Friends gathered at 1:35 p.m. and settled into a period of silent worship.

Clerk Hermione Baker offered the following opening minute:

We are here at La Verne University gathered as Pacific Yearly Meeting for work, for fellowship, and for worship in the Spirit. We seek truth. From Church Government of London Yearly Meeting:

"We have learned to listen to one another, to respect the sincerity of one another's opinions, to love and to care for one another. That is because God first loved us." Remembering those Friends who formed and shaped Pacific Yearly Meeting and looking to those young people among us who are our future, we enter this year's sessions.

The Clerk then announced that the 43rd gathering of Pacific Yearly Meeting was now in session.

EPISTLES

Bruce Folsom, Reading Clerk, read selections from the Epistles of Intermountain Yearly Meeting and North Carolina Yearly Meeting of Friends.

INTRODUCTIONS

Hermione Baker of Morongo Basin Worship Group introduced herself as Presiding Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting, and asked the other Clerks to introduce themselves: Marilee Eusebio of Davis Meeting, Assistant Clerk; Ruth Peters of Orange Grove and Steve Smith of Claremont, Co-Recording Clerks; and Bruce Folsom of San Francisco Meeting, Reading Clerk.

Hermione Baker then asked Friends from other Yearly Meetings to introduce themselves: Will Scull of Pendle Hill and Philadelphia Yearly Meeting; Ruth Flower of Friends Committee on National Legislation and Baltimore Yearly Meeting; Tom, Danny, Sam, and Anna Horne, also of Baltimore Yearly Meeting; Aline Autenrieth of Friends Committee on National Legislation and Iowa Conservative Yearly Meeting; Hugo Van Der Merve of South Africa Yearly Meeting; Mildred Burck and Richard, Rose, Carmen, and Marta Lewis of North Pacific Yearly Meeting; Jack Willcuts and Cilde Grover of Northwest Yearly Meeting Friends Church and Friends World Committee on Consultation; and Toby Riley of Baltimore Yearly Meeting.
ROLL CALL

Assistant Clerk Marilee Eusebio read the roll of member Meetings. Representatives were present from 34 of the 37 member Meetings. There was no one from Hemet Meeting, Los Angeles Meeting, or Mexico City Meeting. Representatives were present from both Preparative Meetings, Big Island (in Hawaii) and Guatemala, but only three of the 18 Worship Groups were represented: Morongo Basin Worship Group under the care of Claremont Meeting, Mendicino Worship Group under the care of Redwood Forest Meeting, and Modesto Worship Group under the care of Delta Meeting. Floyd Shmoe of University Meeting in Seattle, who elected to remain as an individual member of Pacific Yearly Meeting when North Pacific Yearly Meeting separated from us, was also introduced.

CHILDREN’S PROGRAM

Arden Pierce of Palo Alto Meeting, Clerk of Children’s Program Committee, introduced Linda Koenig of Chico Meeting who is coordinating this year’s children’s program.

Linda Koenig introduced Daniel Lee of Chico Meeting, Coordinator of Volunteers, who reminded us that over 1000 hours of volunteer time would be needed during the upcoming week to facilitate a successful children’s program. Plans for the Children’s Program were described and the staff of the Children’s Program introduced: George Gastil of San Diego Meeting, morning teacher for babies; Eve Lee of Chico Meeting, afternoon teacher for babies; Sharon Wesson of Claremont Meeting, morning preschool teacher; Jennifer Johann of Pacific Ackworth Meeting, afternoon preschool teacher; Ken Dunn of Inland Valley Meeting and Rhea Farley of Chico Meeting, morning elementary teachers; Lorraine Calkins of Orange Grove and Leticia Boyle of Orange Grove Meeting, afternoon elementary teachers; Phil Farley of Chico Meeting, evening program; Ruth Bergman of Fresno Meeting, quiet room person, and Pat Wolff of Orange Grove Meeting, "supply getter." Friends were reminded that Yearly Meeting policy is for children to be in the care of either the Children’s Program or their parents at all times. They should not be permitted to run loose during Yearly Meeting.

