking for youth involvement-children, teenagers, young adults.
- ◆ Professional sound system and amazing Steinway grand piano
- ◆ Challenge-let's hear and see performers from all nine AQ monthly meetings!!!!!!!

Limited performance slots available; For information or to sign up:
 Jon Farquharson, 267-240-2700, jon@techsourcedist.com
 Kathy Singer, Abington Quarter Coordinator, 215-490-2595, aqc.kathys@gmail.com

February 5, 2012 Abington Quarterly Meeting Brief Report

Adult Program: At 9 am, we gathered in Worship, after which AQ Mike Mrozinski (Plymouth), outlined the order of the day: reports (Worship & Ministry, Abington Quarter Fund, AQ Coordinator) and announcements. The business was followed by a multi-generational panel discussion on encouraging the spiritual life and growth of our younger members in a variety of educational settings: home-schooling, public, alternative and Friends schools. Panelists represented 8 out of the 9 Abington Quarter monthly meetings and ranged in age from children through a grandparent. Discussion was followed by Meeting for Worship and a lunch and fellowship time. Attendance was excellent, 105 people.

Children's Program: At 9am, 14 children/teens gathered in Junior Meeting for Worship. Afterward, teens joined the Adult Program for the panel discussion, children created Valentine cards for senior citizens and shut ins at their own monthly meetings, and baked love-themed cookies. The cookies were joyfully consumed during the fellowship lunch that followed Meeting for Worship. Two toddlers were in childcare.

"And now, my Friends,
All that is true,
All that is noble,
All that is just and pure,
All that is lovable and gracious,
Whatever is excellent and admirable-
Fill all your thoughts with these things."

Paul, Philippians 4:8 (New English Bible, 1976)

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