

PLENARY I

The 55th session of Pacific Yearly Meeting opened as we nestled into silent worship at 7:20 p.m. at Mount Madonna Center. Our presiding clerk, Margaret Mossman, greeted us and reviewed the agenda.

We heard epistles from Australia Yearly Meeting, Young Friends, Junior Young Friends and Children.

Roll Call. People stood for the following meetings:

Amador County Worship Group, Apple Seed Monthly Meeting, Berkeley Monthly Meeting, Chico Monthly Meeting, Claremont Monthly Meeting, Davis Monthly Meeting, Delta Monthly Meeting, Fresno Monthly Meeting, Grass Valley Monthly Meeting, Guatamala Monthly Meeting, Honolulu Monthly Meeting, Humboldt Monthly Meeting, Southern Humboldt Worship Group, Inland Valley Monthly Meeting, La Jolla Monthly Meeting, Las Vegas Worship Group, Los Angeles Monthly Meeting, Marin Monthly Meeting, Marloma-Long Beach Monthly Meeting, Mendocino Monthly Meeting, Mexico City Monthly Meeting, Monterey Peninsula Monthly Meeting, Napa Sonoma Monthly Meeting, Orange County Monthly Meeting, Orange Grove Monthly Meeting, Conejo Valley Worship Group, Pacific Ackworth Monthly Meeting, Palo Alto Monthly Meeting, Redding Monthly Meeting, Redwood Forest Monthly Meeting, Reno Monthly Meeting, Sacramento Monthly Meeting, San Diego Monthly Meeting, San Francisco Monthly Meeting, San Jose Monthly Meeting, Santa Barbara Monthly Meeting, Ojai Worship Group, Santa Cruz Monthly Meeting, Santa Monica Monthly Meeting, Strawberry Creek Monthly Meeting, Visalia Monthly Meeting, Whitleaf Monthly Meeting, Central Coast Preparative Meeting and Ukiah Worship Group

Introduction of Visitors: We welcomed Katherine Smith from Charleston SC Meeting; Ann Boone, who just returned from attending YM in New Zealand bringing their epistle and their greetings, Dorene Mercer from Multnomah Meeting in Portland, Oregon; Sue Axtel from Earlham School of Religion; Bob Alpern from Friends Committee on National Legislation and Becky Blake, who just returned from North Carolina Friends Meeting.

Melissa Lovett-Adair explained our Children's program. Alan Edgar talked about Junior Yearly Meeting, assisted by the clerks of JYM, Ravahn Samati, Tesla Dubois and Faith Eastwood.

Brajesh from Mt Madonna welcomed us back to Mt Madonna. The resident community is committed to the study and practice of Yoga. They own and manage the retreat and conference center which we use, as well as a school that emphasizes values and character development.

Dan Richards and Karen Morgan are our arrangements clerks. Dan explained the logistics of our stay here. Lawrence Reiker, Rolene Otero and Nova Davenport offered to be volunteer coordinators.

There were necessary announcements.

Minutes were approved. Meeting closed with silent worship at 9:15 p.m.

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Faithfully submitted,

Jeannie Graves
Recording Clerk

Margaret Mossman
Presiding Clerk

PLENARY III

Plenary III convened at 10:15 after Meeting for Worship. Reading Clerk Sue Farley read the epistle of the 180th meeting of Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting, held in the year 2000.

Phyllis Jones, Statistical Clerk, presented the statistical report, which is attached. Total membership is 1,480, an increase of seven this year.

Ministry and Oversight Committee nominated Jane Peers, Kitty Bergel, and Carl Magruder for the Epistle Committee.

PYM 2001-1 Pacific Yearly Meeting approves naming Jane Peers (convener), Kitty Bergel, and Carl Magruder to the Epistle Committee.

It was noted that, in another yearly meeting, this committee is called the Watching Committee, reminding them of an important part of that committee's job.

Jim Anderson, Clerk of Ministry and Oversight, read a report from this committee. The report is attached.

Various announcements were made.

Ministry and Oversight Committee reported on the state of Pacific Yearly Meeting. Reports from monthly meetings and worship groups are available in the reading room during the annual session. These were summarized and portions were read aloud by members of M&O. These excerpts focused on four topics, and Friends responded to them from the silence of worship. The four topics were (1.) meeting for worship, (2.) the growing and diminishment of meetings, (3.) nurturing the community within the meeting, and (4.) reaching out to the larger community.

Friends were reminded of the primacy of the Spirit in our meetings for worship, of the primacy of worship in the life of our meetings, and the roots of our social action in these factors. Friends noted a lack of mention of the children in this part of the report, and the usefulness of some ongoing discussion and training regarding vocal ministry. A Friend spoke movingly of the complacency of merely "deepening our worship" when God is asking, "Who is weeping for My children?" Does our sense of community include the whole of the suffering world? Are we pregnant with God's love? Are we open to God and all of God's peoples?

Addressing growth and diminishments, Friends spoke of the challenges of aging and deaths in meetings, of challenges facing small meetings, and of the effects of a meeting having its own site. Meetings often face the issue of much of the work being done by a few people. Children's programs present challenges, joys, disappointments and rewards. Friends were reminded that when the connection with the Spirit is robust, that joy, energy, exuberance and activity result, that we are able to open more deeply to that of God in ourselves and others, but that closing up makes us find more fault with those around us. We were asked to risk more, to not only turn inward in seeking, but to share what we find. Do we pray with and for our friends so that they might not lose their way? Although imagination may fail when trying to address the Divine, prayer makes other ministries more powerful, encouraging growth in both Spirit and numbers.

Community is nourished by many conscious community-building activities reported by meetings, and by passing through the various stages of life with our Friends, from the passages of childhood, the release of children into adulthood, through the end of life as our elders die among us. The invocation of the presence of God in each of us, in our business, in our various ministries today, and in all our activities brought to us a strong sense that we are a community united in the service of the Divine.

Reaching out to the larger community takes many forms, but some patterns recur in meeting and individual actions. Meetings report both individual and corporate ministries, with the most common being work toward the abolition of the death penalty, providing meals for homeless people, physical efforts to benefit the environment, providing shelter for those in need, opposition to gun violence, and Alternatives to Violence programs. A Friend spoke of the difficulty of discerning where to put one's energy when so many opportunities for ministry present themselves. We were reminded also of the great opportunity now to offer our experiences of spiritual depth to those young people reeling from their recent confrontation in Genoa with the forces that maintain the world's great economic divide. A Friend spoke movingly of her connection with the inmates of two prisons, only a few of the many people in the world who do not live our comfortable life. "How can you not be happy if you are free?" asked one of these inmates. We have spoken little among ourselves of the connection between heart and hands, of the spiritual depth and resources that individual activism brings to meeting for worship, or of the spiritual resource that meeting can be for activists.

We have a vision and a prayer to be "a people of God, on fire" and pray to open ourselves to the beautiful community that is the world.

Meeting closed with deep silent worship at 12:15.

Faithfully submitted,

James Summers
Recording Clerk

Margaret Mossman
Presiding Clerk

PLENARY V

The fifth plenary session of PYM 2001 opened at 10:15 a.m. after meeting for worship, which was our fourth plenary session. Margaret Mossman was Presiding Clerk.

