

# 2009 Yearly Meeting Program Sessions and Speakers

## A Pre Session Workshop – Peace and Social Concerns Committee

A Pre Session Workshop looks at making peace a personal way of life. *See Committee Reports for details.*

### Plenary Session Thursday, 7-8:30 pm , July 30

#### Hollister Knowlton: Right Relationship – a story of love for the planet and a journey to Gaviotas

I'll speak about how my own love for our precious fragile planet – God's creation to many – has led me on a journey. That journey has been one of both personal transformation (giving up my car, changing my diet, and my work) and of literal travel. Experiences in South Africa (as a Quaker observer at the World Summit on Sustainable Development), Costa Rica (a workcamp at Quaker-founded Finca la Bella), and Gaviotas (a sustainable community in Colombia) have shaped my call for living in right relationship with all creation. *Hollister Knowlton*



### Plenary Session Friday, 7-8:30 pm, July 31

#### David Hartsough: Living Our Peace Testimony in the 21st Century

Exploring the Power of Active Nonviolence – in our lives and in our work for peace and social justice

I would suggest Friends read the Heeding God's Call articles in the May 09 Friends Journal – especially the Ched Myers article. If possible, I also encourage Friends to read some books, talks, and sermons of Martin Luther King and Mahatma Gandhi. (I especially recommend Martin Luther King's three sermons: Loving Your Enemies, Letter from a Birmingham Jail, and Declaration of Independence from the War in Vietnam – all in the A.J. Muste Essay Series available for \$2.00 from 339 Lafayette St., NY, NY 10012 – bulk copies available for \$1.40 each. Gandhi's All Men Are Brothers is one of my favorites. If possible, I would also suggest people look at the series which was on PBS called A Force More Powerful – available on the internet. (I will bring copies along.)



*David Hartsough*

### Workshop Wednesday, 1-2 pm, July 29

#### 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, July 30

#### 1. Hollister Knowlton: Environmental Concern – Radical Simplicity

If we truly love one another – all of humanity – and the earth, we are called to dramatically change our ways. Jim Merkel's book *Radical Simplicity* frames this workshop that reveals how we are currently sharing the earth and how, if we look at our values, we might do it differently.

#### 2. Betsy Neale: Beyond the Birds and the Bees – Sex Ed for Parents

This workshop encourages and prepares parents for talking with their children and teens about sexual issues. Educating our children about sexuality and about loving relationships is itself a loving act. Our testimonies on equality and integrity are relevant to teaching our children how to have healthy relationships.

#### 3. Virginia Wood: Getting Down to Work – Who Me!!

We will spend time looking at what it means to be called by leading or by others to the work of our monthly meeting and yearly meeting. What enhances service on a committee or in fulfilling other roles? Are there stumbling blocks? How can a meeting, committee members, and individual Friends live into their gifts?

#### 4. Stan Zarowin: Alternatives to Violence – Want to Really do Good in a Prison?

### Workshops Friday, 1:45-3:15, July 31

#### 5. David Hartsough: Living Peace Testimony Today – Exploring Power of Active Nonviolence

The workshop will be on the same topic as David Hartsough's Friday Plenary Session.



# Registrar's Notes:

If you have questions about registration, please contact Yoshiya Togami at [imago.ty@gmail.com](mailto:imago.ty@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](http://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 reusable **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-in training, Yoshiya Togami*



# Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting

## July 29 through August 2, 2009 at Earlham College

### Registration

name(s) \_\_\_\_\_ Monthly Meeting \_\_\_\_\_

e-mail \_\_\_\_\_ telephone \_\_\_\_\_

- Please check here if you would like registration confirmation by mail.  
 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.

Thursday

1. Environmental Concern: Hollister Knowlton
2. Sex Education for Parents: Betsy Neale
3. Called into Service: Who Me? Virginia Wood
4. Prison Alternatives to Violence Program: Stan Zarowin

Friday

5. Active Non-Violence: David Hartsough
6. Ministry on Racism: Victoria Rhodin
7. Transition from Oil Dependence: David Pilbrow
8. Bible/Faith Basis of Testimonies: Tom Mullen
9. Quotes of Early Friends in Melody: Paulette Meier

**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 4.
- 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.

**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.



## 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, 2009. 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, 2009, 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 9:15 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.



**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. *See bottom of page 4.*

**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 one youth or teen.**



### 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 29 – August 2, 2009. 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 \_\_\_\_\_

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### 6. Victoria Rhodin: Ministry on Racism

Rhodin's workshop will focus on Friends and racism. She will discuss the activities of the FGC Ministry on Racism.

