



Love One Another As I Have Loved Thee

2012 Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting Sessions: July 25-July 29

Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting Sessions are five days of spiritual refreshment, intellectual stimulation, and Quaker community as OVYM's monthly meetings gather at Earlham College to participate in activities designed to support and sustain the spiritual lives of Friends.

As a member of your Monthly Meeting, you are also a member of the Yearly Meeting and are warmly invited to participate in the 2011 meeting sessions. Friends from Ohio, Indiana and Kentucky gather for all or part of the sessions, depending on employment and other commitments, with attendance swelling as Friends arrive for Friday evening, Saturday and Sunday morning sessions.

Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business is at the heart of the Yearly Meeting sessions, beginning on Wednesday evening. Thursday and Friday will also include workshops each afternoon and plenary speakers in the evening. Small worship sharing groups meet each morning to discuss queries related to the theme of the sessions. Shared meals provide informal opportunities to exchange ideas and experiences, and to continue discussions beyond the workshops and business sessions.

For youth and teenagers, there are separate recreational opportunities that include canoeing, bicycle trips and swimming as well as programming to encourage the exchange of ideas with peers and adult leaders concerning their lives and religious faith. Child care, preschool and

elementary offerings are also included. During the week each age group helps prepare several acts for the Saturday evening Talent Show. This is an event participated in, and enjoyed, by everyone.

The Yearly Meeting bookstore offers opportunities to examine books for sale by and about Quakers and Quakerism not commonly found in a single location. Included are those authored by or chosen by plenary speakers and workshop leaders.

In spite of a full schedule, you will still find time for quiet walks around Earlham's campus or taking a short nap. Friends with special interests are encouraged to post notices on the registration bulletin board for late evening gatherings. Bring an instrument to play in the Talent Show or later in the Afterthoughts Cafe. Take time to look at the exhibit tables and gather for group singing after dinner.

For the second time, the Yearly Meeting sessions will begin with a Service Project with the Cope Environmental Center. 10 am to 3 pm on Wednesday has been set aside for this and more information will be coming later.

For more info: Tunia McClure (812)254-0392 or tunia.mcclure@gmail.com.

After June 1, registration details on www.quaker.org/ovym.

Please do not contact Earlham College for information.

From the Clerk's Table

Come share in our Holy Community and seek God's will

Friends' lack of settled doctrine creates a reality where experience and continuing revelation are ever forefront in our religious community. We need each other's sense of where God is calling us and how God is calling us as individuals and as a community to develop markers for our journey. Some call our reality an instance of religious democracy where all are called to be faithful to her or his call. A call tested and weighed in community. Some see our reality as individuals gathered in community seeking God's will. Yearly Meeting meets both of these religious environments. At Yearly Meeting we bring our individual realities, challenged by the secular

world and nurtured and seasoned by Friends gathered in holy service which includes service projects, worship for business, workshops, Quaker organizational doings, dancing, eating and just plain congregating. John Punshon captures this sense when it says that "it is left to the free gift of God to choose any whom he ...meet[s] thereunto, whether rich or poor, servant or master, young or old, yea, male or female. And such as have this call verify the gospel, by preaching not in speech only, but also in power and in the Holy Ghost..." (Encounters with Silence, John Punshon, p. 4-5) This power is seen clearly in our gathered Yearly Meeting

From the Clerk's Table - continued

community where we come to seek that power. "God's...revelation (is) not closed but continuous....Truth is always growing, and cannot be finally petrified in any formula." (Dear Friend: Letters and Essays of Elias Hicks, Paul Buckley, p. 173) We come to Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting seeking that continuing revelation seen partially by each of us and tested

and brought forth in our collectivity. I look forward to seeing all of you again at Earlham College this 7th Month as we gather in holy community to seek God's will.

*Paul Kriese
Presiding Clerk
Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting*

News & Announcements

The Book Store Needs Your Help

The Sessions' Book Store needs your help especially during the evening hours.

Also, there will be used books available for a donation.

Peace and Social Concerns Committee

Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting workshop

Wednesday July 25

10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Earlham College Bolling Center Room 201

"Friends Equality Testimony
and the
Occupy Movement"

facilitated by Peace & Social Concerns Committee
joined by Bob and Carol Hunter
(Richmond Church of the Brethren)

and
Friends involved in the Occupy Movement

Worship sharing
Informal presentations
Discussion
Action Planning

Pizza, juice, and soda will be provided for lunch.

FCNL also continues to push for legislation supporting more green energy and less coal and gas, reducing nuclear weapons, and funding more resources for Native Americans. A recent action item calls on US Representatives to support a resolution by one of their members stating that climate change is a real moral threat to our health that we need to do something about.

At the annual sessions last year, we lobbied Congress to support a genocide prevention initiative put forth by the Obama administration. Postcards were sent to our senators calling for diplomacy, not war, with Iran. In an immigration interest group, there was much sharing of stories and strong desires to act on the immigrant situation in this country. In another group discussing Israel and Palestinians, there was a strong feeling that Israel's store of about 200 nuclear weapons was an elephant in the room, something Americans ignore or are unaware of, while Arabs constantly feel the power they represent. Why are these weapons allowed to exist without any inspection or even acknowledgment, when Israel has not even signed the non-proliferation treaty, while we chastise Iran for enriching uranium, which they are allowed to do under this treaty which they have signed? Why is Israel's tremendous power advantage over Palestinians not considered a hindrance to peace negotiations? What does our testimony on equality say about this?

Diane Randall, the new director, has instituted a new look for FCNL's web site which highlights the action issue of the week with links to back-up articles. Meetings are asked to send copies of minutes and letter writers are encouraged to send their published letters to FCNL to be posted on their web site. Clear Creek Meeting sent a minute on budget priorities last Fall which FCNL posted; it was still there last I looked.

Diane has also spent time traveling around the country speaking with Friends Meetings, traveling to Israel and the Palestinian territories and recently to Kenya, where Quakers are working hard to prevent an outbreak of war by teaching nonviolence and instituting a peace curriculum in the Quaker schools there. FCNL has been successful in getting a small Complex Crisis Fund put into the federal budget to help prevent outbreaks of war in conflict situations like Kenya's.

Jane Stowe

Friends Committee on National Legislation

This past year FCNL has focused on the issues of ending the war in Afghanistan, preventing war in Libya and Iran, questioning the policies on using drones, and changing budget priorities to reduce the military budget by \$1 trillion and keep a safety net for services to the poor like unemployment benefits, food stamps, and health care for all. Sample letters to Congress have been sent monthly to Friends meeting coordinators to facilitate letter writing. FCNL staff has conducted lobby trainings around the country to encourage more FCNL supporters to lobby their Congress people since person-to-person lobbying is the most effective way to influence legislation.