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING

Brian Vura-Weis of Inland Valley Meeting and Becky Layfield of Orange County Meeting, Co-Clerks of Junior Yearly Meeting Committee, introduced the officers and staff for the Junior Yearly Meeting: Jacole Norton of Orange County Meeting and Ruth Bergman of Fresno Meeting, Co-Clerks of Junior Yearly Meeting (Noah Wardrip-Fruin, also of Orange County Meeting and a third Co-Clerk, had not yet arrived); Veronica Elliot of Chico Meeting and Peter Dixon-Moses of Santa Cruz Meeting, Junior High School Co-Clerks; Karen Lawrence of La Jolla Meeting, Euclid Bautista of Santa Monica Meeting, and Diane Dunn of Inland Valley, Advisors to the Junior Yearly Meeting. The Junior High Program is
coordinating the Menitio program again this year, and Friends were encouraged to sign up for a "secret pal." Ben Farley of Palo Alto Meeting explained the rules of the Menitio game and encouraged everyone to participate. Brian Vur-Weis described the major events planned for the Junior Yearly Meeting this year and announced the times and locations of meetings for the parents of junior and senior high school students, so that additional details can be explained.

YOUNG FRIENDS

David Calderon, Co-Clerk of Young Friends, announced an organizational meeting for interested young Friends.

ARRANGEMENTS

Walter Jones of San Diego Meeting, Arrangements Clerk, introduced Susanna Matthay of Grass Valley Meeting, Assistant Arrangements Clerk; Susanne Schmitt of Santa Barbara Meeting, Coordinator of Arts and Crafts Displays; George Rudenko of San Fernando Meeting, Coordinator of Equipment; Margaret Mints of Orange Grove Meeting, Coordinator of the Communications Center; Gerry Maynard of Strawberry Creek Meeting, Assistant Audio Coordinator; and Michael Matthay of Redwood Forest Meeting, Camping Coordinator. Walter Jones reminded us that PYM relies on volunteers to run smoothly, and encouraged everyone to sign-up for at least two to three hours of volunteer time some time during the week; volunteers are needed not only for the Children's Program, but for the Communications Center, the Secretariat, and the Arts and Crafts Room (as volunteer cashiers). Additional announcements concerned campers, parking, and other details vital for our comfort and safety. Susanna Matthay, who is responsible for making space assignments for meetings of all kinds, told us that rooms for small groups were limited, with the biggest space crunch involving our evening meetings.

WORSHIP-FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Gloria Kershner of Grass Valley Meeting, Worship-Fellowship Coordinator, announced that there would be 14 traditional Worship-Fellowship groups, with additional traditional groups to be filled with latecomers. Since continuity is so very important, it is hoped that persons signing up for these groups will make every effort to attend regularly and punctually. Special groups are being formed for persons who know their attendance will be sporadic and for twelve-step worship fellowship. These groups, along with their leaders and room assignments, will be posted.

FAMILY NIGHT

Marilee Eusebio, Assistant Clerk, introduced Rusi Gustafson of Davis Meeting, Moderator and Coordinator for the Family Night Talent Show. This year Family Night will also include a folk dance to be led by Erik Hoffman.
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilee Eusebio, Assistant Clerk, gave several announcements and reminded Friends to look in the *Daily Miracle* for room assignments for all interest and sharing groups.

Session 1 closed at 3:00 p.m. with a brief period of worship.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
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PLENARY SESSION 2

At 4 p.m., in the warmth of a late August afternoon, Friends opened their first worship session of Yearly Meeting.

