

December 15, 2023

Unami Monthly Meeting
100 East Fifth Street
Pennsburg, PA 18073

Unami Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends



Calendar

This Month

Dec. 17, Seasonal Celebration, 5 p.m. (No 11 a.m. Meeting for Worship)

Dec. 24, Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

Dec. 31, Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

Future:

Jan. 7, Inter-generational Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

Jan. 14, Meeting for worship with a concern for business, 9 a.m, Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

Jan. 21, Elder John Thomas Discussion, 9:30 a.m, Meeting for Worship, 11 a.m.

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

Newsletter Deadline

The deadline for the next newsletter is Jan. 19 **at 4 PM.**

This is a Friday deadline.

Send your news to danielhazelton@rcn.com.



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:

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Query for the Month of December

Nurturing Our Community: Religious Stewardship of Resources

- How does our meeting accommodate ecological, economic and social justice in its uses of property and money?
- Does our meeting engage its members in supporting the meeting's work, its ministry and the upkeep of its property?
- Does our meeting encourage its members to support with their time, energy and finances the quarterly and yearly meetings and other Quaker organizations?
- To what extent does our meeting rely on current members and attenders for financial support and to what extent on other sources? *How do I demonstrate in my own decision making a concern for ecological, economic and social justice?*
- *How do I demonstrate in my own decision making a concern for ecological, economic and social justice?*
- *How do I simplify my needs, making choices that balance self-sufficiency and fair sharing of resources?*
- *Do I balance my work-life and other activities with the time and energy needed for my spiritual growth and service?*
- *Do I contribute to the work of Friends in my meeting, in the quarterly and yearly meetings and in the wider world of Friends?*

Unami Friends **Seasonal Celebration**

Please share this invitation freely.



**December
17th 2023
5pm**

**Unami Monthly
Meeting
100 5th Street
Pennsburg, PA**

Friends will gather in the meetinghouse (and on Zoom) on the evening of December 17. Please arrive early. We will settle together in the darkness and share messages as we light candles and celebrate the Light. Messages could include poetry, song, musings or anything that one desires to share with our community.

Childcare will be provided for infants and toddlers – we hope and encourage school age children to remain in meeting so they can participate by sharing their gifts and experiencing the gifts of others.

Unami's Worship and Ministry Committee has identified the Delaware Tribe of Indians (Lenape) to be the recipient of Unami's Seasonal Celebration special donation. Checks can be made out to Unami Friends with a memo indicating the Lenape as the ultimate recipient.

Zoom link for those not able to be there in person:

<https://us02web.zoom.us/j/88473868746?pwd=d0p0TkQwMGRabDNi2VOUG1JMGt6UT09>

Meeting ID: 884 7386 8746 • Passcode: 924904

Any questions please contact Philip Donnelly at philipkdonnelly@yahoo.com or 215-896-1876

Property Workday - November 18, 2023



Justin raking leaves



Patrick painting trim



Niko and Mark cleaning windows



Girls taking a break



Hardworking team....but
one's ready for a nap!

Worship and Ministry Committee Announcements

January 7, 11:00am – Join us for our first Inter-generational Meeting for Worship! Friends of all ages will gather on the benches and a floor blanket. We will have a brief introductory message which will be appropriate for all ages and then settle into silence and quiet activities (for both children and adults) for the remainder of the hour. There will be no First Day School or childcare on this day. This is a bold experiment and work-in-progress for the Unami community. We will need patience and contributions from all that participate as we nurture and grow this intergenerational experience on a regular basis.

January 21, 9:30am (rescheduled from Dec.3) - We welcome John Thomas, Elder of the Delaware (Lenape) Tribe of Indians, to a 9:30 discussion at Unami Meeting. Elder Thomas will share his mission to establish relationships with current residents of our region as he works to foster acknowledgement of the Delaware Tribe's ancestral homeland and to find opportunities for building bridges of trust and cooperation. Amongst other objectives is the creation of Delaware burial grounds and community centers in our region. The discussion will be followed by Meeting for Worship and a potluck lunch.

Upper Perk Code Blue Task Force

Hello Friends,

One of the groups we are seeking to be neighbors to is the homeless population in our area. A group of caring community members have come together to begin to organize and address a part of this need by providing a Code Blue Shelter for the homeless during the extreme cold of winter.

The goal is to have this Code Blue Shelter up and operating some time in January. We need your help in passing the word along that volunteers are needed to serve this need. There will be two training sessions for interested persons on Sunday, January 7th at 3pm or Thursday, January 11th at 7pm. Both of these trainings will be held at Upper Perkiomen Community Church on Main Street in East Greenville.

Also, we would welcome monetary gifts to offset the expenses of this venture for utilities, supplies and other expenses. If you would be open to help, you can send a check made out to the Upper Perkiomen Community Church and mark it for "Code Blue Shelter".

Nancy (for the Upper Perk Code Blue Task Force)