Comments for the Quaker Quill are appreciated. Find me and tell what you think.

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William Penn House

William Penn House continues to successfully be an inexpensive clean and hospitable place for visitors to Washington, DC to spend the night. Local efforts include leading monthly discussion groups on timely topics and advocacy for HIV victims being able to use self-testing kits. Workcamps were held to aid people in the DC area, help Hurricane Katrina victims, and work with Native Americans in South Dakota. Penn House staff also enjoyed visiting many yearly meetings.

Jane Stowe

Joint Quarterly Meeting:

Happy Hollow Camp for the weekend of Tenth Month 13-14, 2012.

Deborah Jordan

Quarterly Meeting News

Whitewater Quarterly Meeting

Fall Creek Friends Meeting, Pendleton, IN
Fourth Month 15, 2012

1. Opening worship. Friends gathered at the appointed time in a period of centering worship.
2. Welcome and role call of meeting representatives/reporters. The Clerk welcomed Friends and called the roll of monthly meeting representatives/reporters. The following Friends identified themselves as representatives/reporters:

Bloomington	Marcia Ankrom
Clear Creek	Jane Stowe
Fall Creek	Diann Herzog
Fort Wayne	no reporter
Hopewell	Susan Scott
Lafayette	Michele Tomarelli
North Meadow	Dinah Duvall
White Rose	no reporter
Presiding Clerk	Rex Sprouse

Agenda for Meeting for Business

Roll call of meeting reporters/representatives

Bloomington
Clear Creek
Fall Creek
Fort Wayne
Hopewell
Lafayette
North Meadow
White Rose

Treasurer's report

Report from Joint Quarterly Meeting Planning Committee

Travel minutes

Ad hoc committee on White Rose Friends Meeting

State of the Meeting reports

Other business

3. Clerk's Table. The Clerk summarized for Friends some of the functions of quarterly meetings within the structure of Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting. The functions of the quarterly meetings include: (1) seasoning concerns arising in monthly meetings; (2) shepherding new meetings into OVYM; (3) receiving State of the Meeting reports at the spring session; (4) offering spiritual support to troubled monthly meetings; (5) considering appeals regarding termination of membership in monthly meetings; (6) gathering for spiritual nurture and fellowship; and (7) acting as a regional body of Friends.

The Clerk reminded Friends that all were invited to the afternoon session devoted to a discussion of the online survey of Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting Friends conducted during 2010-2011.

4. Joint Quarterly Meeting, Tenth Month 2012. Whitewater Quarterly Meeting will host the biannual Joint Quarterly Meeting, scheduled for Tenth Month 2012. Friends appointed a JQM Planning Committee, consisting of the following Friends: Dinah Duvall, Diann Herzog, and Marshall Gibson.

5. Report from the Treasurer. The Clerk reported that he had received word from Treasurer David Duvall that our current assets are \$611.98. Friends were reminded that each constituent monthly meeting is asked to contribute \$50 per year toward the operation of the Quarterly Meeting. Friends are asked to remit the contribution to David Duvall, 7811 Kimlough Dr, Indianapolis, IN 42640. The Quarterly Meeting's current primary expenses are travel reimbursement for Friends who present invited programs at Quarterly Meeting sessions.

6. Children's programs at Quarterly Meeting sessions. Friends considered how we might as a quarterly meeting encourage children's attendance at Quarterly Meeting sessions. Several Friends offered suggestions, including the creation of an e-mail list of Friendly parents, facilitating communication among Friends with children who might attend Quarterly Meeting sessions, planning field trips or other community-building activities for children, and involvement of Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting's Religious Education Committee. Friends will also remain open to other leadings of the Spirit that might arise in conjunction with particular Quarterly Meeting sessions.

7. Closing worship. Friends concluded the business meeting with a brief period of closing worship.

Rex Sprouse

Monthly Meeting News

Campus Monthly Meeting

Memorial services after the manner of Friends were held for two valued member/attenders: Sterling P. Olmsted on December 18, 2011, and Barbara Cartwright, on January 7, 2012. Sterling and Barbara Olmsted were active members of Campus Meeting for many years before moving to the Albany, New York area in retirement. Barbara Cartwright, the mother of Patricia Thomas, moved to Wilmington two years ago and was a welcome and valued attendee at Campus Meeting.

Friends have shown interest in the book discussion group, which continues to meet monthly. Participants suggest books for further consideration.

Dayton Monthly Meeting

Congratulations to Lisa Scarpelli who graduated from Earlham College in May, majoring in Peace and Global Studies. Lisa will be working with Quaker Voluntary Service in Atlanta beginning in August (<http://www.quakervoluntaryservice.org/>).

Fellow Earlhamite Will Henry has decided to take a gap year next year to travel to Latin America. He has tentative plans to go to Costa Rica to learn organic farming this summer, and then hopes to go to Columbia next February to work with children.

Also graduating from Earlham with a master's degree in education was Jana Schroeder, a former member of our meeting who now works with the Bonner program at Earlham.

Eastern Hills Monthly Meeting

EARTHCARE AT EASTERN HILLS MEETING

The last time I wrote here I reported on Earthcare projects at Lexington, North Meadow and Yellow Springs meetings. This time I want to tell of some steps being taken at Eastern Hills Meeting.

Many residential households have been experimenting in recent years with replacing portions of their mowed yards with native plantings of wild herbs, shrubs, and flowers. Wild and domestic food plants are sometimes included. This landscaping doesn't require mowing, cuts down on air pollution and noise, and results in more wildlife, carbon sequestration, oxygen production, and beauty. It's a way of shifting toward right relationship with Creation which is starting to take off across the continent.

On May 20 I sat down (yes, on the front lawn) at Yellow Springs Meeting during Miami Quarterly with Martha Viehmann to hear about Eastern Hills Meeting's steps toward such a natural landscape. She first proposed the idea for a lawn transformation at business meeting, citing both the ecological motives which I mentioned and also the labor involved in weekly mowing. They have a roughly 100 by 100 foot lot which includes the building and parking space. More than half of the lot is lawn.

A small ad hoc committee was established, and they held a second hour visioning session with people imagining all kinds of

The Fellowship Breakfast on the first Sunday of the month has become a Fellowship Brunch on the third Sunday and will be held at the rise of meeting for worship. This change in schedule will accommodate a larger number of Friends.

Campus Meeting plans to provide snacks at the Clinton County Youth Center during a week in February. This service is coordinated by Church Women United.

Campus Meeting looks forward to hosting Miami-Center Quarterly Meeting in Kelly Center on March 4.