The annual miracle of Pacific Yearly Meeting has begun. Those who have given themselves to the preparation of our time together have already been blessed by this miracle; and in the various activities of this week, we may feel the glow of the spirit and its blessed warmth—indeed a daily miracle. Having fallen asleep, we awaken to restfulness and warm peace, knowing that the divinity watching over us never sleeps. During this week may we awaken more fully to the presence of the Light, feeling its sustaining warmth. Even in our sleep we may find God. Like a child who climbs into its mother’s arms and drifts into dreams while enveloped in her love, we may find in the blessedness of intimate and loving relationship with one another a true experience of God’s profound love.

In kinship with a warm and loving God, we must acknowledge the truth as we see it—if that be the scientific claims of evolution or the faith of creationism. Yet let us not separate ourselves from those who accept the literal truth of Genesis. Perhaps we share with them a deeper kinship than with those who would deny divinity itself.

Regardless of our origins and our indebtedness to the past, our responsibility now is to the present and the future. God did not stop with Genesis or evolution. God moves in us today, in the oneness, the beauty, the interdependence of all creation. With these very hands we must respond, giving form to our dreams—themselves the fruit of our sleep in God’s arms.

Steve Smith, Co-Recording Clerk
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PLENARY SESSION 3

Plenary Session 3 opened with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read portions of epistles from Northern Yearly Meeting, New York Yearly Meeting, and Iowa Yearly Meeting (Conservative).

MINUTES

The minute of record for Plenary 2 (Meeting for Worship) was read.

MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT

The remainder of Plenary 3 was devoted to a rich exploration of matters brought to us by the Committee for Ministry and Oversight. Clerk Eric Moon introduced those from the committee who were to serve as presenters: Kitty Barragato of Orange Grove Meeting, Vanita Blum of Berkeley Meeting, Ed Flowers of Redwood Forest Meeting, Jane Peers of La Jolla Meeting, Jean Walton of Claremont Meeting and himself. [Eric Moon also announced the names of members of the Epistle Committee: Marie Parker of La Jolla Meeting, Convener, Richard Sanders of Grass Valley Meeting, Betty Simmerer of Honolulu Meeting, and Rick Troth of Orange Grove Meeting.]

Eric Moon described the committee's presentation as an exercise in "programmed worship." Presenters read selected excerpts from State of the Meeting Reports, clustered around several recurrent themes. In periods of unprogrammed worship, people were then invited to respond briefly to these themes out of their own experience. Eric Moon likened the work of the committee to Meeting visitations to "get a sense of the conditions" and to discern "the spiritual landscape." In reading the various State of the Meeting Reports, committee members became aware of similar problems everywhere. As Quakers, we are often too quick to put a positive face on our difficulties, and not always ready to honor the depth of our pain. The problems we face as individuals and in our Meetings are our "natural work-sites," opportunities to grow and deepen our lives together. The low ebb of a meeting community may
prompt it to awaken from its inertia. If we confront issues honestly and prayerfully, we are more likely to deal constructively with them.

Among the hard realities described in State of the Meeting Reports, three themes or clusters stood out: (1) recognition of personal loneliness and sense of isolation; (2) various forms of conflict; and (3) concerns with developing and nurturing Quaker leadership.

On the theme of loneliness, presenters read several portions of Meeting reports. We come to Meeting for warmth and fellowship, yet often do not find it there. Do Quakers emphasize individual autonomy too much? How can we build greater community in our Meetings? Crisis and sadness can be a time of deepening, and doing the work of the Meeting can bring us together. Yet many feel that something is missing from the corporate life of the Meeting.

"How is it with you?" we were asked. Out of the silence, Friends responded variously:

- In one Meeting, groups of seven (called "Friendly Families") meet for a potluck once a month.

- In the greatest events of life, birth and death, we are alone; yet paradoxically we share this fact of aloneness with everyone, bringing us closer to one another.

- As cubs must wrestle with one another to strengthen themselves for life, so we must struggle and argue with one another to grow.

- Friends in far-flung places such as Guatemala often feel especially isolated; let us make contact with them when we can.

- People sometimes disappear when they go through periods of personal crisis, not seeing the Meeting as a resource for themselves. How can we encourage one another to share our vulnerability and ensure that others will be there when needed?

