

2015 Yearly Meeting Program and Presenters

Plenary Session: Thursday, 7-8:30 p.m., July 30

Eileen Flanagan—Love, Power, and the Work of Transforming the World

After twenty years of writing and teaching about spiritual discernment, Eileen Flanagan felt that she was no longer living a leading. A midlife transformation led her to Earth Quaker Action Team (EQAT), where she has learned to integrate spiritual practice and effective activism. Eileen will speak about this journey and what she has learned about acting out of that life and power that can transform the world.



Eileen Flanagan is the clerk of the board of EQAT, a teacher in Pendle Hill's Answering the Call to Radical Faithfulness program, and a member of Chestnut Hill Friends Meeting. Her newest book, *Renewable: One Woman's Search for Simplicity, Faithfulness, and Hope*, is about her midlife realization that she was not living in sync with her values and the journey that led her handcuff herself to the White House fence. A graduate of Duke and Yale, her previous book, *The Wisdom to Know the Difference*, was endorsed by the Dalai Lama.

Plenary Session: Friday, 7-8:30 p.m., July 31

Ross Hennesy—Thou Preparest a Table Before Me: Cultivating Courage through Community

While many in our communities imagine us to be too secular, too engaged in political action, or too focused on the work at hand, rather than engaged in a deep mining of the interior resources of the soul, others in our community lament the isolation and ineffectiveness of our public witness, calling us to demonstrate our faith with greater authentic works of justice. These apparent contradictory movements, however, can instead, when in right relationship, create a dynamic tension between our own compassion and wisdom, which ultimately leads to lives of creativity and courage, embodying love, that are ultimately more effective in establishing a more humane and just world (and keep us from going crazy in the process!).



Ross Hennesy lives in Philadelphia and serves as Assistant Director for Quaker Voluntary Service, helping young adults explore the intersection of mysticism and activism. He received his Master's degree in Religious Studies from Temple University. In 2008, he helped form an intentional community and urban farm in northwest Philadelphia, where he continues to live. He is a member of Germantown MM.

Programs: Wednesday, July 29

11:00 am – 2 pm, Intergenerational Service Project: Cope Environmental Center

This year's multi-generational service project will be back at Cope Environmental Center, 4910 Shoemaker Road, north of Earlham campus via US 40 (www.copeenvironmental.org). All ages are invited and encouraged to begin their time at annual sessions working together to enhance our natural world, from 11 a.m. to 2 p.m. Wednesday, July 29. Snacks and drinks as well as gloves and tools will be provided. Bring your own lunch—we'll break for food and fellowship from 12:30 to 1 p.m. Sunscreen and hats are recommended. Arrive at 11 a.m. for an introduction to the Cope Center and its mission. Carpool leaves Earlham at 10:45 a.m. Call Carol Simmons, 937-232-4250, with questions or for a ride.



1:30 - 2:45 pm, FAP (Friendly Adult Presence) Training

Required orientation for adults wishing to volunteer to work in OVYM's youth programs. Childcare available upon request. Check OVYM final schedule or registration desk in Runyan for location.

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

1. Eileen Flanagan—The Four Roles of Social Change

This interactive workshop will talk about different methods of working for social change, and how any of them can be grounded in Love or not, depending on our self-awareness and motivation. Understanding the different methods can also help Friends to respect and support each other, despite our diverse leadings. All ages are welcome!

2. Tim Leonard—A Study of the Epistle of James as He Speaks to Friends

The importance of James is not so much that he was the brother of Jesus, but that he was a leader in the Jerusalem community, the center of the Jewish-Christian movement in the years immediately after Jesus' death. The letter was written about 50 A.D. or earlier and shows the continuity of Judaism and the Christian movement.

There are four major themes in James that are relevant to contemporary life: Wholeness, Solidarity with the Poor, the Ethics of Speech, and Prayer. The workshop will hold these themes in the light as we converse about their application to our personal lives and the life of our meetings.

3. Katherine Simmons and Richard House—Quakers in Business

The workshop addresses the possibilities and the good of Quaker participation in commerce as a vocation, allowing the individual to earn a livelihood while standing for Quaker values in a business environment sometimes tainted with greed, exploitation and distrust. Participants will examine and discuss the interface of business with their own lives and ideas about commerce found in the tradition (including Scripture, early Quaker writings and role models and in the broader Christian/religious tradition from which Quakerism arose).

