

**Peace and Social Order Committee Report  
to RepCom, February 2012  
Jeff Kroeber, clerk**

Monthly conference calls:

We meet monthly by conference call to move our work forward. The calls also have included the PYM Youth Coordinator, and folks from Friends Committee on Legislation (California), the Latin American Concerns Committee, and AFSC. These calls feature active development of ideas, and assist in maintaining our committee's "institutional memory."

Minute on Torture brought forward at PYM Annual Session in July, 2011 at Claremont

Minute was approved and sent by PYM Clerk to the editor of the New York Times

Interest groups at Yearly Meeting:

2011:

the committee sponsored three interest groups at Annual Meeting at Claremont:

- (1) undocumented students
- (2) Friends and the Interfaith Peace Movement
- (3) Ending Homelessness

2012:

the committee is bringing forward three proposed interest groups and an affinity group for Annual Meeting at Walker Creek Ranch:

- (1) Friends Peace Teams
- (2) Affordable housing and homelessness
- (3) undocumented students (co-sponsored with Latin American Concerns committee)

affinity group;  
Prison ministry

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Coordination with Youth Program Coordinator:

An informal lunch between several young Friends and some of us at Claremont in July 2011 has led to a continuing discussion about how to involve all age groups together in Quaker witness, and opening up active dialogue between age groups.

At the initiative of the Clerk and the Youth Program Coordinator, the committee worked closely together with Alyssa Nelson, PYM Youth Program Coordinator this year

ideas are fermenting in the committee for “hearing a vision involving young people in peace and social action activity”.

The committee has a continuing interest in reaching out to Junior Yearly Meeting and Young Friends.

The youth coordinator’s vision is: “pulling together a working group comprised of at least one key person from P&SO, AFSC, FCLCA, JYM, Quaker Camps, and possibly at- large interested Friends.”

We are inspired to continue our work bringing young and mature Friends into dialogue and active partnership.

SCQM panel: “Quaker Outreach and Action” November 2011

Three P&SO members, Anthony Manousos, Lucia Van Diepen and Jeff Kroeber presented on a panel discussion on Quaker outreach and witness.