- Suffering (experiencing one's pain) is only one path out of loneliness. Growth often arises in a Spirit of joy and great opportunities, when creative energies are released.
All is not well in our commitment to relationships, as evidenced by the lack of a convener for a "still-married" group. Let us correct that now.

Visiting in one another's homes, even for committee meetings, is an important source of connection.

Often, the best way to overcome one's own loneliness is to reach out to others in need.

Loneliness may happen in large groups. Some have found Pacific Yearly Meeting itself a lonely place. A long-time, active member of a Meeting may still not feel fully part of it.

For those who are alone, there is a limit to what can be accomplished by potlucks and committees; one may be busy, active, with many friends, yet still experience voids that are not filled.

Loneliness is part of the journey of life, and a way of knowing ourselves. It is an opportunity to come to terms with what one hates and loves about oneself. In our courage to face these times, the pain of aloneness may ease.

In trying to be a good Quaker, we may take strength from knowing that others are making this same effort.

Eric Moon and the committee members then moved to the theme of conflict, again reading passages from State of the Meeting Reports. Seeking to walk cheerfully over the earth, we may put a smile on our faces that does not reflect our inward distress. Some find themselves stretched to the tearing point, trying to satisfy everyone. What do we do with those difficult cases of conflict between two members, or with conflict within a family? How can we love without taking sides? Divisive social issues may also take us by surprise, and use of monetary gifts may divide the meeting. Dealing with the issue of same-gender marriage has been especially difficult for some Meetings. Again we settled into unprogrammed worship, allowing Friends to respond out of personal experience.

Conflict is a part of life. We must give up our ideal of always being "nice people," and face it honestly.
Conflict is needed for adaptation and the creation of new possibilities. There must be some truth in opposing views. "My wrongness is as dear to me as your rightness is to you."

Conflict is a "teachable moment," a chance to learn.

Appreciating the value of conflict, we must also see its potential for harsh and destructive pain. Balance may be found if we simultaneously hold to the truth, and hold to our awareness of shared pain.

It's hard to risk fighting with those we do not know. Will they be there afterwards? Are we willing to take this risk?

On the matter of same-gender marriages, we cite differing authorities. Let us have faith that in opening ourselves to the leadings of the Holy Spirit in patience and love, we will resolve our conflict.

Assertiveness training is necessary not only for many women, but also for those men who have been too impressed with the ideal of niceness.

If we listen not simply to the ego-position of another, but to the other's underlying interests, we may find a creative solution.

The Committee for Ministry and Oversight then led us into a consideration of the third issue, that of nurturing Quaker leadership.

Crisis in leadership within the Meeting may be openings for creative solutions. Perhaps we can simplify our structures. Perhaps several co-clerks, or a "committee of the whole," will be useful.

The Meeting is at its best when we reach out to support new leaders. People can rise to do what is needed, if there is a willingness to risk and to trust.

What is our motive to serve? Sometimes it is simple pleasure; at other times, we serve because it is needed, and no one else is available. At such times, we need acknowledgement and appreciation for our service.

It is essential that we learn to take care of ourselves: resting when we need to rest, changing activities when necessary.
- If we see leadership as only a burden, we will resist it. But if we reframe it as an opportunity for joy, we may approach it in a very different spirit.

- Service should be an outgrowth of our spiritual life. Discerning our path of service is a central dimension of life in the spirit. Let us think of ourselves as clerks, and all equal before the Spirit. Neither Meetings nor individuals are called to serve beyond their capacity. Let us forgive ourselves for our failure to be continuously wonderful in everything we do.

- If it is "more blessed to give than to receive," it may also be blessed to receive that which we don't want. Learning to operate in the Spirit is a constant source of novelty and spontaneity, an adventure in joy.

- In our Meeting we have come to know what is possible and what is not. We should be honest in our expectations.

