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TRENTON FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

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News and Updates for Friends and friends in our community



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EVENTS AND NEWS PP. 2-4 CALENDAR PP. 5-6 Busy is a good description of March for the Meeting, and it is applicable to April as well. It was Trenton's turn to host Quarterly – a gathering of all eight Quaker Meetings in the Burlington Quarter area. The picture above shows the lunch break.

Arm In Arm is a long-standing social service organization that does many things including major food distributions. We are happy to be able to help them bring indoors the Tuesday and Thursday morning distributions here in Old Trenton Neighborhood. (page 2)

On Saturday April 20th at 11 am, Trenton Quakers will join this year's monthly Lunch In Downtown Trenton with brunch at Orchid House. (page 4)

April 13 on the Meetinghouse grounds will be our annual Egg Hunt. With an early Easter we opted for a "Spring Egg Hunt". (page 3)

ARM IN ARM DISTRIBUTION

Every Tuesday and Thursday friends and neighbors around the city come to receive food bags. There are about 100 families and individuals served each day. In a well-organized operation, the Arm In Arm staff and young volunteers from schools and colleges bring in boxes of produce, eggs and frozen meat. Bags already loaded with non-perishables gets a share of the perishable items and folks line up to register and get their bag.









FAMILIES AND CHILDREN



With the early arrival of Easter this year (March 31), we are planning a belated "Spring Egg Hunt" on the Meetinghouse grounds on April 13th. Check out the flyer.

SUNDAY SCHOOL

Children are invited to our
Sunday School which
Quakers call First
Day School to learn about
our spiritual values through
song, stories, art and games.
First Day School meets at 10
on 2nd and 4th Sundays.

OUTREACH

This is just a little update on the Pop Up Project aimed at young adults mentioned in last month's newsletter. Six of us have agreed to meet weekly to participate in activities designed to trigger our creative minds and to help us design a Pop Up Event. We started this adventure on March 28th and will continue each Thursday until our event is designed. As we get clearer on what adventure we are creating, we will let you know. Hopefully we will come up with something that most of us will want to participate in because we will be sure to need your support!

The Pop Up Committee currently consists of Aine Mickey, Cathy Campbell, Lou Befano, Amy Kelly, Graham Apgar, and Maia Saito.

<u>BOOKS</u>



The Book Box is popular, especially for the children. Soon adult books in the box will have an insert with a link to a space on our website for comments and discussions of books from the box.

Here is that link:
tinyurl.com/trentonbooks
Click "Create Post"
(You will need to register with us
using email address or Google or
Facebook account.)

LUNCH IN DOWNTOWN TRENTON



This year we are again participating in a city initiative to support Trenton eateries.
Having available eating options on Saturdays is important for the vitality of Trenton, so groups and organizations make a monthly committment.

We will be meeting up at 11 am on April 20th. We will "brunch" at Orchid House Café, owned and operated by our neighbors, Elijah Dixon and Nicole Brown.

Each month we will pick another place for a great social time, a good meal and an opportunity ot support Trenton.

Trenton Quakers Tue Apr 2, 2024 9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution Thu Apr 4, 2024 9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution Fri Apr 5, 2024 4:30pm - 6pm Property & Funds Committee Where: Zoom or in person Sat Apr 6, 2024 12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse Sun Apr 7, 2024 10am - 11am Meeting for Worship Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA 11:30am - 12:30pm CMW Committee Where: 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA Tue Apr 9, 2024 9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution Thu Apr 11, 2024 9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution Sat Apr 13, 2024 12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse Sun Apr 14, 2024 9am - 10am Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA 10am - 11am First Day School 10am - 11am Meeting for Worship Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA Tue Apr 16, 2024 9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution Thu Apr 18, 2024 9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution Sat Apr 20, 2024 11am - 12pm Lunch in Downtown Trenton Where: Orchid House, 134 E Hanover, Trenton, NJ 08608 12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse Sun Apr 21, 2024 10am - 11am Meeting for Worship Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA 11:30am - 12:45pm Social Sunday Potluck and Environment Action **Support 2pm - 3pm Religious Education Committee** Where: Zoom or in person

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Tue Apr 23, 2024

9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution

Thu Apr 25, 2024

9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution

Sat Apr 27, 2024

9am - 4pm BLM Spaghetti prep and distro

Where: Trenton Meeting of Friends, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse

Sun Apr 28, 2024

10am - 11am First Day

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

11:30am - 12:30pm Peace and Social Concerns Committee

Where: Trenton Monthly Meeting, 142 E Hanover St, Trenton, NJ 08608, USA

Mon Apr 29, 2024

7pm - 8:15pm Communication & Outreach Committee

Where: Zoom

Tue Apr 30, 2024

9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution

Thu May 2, 2024

9am - 12:30pm Arm in Arm food distribution

Fri May 3, 2024

4:30pm - 6pm Property & Funds Committee

Where: Zoom or in person

Sat May 4, 2024

12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse



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