4. Rhonda Pfaltzgraff-Carlson and Ben Griffith—Restorative Justice: Processes for Creating Right Relationship after a Crime

Transforming our world with love is a demanding task. Constructing the potential for peace and forgiveness after a crime has been committed is challenging but important. Come learn about restorative justice, an alternative approach to responding to crime. In this workshop, through stories and information sharing, participants will learn about the healing nature of this tough but loving approach to justice. Appropriate for adults only.

Friday workshops continued on next page.

5. Ben Brazil (Earlham School of Religion)—“Spiritual but not Religious”: Beyond the Catchphrase

Many Americans who are unaffiliated with a religious institution claim to be “spiritual but not religious”, implying that spirituality is an escape from stale dogma and institutions. But critics link spirituality to nihilism, narcissism, political apathy and Western colonial elitism. How do Quakers fit into this debate- or offer new ways of thinking about its terms? How do we speak to our culture? This workshop will touch on what people generally mean by “religion” and by “spirituality” and how that distinction became such a big deal in recent decades. We’ll also examine major criticisms of contemporary spirituality (from Right and Left) and then ask teams of participants to respond to each-both for themselves and (hypothetically) for their meeting. Our goal is to learn what’s at stake- for us and for our society- when we name ourselves “religious”, “spiritual” or both.

Workshops: Saturday August 1, 1:45 - 3:15 pm

6. Ross Hennesy—Radical Hospitality

“Radical Hospitality” begins by examining the ways we relate to ourselves first and then to others. This workshop will explore our relationship with our own thoughts and motivations and then consider how community can be built and lead to both individual and collective liberation.

7. Nikki Coffey Tousley—Bible Study: Parables of Transforming Love

We will look at familiar parables from the Gospels with help from prophetic Quaker voices of the past. Well known stories tend to lose their bite, and we will use the insights of Friends like John Woolman to help us remember the radical nature of Jesus’ call to love and transformation as reflected in familiar parables and sayings. Just what does it take to get a camel through the eye of a needle? Bring a Bible if you can, but I will have extras.

8. Gail Koehler—White Privilege

(Description unavailable at time of printing)

9. Chris Harmer and Peter Hardy—Charitable Work for Do-ers and Donors: Translating Love into Better Outcomes for People and Communities

“Faith, hope, love, abide these three; but the greatest of these is love” or, in the King James version, “faith, hope and charity” (1Cor.13:13). We believe that charity is work done out of love with the hope of transforming the world into a better place. How do we turn our loving intentions into better lives for people, with increased agency and equity?

This workshop will look at sharpening the intentions and impacts of our charitable work. Using research and tools from development work, we aim to clarify the thinking of Friends about what we are hoping to accomplish through charitable work. Participants will apply those tools and internet resources to assess ways to improve projects and evaluate charitable organizations. There will be simulations of making decisions about giving to/among various charities, using well-known examples domestically and internationally. Participants will have time to discuss the simulations as well as share their useful experiences and resources. We encourage participants to prepare for the workshop by thinking about what they know of the impacts on target individuals and communities of the projects and organizations they currently support and how they would make a case to Friends to choose this charity over others.

10. Deborah Jordan—Transforming Ourselves through the Practice of Yoga

Transforming the world begins with ourselves. Yoga is a path of uniting body, mind and spirit through paying attention and accepting our whole selves lovingly, so we can find ourselves opening more deeply to the Light. We will concentrate on asana (physical movements) and breath work with some opening meditation, closing savasana (relaxation) and worship sharing. Friends will be invited to set an intention to be loving towards ourselves and others. We will join together to see what we learn experimentally.

Bring a mat or other yoga props if you have them. Prepare for this workshop by taking 5 to 10 minutes a day to practice yoga asanas and breath work. This workshop is for those who have practiced some yoga and understand listening to the wisdom of their body. Although yoga is excellent for those with health concerns, this workshop does not allow for individualized attention to accommodate those concerns.

TRANSFORMING THE WORLD WITH LOVE

July 29 – August 2, 2015 at Earlham College, Richmond, Indiana

MAIN SCHEDULE

General Information:

- * Bookstore is in Leeds Gallery, Runyan
- * Wi-Fi is available campus wide.
- Use Guest Access. There is no password
- Registration Desk is in Runyan
- Interest Group info posted at registration desk
- Coffee & Exhibits are in Runyan hallway

DAILY EVENTS:

- All meals will be in the dining hall in Runyan.
- Breakfast: 7:30 – 8:30am
- Lunch: 12:30 – 1:30pm
- Dinner: 5:30 – 6:30pm

Registration Hours:

- Wed. 12:00-6:00pm
6:30-9:00pm
- Thurs. - Sat. 8:00-8:30am
1:00-1:30pm
6:00-6:30pm

- Sun. 7:30 – 8:00am
- Eric Wolff – Registrar
513) 378-8730

- Stout Meeting House will be available all day for Worship beginning at 7:30am.
- Facilities at the Wellness Center available for a daypass. See Earlham staff for details.