Lenna Mae Gara

Christine Snyder is at home recovering from surgery last month.

Dean Matthews has decided to retire from his accounting work because of back problems that make it difficult to work. We are holding both Friends in the Light.

David and Virginia Wood write that they are finishing their two-year commitment to Honolulu Meeting, and will return to the mainland next month. They will be traveling this summer before settling in at the retirement home in Newberg, OR, and hope to visit Dayton in August.

Terri Scarpelli, correspondent

ways to creatively design their space. They then proceeded, at their spring work day last year, to plant 3 service berry bushes in front of the house. These may grow to 20 feet, providing berries for birds and people, as well as shade. They plan on further plantings under and around the bushes.

They also put down newspaper and mulch on top of grass under a crabapple tree in another area, and planted shade tolerant plants and herbs through a space of about 10 by 14 feet. This area will be expanded in the future. Last fall six eastern red cedar trees, dug from Ralph and Darlene Palmer's lot, were planted along the northern border of the yard next to a neighbor's garage.

Work in this small meeting proceeds step by small step, and each square foot of lawn replaced is seen as progress. The beginning work is the most intensive, with later less time-consuming watering, weeding and mulching done when people can stop by.

Vandalism of the building and plants has happened in the past, some of it apparently coming from school kids from the nearby middle school. Martha and her meeting have hopes of getting together with the school's children and staff to talk about sharing their learning, and perhaps working together on meeting as well as school grounds cultivation.

Peace with neighbors and with Earth can beautifully intertwine.

*Bill Cahalan
Earthcare Committee*

Oxford Monthly Meeting

Oxford Friends have joined with area churches to help with the upcoming Habitat for Humanity build. We will be on work crews, help out with meals, and add to the financial plot. We already helped seed a lawn and build two tool sheds for ongoing projects, decked out in our OVYM teen "Got Light?" hoodies!

Andrew Garrison

Yellow Springs Monthly Meeting

The Meeting was honored to witness the wedding of Jane Brown and Paul Beck. They were married during the course of First-day Meeting for Worship on April 15, following appropriate planning.

Laura Hyde, a junior at Ohio University, has joined the Meeting as an adult member.

The Meeting continues to appoint six of the eleven members of the board of the Friends Care Community. A separate nominating committee was established for this task.

The Peace and Justice Committee of St. Paul's Catholic Church has been meeting with a group of Friends to jointly consider best

ways to oppose the death penalty. Members of both faiths continue to meet for a vigil in front of the Lucasville prison when an execution takes place.

"Godly Play" during First-day School is currently considering the nature of Jesus after the resurrection

There are several ongoing informal Friends activities, including monthly Glen walks, lunches and a writing group. All goes well for Friends.

*In the Light
Carl Hyde*

Yellow Springs Friends Meeting, State of the Meeting Report, 6th day, Fifth Month 2012

The Meeting has a trust relationship with the new Antioch College; the Meeting has primary use of Rockford and schedules the building's use by Yellow Springs Havurah and other groups. The formal arrangement between the College and the Meeting concerning Rockford Chapel still needs to be worked out.

Our children's group continues to learn through the "Godly Play" and "Faith and Play" curriculums and our middle school youth's strong interest in music is being encouraged. Our children join Meeting for Worship for the first 15 minutes and then enjoy time outdoors, frequently in the College's Glen Helen Nature Preserve, under the care of nurturing adults. The number of families with children has increased substantially in the last year; we frequently have ten children and youth on First Day.

Our adult religious education program is well attended. One was led by Steve Roberts who is spear heading an ecumenical Yellow Springs Peace Week that will be timed to include the UN International Day of Peace on September 21. Another, led by Cheryl Keen, a board member of the new Quaker Volunteer Service Program, focused on the formative value that service has been in our lives.

Fellowship in the meeting community, the topic of another forum, brought forth ideas that have led to a richer community life. Now, in addition to some simple meals in Friend's homes, we have a monthly lunch at a local café, a monthly walk in Glen Helen Nature

Preserve and a monthly inner journey group that writes and reflects on spiritual prompts. A one-day retreat was held last fall and one is being planned for this September. An inter-generational talent show, held before Meeting for Worship, drew a large crowd with Friends ages 7 through 70 (and beyond) performing,

Carl Hyde continues to lead an ecumenical group witnessing against the death penalty during Ohio executions, and a number of Quakers continue the steadfast interdenominational witness against war each Saturday.

Membership and Pastoral Care Committee has continued to prayerfully approach out-of-contact members. As a result 13 adults and 3 associate members have elected to leave our membership rolls, while many others have affirmed the continuing importance of membership.

Paul Beck and long time member Jane Brown were married under the care of the Meeting during our 11:00 Meeting for Worship; a joyous hour! We lost our beloved elder member Richard Eastman in the fall and a memorial meeting was held with many family and Friends in attendance. Melissa Daniels joined by conviction, and Laura Hyde, an associate member since early childhood, became a member. Isaac and Adam Snediker-Morschek were received as associate members.

Respectfully submitted, Alice Robrish

2012 Yearly Meeting Program Sessions and Speakers

Plenary Session: Thursday, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, July 26

Ben Griffith: Love one another as I have loved you?

It is a stretch to imagine this kind of Love, isn't it? First of all, in our Quaker communities today, we aren't required to go to the cross unless you equate sitting through our interminable business proceedings to this slow and painful death! Yet acquiescing to this willingness to sacrifice one's Self is still a foundational tenet of Love and at the heart of this sacrifice is this "commandment" (advice?) to be in community with one another. We too often experience this communal Love as merely acceptance of one another and this works as long as we agree with one another. When we don't, it is awfully hard to see someone leave our flock. Maybe if we embraced the cross instead of feared it, our communities might be stronger and stay in relationship.



Ben Griffith, Lexington Friends Meeting. Born into a Quaker home in the Iowa Yearly (Conservative) Meeting, Ben was the youngest of four boys given to John and Reva Griffith to raise during the sturm and drang of the 60's and 70's. He returned to his Quaker roots (with his wife and two young daughters in tow) after emotionally digesting his oldest brother's murder especially as it specifically related to his pacifism and feelings about the murderer. Ben has faithfully served his monthly meeting, quarterly meeting, and yearly meeting since 1988, most recently serving as your OVYM presiding clerk during the 2009 and 2010 sessions. He spearheaded the recent OVYM survey and is working with Advancement and Nurture Committee to bring the yearly meeting into a new visioning.

Plenary Session: Friday, 7:00 - 8:30 pm, July 27

Jean-Marie Prestwidge Barch: How Do I know I Am Loved?

