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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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Introduction

Orange is the garden's color in mid-June when the photo above was taken. Orange Butterfly Weed (as it is called) and Day Lilies have come now that the Iris blooms have ended. With the Butterfly Weed a big attractor of Monarchs and other butterflies, and seeing bees busy throughout the garden, we hope we are a small help in maintaining some declining species. There is no question that it brightens the neighborhood.

The Communications Committee

PIANOS

There are two pianos in the Meetinghouse. The one in the fellowship room was tuned and repaired some months ago and the one from the yoga room was recently tuned as well and is in need of some repair to be undertaken soon. In order to protect the recently sanded and refinished yoga room floor, rubber wheeled dollies will be attached to the bottom of that piano so it can safely return to its usual location – and can be moved around the room if and when that is necessary.

The Meeting is subsidizing piano lessons for up to three children from Old Trenton Neighborhood. One child has been taking the lessons since last November. Two more children are set to begin in July. While the lessons have been until now at the Conservatory Mansion, a few blocks away, they may be happening at the Meetinghouse. Our pianos are ready but there are details to be resolved in July.



FIRST DAY SCHOOL

COVID brought an end to our First Day School during the worship hour. Since then, there have been no young children coming. The Religious Education Committee substituted events for children and families ranging from Egg Hunts to Gingerbread House creation to Pumpkin Painting and more.

In an exciting development, the last week of June found us having 10 am First Day School again with a group of four siblings from the neighborhood whose mother is looking for this kind of religious education opportunity. It will be very interesting to see how our First Day School program proceeds.

We hope there will be a good report in the next Newsletter!

IN OUR BURIAL GROUND

There are important historical folks interred in our burial ground. George Clymer, signer of both the Declaration of Independence and the Constitution, Trentonian Philemon Dickenson who was a Brigadier General in the Battle of Trenton and later a US Senator, Richard Howell who was the third Governor of New Jersey, and also members of the Cadwalader family. Clymer's gravesite is well marked including a brass historical marker and is regularly visited by history buffs. Recently a couple from Tennessee visited as they completed their trip around the northeast searching out founding fathers' resting places.

Flowers appeared in front of the Cadwalader grave stone a few weeks ago – source unknown.

And the exact location of Richard Howell's grave is a known mystery. An article was published in May by a reporter about his search for more details, entitled *The Mystery Of Governor Howell's Grave*. It can be seen using the QR code below or by clicking the link or copying it into your browser. Fred Millner and Charles Hardy helped the author with information from Trenton Meeting historical records.



photo by Charles Hardy



<http://bit.ly/42YkEEen>



photo by Mark Bator

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Trenton Quakers

Sun Jul 2, 2023

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

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

11:30am - 12:30pm Adult Forum

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

Tue Jul 4, 2023

4:30pm - 5:30pm CMW Committee

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

Fri Jul 7, 2023

4:30pm - 6pm Property & Funds Committee

Where: Zoom

Sat Jul 8, 2023

10am - 11am Mindfulness with Djenaba

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

Sun Jul 9, 2023

9am - 10am Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

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

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

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

Sat Jul 15, 2023

12pm - 1:30pm Lunch in Downtown Trenton

Where: TBD

Sun Jul 16, 2023

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

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

Sat Jul 22, 2023

9am - 4pm BLM Spaghetti prep and distro

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

Sun Jul 23, 2023

9am - 10am Religious Education Committee

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

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

Wed Jul 26, 2023

All day PYM Annual Sessions 7/26 to 7/30

Wed Jul 26, 2023

Where: Zoom and in person at TCNJ

Sun Jul 30, 2023

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

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