Thanks to Jennifer Wolff for all her help and knowledge to make the schedule easier to read.

<u>FRIDAY WORKSHOPS: 1:45 – 3:15 pm</u>	<u>SATURDAY WORKSHOPS: 1:45 – 3:15pm</u>
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SPECIAL EVENTS/PLENARIES

Thursday: Living Witness 1:45–3:15
JT Taylor & Evelyn Kellum

Orchard Room, Runyan

Thursday Plenary – **Eileen Flanagan** 7:00 – 8:30pm
“Love, Power and the Work of Transforming the World”

Wilkinson Theater, Runyan

Friday Plenary - **Ross Hennesy** 7:00 – 8:30pm

Wilkinson Theater, Runyan

“Thou Preparest a Table Before Me: Cultivating Courage through Community”

WEDNESDAY: Site Manager: Heather Snediker-Morscheck (614) 214-4639

11:00 – 2:00pm Service Project COPE Center, 4910 Shoemaker Rd., Centerville, IN
1:30 – 2:45pm FAP training (childcare available upon request) Hancock Room (Runyan)
3:00 – 5:00pm Meeting for Worship with attention to Business Orchard Room (Runyan)
6:15 – 8:15pm Get acquainted activity for all ages and Welcoming Worship Comstock Room (Runyan)
8:30 – 9:45pm Meeting for Worship with attention to Business Orchard Room (Runyan)
9:45–11:00pm Open Time

THURSDAY: Site Manager: Heather Snediker-Morscheck (614) 214-4639

8:45 – 9:45am Worship Sharing
10:00–12:30pm Meeting for Worship with attention to Business Orchard Room (Runyan)
1:45 – 3:15pm **Living Witness** Orchard Room
3:30 – 5:00pm Meeting for Worship with attention to Business Orchard Room
6:15 – 6:45pm Singing Wilkinson Theater (Runyan)
7:00 – 8:30pm **PLENARY SESSION** – Eileen Flanagan Wilkinson Theater
9:00–10:00pm Interest Groups
10:00–11:00pm Social time Main Lobby of Runyan Center

FRIDAY: Site Manager: Richard Mitchell (859) 327-6277

8:45–9:45am Worship Sharing
10:00–12:30pm Meeting for Worship with attention to Business Orchard Room (Runyan)
1:45 – 3:15pm Workshops
3:30 – 4:30 Memorial Meeting Stout Meetinghouse
6:15 – 6:45pm Singing Wilkinson Theater (Runyan)
7:00 – 8:30pm **PLENARY SESSION** – Ross Hennessy Wilkinson Theater
9:00–10:00pm Interest Groups
10:00–11:00pm Social time Main Lobby of Runyan Center

SATURDAY: Site Manager: Kay Wheeler (937) 216-9804

8:45 – 9:45am Worship Sharing
10:00–12:30pm Meeting for Worship with attention to Business Orchard Room (Runyan)
12:30 – 1:30pm **LUNCH – Simple Meal with savings donated to Right Sharing of World Resources**
1:45 – 3:15pm Workshops
3:30 – 4:15pm **Simply Speaking**
6:15 – 6:45pm Singing Wilkinson Theater (Runyan)
7:00pm **VARIETY SHOW** Wilkinson Theater
9:00 – 11:00PM The Afterthoughts Café pizza and socializing Leeds Gallery (Runyan)

SUNDAY: Site Manager: Dinah Duvall (317) 340-6452

8:45 – 9:45am Worship Sharing
10:00–11:00am Meeting for Worship with attention to Business & reading of epistles – Wilkinson Theater
11:15–12:15pm Worship Stout Meetinghouse
12:30 – 2:00pm Lunch and committee meetings
2:00pm **CHECKOUT** Return keys to staff at the Runyan Center desk by 2:00pm

YOUTH PROGRAM

TEEN

Mills Hall – 2nd Floor

MIDDLE YOUTH

Mills Hall – 3rd Floor

CHILDREN

Mills Hall – 1st Floor

Wednesday

11:00 – 2:00pm **SERVICE PROJECT** COPE CENTER, 4910 Shoemaker Rd., Centerville, IN

6:15 – 8:15pm Get acquainted activity for all ages and Welcoming Worship

8:45-9:30pm Teen Program

Parent/Sponsor Orientation with Youth at their Program areas (time listed below)