- People frequently resist leadership positions for one of two reasons: humility, or pride. Neither shows openness to the spirit; neither shows awareness of the corporate character of our worship.

In closing this presentation, Eric Moon observed that the problems and issues of our Meetings are the very stuff of which our corporate life consists: the matter of our Meetings is that which matters to us.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Marilee Eusebio made several announcements.

The meeting closed with a brief period of silent worship.

Steve Smith, Co-Recording Clerk
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PLENARY SESSION 4

Plenary Session 4 opened at 9:45 a.m. with a period of silent worship.

Clerk Hermione Baker reminded Friends to state their names and Meetings before addressing the Plenary, and if speaking from the floor, to rise and be mindful of the poor acoustics.

EPISTLES

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read selections from the epistle from the Yearly Meeting of Evangelical Friends Churches of Guatemala and El Salvador (Junta Anual de Iglesias Evangelicas "Amigos" de Guatemala y El Salvador) and a letter from London Yearly Meeting, and the entire epistle from the 17th Triennial Meeting of the Friends World Committee for Consultation.

Clerk Hermione Baker explained that she had placed copies of all epistles received by our yearly meeting in a single folder which was available to all interested persons.

INTRODUCTIONS

Peggy Paul of Southwest Yearly Meeting Friends Church introduced herself. Hermione Baker introduced Tony Henry, Executive Secretary of the Pacific Southwest Regional Office of the American Friends Service Committee in Pasadena.

MINUTES

The minutes of Plenary Session 1 were read and approved with minor revisions.

REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT

Jamie Newton of Palo Alto Meeting, Representative Committee Recording Clerk, read the action minutes from the Representative Committee meetings held on March 4, 1989, and August 6, 1989. Only one item required action from this yearly meeting. The following minute (REP-COM 89-3) was approved:

PYM MIN
89-1 The Ministry and Oversight Committee was asked to establish an ad hoc subcommittee to explore a concern about structural relationships among monthly meetings, quarterly meetings, and the Yearly Meeting and their activities, and to recommend a course of action.
COMMITTEE TO NAME THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Richard Sanders of Grass Valley Meeting, Convener of the Committee to Name the Nominating Committee, acknowledged the other two members of this committee, Phyllis Jones of San Diego Meeting and Larry Perry of Strawberry Creek Meeting. The following names were approved by Representative Committee on August 7: Lowell Tozer of San Diego Meeting, to continue as clerk until 1990; and as new appointments (until 1992), Sally Davis of Sacramento Meeting, Asenath Young of Orange Grove Meeting, and Leta McKinney-Adler of Westwood Meeting.

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION (FWCC)

Jeanette Norton of Orange County Meeting, convener of PYM's representatives to FWCC, introduced the other four: Carol Mosher of Berkeley Meeting, Margaret Willits of Humboldt Meeting, Marie Parker of La Jolla Meeting, and Earle Reynolds of Santa Cruz Meeting. She also introduced Sue Brune of La Jolla Meeting, a member of FWCC's Committee on Scouting, who has been co-opted by FWCC’s Section of the Americas. Earle Reynolds, Marie Parker, and Jeanette Norton represented PYM in 1988 at last year's Triennial in Tokyo; Bob Vogel of Orange Grove Meeting, Shirley Ruth of San Francisco Meeting, Cliff Cole of Claremont Meeting, and Akie Reynolds of Santa Cruz also attended. Jeanette thanked the representatives for their hard work during this past year in raising money for FWCC, serving on Section committees, arranging intervisitation among Friends, and attending annual meetings. In addition, Southern California representatives co-sponsored a regional gathering of Friends from PYM, Southwest Yearly Meeting, and Pasadena Friends Church.

Jeanette Norton explained that the balance of the report on FWCC would be divided into three sections: first, a report on activities of the FWCC Section of the Americas; second, a report on the 1989 Triennial in Japan; and third, plans for the 1991 World Conference of Friends.

