May 27, 2023

Unami Monthly Meeting 100 East Fifth Street Pennsburg, PA 18073

Unami Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends



Calendar

This Month

May 28, Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

Future:

June 4, *Update on the Carbon Forest Project*, 9:30 a.m., Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

June 11, Meeting for worship with a concern for business, 9 a.m, Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

June 11, Unami (Almost) Summer Picnic!, Rise of Meeting

June 18, Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

June 25, Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the next



newsletter is June 15 **at 4 PM.** This is a Fridayday deadline. Send your news to <u>danielhazelton@rcn.com</u>.

Please contact Unami at

unamifriendsmeeting@gmail.com

if you would like to join us for Meeting for Worship on Sundays at 11 a.m. on Zoom

AQM Enabling Fund

For friends who are members of Unami who may be needing short term financial assistance, funds are available from the Abington Quarter Meeting Enabling Fund.

For more information contact: Rebecca Cratin, the Administrator of the Home and Care Committee, 215-542-8738 <u>rhcratin@cratin.com</u> or Marietta Quinby, representative from Unami to the Home and Care Committee 215-257-4895 <u>rmquinby@verizon.net</u> or Lynn Biddle, Unami's Care of Members Committee clerk 267-377-6560

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Query for the Month of May

Grounding for Transformed Lives: Peace and Alternatives to Violence

- How do we help each other face conflicts with patience, forbearance and openness to healing?
- To what extent does our meeting ignore differences in order to avoid possible conflicts?
- What are we doing as a Friends meeting within our communities:
 - 1) To recognize and correct the causes of violence?
 - 2) To understand the impact of the global military-industrial complex on all aspects of life?
 - 3) To increase the understanding and use of alternatives to violence?
 - 4) To work toward overcoming separations and restoring wholeness?
 - 5) To support the constructive use of authority?
 - 6) To promote the sustainability of the earth?
- Do I "live in the virtue [power] of that Life and Spirit that took [takes] away the occasion of all wars"?
- How do I maintain Friends' testimony that participation in war and its preparation is inconsistent with the teaching of Jesus?
- Do I treat personal conflict as an opportunity for growth?
- How do I face my differences with others and reaffirm in action and attitude my love for those with whom I am in conflict?

Get Set for the 2023 Unami (Almost) Summer Picnic!

Please join us on Sunday, June 11th at the rise of meeting for a pot luck picnic.

We have reserved a pavilion at Finland Park, 3294 Finland Road, Pennsburg (about 3.3 miles from the meeting). The park includes a playground, volleyball court, walking trails, a pond and a porta-potty.

Please bring food to share that doesn't require heating and any needed serving utensils. Unami will supply drinks and paper plates, etc., as well as a volleyball and lawn games.

Questions? Contact Lynn Biddle, lcbiddle@hotmail.com, 267-377-6560. Looking forward to seeing you there!

Care and Membership Committee

June 4, 2023, 9:30-10:45 a.m. Carbon Forest Project Update

Before the pandemic, Unami Meeting took a deep dive to educate ourselves about climate change. Out of that grew the idea of planting trees to take carbon out of the air and sequester it. Here we are, with the Carbon Forest Project. Here we are with the CFP committee: Lynn Biddle, Nancy Donnelly, Cheryl Knight, John Munro, Joyce Munro, and John Zollers.

A few presentations, a few donations, and some teasing land possibilities later, we think it's time to update the Unami community on what's been happening. We have a logo, a brochure, and a primer for interested partners, and are on our way to having a website.

Committee members have been busy getting savvy about fundraising, hunting for grants, following up on leads for land, and making a number of important contacts. The morning will consist of a "draft slide show" presentation of what might be a "show for the road." Also, some highs and lows so far in contacts, land possibilities, fund raising, grants, and thoughts for next steps. Here's hoping you can join us in person or by Zoom



AN IMPORTANT OPEN INVITATION-

FRIENDS OF THE NRA FUNDRAISER is coming back to our area on Thursday, June 1st, 2023.

Family Heritage Restaurant will once again host them as they advocate, fund-raise and network in the region.

REMEMBER-

THE NRA COUNTS ON COMMUNITY INDIFFERENCE TO GATHER! THEY RAISE MONEY, "BUY" POLITICIANS, AND GLAMORIZE GUNS.

WE CANNOT STAND BY AND LET THEM THINK NOBODY CARES AND NO ONE IS WATCHING! LET'S ACT AGAINST THE LIES, EXPOSE THE HARM, PROTECT OUR COMMUNITY AND BE VISIBLE.

We are asking you to join us and make your voices heard.

 WHEN: Thursday, June 1st from 4:00-5:00 PM
WHERE: Meet at Franconia Community Park 671 Allentown Road Telford, PA 18969

Shuttles will be available for anyone who prefers not to walk from the parking lot to the intersection.

BRING: Walking shoes, a drink, your outrage, and your SIGNS!

No time to make a sign? The good people from "Heeding God's Call to End Gun Violence" have donated 25 protest signs to us from their recent march in Lansdale. Signs will be available at our meeting location in Franconia Park. Thank you to our new friends for their generosity!

We are the Upper and Lower Salford Democrats. To find out more about our monthly meetings and action plans, please reach out to us by email: upper.lower.salford.democrats@gmail.com.

Please join us at the premier of our new film NATIVE WOMEN AND ALLIES SPEAK: What You Weren't Taught in School with discussion to follow.

We are part of the four day conference at the Haverford College QUAKERS, COLONIZATION AND DECOLONIZATION

CNA will present our new film in person as one of the many workshops on the campus of Haverford College on Wednesday, June 14th from 4:00-5:30

REGISTER HERE https://www.eventbrite.com/e/2023-fahe-conference-quakers-colonization-and-decolonizationtickets-571994830937

> This conference is the 44th Annual Meeting of the Friends Association of Higher Education. It runs from Monday June 12th, through Thursday June 15th.



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