Jesus instructs his disciples to "...love one another as I have loved thee". Love is foundational to our growth as human beings. Jesus' love for his disciples provided a path on which they could learn about love. How do we, today, learn about love and how do we experience it? We will explore the ways in which we each know about loving and being loved. I will talk about human development and my own experience. There will also be a brief time during which Friends will be invited to think about their own experiences of loving and being loved and (for those Friends who are willing) to share their understanding with their neighbor.



Jean-Marie Prestwidge Barch from Schuylkill Meeting-Philadelphia Yearly Meeting; sojourning at Valley Friends Meeting, Baltimore Yearly Meeting was previously a Friends Central School 5th Grade teacher, board member and Clerk at West Chester Friends School. Jean-Marie is a clinical psychologist in private practice and currently teaches psychology graduate students at James Madison University. She has traveled among Friends as minister and companion in ministry and led workshops at the Gathering and several FGC conferences and consultations. Trained as a Beyond Diversity 101 Trainer, Jean-Marie has sensitivity and concern for helping people deal with issues around difference, spiritual nurture and growth.

As a teacher, and through her life journey she has come to understand that there are many facets to the jewel of deeper understanding of the Divine and that each of us can bring a face of that jewel to the collective understanding.

We need one another as support, guide, helper and companion on our journey no matter what our age, race, gender or other category of membership.

Jean-Marie has served Friends in both monthly and yearly meetings as clerk, recording clerk and as a member of Ministry and Pastoral Care committees as well as Friends General Conference Central Committee as a representative of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. In service to Friends through FGC's Traveling Ministries and Ministry and Nurture committees, as clerk of the Committee for Ministry on Racism, as co-clerk of the 2005 Gathering Committee and of the Youth Ministries Committee and currently clerk of the Committee for Nurturing Ministries' Transforming Subcommittee, Jean-Marie has had the opportunity to travel among Friends, listening and offering ministry to those who seek more authentic inclusion in our Society of Friends.

Workshop Wednesday, 1 - 2 pm, July 25

Friendly Adult Presence (FAP) training

This program is for adults wishing to volunteer to work with children in OVYM programs, and includes information from a spiritual and legal perspective.

Workshops: Thursday 1:45 - 3:15 pm, July 26

1. Jean-Marie Barch: The Tribes: An Anthropological Game

This workshop melds understandings from anthropology and psychology with self-reflection and gives us the opportunity to play together. We will be divided into groups to explore how groups work. What are the elements of our individual experience that contribute to our participation in groups? How does our work and play with one another nurture our individual growth? What are the things we know and the things we "think we know" about how groups work? Come play into some deeper learnings and understandings!

2. Bill Cahalan: Re-imagining Where You Live: Gas Fracking and Tending the Watershed Commons

Mainstream North America's individualistic worldview, including ideas about property, often blinds us to the rich web of interdependencies in which we are held. We are also kept from a fuller experience of divine presence. We may deepen the sense of being joined to human neighbors by becoming aware of belonging together to the water cycle moving through our landscapes and ourselves. This awareness can inspire active stewardship and resistance to such violations of our "commons" and bodies as fracking for natural gas.

Recommended preparation: Read the booklet *How on Earth Do We Live Now? Natural Capital, Deep Ecology and the Commons* by David Ciscel et al. Quaker Institute for the Future Pamphlet 2

3. Diann Herzog and Andy Garrison: Discerning Gifts in Community

How can we detect and encourage the special talents and skills we and others bear in our meetings and other communities? This workshop offers an experiential exploration of the discovery of the diverse and sometimes unexpected gifts that we can open in the service of fuller spiritual lives for ourselves and our f/Friends. We can attend to I Corinthians 12:4-7: "Now there are varieties of gifts, but the same Spirit . . . to each is given the manifestation of the Spirit for the common good." The workshop includes an experiential demonstration, a discussion, and a period of discerning worship sharing. We hope that participants will receive energy and inspiration to address the multiple gifts in their meetings in new ways.

4. Martha Viehmann: Expanding Our Vocabulary of Faith

Using selections from *Amazing Grace: A Vocabulary of Faith* by Kathleen Norris, we will discuss scary words like "Christ" and "Righteous" with the hope that by expanding our understanding of Christian terminology we may embrace Friends and others who use a different language of faith and so expand the circle in which we can recognize and share our love for one another. (Participants are not required to purchase the book.)

5. Silent Worship in Stout Meeting House

Friends are invited to gather, reflect, and share in a time of worship at Stout Meeting House.

Workshops: Friday, 1:45 - 3:15 pm, July 27

6. Ben Griffith: Nuts and Bolts: How to love one another as Christ loved?

We will take real live scenarios from monthly meeting challenges, divide into small groups, and form dramatic short skits. Attendees need to be ready to act. This will hopefully be more an opportunity to laugh at ourselves rather than to re-enter into past community injuries, but hurting is something hard to bottle up sometimes. We will stop each skit and let the Christ within us inform how the challenge might have addressed the situation better. We will hope that this Spirit will become more abundantly clear!

7. Michael Birkel : The Voice of My Beloved: The Song of Songs among Friends

This year's theme for yearly meeting draws on the Gospel of John and its words of love. Another book in the Bible that speaks much of love is the Song of Songs. In this workshop we'll explore this Biblical book of love poetry and discover how it was understood mystically among earlier Friends.

8. Michael Henson: Poetry as Spiritual Practice

This interactive workshop will explore poetry as a process which brings us closer to God and to each other. Participants will take part in a writing exercise and discuss in a supportive, non-judgmental atmosphere. You need not be a "poet" to join.

Michael Henson is a member of Eastern Hills Friends Meeting. His poetry collections include *Crow Call*, *The Dead Singing*, and *The Tao of Longing*. He has taught creative writing at Xavier University and has led workshops on poetry for the Urban Appalachian Council, the World Fellowship Center, Grailville, the School for the Creative and Performing Arts, Purcell Marion High School and several others. He works as a substance abuse counselor for homeless addicts.

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Registrar's Notes:

If you have questions about registration, please contact Eric Wolff at WolffHouse@gmail.com.

Anyone who has difficulty paying for the cost of attending Yearly Meeting should ask your monthly meeting if any assistance is available. Miami Quarterly Meeting also has funds available to support attendance at Yearly Meeting through the Cincinnati Fund. Contact Richard Mitchell at (859) 277-6101 or Susan Hyde at (937) 767-7756 for information about this resource.

Young Adult Friends and First-Time Attenders are especially welcomed to Yearly Meeting, and a **50% subsidy of all costs** will be offered to Young Adult Friends (ages 18-35) and First-Time Attenders this year!