Epistles from other Yearly Meetings (YM's)—Sue Farley, Reading Clerk
We heard epistles from German and Austrian YM.

Our clerk reviewed this morning's agenda.

Introduction of visitors: We welcomed Karen Hayes and Sonia Tuma from American Friends Service Committee in Pasadena; Mark Peterson from Pacific Friends Outreach Society (PFOS) and James Karkheck From Big Island Monthly Meeting.

PYM 2001-2 Friends approved the following people to the Naming Committee: Gary Wolff, Linda Koenig, and Murry Lauser with Rob Roy Woodman as an alternate. Gary Wolff will convene the committee.

Initial Nominating Committee Report—Carol Mosher
The committee presented the initial slate for 2002 for our first hearing. We will reconsider this item later in the week.

Peace and Social Order—Trudy Freidel
The committee presented three action minutes for consideration: “Opposition to the Death Penalty,” “A Renewed Call to End Sanctions Against Iraq” and a minute on drug concerns (as adopted By Philadelphia Yearly Meeting).

Friends found unity on the concepts in the three minutes and there was much fruitful discussion. A frequent theme in the discussion was our need to speak from the moral and spiritual authority that are the foundation of our convictions as Quakers. Peace and Social Order will consider what they have heard this morning and come back to us at another meeting.

Holding Corporation—Brian Vura-Weis
PYM has realized approximately \$200,000 from the sale of the San Fernando Valley Friends meeting house, which had been donated to PYM when the SFV Meeting was laid down. The basic purpose of this donation was to help PYM create a permanent site. The Holding Corporation has care of the funds. There are legal considerations regarding the eventual disposition of the assets. The remaining Friends from SFV Friends have sent a letter saying that the efforts of the Pacific Friends Outreach Society to develop a permanent site are consistent with the SFV Friends' hopes for the use of their gift. The clerk of the Holding Corporation asked that a threshing session be held at the next Yearly Meeting to discuss Friends opinions about the relationship of PYM and PFOS, which might lead to the eventual adoption of a yearly meeting site. No decision regarding the funds by the Holding Corporation can be made at this time because PFOS still needs a conditional use permit for its proposed facility from Tulare County.

PYM 2001-3 Friends approved incorporating the annual report to PYM from PFOS as part of the minutes of this meeting.

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Stephen McNeil, Assistant Clerk, made current announcements. Minutes were approved.
Meeting closed in a worshipful manner at 12:30 a.m.

Faithfully submitted,

Jeannie Graves,
Recording Clerk

Margaret Mossman,
Presiding Clerk

PLENARY VII

Plenary VII convened at 10:15 after Meeting for Worship. Reading Clerk Sue Farley read the meeting themes from the epistles of Japan Yearly Meeting, SAYMA (Southern Appalachian Yearly Meeting and Association), Canadian Yearly Meeting, North Carolina Yearly Meeting Conservative, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, Northwestern Yearly Meeting, and Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting.

A visitor, Lawrence Reichard, from the AFSC Stockton office was welcomed.

Marie Friedell reported for the Sites Committee. A number of possible sites for yearly meeting have been investigated, including the Visalia Convention Center, and one has been selected. The Sites Committee has approved seeking a contract to hold yearly meeting at the University of San Diego for the next two years. Dates would be July 22-July 27, 2002 and July 28-August 2, 2003. An information sheet is attached.

Julia Bazar, archivist, presented her report, which is attached. PYM records are in temporary storage at the Pasadena AFSC office during a renovation of Whittier College Library. The archiving process for PYM records is undergoing a thorough professional evaluation and revision.

Shan Cretin, PYM Treasurer presented her report, which is attached. Large PYM reserves have been drawn down this year as planned. Publication expenses of the new *Faith and Practice* do not show in the first two pages of this report. The Publishing Reserve (line 2721), currently containing about \$9,000, will be inadequate for actual publishing, but the reserves transferred to this fund to cover these expenses will be converted into assets in the form of books. Improved inventory control is expected to improve management of this asset. Lines 2751 and 2752 represent remaining reserves of about \$80,000. The last part of page 5 shows session expenses for this and the last two years. Session reserves have been subsidizing costs of meeting at Mt. Madonna at about \$5000-6,000 per year. Session reserves may not be adequate for this year's session, and some general fund reserves may need to be transferred. This needs to be considered in planning for next year at a new site.

Steve Birdlebaugh, Clerk of Finance Committee presented the proposed budget for Fiscal Year 2002, on page 1 of the Treasurer's report. Changes include increases in scholarship funds for the attendance of Young Friends at PYM, the equipment purchase funds, yearly meeting attendance scholarship funds, Ministry and Oversight Committee funds, Secretariat Committee funds, and travel for a delegate to Friends Church Southwest. Finance Committee proposes that current assessments for monthly meetings be increased from \$25 to \$28 per member. Friends were reminded that there is a "hunk of money" in the Holding Corporation, being held for the purchase of a permanent site, and assured that no other such funds exist.

PYM 2001-4 Pacific Yearly Meeting approves the annual budget for fiscal year 2002 as presented.

Monthly meetings in Hawaii have received funds for inter-visitation. Finance Committee is seeking someone to audit the books this year.

Bob Barnes of Grass Valley Meeting is recorded as standing aside from this budget approval, objecting to PYM's support of Pacific Friends Outreach Society.

Eric Sableman introduced Jennifer Caron, Unity with Nature Committee intern, who reported on her work at the Tar Creek Superfund Cleanup site. She is working among largely poor, largely indigenous, people who live in communities affected by lead, zinc and cadmium poisoning from abandoned and neglected mines. She has presented to Junior Yearly Meeting, is making her information available to Yearly Meeting, and is looking for guidance about how to continue and extend her work. The Unity with Nature Committee intern program is supported by meeting and individual contributions, and a subcommittee is forming to support this intern program. A line item is requested in the yearly meeting budget to handle donations to this program.

Friends are grateful for the leadings among us that send and support our youth to do God's work in the world.

PYM 2001-5 Pacific Yearly Meeting authorizes the treasurer to open a reserve fund for support of Unity with Nature Committee projects. The treasurer is authorized to accept and expend funds at the direction of the Unity with Nature Committee.

PYM 2001-6 Ministry and Oversight Committee is asked to consider the subject of internships and bring a report to Representative Committee 2002 or PYM 2002.

Plenary closed with worship at 12:30.

Faithfully submitted,

James Summers
Recording Clerk

Margaret Mossman
Presiding Clerk

PLENARY VIII

MEETING FOR WORSHIP FOR MEMORIALS

“Come lovely and soothing death,
Undulate round the world serenely arriving, arriving,
In the day, in the night, to all, to each,
Sooner or later, delicate death.

Praised be the fathomless universe,
For life and joy, and for objects and knowledge curious,
And for love, sweet love - but praise! Praise! Praise!
For the sure-enwinding arms of cool-enfolding death.

Dark mother always gliding near with soft feet,
Have none chanted for thee a chant of fullest welcome?
Then I chant it for thee, I glorify thee above all,
I bring thee a song that when thou must indeed come, come unfalteringly. . . .