### 7. David Pilbrow: Transition Initiatives – From Oil Dependency to Resilient Communities

From Oil Dependency to Resilient Communities: a guilt-free transition model that everyone can support. How people are beginning to come together in Britain, Australia and the U.S. to discuss grassroots development models and offer ideas to reduce carbon impact on their communities in preparation for simpler functional lifestyles that work locally.

### 8. Tom Mullen: Christ and Culture

This workshop will address the various ways Friends make ethical and religious decisions while continuing to be a part of the culture. How do we decide when to stand over against culture (society); when to try to transform culture; when to conform to culture; and when to withdraw from society. We will discuss biblical passages which raise the same issues, note how they connect to contemporary dilemma, ask participants to make their choices and why. The intent is to look hard at what love CAN do.

### 9. Paulette Meier: Quotes of Early Friends Made Memorable through Melody

Chants and songs are ancient ways to tap into the life of the Spirit, and to internalize collective wisdom from the past. Paulette will teach a collection of Quaker quotes she has put to melody in her own efforts to remember and reflect on the wisdom of early Friends. The workshop will entail group singing (inspired harmony is welcome!) as well as reflection on what is stirred by the texts. Notated versions of the quotes will be allow those who read music to more easily sing along. Many of the quotes speak to the early Quaker understanding of right action in the world coming from a deep listening for direction from the Christ Spirit within, e.g. James Naylor: "Art thou in the darkness? Mind it not, for if thou dost it will feed thee more. But stand still and act not, but wait in patience, till Light arises out darkness, and leads thee."

Saturday, 1:45-2:45, August 1

David & Virginia Wood: Living Witness

### Opportunity for worship

The **Silent Center** for worship is in Stout Meeting house (open 24x7) and the Japanese Garden (ask for access at the Runyon desk).

### Youth Program

Hollister Knowlton: What's my Ecological Footprint and why does it Matter?

David Hartsough: Living Peace Testimony Today – Exploring Power of Active Nonviolence

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## 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 OLYM sessions held at Earlham College in Richmond, Indiana, July 29 – August 2, 2009. I hereby release the OLYM 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 OLYM, 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 \_\_\_\_\_

# Ohio Valley YM - 189th Session, July 29-August 2nd, 2009

## Living our testimonies today: Let us now see what love can do.

Adults	Teen	Middle Youth (MY)	Children
Mills	Mills	Mills	Orchard Room, Runyon Ctr.
A Pre Session Workshop – Peace and Social Concerns Committee – 10 am - 2 pm			
<b>Wednesday – Registration 12 - 9pm – Runyon Center</b>			<i>Site Manager: Paul Kriese</i>
1-2 pm Intro to being an FAP			childcare available
2:30-5:00 Worship & Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business	2:30 - 5:00 Get Acquainted	2:30 - 5 get acquainted, games, crafts, swim	2:30 - 5 get acquainted, games, crafts, swim
5:15 - 6:15 Dinner			
6:15 - 6:45 Singing	6:30-7:00 Schedule, program	6:30 Preparation for Get Acquainted	6:30 - 7 Children&Sponsor Orientation - meet the teachers, discuss plans
7:00- 9:00 Get Acquainted Activity - ALL AGES, and Welcoming Worship at 8:00 - MYouth Runyon Comstock Rm.			
9:15 - 10 Interest Groups	9:00 - 10 Parent, Sponsor, Teen Meeting	9-10 Parents meet with middle youth leaders and staff.	with parents
10-12 <i>Social time-near bookstore</i>	10 - 11 Teen Time in dorms	10 - Quiet time	10 - Quiet time
11 - Quiet time in dorms			
<b>Thursday – Registration 7:30-8:00 AM, 12:15-12:45 and 5:15-5:45 PM – Runyon</b>			<i>Site Manager: TBA</i>
7:00 - 7:30 Worship - Stout Meeting House; Walking Meditation (start from Registration)			
7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast Newcomer orientation			
8:45 - 9:45 Worship Sharing	8:45-5:00 Canoe Trip. (Adults welcome). Packed Lunch.	8:45-10:30. Worship, Hollister Knowlton, Planning.	8:45 - 9:30 Worship Sharing
10 - 12:30 Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business		10:30-12:15 Bicycle safety.	9:30 - 12 Program
12:15 - 1:15 Lunch		12:15-1:15 Lunch w/ worship mentors	12:15 - 1:15 Lunch
1:45 - 3:15 Workshops †		1:30-2:30 Meet with David Hartsough	1:30 - 5
3:30 - 5 Business		2:30-5:00 bike, swim, crafts	
5:15 - 6:15 Dinner. Teens meet with David Hartsough.			
6:15 - 6:45 Singing	Gather for plenary	6:30 -8:45 Program	with parents
<b>7 - 8:30 Plenary Session: Hollister Knowlton</b>			6:45 - 8:45 Program
9 - 10 Interest Groups.	Teen program	9-10 with parents	9-10 with parents
10-12 <i>Social time-near bookstore</i>	10 - 11 Teen Time (dorm)	10 - Quiet time in dorms	10 - Quiet time in dorms
11 - Quiet time in dorms			
† Thursday Workshops			location
1.Hollister Knowlton: Environmental Concern			
2.Betsy Neale: Beyond the birds and the bees – Sex ed for parents			
3.Virginia Wood: Getting Down to Work – Who Me!!			
4.Stan Zarowin: Alternatives to Violence – Want to Really do Good in a Prison?			

