

## Welcome to JYM 2017 & What to Bring – Packing List

Hey everybody! It's time for Junior Yearly Meeting (JYM) already, and we're super excited for another amazing year together. We, the JYM planning committee, would love to extend a warm welcome to all who are planning on attending JYM this year! This year's JYM co-clerks are Ari Standish, Charlie Shaw, and Rose Nadis.

Our JYM webpage has lots of info, and this letter has some extra details.

<https://www.pacificyearlymeeting.org/2017/documents/ypc/welcome-to-jym-2017/>

### Packing List:

- Sleeping bag or sheets and blankets
- Pillow & pillow case
- Towel(s) for showers and swimming
- Toiletries, toothbrush & toothpaste
- Clothes fit for any weather - 6 days
- Warm clothes for night
- Pajamas
- Hiking shoes
- Shoes you don't mind getting dirty for the service project
- Casual shoes
- Socks
- Sunscreen
- Reusable water bottle
- Daypack
- Flashlight
- Clothes for the dance - "Rainbow" themed
- Poems? Music?, Art? ??? for Sharing Creative Expression
- Mp3 or CD with music for the dance
- Frisbees, cards, board games, etc.
- Musical instruments
- Ideas for family night talent show--a skit? Poem? Music?
- *Faith and Practice*, the *Bible*, other spiritual readings, a journal
- Handwork for quiet times, knitting, friendship bracelet

JYM this year has a range of ages from 13 to 18. We have our own schedule and activities that are going to be a blast! We have amazing activities planned by the JYM committee including:

- Community building games,
- Ultimate Frisbee,
- An awesome service project,
- Respectful Relationships,
- Many intergenerational games and activities,
- Swimming at the pond,
- Mini AVP workshop,
- A Monday night Community Dance with a "Rainbow" theme, and
- Much much more.

Through these activities and others we build a strong community that helps nurture the spiritual growth of the group as a whole with an emphasis on the inner light in everyone. We will take time as a community to develop agreements and expectations that reflect our Quaker testimonies. Since JYM is a part of PYM, we do participate in many of the greater gathering's activities, including some plenaries, intergenerational games, the dance mentioned before, and the community night.

The JYM schedule is online here:

[https://docs.google.com/document/d/1i4w\\_d\\_Xin3bqpFGDM6u5NSENO4-7IWXXtDDJHjpY4/edit?usp=sharing](https://docs.google.com/document/d/1i4w_d_Xin3bqpFGDM6u5NSENO4-7IWXXtDDJHjpY4/edit?usp=sharing)

Please note:

- Parents/Guardian/Sponsors Meeting is 4:00 pm on Friday, July 14 in the Buckeye Room at Walker Creek Ranch.
- JYM doesn't begin til the end of the PYM Opening Plenary and Welcome at 8:15 pm in the plenary tent. As a group, we will make our way to the Buckeye Room.
- Please be sure you and your adult read the "What to Expect for Parents/Guardians/Sponsors" document, including what it says about about Community Expectations, here:  
<http://www.pacificyearlymeeting.org/wordpress/wp-content/uploads/2017/05/JYM-What-to-Expect-2017-Parent-and-Sponsors.pdf>

We're so looking forward to seeing everyone and having a great time as a community during our week together at Walker Creek Ranch!

**2016 JYM Planning Committee:**

**Co-Clerks:** Ari Standish (Berkeley), Rose Nadis (Santa Barbara), and Charlie Shaw (Santa Monica)

**M&O Co-Clerks:** David Shaw (Santa Monica) and Miles Pangelina (Berkeley)

**M&O:** Elinor Steffy (Sacramento), Gabi Alvarado (Sacramento), and Andrew Pangelina (Berkeley)

**JYM Adult Committee Co-Clerks:** Kate Connell (Santa Barbara) and Dan Strickland (Orange Grove)

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