Over the tree-tops I float thee a song,
Over the rising and sinking waves, over the myriad fields and the prairies wide,
Over the dense-packed cities all and the teeming wharves and ways,
I float this carol with joy, with joy to thee O death.” - Walt Whitman

Betty Bacon -- Berkeley
Robert Barnhart -- Santa Cruz
Florence Bedell -- Las Vegas
Eve Brown -- Monterey Peninsula
Paul Courteoul -- Davis

“And this is the Comfort of the Good
and the Grave cannot hold them,
and they live as soon as they die,
For death is no more
Than the turning of us over from time to eternity.
Death, then, being the way and condition of life,
We cannot love to live,
If we cannot bear to die.” - William Penn

Kurt Bergel -- Orange County
Irving England Cox -- Marloma/Long Beach
Russell Curtis -- Redwood Forest
Robert Bruce Cutler -- Santa Cruz
Edwin Duckles -- Mexico City

“So live, that when they summons comes to join
The innumerable caravan, which moves
To that mysterious realm, where each shall take
His chamber in the silent halls of death,
Thou go not, like the quarry-slave at night,
Scourged to his dungeon, but thy grave
Like one who wraps the drapery of his couch
About him, and lies down to pleasant dreams.” - William Cullen Bryant

Edward C. Hawarth -- Whitleaf
Kingsley Lawrance -- La Jolla
Sean Masterson -- Santa Monica
Mary Hill Mikesell -- Claremont

“Death is a beginning; death is not an end. Who knows when the end is reached? Death may be the beginning of life. How do I know that love of life is not a delusion, after all? How do I know that he who dreads to die, is as a child who has lost the way, and cannot find his home? How do I know but that the dead repent of having previously clung to life?” - Chuang Tzu, 300 BC

Clare Millikan -- Redwood Forest
Prudence Myer -- Santa Barbara
Anton Nelson -- Berkeley
Jean Norman -- Honolulu

"As we watch from the headland, a lovely schooner clears the harbor and spreads white sails to the freshening breeze. It moves away with strength and beauty toward an unseen shore over the horizon, and we gaze until it hangs like a speck of cloud where sea and sky meet. Someone at our side says, 'There! It's gone.' Gone? Only from our sight. It is just as real and graceful as when it left our side; the diminished size is only us. And just as someone here says, 'There! It's gone!', there are others to watch the ship approach and to take up the glad shout, 'Here it comes!'" - Author unknown

Tesquala Raincatcher -- Humboldt
Joan Collins Runyon -- San Francisco
John Salyer -- La Jolla
Robert Rudolph Schutz -- Redwood Forest

“Sorrow cannot be fought and overcome; it cannot be evaded or escaped; it must be lived with. Whether it be sorrow for our own loss, or sorrow for the world’s pain, we must learn to shoulder the burden of it, to carry it so that it does not break our stride or sap the strength of those about

us through pity or woe . . . Somehow we must learn not only to meet it with courage, which is comparatively easy, but to bear it with serenity, which is more difficult, being not a single act but a way of living.” - Elizabeth Gray Vining, in World In Tune

Selkis Gayil Sekhmet -- Marin
Sybil Shanks -- La Jolla
Marjorie Patton Shouse -- La Jolla
Ruth Dart Smith -- Claremont
Albert Schmidt -- San Diego
Mary Gwynne Schmidt -- San Diego

”We bereaved are not alone, we belong to the largest company in all the world - the company of those who have known suffering. When it seems that our sorrow is too great to be borne, let us think of the great family of the heavy-hearted into which our grief has given us entrance, and inevitably, we will feel about us their arms, their sympathy, their understanding.
“Believe, when you are most unhappy, that there is something for you to do in the world. So long as you can sweeten another’s pain, life is not vain.” - Helen Keller

Jean Engle Taylor -- Orange Grove
Pauline Thompson -- San Francisco
Robert Thompson Sr. -- San Jose
Chris Valentine, Jr. -- Berkeley

“Death is only a horizon; and a horizon is nothing save the limit of our sight.”
- Rossiter Raymond

Irene Wade -- Central Coast
Frank Walker -- Redwood Forest
Laura Wilcox -- Grass Valley

Faithfully submitted,

James Summers
Recording Clerk

Margaret Mossman
Presiding Clerk

PLENARY X

The tenth plenary session, a meeting for worship on the occasion of doing the business of Pacific Yearly Meeting 2001, opened at 10:21 a.m. after meeting for worship (which was our ninth plenary session). Margaret Mossman was Presiding Clerk.

Epistles from other Yearly Meetings—Sue Farley, Reading Clerk
We heard the epistle from New York Yearly Meeting.

Our clerk reviewed this morning's agenda.

Naming Committee—Gary Wolff

The naming committee recommends people for the Nominating Committee as listed on the attached report. The new recommendations are as follows:

Ron Jones	Santa Barbara	2002
Keith Wedmore, Clerk	San Francisco	2003
David Lederman	Orange County	2004
Sue Torrey	Central Coast Preparative Meeting	2004
Pat Daggerty	Orange Grove	2004

We will act on this recommendation at a later plenary.

Final Nominating Committee Report —Carol Mosher

New nominations have been offered. We will act on the amended Nominating Committee Report at a later plenary session.

Several Friends hope that the Subcommittee on Religious Education for Children will again become a committee in its own right rather than a subcommittee of Ministry and Oversight.

Faith and Practice —Lincoln Moses

The revision process of our *Faith and Practice* began in 1991 and we now have a publication that is being distributed among meetings and will soon be available for purchase by individual members. Unfortunately the index is consistently incorrect.

PYM 2000-7 Friends accepted the revised version of Faith and Practice-A Guide to Quaker Discipline in the Experience of Pacific Yearly Meeting.

PYM 2000-8 Friends approved deep thanks for the many people who worked on this committee and helped bring forth our new edition of the Faith & Practice.

Evaluation of Mt Madonna—Brajesh

Brajesh asked how we liked the food and the facilities and how we felt about being in the midst of their community. We generally like being here and we had specific suggestions. There is clearly a resonance between this faith-based Yoga Community and our own faith-based community. Brajesh offered evaluation forms for additional comments.

Committee clerks who will be submitting written reports to be attached to the minutes are asked to provide copies to the Presiding Clerk and Recording Clerk.

Peace and Social Order—Trudy Freidel

Peace and Social Order Committee offered revised minutes for our consideration.

PYM 2001-9 Friends approve a minute opposing Iraqi sanctions as follows:

Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends reaffirms its opposition to economic sanctions against the people of Iraq. This opposition was first expressed by the Yearly Meeting in a Minute of Concern in 1998.

We ask again, with renewed energy, that the President of the United States, the United States State Department and members of the United States Congress work to drop all economic sanctions and replace them with programs to aid the Iraqi people in rebuilding the shattered infrastructure of their society. Let us see what love can do.

The clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting will send this minute to the President of the United States, the Secretary of State of the United States and members of the United States Congress. The Clerk will also send this to all Monthly Meetings, Worship Groups, Interfaith contacts, and with appropriate cover letters, to editors of the San Francisco Chronicle, Sacramento Bee, San Jose Mercury-News and the Los Angeles Times.

PYM 2001-10 Friends approve a minute opposing the death penalty as follows:

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We will work with concerned members of all religious faiths and others of like conviction to abolish the death penalty.

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PYM 2001-11 Friends approved a minute on drug concerns as follows:

Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends approves in principle the appended Minute on Drug Concerns of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting.