The **Bookstore** is in the Leeds Gallery in Runyon. Coffee and **Registration** are next to it. The **exhibits** area is the corridor in Runyon. The **Silent Center** for worship is in Stout Meeting house (open 24x7) and the Japanese Garden (ask for access at the Runyon desk). **Wifi** (wireless computer network) public access is in the Runyon West side. The **simple meal** is Saturday noon, with savings donated to RSWR. **Interest groups** will be posted on the Registration bulletin board. Wellness Center use is \$4.

Adults	Teen	Middle Youth (MY)	Children
Mills	Mills	Mills	Orchard Room, Runyon Ctr.
<b>Friday – Registration 7:30 - 8:00 AM, 12:15 - 12:45 and 5:15 - 5:45 PM</b>			<i>Site Manager: TBA</i>
7:00 - 7:30 Worship - Stout, Walking Meditation starts from Registration			
7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast, Newcomer Orientation			
8:45 - 9:45 Worship Sharing	8:30 - 11:00 Teen program	8:45 - 5:00 Canoe Trip	8:30 - 12 Program
10 - 12:30 Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business			
12:15 - 1:15 Lunch			12:15 Lunch
1:45 - 3:15 Workshops †			1:30 - 4:30 Program
3:30 - 4:30 Memorial Meeting - Stout	Teen program		
5:15 - 6:15 Dinner			
6:15 - 6:45 Hymn Singing			
7 - 8:30 Plenary Session: David Hartsough	Teen program	6:30 - 8:45 Movie	6:45 - 8:45 Program
9 - 10 Interest Groups, FCNL		with parents	with parents
10 - 12 Social time-near bookstore	10 - 11 Teen Time in dorm	10 - Quiet time in dorms	10 - Quiet time in dorms
11 - Quiet time in dorms			
† Workshops: Friday			location
5.David Hartsough: Living Peace Testimony Today – Exploring Power of Active Nonviolence			
6.Victoria Rhodin: Ministry on Racism			
7.David Pilbrow: Transition Initiatives – From Oil Dependency to Resilient Communities			
8.Tom Mullen: Christ and Culture			
9.Paulette Meier: Quotes of Early Friends Made Memorable through Melody			
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7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast, Newcomer orientation			
8:45 - 9:45 Worship Sharing	8:30 - 12 Program	8:30 -12 Service project	8:30 - 12 Program
10 - 12:30 Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business			
12:15 - 1:15 Lunch - Simple Meal		MY: Bag Lunch	Children: Lunch - simple meal
1:15 - 2:45 Living Witness: David & Virginia Wood. Location? free time		1:15 - 4 Program	1:30 - 4:00 Program
4 p.m. - 5 p.m. Lauramore Ice Cream Social. Van shuttle leaves from parking lot.			
5:15 - 6:15 Dinner			
6:15 - 6:45 Singing			
7:00 Variety Show			7:30 - 8:30 Childcare for ages birth - 7, as needed
9 - 10 Pizza Time near bookstore. Bring copies of Rise Up Singing	9 - 10 Teen program	Pizza time	with parents
	10 -11 Teen Time	10 - Quiet time in dorm	10 - Quiet time in dorms
11 - Quiet time in dorms			
<b>Sunday - Registration 7:30-8:00 a.m., Runyon</b>			<i>Site Manager: TBA</i>
7:00 - 7:30 Worship - Stout; Walking Meditation (start from Registration)			
7:30 - 8:30 Breakfast, Newcomer orientation			
8:45 - 9:45 Worship Sharing	8:45 - 9:45 Closing & Epistle	8:45 - 9:45 Closing, closing appreciations & Epistle.	8:45 - 9:45 Work on Epistles and clean up
10:00 - 11:00 Business Meeting and read Epistles			
11:15 - 12:15 Worship - Stout Meetinghouse. MY sit with worship mentor			
12:30 - 2:00 Lunch and Committee Meetings - 2 p.m. Checkout			