9:30-10:00pm

8:45-9:15pm

8:00-8:30

10:00-11:00pm time in dorm

9:30pm Quiet time in dorm

8:30pm with parents

Thursday **Teens**

8:45-12:15pm Program

1:45-3:15pm Living Witness

3:30-4:30pm Program

6:15-6:45pm Singing

7:00-8:30pm **Plenary Session**

8:30-10:00pm Program

10:00-11:00 Time in dorm

Middle Youth

8:45 -9:00am Worship sharing

9:00-9:30am Business

9:30-12:15pm Program

12:30-1:30 Lunch w/ worship mentors

1:30-5:15 Program

6:15-6:45pm Singing

6:45-9:00pm Program

9:00-10:00pm with parents

10:00pm Quiet time in dorm

Children

8:30-12:15pm Program

1:30-5:15pm Program

6:45-8:45pm Program

9:00-10:00pm with parents

10:00pm Quiet time in dorm

Friday **Teens**

8:45 – 3:00 pm Canoe trip for both Teens and Middle Youth

Packed lunch - Adults welcome

7:00-8:30pm **Plenary Session**

Middle Youth

3:00-5:15 Program

6:45-9:00pm Program

Children

8:30-12:15pm Program

1:30-5:15pm Program

6:45-8:45pm Program

Saturday **Teens**

8:45-12:15pm Program

and business meeting

1:45 – 3:15pm Workshops

3:30 – 4:15pm **Simply Speaking**

7:00pm **VARIETY SHOW**

9:00-11:00pm Afterthoughts Café

Middle Youth

8:45 -9:00am Worship sharing

9:00-12:15pm Business & Program

1:30-5:15pm Program

7:00pm **VARIETY SHOW**

Children

8:30-12:15pm Program

1:30-5:15pm Program

7:30-8:30 Child care

as needed

Sunday

→→→→→→→→→→→→→→→→ 8:45 – 9:45am Closing and Epistle ←←←←←←←←←←←←←←←←

10:00–11:00am Meeting for Worship with attention to Business & reading of epistles – Wilkinson Theater

11:15am – 12:15pm Worship Stout Meetinghouse

12:30-1:30 Middle Youth have lunch with mentors

2:00pm **CHECKOUT** Return keys to staff at the Runyan Center desk by 2:00pm

Information for Families of Teens and Middle Youth

All Middle Youth and Teens must have a consent form on file to participate in Yearly Meeting activities. Please fill out, sign and mail or bring the consent form to the registrar with all your other registration forms. **Please complete a separate form for each youth or teen. CONSENT FORM NEXT PAGE**

The Yearly Meeting pays all costs for children 18 years of age or younger to encourage families to participate in the sessions. Still, all persons who will be attending, including children and babies for whom there is no charge to you, must be included on your registration forms, available in the Quill and on the OVYM website.

Remember to register early to ensure that teens and middle youth get to be housed with their age group!

Remember to pack shoes, swim suit, glasses strap, water bottle, and string bag/waterproof bag for the canoe trip!

Middle Youth Program

Participants are those aged 10, 11, 12, 13 or 14 by July 29, 2015.

10 year olds may choose* either the Children's Program or the Middle Youth Program, with MY clerk's consent.

14 year olds may choose* either the Middle Youth Program or the Teen Program.

Middle youth will be housed with or next to their parents or sponsors.

Teen Program

Participants are those aged 14 by July 29, 2015 through those who graduated from high school in 2015.

14 year olds may choose* either the Middle Youth group or the Teen Program.

Teens are housed as a group in one wing of the dorm. Request roommate/suitemates on main registration form.

Parents Please Note:

Parents and sponsors must attend the orientation meetings on Wednesday evening or check in with program staff or committee clerk upon arrival and agree to the following responsibilities:

Attend the parent/sponsor orientation meeting in Mills Hall (dorm) on Wednesday evening:

8:45 pm for Middle Youth, 9:30 for Teens in the lounge on the floor assigned for their programs.

Middle Youth Parents/sponsors are responsible for middle youth during all non-program times.

Middle Youth Parents/sponsors are responsible for getting them to their youth program on time.

Teen Parents/sponsors are responsible for teens after 11:00 pm except on Saturday night.

Make sure the 10:00 PM quiet time is honored, and that youth stay in the dorm after this time.

Teen parents/sponsors are responsible for monitoring the teens on your hall for several hours one night during yearly meeting after 11pm.

*Once a child selects (or is approved to participate in) one of the youth programs, the child is expected to remain in that group for the duration of the yearly meeting. Moving between groups is disruptive and inhibits the building of trust and community that makes yearly meeting such a valuable experience for our adolescents.