“Friends for over 300 years have sought to live ‘in the virtue of that life and power that takes away the occasion of all war.’ Today the United States government is engaged in a ‘war on drugs’ which bears all the hallmarks of war: displaced population, disrupted economics, terrorization of minorities, abandonment of hope by those the war is supposedly being fought to help, the use of military force, the curtailment of civil liberties, and the demonizing of the ‘enemies’.

Drugs continue to do terrible harm to people in the United States and throughout the world, particularly to the young. We call upon our State and Federal Governments to move from criminalization to health care solutions. We ask Friends to assist our legislators in exploring ways in which the vast sums now being used in this way can be diverted toward treatment, research, and education on the dangers of the use of illegal drugs and inappropriate use of legal drugs, such as alcohol and tobacco.

Some Friends under the weight of this concern are developing political alliances to change U.S. government policy. Others are developing ways to reach out to people in and out of the Society of Friends suffering from addiction and to help them call on the Holy Spirit for aid in freeing themselves from this terrible burden. We urge all Friends to support those who carry this concern and pray that others will join them in finding paths that lead us toward peace, reconciliation and healing.”

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The Peace and Social Order Committee is working on a series of queries and a resource list to share with all monthly meetings and worship groups prior to Pacific Yearly Meeting’s annual session in 2002.

Epistle Committee—Jane Peers

We heard the first reading of our epistle, which will be posted. We will act on this matter at a later plenary.

Registrar’s Report—Roena Oesting

498 people attended Yearly Meeting this year, with representation from many age groups.

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Jeannie Graves,
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Margaret Mossman,
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PLENARY XI

Plenary XI convened at 11:15 with worship. Reading Clerk Sue Farley read the epistle from Japan Yearly Meeting for the year 2000.

PYM 2001-12 The Naming Committee report was approved as presented. Nominations of Friends to the Nominating Committee are approved as follows:

Ron Jones	Santa Barbara	2002	
Keith Wedmore, Clerk	San Francisco	2003	
David Lederman	Orange County	2004	
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PYM 2001-13 The Nominating Committee report for 2001 was approved as corrected. The corrected Nominating Committee report for 2001 is attached.

Reports from standing committees, M&O subcommittees and representatives to other organizations are attached, although not read aloud during this session.

Epistles from the children's program (preschool, lower and upper elementary), Junior Yearly Meeting and Young Friends were read, joyfully received, and are attached. A list of new officers appointed by Junior Yearly Meeting and Young Friends for next year are also attached. The children's program also read aloud the "The Quaker Hero Stories" of conscientious objectors Harry Bailey, Bill Lovett and Alan Strain. The handmade and illustrated books written and produced by the children were presented to Harry Bailey and Bill Lovett.

Jane Peers, convener of the Epistle Committee read the epistle for the PYM Annual Session of 2001 at Mount Madonna.

PYM 2001-14 The PYM epistle for 2001 was accepted as amended and is attached.

Various announcements were read.

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ACTION MINUTES- PYM 2001

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PYM 2001 14 The PYM epistle for 2001 was accepted as amended.

August 3, 2001

Report to Pacific Yearly Meeting from Faith and Practice Revision Committee
Lincoln Moses, Clerk

The revised *Faith and Practice* has appeared at this annual gathering of Pacific Yearly Meeting in two forms. In the reading room five spiral-bound copies were made available for inspection starting Tuesday. On Thursday, August 2, one copy was sold to the Representative of each Monthly Meeting and Worship Group. The full production run will be delivered to the AFSC Bookstore in Pasadena on or about August 20th. Orders for multiple copies for Meetings should be placed with the AFSC Bookstore for delivery after that date.

The revision process began in August 1991 with PYM Minute 91-3, which called for expansion of the Discipline Committee and renaming it the Faith and Practice Revision Committee. That Minute called for systematic interaction between the Committee and Pacific Yearly Meeting's Monthly Meetings and their members. We believe that was a wise provision, and we have tried to honor it by means of visits to monthly meetings, by encouraging suggestions to us, and by convening interest groups at annual gatherings of PYM.

Minute 91-3 also called for circulation of a preliminary edition for at least a year. The preliminary edition was distributed at Representative Committee at La Jolla in March 2000, with a deadline of December 31, 2000 set for receiving suggestions. We received many useful suggestions during that period. Some very thoughtful suggestions were necessarily relegated to a file named "Next Faith and Practice." We will pass that file on to our successors, again to be called the Discipline Committee. That committee may season and act upon these ideas.

This new version differs in some important respects from the Preliminary Edition (the Green Book): there is now a section of quotations, topically arranged, the result of the contributions of many Friends; Friends relation to the Creation is more fully treated; some critical passages have been modified, other passages enlarged. So we urge Friends to acquire the new edition and to discard their copies of the Green Book. Before recycling that obsolete version it might be wise to retain the yellow endpapers that comprise the study guide.

Service on this Committee has entailed much work—rewarding work—and each person who has been a member carries away a body of experiences to be glad of. More than two dozen Friends have participated in this process. We thank the Yearly Meeting for this opportunity.

Ministry and Oversight Committee Report
Pacific Yearly Meeting, July 30-August 4 2001

What has been the work of your Ministry and Oversight Committee this past year? Pacific Yearly Meeting is a community that exists in one very visible form during the first week of August each year, and in another less visible the remaining 51 weeks of the year. In regard to the week of the annual session, our committee has searched for ways to achieve a coming-together, a seamlessness, in our experience of community. This is a practical and a spiritual goal. Worship and business are not equivalents, but their relationship can be deepened, their superficial boundaries dissolved. Old persons and young persons differ, but with imagination, sensitivity, and love we may effect an interpenetration of these overlapping worlds. This place we meet in does not suit everyone equally well--but neither does this world as a whole. Yet we can work to support one another, to respond tenderly to the joys and struggles of our friends here. In this place from which it seems you can see forever, we struggle with space. In a time totally released from the have-to's of our daily lives, we scramble for time. Our committee has searched for ways to nurture our being together during this week. Our proposal for an extra day was not taken up, but we have supported our Presiding Clerk in working toward a simpler, more open annual session. We seek and invite all to find, a week worshipful and accommodating of differences, inviting friendly conversation and the in-breaking of that of God, which is always here, and which, in its cumulative effect, may bring us to the end of the week with a sense of transformed lives and transformed world.

What work contributes to these effects, the creation of a transformed community? Our committee gives most of one weekend each fall to a discussion of the annual session. We ask: what is at work in the life of the community, which we can help bring forward, make space for, provoke and nurture? How can we support the sustained ebb and flow of worship, the "river that flows from deep within," as one who ministered last year sang to us? Opportunities to share with like-minded and like-spirited friends are given in the affinity groups, this year opened to being freely established by friends on arrival, to give variety and flexibility in topic and meeting time. After much discussion, our committee came to believe that worship sharing groups serve us best when they are constituted by all of us on the basis of our fundamental humanity, rather than being selected according to special interests and affinities. Other occasions exist for these valuable associations, but in worship sharing, we come, perhaps, as strangers to one another, and we learn from that. Our committee has brought, directly or through our various subcommittees, 7 interest groups to foster sharing and learning on a number of topics. In these and other ways, we try to contribute to this week of fellowship, spiritual growth, and refreshment.