Why do we have to pay a \$50 deposit? Earlham College requires that we let them know a guaranteed number of participants two weeks before yearly meeting begins. OVYM will have to pay the first day's meals and room for anyone who registers but does not attend. We are therefore asking for a \$50 deposit to complete the registration process. The deposit is not refundable after July 6.

Lost Keys: Earlham charges \$40 for lost keys. Anyone who loses a key will be asked to reimburse OVYM for this expense. We will again provide those handy lanyards to help keep track of keys.

Contributions toward the cost of providing the children and youth programs are greatly appreciated. Please consider if you are led to help support the Yearly Meeting's subsidy for all children and youth attending.

The Middle Youth Committee asks that committee meetings should not be scheduled during lunch on Thursday, to allow for the youth to meet with their Worship Mentors over lunch in the dining room.

Display Tables: Anyone wishing to have table space for a display **MUST** indicate this on the registration form.

Golf Carts will be available for persons needing transportation. Please check this on the registration form if needed. When you are at Earlham, you may request transportation by calling Runyan Desk (765) 983-1200.

Housing: We will again all be housed in the Mills dormitory, between Warren and Wilson. All rooms are air conditioned. There are kitchens and lounges on each floor. You can see a map of Earlham campus on the Earlham website, www.Earlham.edu (just click on "about Earlham" and then on "campus map.")

Single Rooms: Please indicate on the registration form if you need a single room, or whom you would be willing to room with. The registrar wants to make you as comfortable as possible! But **PLEASE** register early if you prefer a single room, as there are only a limited number available.

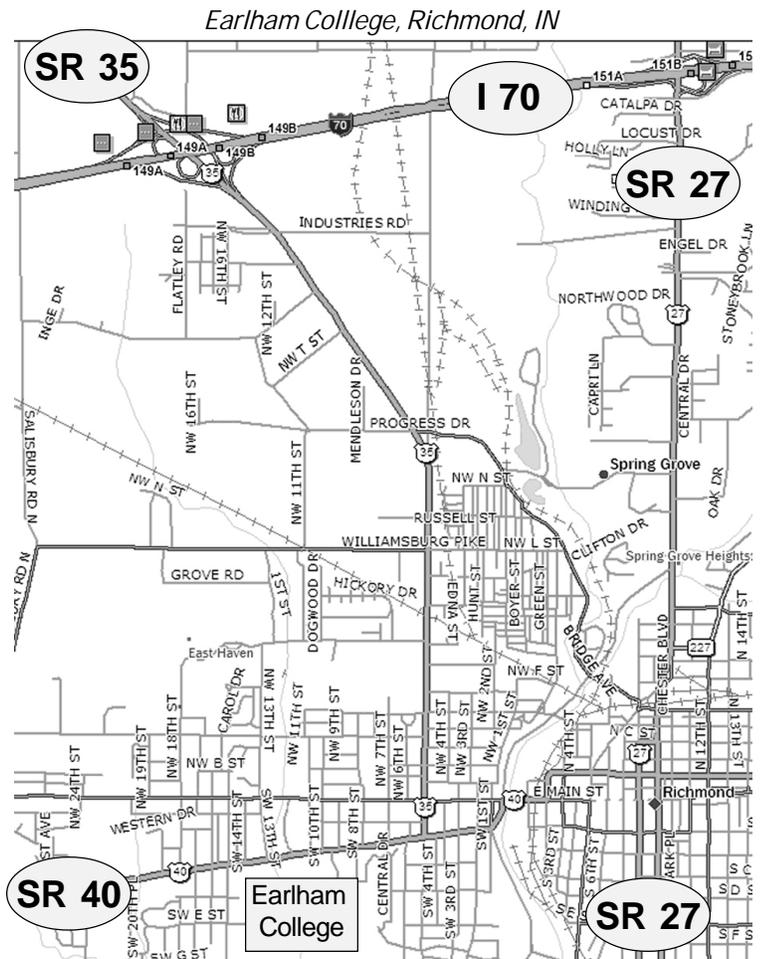
Items to bring: Earlham College does **NOT** provide linens or towels, so everyone **MUST** bring their own towel, pillow, sheets and blankets. You may want to use the following checklist:

- Towel Pillow
- Sheets and blankets, or sleeping bags.
- Alarm clock and reading lamp are very useful in the dorm rooms.
- You may also want to bring snacks for evening get-togethers
- Middle Youth** should bring a **bicycle, bicycle lock, helmet, and water bottle.**
- Teens** should bring a **water bottle for the canoe trip.**
- To help care for the earth, please bring a reusable water bottle and a cloth napkin for meals.**

Volunteers needed. Please indicate if you are willing to help with youth or those with special needs. Note that anyone who volunteers to work or drive with the youth must have appropriate training and certification, and volunteer drivers must have appropriate insurance coverage.

FAPs needed: The teen group is seeking adults who have had training as a Friendly Adult Presence (FAP) who would be willing to be scheduled for 3 hours of supervision during the night. If you are such a person, please list your name on the teen and middle youth program form. **NOTE: Training for FAPs will be offered from 1:00 to 2:00 on Wednesday if you have not had the training. Please see the registration form.**

*I'm looking forward to seeing you all!
Your registrar, Eric Wolff*



Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting: July 25 through July 29, 2012 at Earlham College

Registration

name(s) _____ Monthly Meeting _____

e-mail _____ telephone _____

- Please check here if you would like registration confirmation by email.
 If you would like confirmation by regular mail, please include a self-addressed stamped envelope.

Please list the names of all of those who will attend. **Please list the ages of all minors who will be attending.** For adults, list separately the number of workshops that they will be attending on Thursday and Friday from the list below.

First and Last Name	Please give ages of youth attenders			Workshop numbers	
	Jr. 0-11	M.Y. 11-14	Teen 14-18	Thursday	Friday

Workshop Choices: Please enter workshop numbers in table above from the following choices.

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Young Adult Friends ages 18-35 are especially welcomed at Yearly Meeting! We are reserving a wing of the dorm for young adults, and YAFs will receive a 50% subsidy in costs. If you need additional financial assistance, please contact your monthly meeting. (More info on financial aid in registrar's notes.)

- Check here if you want to be housed in the young adult wing.**
- Check here if you plan to attend the workshop for Friendly Adult Presence (FAPs)** for the working with youth. This training will be offered on Wednesday from 1:00-2:00. See the bottom of page 10.
- Check here if you need child care during the FAP training workshop.**
- Check here if you will need display space at YM.** Topic of your display: _____

Names of attenders who are vegetarians: _____

Other dietary needs: _____

- Check here if you will need assistance with transportation** (a ride on the golf cart between buildings.)

