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TRENTON FRIENDS NEWSLETTER

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News and Updates for Friends and friends in our community



This summer was busy on a number of fronts. Above is a picture of a part of the audience for Sounds & Silence Open Mic event at the amphitheater in Trenton's Mill Hill Park. (page 2)

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EVENTS AND NEWS PP. 2-4 CALENDAR PP. 5-6 Our old building again brings problems requiring a rapid response. A break in the drain from the upstairs kitchen showed itself as water damage to the ceiling and wall in the downstairs kitchen. (page 3)

The Back to School Block Party is described in words and pictures on page 4. So much effort, so much love, so much care for our community and our city was shown by all the partners creating this event on North Montgomery Street and the Meetinghouse grounds.



You can contact us by email at trentonquakers@gmail.com if you would are interested in the Quaker Faith, our community witness, our environmental work and our work for racial justice.

MONTHLY FREE SALE BEGINS

Every month on the day of the Black Lives Matter NJ outreach (usually the fourth Saturday), the Meeting will be having a sidewalk Free Sale in front of the Meetinghouse. At the first one in July Cathy (at the left) is shown in the photo just setting up, and our first neighbor is already happily browsing.



Friends who have items to donate for the Free Sale can bring them without appointment at around 11 am on the day of the Free Sale or bring them to the Meetinghouse on the Sunday before. Worship and afterthoughts last until about 11:30 so if you are not joining us for Worship please bring items between 11:30 and 12:30. You can arrange other donation options by emailing or calling the Meeting (see top of page 1) to work out details.

<u>OUR OLD BUILDING</u>

It seems that even with the way things were done one hundred and thirty five years ago, time takes its toll.

When a leak from above showed up in the downstairs kitchen, a bit of demolition showed a break in the old drain pipe from the upstairs kitchen sink Expert repair was supplied by Kelvin Baldwin and young men from Men For H.O.P.E.







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SOUND & SILENCE OPEN MIC

The Sounds & Silence Open Mic event had to be delayed to our "rain date" on July 6. Because of the Fouth of July holiday, there were performers who wanted to come but couldn't, but it was still a very successful and enjoyable event. Poets and storytellers entertained and inspired us. Fruits and little cupcakes and beverages were enjoyed. Besides the presenters and intentional audience members, a number of folks coming through the park enjoyed interacting with us. Kudos to the hardworking committee that made it happen.









PRAYERS FOR PEACE

The first of our monthly Prayers For Peace gatherings happened around the peace pole. Mostly Trenton Friends, we were able to interact with passers by and welcome them to join.

In the next few days, some of us were approached by neighbors who had seen us and might gather with us in the future.



We invite members of the community to join us in Prayers for Peace.

WHEN: Saturday, July 13, 2024 from 10:15-11:00 AM and Monthly though December 2024 on the Second Saturday of the Month. All are welcome to drop by for a few minutes, or to stay for the entire 45-minute session.

WHERE: Trenton Friends Meetinghouse, 142 E. Hanover St., Trenton, NJ 08608. Meet at our "Peace Pole" to engage in fellowship, silent prayer, and vocal ministry.

For more information contact trentonquakers@gmail.com

Quaker Testimony is grounded in

Peace, Service, Integrity, Community, Equality and Social Justice



<u>COMMUNITY BACK TO SCHOOL BLOCK PARTY</u>

This month began with an extravaganza on the Meetinghouse grounds, the Fourth Annual Back to School Book Bag Block Party. Led by Black Lives Matter NJ and Imperfect Village, with the support of Isles, Chosen Generation Learning Center, Trenton Community Street Teams and Trenton Meeting, the community enjoyed food, games, school supplies and give aways, and a BIG bouncy-house.





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Mon Aug 26, 2024

7pm - 8:15pm Communication & Outreach Committee Where: Zoom

Tue Aug 27, 2024

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

Sat Aug 31, 2024

12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse

Trenton Quakers

Sun Sep 1, 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

Fri Sep 6, 2024

4:30pm - 6pm Property & Funds Committee

Where: Zoom or in person

Sat Sep 7, 2024

12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse

Sun Sep 8, 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

Sat Sep 14, 2024

10:15am - 11am Prayers For Peace

12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse

Sun Sep 15, 2024

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

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

2pm - 3pm Religious Education Committee

Where: Zoom or in person

Sat Sep 21, 2024

12pm - 1:30pm Piano lessons at Meetinghouse

Sun Sep 22, 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

Sat Sep 28, 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 Sep 29, 2024

10am - 11am Meeting for Worship

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



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