



Plymouth Monthly Meeting Newsletter

Meetings for Worship

First Day Plain worship, no Zoom, 10-11
 First Day Meeting blended worship: 11:15 am
Fourth Day Meeting: 7:00 pm (blended)

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October 2023

Sun	Oct 8	6:00 pm	Worship and Ministry
Tues	Oct 11	4:30 pm	Land Acknowledgement Committee
Mon	Oct 9	11:00 am – 5:00 pm	Indigenous People's Day at Penn Treaty Park
Sat	Oct 14	8:00 pm (doors open at 7:30)	Gwynedd Friends Coffeehouse
Sun	Oct 15	10:00 am – 12:00 pm	PMFS Open House
Sun	Oct 15	9:00 am	Meeting for Business (blended)
Sat	Oct 21	1:00 pm – 5:00 pm	Outreach & Communications Thread Gathering
Sun	Oct 22	After Meeting	Friendly Fourth and Music Circle
Sat	Oct 28	10:30 Internment 11:00 Memorial	Jeanne Cratin Memorial
Tues	Oct 31	8:30 am	PMFS Halloween Breakfast & Parade

November 2023

Fri	Nov 3	7:00 pm	Peace & Social Concerns
Mon	Nov 6	7:00 pm	Care and Concern note change from usual Tues time
Tues	Nov 7	4:30 pm	Land Acknowledgement Committee
Sun	Nov 12	6:00 pm	Worship and Ministry
Sat	Nov 18	9:00 am – 1:00 pm	AFSC Holiday Sale at Gwynedd
Sun	Nov 19	9:00 am	Meeting for Business (blended)
Thurs	Nov 23	10:00 am	Meeting for Worship for Thanksgiving
Sun	Nov 26	After Meeting	Friendly Fourth and Music Circle – all are welcome

- All First Day Meetings for Worship will begin at 10:00 (Plain worship, no Zoom) and 11:15 am (blended worship). Masks are not required but we will continue to social distance. Wednesday evening Meeting for Worship begins at 7:00pm and will also be held via Zoom as well as *in person in the Meetinghouse (blended)*.
- PMM Zoom information always available at office@plymouthmeetingquakers.org

Memorial for Jeanne Cratin

October 28



Jeanne Marie Cratin passed away peacefully on September 27, 2023, after a long, difficult fight with cancer. She was the oldest daughter of John and Rebecca Cratin. She is survived by her partner of 20 years, David Genter; her sister and brother-in-law, Jacqueline and Paul Smith; her brother, John Cratin; and her sister and brother-in-law, Suzanne and John Alexander. In addition, she adored her nieces and nephews: PK Smith and partner Michael Brigoli; Hannah Stewart, husband Stephen Stewart, and daughter Teagan Stewart; and Cameron and Henri Alexander.

Jeanne was the consummate friend to anyone fortunate enough to call her one. The first to deliver a meal or help in time of need, Jeanne was tireless in supporting those she loved. Her family, cousins, and those around her often referred to her as one of the kindest, caring people they have ever encountered. Jeanne was known for her beautiful smile and her sincere interest in others. She was the type of person who asked how you were, listened to the answer, and carried your burdens with you.

Jeanne loved the beach, especially Cape Cod. She was given the gift of watching a sunset on the beach through FaceTime in the days before her passing. In Maya Angelou's 2008 book, *Letter to My Daughter*, she describes the enduring impact of a compassionate and generous spirit as: A great soul serves everyone all the time. A great soul never dies. It brings us together again and again. In honor of Jeanne's generous spirit, the family suggests that you donate to a charity of your choice in her name.

A memorial service will be held on October 28, 2023 at 11:00AM preceded by an interment at 10:30AM at Plymouth Friends Quaker Meeting, 2150 Butler Pike, Plymouth Meeting, PA 19462. All are welcome.

News from the School

Open House

Sunday, Oct 15, 10:00 am – 12:00 pm

If you know of anyone who has school-age children and might be interested in Plymouth Meeting Friends School, please let them know about this chance to explore the facilities and talk to faculty and staff.

Also, support the school by purchasing merch such as the attractive and stylish hoodie pictured. [Follow this link](#)



Halloween Parade

Tuesday, Oct 31, 8:00 am breakfast/8:30 Parade

The Halloween Family Breakfast and Parade will take place on Tuesday, October 31st. The potluck family breakfast is at 8:00 am on the Meetinghouse Patio. The parade begins at 8:30 and usually starts outside of the 1st & 2nd grade classrooms. PMM members are very welcome to join PMFS for any/all of the event.

Mark your calendars for the PMFS Thanksgiving Program on Wednesday, November 22. Time is still to be determined, but is likely to be around 10/11am.

News from the Quarter

Gwynedd Friends Coffeehouse

Saturday, Oct 14/Saturday Nov 11. All shows 8:00 pm

The **Pour Rabbits** will be appearing on Oct 14. They are billed as “an upbeat, fun band that play a variety off Folk, Country, Jazz and Blues covers mixed with tasteful original songs. They are easily at home around a campfire.” This five-piece Philadelphia-area band has been playing at various townships, fundraisers and colleges since 2004. They have been featured on internet radio and TV programs, and have two CDs: “Live at the Sellersville Theater” and “Hare Today, Gone Tomorrow”. (<https://www.facebook.com/pourrabbits>)

On November 11th, the **Cornflower Jam** will appear. They began at jams and festivals around Philadelphia where they started playing and singling folk and old-time music. They describe their sound as influenced by folk legends such as the Careter Family, Pte Seeger, Malvina Reynolds, Rosalie Sorrels, Ollabelle Reed and Hazel Dickens as well as more modern American artists. Like the Pour Rabbits, Cornflower Jam plays traditional music, covers and music of their own that they have written and recorded (<https://cornflowerjam.com>)

The Coffeehouse is held at Gwynedd Friends Meeting, 1001 DeKalb Pike, Gwynedd, PA (corenr of 202 and Sumneytown Pike. Show is at 8:00 pm, doors open at 7:30 pm. An \$8 cover is suggested to cover the costs and support the Charity of the Evening.

News from PYM

Indigenous Peoples' Day

Monday, October 9 11:00 am – 5:00 pm

The seventh annual **Indigenous Peoples' Day in Philly** is fast approaching. The event will be at Shackamaxon (Penn Treaty Park) on Monday, October 9, 2023, from 11 AM – 5 PM EDT. The event is hosted by Indigenous Peoples' Day Philly, Inc (IPD Philly), an Indigenous-led non-profit organization based in Philadelphia, PA. Through a celebration of art and culture, this annual event provides space for different Indigenous communities in the city to shed light on the history and strength of our people from 530 years of resistance.

This is a family-friendly event, everyone can join this community as we celebrate an indigenous future



Outreach & Communications Thread Gathering

Saturday, October 21 @ 1:00 pm - 5:00 pm

This event is a unique opportunity to gather with Friends from across the yearly meeting community **who share the concern about outreach and membership**. Listen to a panel of presenters who have experienced positive change, and explore resources developed by meetings. Groups who attend from their meetings will have time and support for a hands-on review of ideas and planning for what to take back to their meetings. Through the afternoon, we'll center a concern for invitation, welcome, and belonging.