Lodging: All rooms will be air conditioned and we will all be in Mills Dormitory. **Teens** will be housed in one wing with parents nearby if possible. **Middle youth** will be in another wing, with parents or sponsors. **Register early** to make sure you get to be housed with your age group! Please indicate which family members will be in the same room:

Teens, middle youth, and adults: If there is anyone not on this form you would like to room with (or would be willing to room with) please list their names, so we can place compatible people together!

- Check here if you would prefer a single room.** There are a limited number of single rooms. Register early if you want a single room, as they will be assigned on a first-come first-served basis.

- Check here if you are want to participate in the Cope Enviromental Center Service Project** on Wednesday, 10:00am - 3:00pm?

Early Bird Registration fee: \$20 if Postmarked by July 6. Regular registration fee: \$30 if postmarked after July 6. This fee covers the yearly meeting's use of campus facilities including the Wellness Center, weight room, wireless internet service, staff services, and golf cart for those who need mobility assistance.

Reservation

Arrival (circle): Wed. Thurs. Fri. Sat. – Morning Afternoon Evening

Meals (check full or part time [or both] below)

<input type="checkbox"/> Full Time Attenders:		Number of Adults _____	x \$100.00 =					
		Number of Children (0-18) _____	(no charge for children)					
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<input type="checkbox"/> Part Time Attenders:		Indicate which meals you will eat at Earlham. Enter the number of meals for the entire party in each space, adults (who pay) and children (no charge) separately.						
		Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	Sun.	totals	
Breakfast	adults	 						Adult Meals x \$6.00 =
	children	 						(no charge for children)
Lunch	adults	 						Adult Meals x \$8.40 =
	children	 						(no charge for children)
Dinner	adults					 		Adult Meals x \$11.60 =
	children					 		(no charge for children)

Total Meal Charges =

Rooms (check full or part time [or both] below)

<input type="checkbox"/> Full Time Attenders:		Number of Adults _____	x \$112.00 =				
		Number of Children (0-18) _____	(no charge for children)				
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<input type="checkbox"/> Part Time Attenders:		Indicate as above how many adults and children will stay in dorms each night. The cost is \$30.00 per night per bed for adults.					
		Wed.	Thur.	Fri.	Sat.	totals	
	adults						Total x \$30.00 =
	children						(no charge for children)

Total Room Charges =

Summary of Charges:

	Meals Total	
	Rooms Total	
Registration Fee: Number of Adults x \$20.00 (\$30.00 if sent after July 6)		
Contribution to OVYM		
Total: (check payable to OVYM)		
Young Adult Friends & 1st Time Attenders – 50% discount	OR	
Young Adult Friends ages 18-35 and First Time Attenders, subtract 50% of total cost		

NOTE: Your registration is not complete until we receive this total or a \$50 deposit (non-refundable if post marked after July 6)

Mail by July 6 to Eric Wolff - OVYM, 2108 Yoast Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45225-1417
There will be no telephone or e-mail registration.

Volunteering: Mark the activities you are willing to assist with during yearly meeting. Your name will be forwarded to the coordinators of these activities. They will ask you to designate a time when you check in.

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| <input type="checkbox"/> Youth Programs: | <input type="checkbox"/> Teens | <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Youth | <input type="checkbox"/> Children | <input type="checkbox"/> Babies |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Driving for field trips: | <input type="checkbox"/> Teen field trip | <input type="checkbox"/> Middle Youth field trip | | |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Bookstore | <input type="checkbox"/> Registration | <input type="checkbox"/> Assisting a person with physical limitations | | |

Note that anyone who volunteers to work or drive with the youth must have appropriate FAP training and certification, and volunteer drivers must have appropriate insurance coverage. Please check the box on page 9 if you will be attending FAP training.

FAPs needed: The teen group is seeking adults who have had training as a Friendly Adult Presence (FAP) who would be willing to be scheduled for 3 hours of supervision during the night. If you are such a person, please list your name

here: _____

NOTE: Training for FAPs will be offered from 1:00 to 2:00 on Wednesday if you have not had the training.

TEEN AND MIDDLE YOUTH PROGRAMS

Families: The Yearly Meeting pays all costs for children 18 years of age or younger, to encourage families to participate in the sessions. However, be sure to register all persons who will be attending, including children and babies for whom there is no charge to you. **Remember to register early to make sure teens and middle youth get to be housed with their age group!**

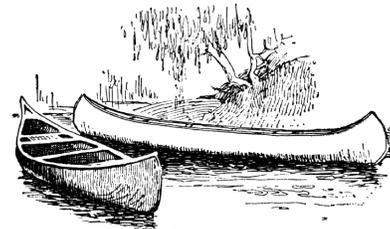
Middle Youth Program participants are those aged 11, 12, 13 or 14 on July 30, 2012. 11 year olds may choose either the Children's Program or the Middle Youth Program. 14 year olds may choose either the Middle Youth Program or the Teen Program. Middle youth should bring a bicycle, bicycle lock, helmet, and water bottle.

Teen Program participants are those age 14 on July 30, 2012, through those who graduated from high school in 2009. 14 year olds may choose either the Middle Youth group or the Teen group. Teens should bring a water bottle for the canoe trip.

Parents Please Note: All teens and middle youth will be housed in the same dorm with their parent(s) or a designated sponsor. **Middle youth will be housed with or next to parents.**

Parents and sponsors must agree to the following responsibilities:

1. Attend the parent/sponsor orientation meeting at 9:00 pm Wednesday evening.
2. Middle Youth Parents/sponsors are responsible for middle youth during all non-program times.
3. Middle Youth Parents/sponsors are responsible for getting them to their youth program on time.
4. Teen Parents/sponsors are responsible for teens after 11:00 pm except on Saturday night.
5. Make sure the 11:00 PM quiet time is honored, and that youth stay in the dorm after this time.
6. Teen parents/sponsors are responsible for monitoring the teens on your hall one night during yearly meeting after lights are out, to make sure they are quiet and in their own rooms.



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All Middle Youth and Teens must have a permission slip on file to participate in these programs. Please be sure to send the attached forms to the registrar with the rest of your reservation. Copy this form if registering more than two youths or teens (there is another form on the reverse side).



TEEN & MIDDLE YOUTH REGISTRATION

Name: _____ Birthdate: _____

When will you arrive? _____ How long will you stay? _____

Parent or Sponsor: _____

(Each Middle Youth or Teen must have a parent or sponsor who agrees to the responsibilities above)

Parent/ Guardian **Consent and Medical Release:** I give my consent for _____ to participate in the Teen or Middle Youth program at the OVYM sessions held at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, July 25 – July 29, 2012. I hereby release the OVYM and its staff and volunteers from any liability for any injury or illness my son/daughter may experience during the Yearly Meeting. I authorize the staff or volunteers of OVYM, or the above-named sponsor, to consent to any emergency care that may be needed in my absence, following recommendations of qualified health care providers. In the event that my son/daughter needs special medications and is unable to administer them, I give permission for an adult to administer the medications. I will be responsible for any medical treatment.