We attend to and serve also the Pacific Yearly Meeting that exists for the other 51 weeks of the year.

--one part of the work of our committee is the establishment and oversight of a number of subcommittees. Special Funds subcommittee, for example, oversees a new fund this year, established to support Young Friends attendance at Friends General Conference gatherings. The subcommittee on religious education for children has been very active this past year. In addition to committee meetings, they have offered an interest group at College Park Winter Quarterly, organized book tables, are surveying meetings and worship groups, have begun to visit monthly meetings, and have a listserv electronic conversation underway. The Brinton Visitor subcommittee organized and supported visits of Robert Griswold to many of your meetings in

the past two years. Subcommittees on committed relationships, released friends, and adult religious education also work for the larger PYM community. This year we have appointed two new subcommittees: one on electronic communications and records, and one on mental health and mental illness.

--In an effort to facilitate communication among our meetings and individuals, we developed and distributed this past spring, a leaflet addressing the challenges of tracking meeting mail. Our committee gathered the experiences and recommendations of monthly meetings and consolidated those in this leaflet that has now been distributed, we hope to good effect.

--We have begun in this past year also to explore prospects for a weekend gathering of representatives of our Quaker Boards, to discuss common aspects of their work. We have contacted the 8 to 10 Boards associated in some way with our yearly or quarterly meetings to learn of their interest, and explored the availability of services of the Friends Board Training and Service Project in Philadelphia. Representative Committee in March of this year minuted its support of this project, and we hope the gathering may be scheduled in the early part of 2002.

--We have extended support this Spring to Mexico City Monthly Meeting, which has been facing difficulties. These grow in part from struggles related to the Casa de los Amigos, the Center which Friends in the monthly meeting have the major task of overseeing. After hearing concerns brought to us by individual friends, by our Brinton visitor, and by our Latin American Concerns Committee, and learning that the Meeting there felt a visit would be helpful, we asked two Friends to visit Mexico City to learn more of their situation. We are reviewing their report now. The difficulties are not resolved, and we continue to search for ways to be helpful.

submitted July 31, 2001

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
of the
RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

2001 STATISTICAL REPORT FOR PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING

Session held July 30 – August 4 at Mount Madonna Center, Watsonville, California

Statistical reports from Pacific Yearly Meeting member meetings report a net gain of seven members during the past year, bringing our total membership to 1,480, almost exactly what it was two years ago. There are thirty-eight monthly meetings and over 80% of our members belong to the nineteen largest meetings, many of which own meetinghouses. Membership in the other half of the meetings ranges from five to twenty-five per meeting.

The greatest growth in membership was reported by Santa Cruz Monthly Meeting. Central Coast Preparative Meeting is under the care of Santa Cruz and nearly one-third of the Friends listed as members of Santa Cruz attend the preparative meeting.

Nineteen worship groups associate themselves with Pacific Yearly Meeting, although six of them are not under the care of a monthly meeting. Lake County Worship Group reports that they are taking steps in that direction. When we communicate with meetings, do we remember to include them, as well as the groups at Fredericka Manor in Chula Vista, and those in Ukiah, Willits, Kaua'i and Moloka'i? Mexico City Monthly Meeting reported that the Hermosillo Worship Group no longer exists, but that one member of Mexico City has been trying to establish a worship group in San Miguel de Allende. The 9:30 Worship Group, formerly known as Noe Valley/Bernal Heights, was laid down by San Francisco Monthly Meeting this summer.

This year there were increased problems about getting reports back from meeting clerks and/or recorders. Replacement forms were sent to six meetings who either lost the originals or claimed that they never arrived. Your Statistical Clerk shares the concern of Ministry and Oversight Committee about how we can improve our responding to communications sent to meetings.

Phyllis Jones
PYM Statistical Clerk, 2001

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING STATISTICS, May 31, 2001

MEETING	MEMBERS LAST YEAR	YOUTH TO ADULT	TRANSFER- RED IN	CONVINCED	TOTAL GAINS	LOSS BY DEATH	TRANSFER- RED OUT	RELEASED	TOTAL LOSS	MEMBERS THIS YEAR
APPLE SEED	17	0	2	0	2	0	0	0	0	19
BERKELEY	118	0	2	1	3	1	2	2	5	116
BIG ISLAND	14	1	0	2	3	0	0	0	0	17
CHICO	20	0	0	1	1	0	1	1	2	19
CLAREMONT	61	0	0	0	0	1	0	8	9	52
DAVIS	46	0	5	2	7	0	2	2	4	49
DELTA	12	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	12
FRESNO	17	1	0	0	1	0	0	0	0	18
GRASS VALLEY	42	0	2	2	4	0	1	0	1	45
GUATEMALA	6	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	5
HONOLULU	83	0	1	4	5	1	2	0	3	85
HUMBOLDT	15	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	15
INLAND VALLEY	23	0	0	3	3	0	0	0	0	26
LA JOLLA	70	0	0	1	1	3	2	0	5	66
LOS ANGELES	8	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	9
MARIN	15	0	0	0	0	1	1	0	2	13
MARLOMA/LONG BEACH	23	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	22
MENDOCINO	15	0	0	0	0	0	1	0	1	14
MEXICO CITY	23	0	0	1	1	1	1	2	4	20
MONTEREY PENINSULA	20	0	0	0	0	1	0	0	1	19
NAPA-SONOMA	4	0	0	1	1	0	0	0	0	5
ORANGE COUNTY	35	0	1	2	3	0	0	0	0	38
ORANGE GROVE	74	0	1	1	2	1	1	0	2	74
PACIFIC ACKWORTH	6	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	0	6
PALO ALTO	111	0	1	0	1	0	0	1	1	111
REDDING	11	0	0	2	2	0	0	0	0	13
REDWOOD FOREST	89	0	2	2	4	4	1	1	6	87
RENO	24	0	0	2	2	0	1	0	1	25
SACRAMENTO	26	0	4	0	4	0	1	0	1	29
SAN DIEGO	24	0	1	0	1	1	1	0	2	23
SAN FRANCISCO	86	0	1	2	3	1	0	0	1	88
SAN JOSE	37	0	1	0	1	1	0	1	2	36
SANTA BARBARA	55	0	0	1	1	1	2	0	3	53
SANTA CRUZ	79	0	0	8	8	1	0	0	1	86
SANTA MONICA	50	0	2	3	5	0	0	6	6	49
STRAWBERRY CREEK	76	0	0	4	4	0	1	0	1	79
VISALIA	26	0	2	3	5	0	2	1	3	28
WHITLEAF	12	0	0	0	0	1	2	0	3	9
<u>TOTALS</u>	1,473	2	28	49	79	22	25	25	72	1,480

University of San Diego

- Private Catholic medium-sized university in the city of San Diego in an ethnically diverse neighborhood. Homosexuality is not an issue with them.
- Dates: July 22 – July 27, 2002
July 28 – Aug 2, 2003
- Conference center has 350-seat plenary room (microphone available), 650-seat theater, rooms for interest groups etc., and a large room for children's program. There are outdoor spaces, playing fields, and a large "quad" for central gathering.
- Dining room is in the same building. It has college-style cafeteria with many food choices: e.g. soup and salad at every lunch/dinner, 2 entrees—one vegetarian—side dishes, desserts. There is also a snack bar with extensive offerings.
- Dorms are 3-story and consist of 2-bedroom suites with lounge and kitchenette—each room with 2 beds and bath. Children and teens can sleep in sleeping bags on the floors. There are handicapped rooms on the first floor. The dorms are ½ mile from the conference center—slight hill, smooth sidewalks. The campus is planning a shuttle service between the dorms and conference center; if it is not fully adequate, PYM will provide its own.
- There is no on-site camping. We will be addressing the needs of those who camp for reasons of economy.
- The chapel is open for meditation most of the time. The swimming pool, with lifeguard, has regular hours, or can be reserved for a private group swim. All facilities are open to us without added charge. Most facilities would be for our exclusive use. Other groups using the dining room would have meals scheduled at a different time from ours.
- Costs for children and teens would be less than at Mt. Madonna—children under 5 free (compared to under 2), 5-18-year-olds at sleeping bag rate (compared to under 12). Adult costs are under negotiation; they will probably be less than Mt. Madonna's rooms with bath and more than economy dorms.
- The area provides many possibilities for PYM outings—both campouts and beach parties and service projects.