FWCC Section of the Americas

Margaret Willits reported on the Section of the Americas, which is responsible for a wide variety of programs including the Quaker United Nations Office in New York City. A great deal of its work is centered in Central and South America where the need for intervisitation and assistance projects is great because of difficulty of communication and the rapid growth of Friends in these areas.

Sue Brune spoke about her work with the FWCC Committee on Scouting which has updated the Quaker religious awards program for Quaker Girl and Boy Scouts. It has created a Quaker emblem for the Religious Merit Badge that Scouts can earn through their own religions. The Committee on Scouting strongly
encourages Friends to become involved in the youth programs in their own communities.

Carol Mosher shared highlights of the Annual Meeting of the Section of the Americas held this year in Iowa. She spoke of both her exhilaration at meeting with Friends from so many parts of the Americas and her sadness that there was so little money for so many needs. This year the FWCC Section of the Americas is projecting a deficit of $40,000, and unless additional funds can be raised, it may be necessary to cut staff and/or projects. Friends were asked to give generously. Friends from Central and South America have requested aid for a wide variety of projects, such as needs for x-ray equipment, mobile medical clinics, sewing centers, childcare centers, and marketing outlets for handicrafts made from wool. For more information on the many critical International Quaker Aid projects, Friends were directed to brochures on the FWCC display table, to an interest group, and to Cilde Grover, FWCC staff member for western U.S.

Report on Triennial Meeting in Japan, 1988

Shirley Ruth, Editor of Friends Bulletin showed and narrated a set of slides taken by Doris Calder of Canadian Yearly Meeting at the pre-Triennial visit to Korea and the Triennial itself.

Jeanette Norton and Marie Parker each described highlights of their individual experiences of the Triennial. Both spoke of the warmth, generosity, and thoughtfulness of their Japanese hosts as well as the different types of worship they experienced, the joys of experiencing Quaker process in business sessions with Friends from different countries and traditions, powerful presentations such as those by Jennifer Kinghorn and Jo Vallentine (which can be found in the November issue of Friends Bulletin), experiencing traditional Japanese arts, visiting a variety of Japanese Quaker Meetinghouses; and much much more.

Plans for 1991 World Conference of Friends

Jack Willcuts of Northwest Yearly Meeting Friends Church reported on plans for the 1991 World Conference, which will be held as one world gathering in three different parts of the world, with 300 representatives and a common core of experiences at all three sites. The first gathering will take place June 23 - 30 in Elspeet, near Amsterdam in The Netherlands; the second will occur July 16 - 24 in Tela Nueva, Honduras; and the third between August 13 - 26 in Chavakali, Kenya. Seventy-one yearly meetings are invited to send representatives and Pacific Yearly Meeting has been allotted four official representatives and three slots for individual applicants. Representatives are also being invited from Quaker organizations and Quaker publications. The theme of this conference will be "In Spirit and in Truth: Faith in Action." Earlier world gatherings of Friends occurred in 1937, 1952, and 1967.
At 4:00 p.m., Friends gathered for worship to the quiet hum of the portable air-conditioning system which had been installed after lunch.

Ed Flowers from Ministry and Oversight Committee encouraged Friends to both move closer and, if moved to speak, to rise and use their strongest and clearest voices since the acoustics in the plenary room were not good and not everyone present had perfect hearing.

Just who is this God we worship? On the one hand, God is a loving God from whom we can never be separated; at the same time it takes courage to truly open ourselves to the Holy Spirit and face the the terror and awesome wonder of God. God has many faces. The face of God is visible both in the faces of those we love and in the faces of starving children and soldiers armed to kill. God is our leader; we are the led. Our leadings sometimes seem overwhelming, but we are only asked to do what we can do. God’s love becomes visible in our actions, in our work to help those in need.
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PLENARY SESSION 6

Plenary session 6 began at 7 p.m. with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read portions of epistles from Ohio Valley Yearly Meeting, Baltimore Yearly Meeting, and Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church.