Parent/guardian signature _____ Date _____

Print Name _____

Workshops: Friday, 1:45 - 3:15 pm, July 27 - continue from page 7

9. Patricia Morrison, Paulette Meier, and Jamie Fota: Internalizing the Spirit of Love through Writing Songs and Chant

Although early Friends shied away from music altogether, we now acknowledge the power and beauty of music in our spiritual lives. In this workshop we will create music that can actually deepen silent worship. Using short, inspiring texts related to our theme of "Love One Another As I Have Loved You," we will compose songs, chants or raps. The resulting musical pieces can help move us towards what Thomas R Kelly called "unceasing prayer." Bring your favorite spiritual or scriptural quotations related to our theme of "Love One Another As I Have Loved Thee," and we will support each other in the creative process -- no experience necessary!

Patricia Morrison is an Earlham alumna who attends Mountain View Friends Meeting in Denver. She is a singer/songwriter and founder of Inner Fire, Outer Light, which helps people who are overwhelmed and under-expressed to reclaim their creativity and refuel their lives, www.patriciamorrison.net. She will be co-facilitating the workshop with OVYM musicians, Paulette Meier and Jamie Fóta.

10. Jean and Jim Crocker-Lakness: Finding Our Voices: Responding to Ageism in Everyday Life

Ageism is often described as a form of discrimination against the elderly. A broader view considers it as prejudicial treatment based on one's age, whatever it may be, younger or older. In this workshop we will explore some of the societal, personal and communal problems that can arise from ageism and consider ways to respond to them. Format will be interactive with a brief presentation by workshop leaders, exercises designed to focus on ageism, and worship sharing.

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Print Name _____

OVYM 192nd Annual Sessions, July 25 - July 29, 2012

Love One Another As I Have Loved Thee

Adult Mills	Teen Mills	Middle Youth Mills	Children Mills
Wednesday – Registration, 12:00 - 9:00pm – Runyon Center			<i>Site Manager: Tunia McClure</i>
1:00 - 2:00 pm FAP training		Service Project: 10:00 am - 3:00 pm Cope Enviromental Center	
3:45 - 4:45 pm Get Acquainted Activity for all ages and Welcoming Worship hosted by the Teens		5:15 - 6:15 pm dinner	
6:15 - 6:45 pm singing	7:00 - 9:15 pm Teen program	7:00 - 9:15 pm Middle Youth Program	6:30 - 7:00 pm children and sponsor orientation
6:45 - 9:45 pm Meeting for Worship with attention to business LBC Richmond			
9:45 pm - 11:00 pm open time	9:30 - 10:30 pm parent / sponsor / Teen meeting	9:15 - 10:00 pm parents meet with Middle Youth leaders and staff	9:00 - 10:00 pm with parents
	10:30 - 11:00 pm Teen time in dorm	10:00 pm quiet time	10:00 pm quiet time
11:00 pm quiet time in dorms			
Thursday – Registration 7:30 - 8:00 am, 12:15 - 12:45 pm and 5:15 - 5:45 pm – Runyon Center			<i>Site Manager: tba</i>
7:00 - 7:30 am Worship at Stout Meetinghouse			
7:30 - 8:30 am breakfast, Newcomer Welcome Table			
8:45 - 9:45 am Worship Sharing	8:45 - 2:30 Canoe Trip. (Adults welcome). packed lunch	8:45 - 10:00 am ?	8:45 - 9:30 am Worship Sharing
10 am - 12:30 pm Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business - LBC		10:00 am meeting at Mills	9:30 am - 12 pm program
12:15 - 1:15 pm lunch		12:15 - 1:15 pm lunch w/ worship mentors	12:15 - 1:15 pm lunch
1:45 - 3:15 pm Workshops †	2:30 - 5:00 pm Teen program	1:30 - 5:00 pm bike, swim, crafts	1:30 - 5:00 pm program
3:30 - 5:00 PM Meeting for Worship with attention to business LBC Richmond			
5:15 - 6:15 pm dinner			
6:15 - 6:45 pm singing	gather for plenary	6:30 - 8:45 pm program	6:15 - 6:45 pm with parents
Plenary Session: 7:00 - 8:30 pm			6:45 - 8:45 pm program
9:00 - 10:00 pm Interest Groups	7:00 - 10:00 pm Teen program	9:00 - 10:00 pm with parents	9:00 - 10:00 pm with parents
10:00 - 11:00 pm Social Time near Bookstore	10:00 - 11:00 pm Teen time in dorm	10:00 pm quiet time in dorm	10:00 pm quiet time in dorm
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4. Martha Viehmann: Expanding Our Vocabulary of Faith			
5. Silent Worship			Stout Meeting House
The Bookstore is in the Leeds Gallery in Runyon.	Coffee and Registration are next to the Bookstore.	The exhibits are located in the corridor in Runyon.	Stout Meeting House is open for worship at all times.
Wifi (wireless computer network) public access is in the Runyon west side.	The Simple Meal is Saturday lunch with savings donated to RSWR.	Interest Groups will be posted on the Registration bulletin board.	Middle Youth need to bring their bicycles.