MONTHLY MEETINGS OF PACIFIC
YEARLY MEETING
AUGUST 2001

Mail to meeting address, unless noted. Worship (MfW) first day unless noted. CLERK (Clk); PYM REP (Rep); OBSERVER (Obs) (w/ term expiration) noted when available. Box # refers to PO box unless noted.

APPLE SEED 10am Garzot/Duffield Bldg. (Libby Park), Valentine & Pleasant Hill, Sebastopol **Mail:** Box 1135, Sebastopol, CA 95473-1135. **Clk:** Ron Higgins (5-31-02) 707-887-1160; lawgins@aol.com. **Rep:** Rick Troth (12-31-01) 707-874-3821; occiwood@sonic.net. **Obs:** unnamed as of 5-31-01.

BERKELEY 11am 2151 Vine St, Berkeley CA 94709 (mail to 2153 Vine St.) **Clk:** Catherine Anderson (5-31-02) 510-526-1403. **Rep:** Anne Maiden Brown (5-31-02) 510-549-2130. **Obs:** Marie Fredell (5-31-02) 510-527-3969; mariefr@juno.com.

BIG ISLAND 10am Call Convener for location. **Mail:** PO Box 284, Laupahoehoe HI 96764. **Convener:** Rose Everly (1-30-02) 808-775-0972. **Rep:** James Karkheck 808-323-2916; JFKona@Kona.net.

CHICO 10:30am 1336 Hemlock, Chico, CA. **Mail:** Box 3769, Chico, CA 95927. **Clk:** James Anderson (4-30-02) 530-345-3429; janderson@csuchico.edu. **Rep:** Bob Runyan (4-30-02) 530-749-2578; runyan@neteze.com. **Obs:** Linda Rowell (4-30-02) 530-894-1666.

CLAREMONT 9:30am 727 West Harrison Ave. Claremont, CA 91711. **Clk:** Charleen Krueger (4-30-02) 909-593-4904; charleenk@earthlink.net. **Rep:** Marty Carson (4-30-02) 909-625-2924.

DAVIS 9:45am Sundays & 6:00pm Wednesdays. 345 L St., Davis, CA 95616-4229. **Clk:** Stuart Pettygrove (6-30-02) 530-753-6808; gspettygrove@ucdavis.edu. **Rep:** Jay Owen-Smith (6-30-02) 916-444-5536. **Obs:** Patricia Williams (6-30-02) 530-747-6177.

DELTA 2nd wk **only** 10:45am AFSC Office, 445 W. Weber, Stockton, CA. **Mail:** 408 E. Loretta, Stockton, CA 95207. **Clk:** Betsy Huling (6-1-02) 209-478-8423. **Rep:** Judy Bunting (6-1-02) 209-223-0843. **Obs:** Betsy Huling (6-1-02) see above.

FRESNO 10am 2219 San Joaquin Ave., Fresno, CA 93721. (except 5th Sundays) **Clk:** Lowell Barnett (3-31-02) 559-435-0618; dancejog@pacbell.net. **Rep:** Linda Arreola (3-31-02) 559-298-3440.

GRASS VALLEY 9:45am 13075 Woolman Ln, Nevada City, CA 95959. **Mail:** same, c/o John Woolman Sch. **Clk:** Stuart Smith (6-30-02) 530-663-3539.

Rep: Marybeth Webster (6-30-02) 530-477-6419; mbethwebster@jps.net. **Obs:** Eve Hall (6-30-02) 530-265-3164.

GUATEMALA 1st & 3rd wk, 11am. Call Clerk for location. **Mail:** Lacelle L-180, 1325 NW 93 Ct. B-102, Miami FL 33172. **Co-Clks:** Loren Lacelle & Kitty Brown (5-31-02) Int'l code +502-849-5510; lacelle@conexion.com.gt. **Rep:** Martha Dugan (5-31-2002) Int'l code+502-832-5650; mardugan@usa.net.

HONOLULU 10am (hymns 9:45) 2425 Oahu Ave., Honolulu HI 96822. **Clk:** Marjorie Cox (3-31-02) 808-949-7893; 105215.575@compuserve.com. **Rep:** Suzanne Marinelli (9-1-01) 808-735-9197; marinelli@capitol.hawaii.gov.

HUMBOLDT 11am (Seekers 9:45am) 1920 Zehndner Ave., Arcata, CA. **Mail:** Box 4786, Arcata, CA 95518. **Clk:** Andrea Armin-Hoiland (5-31-02) (Clk.mail to 2364 Graham Rd., Bayside, CA 95524) 707-822-6423; larjco@juno.com. **Rep:** Louis Armin-Hoiland (12-31-01) 707-822-6423; larjco@juno.com.

INLAND VALLEY 10am 4061 Mission Inn Ave., Riverside, CA 92501. **Clk:** Susan Scott (5-31-02) 909-679-2712; sescott@juno.com. **Rep:** Trudy Freidel (5-31-02) 909-882-4250; cfreidel@gte.net.

LA JOLLA 10am 7380 Eads Ave., La Jolla, CA 92037. **Clk:** Joyce Crosthwaite (4-30-02) 858-456-1020. **Rep:** not determined.

LOS ANGELES 11am 4167 S. Normandie Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90037. **Clk:** Cynthia Cuza (5-20-02) 323-232-4063; ccuza@ix.netcom.com. **Rep:** Douglas Barnett (5-02) 323-296-0733; quakerla@loop.com.

MARIN 10am 177 E. Blithedale Ave., Mill Valley, CA. **Mail:** Box 1301, Mill Valley, CA 94942. **Clk:** Louise Aldrich (5-31-02) 415-491-0113; aldrichl@igc.org. **Rep:** Louise Aldrich (5-31-02) See above. **Obs.:** Mary Matossian 415-479-0884.

MARLOMA/LONG BEACH 10am Huntington School, 2935 Spaulding, Long Beach, CA. **Mail:** Box 3477, Redondo Beach, CA 90277. **Clk:** Rea Soares (5-1-02) 310-514-1730. **Rep:** Helen R. Gutkin (5-1-02) 562-598-9242.