TEEN & MIDDLE YOUTH CONSENT FORM

Youth Name _____ Birthdate _____

Arrival Date _____ Departure Date _____

Cell Phone/Contact Info during sessions:

Parent/Guardian or Sponsor at OVYM:

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 29th – August 2nd, 2015.

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.

Each Middle Youth / Teen must have a parent or sponsor who agrees to the responsibilities listed in Information for Families.

Parent/Guardian signature _____

Date _____ Please Print Name _____

**REGISTRATION FOR OHIO VALLY
YEARLY MEETING ANNUAL SESSIONS**

Please Put "OVYM" in the Subject. Email to:
Registrar.OVYM@gmail.com

<u>Group Information</u>	MONTHLY MEETING:
ADDRESS:	CITY/STATE/ZIP:
EMAIL:	PHONE Cell:
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<u>Attender Information</u>	D.O.B	Jr	M.Y	Teen	Y.A.F	Adult	Workshop #	
First and Last Name	mm/dd/yyyy	0-10	10-14	14-18	18-35	18+	Thu	Fri

<u>OPTIONS</u>	Enter First Names of Attendees on this form who:
Prefer a single room:	
Are Vegetarians/Vegan:	
Are Diabetic/Gluten Free:	
Are Other:	
Will need golf cart assistance:	
Will participate in Service Project: (Wednesday 11am-2pm).	
Will attend (FAP) Workshop for working with Youth:	
Are children needing care during FAP: (Wednesday 1-2pm)	

Teen/Adult		With:	
Rooming Re- quests:			
		Near:	

MEALS – Eaten or not eaten, paid or free, a requested meal will cost OVYM.

FULL-TIME ATTENDERS	Number of Paying attenders eating all meals		x \$112	=	
	Number of youth (0-18) or non-Paying eating all meals		No Charge	=	0.00

And PART-TIME ATTENDERS, Please indicate how many meals will be eaten in the college dining room.

		Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Totals		
Example	Persons for this meal	0	1	1	3	2	= 7	x \$2.00	= 14.00
Breakfast	Adults or Paying						=	x \$6.00	=
	YAF and 1 st timers						=	x \$3.00	=
	Youth or Free						=	No Charge	= 0.00
Lunch	Adults or Paying						=	x \$10.00	=
	YAF and 1 st timers						=	x \$5.00	=
	Youth or Free						=	No Charge	= 0.00
Dinner	Adults or Paying						=	x \$14.00	=
	YAF and 1 st timers						=	x \$7.00	=
	Youth or Free						=	No Charge	= 0.00
								Meals Total	=

ROOMS (Check full or part time [or both] below).

FULL-TIME AT-TENDERS	NUMBER OF ADULTS		x \$120	=	
	NUMBER OF YOUTH (0-18)		No Charge	=	0.00

And PART-TIME ATTENDERS, Please indicate as above how many people will stay in the dorms each night

		Wed	Thu	Fri	Sat	Sun	Totals		
	Adults or Paying							x \$34.00	=
	YAF and 1 st timers							x \$17.00	=
	Youth or Free							No Charge	= 0.00
								Total	=

I will need **display space** at Yearly Meeting. My display topic is: _

Arrival: Wed o Thu o Fri o Sat o Morning o Afternoon o Evening o

Volunteer Opportunities	Enter First Names of Volunteers on this form for:
Teen Programs or Teen Field Trip	
M.Y. Program or M.Y. Field Trip	
Children's Program	
Toddlers Program	
Driving Golf Cart	
Helping a person with disabilities	
Bookstore	
Registration	
NOTE: Anyone who volunteers to work with the youth must have appropriate FAP training and certification and volunteer drivers must have appropriate insurance coverage. Please fill out the box on the first page if you will be attend-	

SUMMARY OF CHARGES:	
Meals Total:	
Rooms Total:	+
Sub Total:	=
Registration Fee: Number of Adults x \$30.00:	+
Registration Fee: Number of YAF and 1 st Timers x \$15.00:	+
Sub-Total:	=
Extra contribution to help cover the costs for Youth and 1 st Time Attenders:	+
TOTAL (check payable to OVYM can be paid when you arrive at OVYM):	=
NOTE: Your registration is not complete until you receive a confirmation from the registrar. To register, email this form; To: Registrar.OVYM@gmail.com and Put "OVYM" in the subject. Or Mail with postmark earlier than June 30 th ; To: Eric Wolff - OVYM, 2108 Yoast Ave., Cincinnati, OH 45225-1417	
Fill in and save this form on your computer enabling you to print or email it.	