Adult Mills	Teen Mills	Middle Youth Mills	Children Mills
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7:00 - 7:30 am Worship at Stout Meetinghouse			
7:30 - 8:30 am breakfast, Newcomer Welcome Table			
8:45 - 9:45 am Worship Sharing 10:00 am - 12:30 pm Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business	8:30 - 11:00 Teen program	8:45 am - 5:00 pm Canoe Trip	8:30 am - 12 pm program
12:15 - 1:15 pm lunch			12:15 - 1:15 pm lunch
1:45 - 3:15 pm Workshops †			1:30 - 4:30 pm program
3:30 am - 4:30 pm Memorial Meeting - Stout Meeting House	Teen program		
5:15 - 6:15 pm dinner			
6:15 - 6:45 pm singing			
Plenary Session: 7:00 - 8:30 pm	7:00 - 10:00 pm Teen program	6:30 - 8:45 pm movie	6:45 - 8:45 pm program
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10. Jean and Jim Crocker-Lakness: Finding Our Voices: Responding to Ageism			
Saturday – Registration 7:30 - 8:00 am, 12:15 - 12:45 pm and 5:15 - 5:45 pm – Runyon Center			<i>Site Manager: tba</i>
7:00 - 7:30 Worship - Stout; Walking Meditation (start from Registration)			
7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast, Newcomer Welcome Table			
8:45 - 9:45 am Worship Sharing 10 am - 12:30 pm Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business - LBC Richmond	8:45 am - 12:00 pm Teen program Business Meeting	8:30 am - 10:00 pm? project 10:00 am meeting at Mills	8:30 am - 12:00 pm program
12:15 - 1:15 pm lunch - Simple Meal.		MY: bag lunch	Children: lunch- Simple Meal
1:15 - 2:45 pm Living Witness Peg Champney		1:15 - 4:00 pm program	1:30 - 4:00 pm program
3:00 - 4:00 pm Simply Speaking			
4:00 - 5:00 pm free time for Interest Groups, committee meetings, and ...			
5:15 - 6:15 pm dinner			
6:15 - 6:45 singing			
7:00 pm Variety Show			7:30 - 8:30 pm childcare for ages birth - 7, as needed
9:00 - 11:00 pm The Afterthoughts Café: pizza and socializing in the Bookstore			
	10:00 - 11:00 pm Teen time in dorm	10:00 pm quiet time in dorm	10:00 pm quiet time in dorm
11:00 pm - quiet time in dorms			
Sunday – Registration 7:30 - 8:00 am – Runyon Center			<i>Site Manager: tba</i>
7:00 - 7:30 am Worship - Stout Meetinghouse; Walking Meditation (start from Registration)			
7:30 - 8:30 am Breakfast			
8:45 - 9:45 pm Worship Sharing	8:45 - 9:45 pm Closing & Epistle	8:45 - 9:45 pm closing appreciations & Epistle	8:45 - 9:45 pm work on Epistles and clean up
10:00 - 11:00 Business Meeting and read Epistles - LBC Richmond			
11:15 am - 12:15 pm Worship at Stout Meetinghouse – MY sit with worship mentor			
12:30 - 2:00 lunch and Committee Meetings - 2 p.m. Checkout			

News From The Broadacre

Mt. Gilead Friends Retreat

Upcoming Workshops

Minding the Media -with Holly Stocking

(Place: Mt. Gilead Friends Retreat, \$25) Saturday, September 15
9:00-12:00

Poetry as Prayer -Mike Carson

(Place: Friends Meeting House, \$45) Saturday, October 20 9:30-
3:30

Embodied Spirituality: Listening Spiritually with the Body -Heidi Fledderjohn

(Place: Friends Meeting House, \$45) Saturday, November 10 9:30-
3:30

To register, send checks payable to Mt. Gilead Friends Retreat:
3363 Mt. Gilead Rd., Bloomington, IN, call 812-679-6835

E-mail: eder@indiana.edu

The Hermitage Experience

Fox Haven, the hermitage at Mt. Gilead, is a secluded cabin in the woods designed to accommodate one or two people on retreat.

Spiritual direction is available, if desired. For more information about the retreat experience, see our website (mtgileadretreat.org).

To request a reservation, send an e-mail
(mtgileadretreat@gmail.com).

Terry Reynolds

Quaker Heritage Center

Reflections on the War in Afghanistan

WINDOWS AND MIRRORS



a provocative art exhibit on the human cost of war
38 murals by U.S. and international artists
remembering the civilian casualties
artwork by Afghan school children about
living with war
windows on a war-torn country
mirrors reflecting our identity as a nation at war
April 2 through June 29, 2012

Regular Gallery Hours: Monday through Friday,
9 a.m. to 4 p.m., or by appointment

Extended Gallery Hours:

June 21, 22, & 23, 9 a.m. to 9 p.m.

Watch for announcements of special events and programs
Presented in cooperation with the American Friends Service Committee

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Quaker Heights Care Community in Ohio's Top 25

The Ohio Department of Aging (ODA) Survey of Long-term Care Resident Satisfaction results were announced in late March, 2012. ODA lists Quaker Heights Care Community (QHCC) in Waynesville as one of Ohio's 25 best in residential care (assisted living).

In December 2011, ODA surveyed 10,476 residents in 577 nursing and assisted living facilities about their care, social and creative



activities, dining, and other services. A little over 92 residents were questioned per facility. ODA evaluates resident satisfaction every other year with a family satisfaction survey administered in the year between.

Quaker Heights assisted living residents rated their satisfaction at 98.1%, with only 7 facilities scoring higher. Quaker Heights also scored above average for satisfaction with skilled nursing. Additionally, residents were asked if they were pleased with their facility overall and if they would recommend it to friends and family. Quaker Heights was one of only 12 facilities scoring 100% "yes" on both those questions.

Quaker Heights, once known as the Friends Boarding Home, was founded in 1905 by the Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting of the Society of Friends (Quakers) and still operates according to Quaker values (equality, harmony, integrity and simplicity), with Friends represented on the board of trustees along with other local leaders. It is the largest ministry of the Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (OVYM).

The facility cares for more than 125 women and men who come primarily from Warren, Greene, Clinton, and Butler Counties. It offers independent and assisted living services, skilled nursing, memory care, respite care and recently increased its capacity to care for short term rehabilitative patient needs as well as offering out-patient rehab therapies to the local community.

"Quakers believe in letting your life speak so it's important that our actions reflect the spirit of equality, harmony, and integrity that then makes love visible. Our staff members feel very close to our residents. When you see someone every day who depends on you, you take their health and happiness personally," said Wendy Waters-Connell, QHCC Executive Director.

In Peace,

Wendy L. Waters-Connell
Wendy L. Waters-Connell, RN, MS, LNHA, CPASRM
Executive Director
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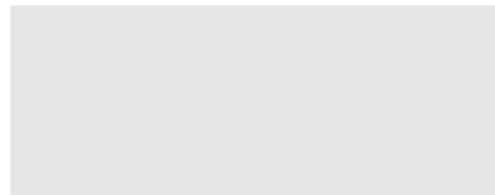
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OHIO VALLEY YEARLY MEETING

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Quaker Quill



Peace and Social Concerns Committee

Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting workshop

Wednesday July 25

10:00 a.m. to 2:30 p.m.

Earlham College Bolling Center Room 201

"Friends Equality Testimony

and the

Occupy Movement"

facilitated by Peace & Social Concerns Committee
joined by Bob and Carol Hunter
(Richmond Church of the Brethren)

and

Friends involved in the Occupy Movement

Worship sharing

Informal presentations

Discussion

Action Planning

Pizza, juice, and soda will be provided for lunch.



Find OVYM on the web at
<http://ovym.quaker.org/>

The OVYM blogspot is at
<http://ovymnotices.blogspot.com/>

Calendars and more can be found at these web sites.

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