MENDOCINO 10am Jewish Community Center Shul, Caspar Rd., Caspar, CA. **Mail:** Box 1003, Mendocino, CA 95460. **Clk:** David J. Russell (12-31-01) 707-937-0200; djr@mcn.org.. **No Rep or Obs.**

MEXICO CITY 11am Casa de los Amigos, Ignacio Mariscal 132, Colonia Tabacalera, 06030 México, DF, Mexico. **Clk:** Rosa Martha Soto (12-31-01) 011-525-586-9217. **Rep and Obs** not named.

MONTEREY PENINSULA 10am Carl Cherry Center, Guadalupe & 4th, Carmel, CA. **Mail:** Box 51426, Pacific Grove, CA 93950-6426. **Clk:** Sandy Hale (12-31-2001) 831-622-7025; sandy_hale@csumb.edu. **Rep:** Ellie & Jack Huffman (12-31-2001) 831-644-0331; elehuf@earthlink.net.

NAPA-SONOMA 10am Aldea Inc., 1831 First St., Napa, CA. Mail: c/o Joe Wilcox, 57 Chapel Hill Dr., Napa, CA 94559. Clk: Katharine Mawer (5-1-02) 707-257-1652; mmawer@aol.com. (Clerk's mail c/o Mawer, 2339 Bohem St., Napa, CA 94559) Rep: not named.

ORANGE COUNTY 10am 117 W. Fourth St., Suite 200, Santa Ana, CA 92710. Mail: same. Clk: David Lederman (5-31-03) 949-653-6924. Rep: Kenga Morgan (5-31-02) 949-856-1925. Obs: Jo Tyler (5-31-02) 714-827-1425.

ORANGE GROVE 11am 526 E. Orange Grove Blvd., Pasadena, CA 91104. Clk: Sharon Doyle (6-30-02) 626-355-2826; sedoyle@earthlink.net. Rep: Elaine Emily (12-31-01) 818- 353-8286; eemily@bcm-net.org. Obs: Kate Carpenter 626-799-3877; home54321@aol.com.

PACIFIC ACKWORTH 11am (in John & Alice Way Library) 6210 Temple City Blvd., Temple City, CA 91780. Clk: Cal Edinger (6-30-01) 626-280-6335. Rep: Krista Wong (6-30-01) 626-357-5262.

PALO ALTO 10:30 am 957 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94303. Clk: Barbara Babin (8-31-02) 650-369-1398; b_babin@yahoo.com. Rep: Arden Pierce 650-494-1631; ardenhiram@aol.com.

REDDING 11:30am on 2nd & 4th Sundays at 1st United Methodist Church (corner of South & East streets), Redding, CA. Mail: Box 991665, Redding, CA 96099-1665. Mtg. phone 530-222-5527 Clk: Sue Morehouse (5-1-02) 530-244-6216; morehou4@aol.com. Rep: Doris Bond (5-1-02) 530-243-5350; gmb007@c-zone.net.

REDWOOD FOREST 10 am 1647 Guerneville Rd., Santa Rosa, CA. Mail: Box 1831, Santa Rosa, CA 95402. Clk: Paul Harris (4-30-03) 707-546-0432. Rep: Verna Curtis (1-30-02) 707-573-4563; vernajane@juno.com. Obs: Alice Burk 707-573-4530.

RENO 10 am Sundays and 7 pm Thursdays at 497 Highland Ave., Reno, NV 89512-2219. Clk: Harbert Rice (12-31-01) 775-329-9400; hvrice@sierra.net. Rep: Dan Richards (12-31-01) 775-747-6749; danielprichards@worldnet.att.net.

SACRAMENTO 10 am 890 – 57th St., Sacramento. Mail: Box 163677, Sacramento, CA 95816. Clk: Jane Kostka (4-30-02) 916-484-1426; jkostka@jps.net. Rep: Frances Taylor (4-30-02) 916-456-5444. francestaylor@macnexus.org. Obs: Sally Davis (4-

SAN FRANCISCO 11 am 65 Ninth St., San Francisco, CA 94103. Clk: Stephen Matchett (4-30-02) 415-621-0558. Rep: Kay Anderson (9-30-01) 415-330-9611; kayander@igc.org. Obs: Carin Anderson (9-30-02) 510-547-6359; carin@uclink4.berkeley.edu.

SAN JOSE 10 am 1041 Morse St., San Jose, CA 95126. Clk: Elizabeth Zimmerman (6-30-02) 408-246-2129; ejzimmer@sjm.infi.net. Reps: Emily & Thomas Leo (2-02) 408-356-6732; mleesmail@aol.com or wfhensel@aol.com. No Obs. noted.

SANTA BARBARA 10am Antioch University, 801 Garden St., Santa Barbara. Mail: Box 40120, Santa Barbara, CA 93140-0120. Clk: Nancy Robinson (6-30-02) 805-964-4475; nancyrobinson@compuserve.com. Rep: Nancy Rowan (6-30-02) 805-963-5640.

SANTA CRUZ 10:30am Georgiana Bruce Kirby School, 117 Union St., Santa Cruz, CA. Mail: Box 813, Santa Cruz, CA 95061. Clk: Traci Hjelt Sullivan (3-31-02) 831-336-8333; mail@quakercenter.org. Rep: Ellie Foster (3-31-03) 831-423-2605; ehfoster@mymailstation.com. Obs: Tom Nedelsky (3-31-03) 831-423-5841; tommy@cruzio.com.

SANTA MONICA 10am 1440 Harvard St., Santa Monica, CA 90404. Clk: Rachel Fretz (9-15-02) 310-826-1743; fretz@humnet.ucla.edu. Rep: Stanford Searl 323-938-9094 stansearl@aol.com

STRAWBERRY CREEK 10am Crowden School, 1475 Rose St., Berkeley, CA. Mail: Box 5065, Berkeley, CA 94705-0065. Clk: Susan Burr (5-31-02) 510-528-7125; BurrSL@aol.com. Rep: Shelley Tanenbaum (12-31-01) 510-525-8964; sheltan@pacbell.net. Obs: Carl Magruder (12-31-01) 510-652-1437; cmagruder@earthlink.net.

VISALIA 10:30am 17208 Ave. 296, Visalia, CA 93292. Clk: Greg Seastrom (12-31-01) 559-734-4911; gseastrom@mediaone.net. Rep: Mark Koenig (12-31-01) 559-592-4253; mark.koenig@cos.cc.ca.us. Obs: David Chandler 559-539-5300; david@davidchandler.com.

WHITLEAF 9:30am (Bus.Mtg. 2ndwk at 10:30). Whittier College Admin. Bldg., 13406 East Philadelphia St. (at Painter St.), Whittier, CA. Mail: Box 122, Whittier, CA 90608. Clk: Helen O'Brien (5-31-02) 562-698-7503. Rep: Anthony Manousos (5-31-02) 562-699-5670; amanousos@aol.com.

PREPARATIVE MEETING

30-02) 916-486-1025; affirm@softcom.net.

SAN DIEGO 10:30 am 3850 Westgate Place, San Diego, CA 92105. Clk: David Barrows (4-30-02) 619-216-3591; dcbarrow@cts.com. Rep: Jean Malcolm (4-30-02) 619-296-9078; jmalcolm@hosting.com.

CENTRAL COAST PM (Under care of Santa Cruz MM) Mail to: CCPM Clk: Henriette Groot (6-30-03) 1000 Montecito Rd., Cayucos, CA 93430-1528. 805-995-0962; henrigroot@aol.com. CCPM is divided geographically into two Worship Groups (WG) which meet together on the 2nd Sunday of each month at 10am for worship, Meeting for Business and potluck.

Location for business meeting alternates between the two locations. (Clerks of each Worship Group are also assistant clerks of the Preparative Meeting.)

San Luis Obispo WG 9:30 am at the offices of Blakeslee & Blakeslee, 299 Madonna Rd. (enter at Madonna Plaza side), San Luis Obispo. Clk: Judy Malcolm, 151 Esparto Ave., Shell Beach, CA 93449 805-773-5839; elffffff@aol.com.

Atascadero WG 9:45am sharing, followed by 10:30 worship at Atascadero Historical Society Colony House, 6600 E. Mall, Atascadero. Clk: Morgan Paige, 8888 Toro Creek Rd., Atascadero, CA 93422 805-461-6657.

WORSHIP GROUPS

AMADOR CO. WG (Under care of Delta MM) 11:00 am on 1st Sunday of each month, usually at the Bunting home, 10730 Bonnefoy Dr., Jackson, CA. Mail: Judy and Peter Bunting, PO Box 387, Jackson, CA 95642. 209-223-0843; itsmee@cdepot.net.

ATASCADERO WG (See Central Coast PM)

BISHOP WG (Under care of Reno MM) Call for information about time and location. Corr: David Scheidlinger, 393 Mt. Tom Rd., Bishop, CA 93514-2121. 760-873-8439

CONEJO VALLEY WG (Under care of Orange Grove MM) 1st and 3rd wks 11:15am 2277 Townsgate Rd. Suite 208, Westlake Village, CA. Mail to Corr: Joan Johnson, 2224 Thorsby Rd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91361. 805-495-9753; pbjprime2@aol.com. (Long or complicated messages go to Don Bean at ddbean@netmug.org.)

FREDERICKA MANOR WG 2nd Wed. 3pm 183 Third Ave., Chula Vista, CA. Corr: Ralph Pinney, 177 Jasmine Way, Chula Vista, CA 91910. 619-422-1859

HEMET WG (Under care of Inland Valley MM) 9:00am 1455 S. State, Space 232, Hemet, CA. Corr: Susan Davidson- Davies, 1365 Beckett Ct., Hemet, CA 92545-9490. 909-766- 2009. Messages to Norman & Clea Surbeck 909-658-2261.

KAUA'I WG Informal group meets occasionally; call for time & place. Corr: Lucy Douthitt, Box 1361, Lihue, HI 96766. 808-274-3311; dreamon@hawaiian.net.

LAKE COUNTY WG 11am 1st & 3rd Sundays in various homes; Correspondent: Barbara Christwitz, 3568 Vista St., Clear Lake, CA 95422. 707-995-0940; bchristwitz@hotmail.com.

LAS VEGAS WG (Under care of Inland Valley MM) 5pm First Christian Church, Rm. 4, 101 S. Rancho Dr., Las Vegas, NV. Mail to 425 Donner Pass Drive, Henderson, NV 89014. Corr: Maxine Elliott, 702-434-8366; max1695@cs.com.

MAUI WG (Under care of Honolulu MM) 10:30 am at 427 Liholiho, Wailuku. Mail to Corr: Mimi Freshley, P.O. Box 880122, Pukalani, HI 96788, 808-573-2371; mimif58@yahoo.com.

MOLOKA'I WG Meets occasionally; call for time and place. Corr: Claud Sutcliffe, HC01Box 244, Kaunakakai, HI 96748. 808-553-4443 (home); 808-553-3844 (work); claud@aloha.net.

OJAI WG (Under care of Santa Barbara MM) 10am. Mail to: Corr: Gracia Fay Ellwood, 10 Krotona Hill, Ojai, CA 93023; graciafay@bemail.org. Call Quaker Dial-a-Thought at 805-646-0939 to verify time and place.

SAN LUIS OBISPO WG (See Central Coast PM)
SOUTH COUNTY WG (Under care of Santa Cruz MM) 10:30am 1st Sunday in Aromas, CA; 3rd Sunday in Pacific Grove, CA. (Call for exact location.) Corr: Thom McCue, 240 Snyder Ave., Aromas, CA 95004. 831-726-2093; tamccue@hotmail.com.

SOUTHERN HUMBOLDT WG (Under care of Humboldt MM) 9:30am in Briceland area (call for directions). Corr: Gail Eastwood, P.O.Box 86, Redway, CA 95560. 707-923-9109; eastwood@asis.com.

UKIAH WG Fridays 6:00pm at Community Room, Walnut Village, 1240 N. Pine, Ukiah. Corr: Nancy Nanna, 925 Bel Arbres Rd., Redwood Valley, CA 95470. 707- 485-8350; irranna@saber.net.

WEST MARIN WG (Under care of San Francisco MM) Weekly at 11:30am; Presbyterian Church, Pt. Reyes Station. (Rt. 1) Corr: Sandra Dorward, Box 135, Woodacre, CA 94973. 415-488-9795; dorward@wenet.net.

WILLITS WG 10am on the last Sunday of each month in the lobby of Willits Electronics Assembly, 100 Sanhedrin Circle, Willits. Corr: Dianne Marshall, 485 Raymond Lane, Willits, CA 95490. 707-459-1911; dmarshall@pacific.net.

WINDWARD OAHU (part of Honolulu MM) 10 am, 1st Sundays at home of correspondent. Corr: Polly Pool, 46-082 Pu'ulena St. #1213, Kaneohe, HI 96744. 808-235-6500.

PYM Epistle

To Friends everywhere from Pacific Yearly Meeting in session at Mt. Madonna, California, from July 30th to August 4th, 2001.

We send our greetings to you.

We were reminded in our opening session that “Living by Faith is not a private matter,” and we experienced the truth of that message. We approved Minutes on such real-world matters as concerns related to our opposition to the so-called “War on Drugs,” sanctions against Iraq, and the death penalty. For the first time that we can remember, we approved the support of an intern from this yearly meeting. She has been led to work in community service at the Superfund cleanup site at Tar Creek in Oklahoma. The PYM Unity with Nature Committee will oversee her activities.

As we re-form our blessed community each year, we welcome the opportunity to practice living together as the Quakers we would like to be. We were delighted to receive the long-awaited new edition of FAITH AND PRACTICE; “A Guide to Quaker Discipline in the Experience of Pacific Yearly Meeting.” The whole of our Quaker family celebrated publication with vegan Birth Day cake for all.

Virtually our entire community joined in the Meeting for Memorials. Loving ministry testified to the witness provided by these dear friends. Two young lives had been cut short by gun violence. Regardless of how many years our Friends had lived, we heard of risks taken, witness demonstrated, and much love.

Despite our losses, the size of our Yearly Meeting remains the same.

We sense a quickening among us. We are paying more attention to members who report to us about their work to alleviate suffering throughout the world.

Next year, we expect to meet in a city on the U.S.-Mexico border. As we move down from our mountaintop experience, we will have new opportunities for engagement and service. We look forward to the challenges and to our responses.

Respectfully submitted by the Epistle Committee, 2001

Jane Peers, convener

Kitty Bergel

Carl Magruder