TRAVELING MINUTE

A traveling minute was read for Robert Leach from the Societe Religieuse Suisse Des Amis in Geneva. Robert Leach was warmly welcomed on behalf of Pacific Yearly Meeting by the Presiding Clerk Hermione Baker.

FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION

Jeanette Norton presented an action minute for approval:

89-2 Pacific Yearly Meeting will send 4 representatives to the Friends World Conference in 1991 (2 to Honduras, 1 to Kenya, and 1 to the Netherlands).

The minute was approved.

MINUTES

The minutes of Plenary Session 3 were read and approved.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Arden Pierce, Coordinator of the Children’s Program, gave a brief progress report and announced upcoming highlights of the children’s program.

WIDER FELLOWSHIP AMONG FRIENDS

A number of visitors from Southwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church were introduced.
Hermione Baker turned over the program to Bob Vogel, Clerk of Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee. Bob Vogel summarized the charge and recent activities of the committee. During the past year, PYM has sent representatives to the following gatherings: Gloria Kershner (Grass Valley) to Northwest Yearly Meeting and North Pacific Yearly Meeting; Jeanette Norton (Orange County) to Intermountain Yearly Meeting and to FWCC Triennial and annual meetings; Steve Smith (Claremont) to Friends General Conference; and Bob Vogel (Orange Grove) to Southwest Yearly Meeting, Friends Church.

The committee has been exploring the possibility of a Western Gathering of Friends. Four yearly meetings -- Intermountain Yearly Meeting, North Pacific Yearly Meeting, Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church, and PYM -- have agreed to participate in a consultation (to be held later this year in Portland) on the possibility of a Western Gathering of Friends.

This year, WFAF brings to PYM two Friends who come from other than the unprogrammed traditions: Lind Coop, Clerk of Southwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church, a member of FUM; and Jack Willcuts, former Superintendent of Northwest Yearly Meeting of Friends Church, part of Evangelical Friends Alliance. They were invited to share with us their visions for the Religious Society of Friends.

Lind Coop spoke of the widespread resistance to change and of our need to adapt if we are to survive. Necessary change does not mean diluting our message, however. Only if we look beyond our private needs and focus upon God’s will can we survive. That in turn means that we must remember and remain true to what is distinctive to Quakers.

Jack Willcuts explored with us the tension between tradition and creative response to the future. “Rather than trying to lay the blame on situations, persons or irrelevant issues of the past or present, let us be open to the Light in discerning ways for allowing genuine spiritual fellowship to flourish.” “Let us be as forward-looking as young George Fox himself who told the priest at Nottingham: ‘The revelation of God is not confined to the past. The day still dawns and the day-star rises in our own hearts.’” He encouraged grass-roots communication, cooperation in publication efforts, and a rethinking of budgetary priorities. In our effort to reach out, we must also be clear about ourselves and our convictions, remembering that “Part of the explosive impact of early Christians and early Quakers was the comprehensive approach to spiritual ministry. The saving power of Jesus Christ brings with it the healing of life’s hurts and burdens. . .As Elton Trueblood says, ‘Service without devotion is rootless; devotion without service is fruitless.’ This is a uniqueness of Quakers. . .” “Let us be eager, willing and ready to humbly experience again ‘The power of the Lord over All.’”
After a period of silent worship, presiding Clerk Hermione Baker expressed to both Lind Coop and Jack Willcuts our thanks and deep appreciation.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

The plenary closed with several announcements by Marilee Eusebio.

Steve Smith, Co-Recording Clerk
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PLENARY SESSION 7  

Plenary Session 7 began at 9:45 a.m. with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES  

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read selections from the epistle from Rocky Mountain Yearly Meeting of Friends Church, the Children’s Epistle from Southeastern Yearly Meeting, and the Young Friends’ Epistle from Baltimore Yearly Meeting.

MINUTES  

Minutes for Plenary Session 4 were read and approved with minor revisions. The record of Plenary Session 5 (Meeting for Worship) was also read.

REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE REPORT  

Representative Committee Recording Clerk Jamie Newton read the action minutes of Representative Committee Meeting of August 7, 1989. Three of these minutes required action from the Yearly Meeting. Rep Com 89-17 was approved as follows:

 PYM MIN  
89-3 Friends approved the Finance Committee’s recommendation to augment PYM officers’ expenses $800 to $1000, and to augment the Finance Committee’s budget from $300 to $400.

Representative Committee minute 89-18 was also approved:

 PYM MIN  
89-4 Friends approved the Social Order Committee’s minute on publications which recommends that:

 1) the Publications Pool be laid down;

 2) the Social Order Series be discontinued;

 3) $450 be returned to Palo Alto Meeting (if they wish), $250 be left with Bob Schutz, and the balance of $1902 be returned to PYM funds;
4) Bob Schutz's offer to maintain the inventories of unsold stock and service the sales for five years be accepted;

5) Bob Schutz be thanked for his energy, skill, and work;

6) future publishing ventures come through the appropriate committee, on an ad hoc basis, to Representative Committee for approval; and

7) in considering such funding, the $1903 surplus from the present series be borne in mind as available.

Representative Committee Minute 89-19 -- which concerned joining, as amicus curiae, AFSC's lawsuit seeking exemption from the Employer Sanctions provision of the 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act -- was deferred since an interest group on this issue is scheduled for tonight.

EAST-WEST RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT

Kay Anderson of Palo Alto Meeting, Clerk of the East-West Relations Committee, brought greetings from five Soviet citizens who consider themselves Quakers, and have been discovered or convinced as a result of recent trips to the U.S.S.R. sponsored by the this Committee. Steve Birdlebough of Sacramento Meeting, who serves as treasurer for the Committee, and Julie Harlow of Davis Monthly Meeting and Edilith Eckart of Redwood Forest/Humboldt, who have led past tours, were thanked for their hard work. Melissa Lovett-Adair of Humboldt Monthly Meeting will be coordinating the 1990 trip to the Soviet Union. Anthony Manouso of Santa Monica Friends Meeting, who played a major role in bringing into reality the recently released book The Human Experience, was introduced. The Human Experience, a collection of contemporary short stories and poems by both Soviet and American writers, is a joint project of American Quakers and Soviet publishers. Kay Anderson reported that in addition to Quaker trips to the U.S.S.R., the Committee hopes to translate pamphlets on Quakerism into Russian, to establish contacts with Quakers in East Germany, bring Tatyana Pavlova (a Soviet historian who considers herself a convinced Quaker) to Pendle Hill and then to meet with West Coast Friends, and to bring more Southern California Friends onto the East-West Relations Committee.

Alumni of the Committee's U.S.S.R. trips were asked to state their names, home Meetings, and a single memory or reflection from their trips. Beautiful and touching images of the Soviet people and their country were shared by Hermione Baker of Morongo Basin Worship Group; Julie Harlow of Davis Meeting; Sally Davis and Steve Birdlebough of Sacramento Meeting; Carl Anderson of Strawberry Creek Meeting; Julie Ralls of Inland Valley Friends Meeting, Karen Lawrence of La Jolla Meeting; Bea Miller, Pat Daggerty, and Dani Pat Daggerty of Orange Grove Meeting; David Calderon of Humboldt/Grass Valley; Cliff Cole and Ann Davenport of Claremont Meeting; Lois Bailey and Harry Bailey of Grass Valley
Meeting; Betty Keeney of Redwood Forest Meeting; Edilith Eckart of Humboldt Meeting; and Jack Huffman and Ellie Huffman of Berkeley Meeting.

Julie Harlow read the words of a song written by Gerald Perry of Rathfeigh, Ireland, one of the non-Quakers on the 1989 trip (see Attachment A).

In concluding, Kay Anderson observed that these trips have not only transformed the lives of many participants, but have also served as an important catalyst in individual Soviets' search for God in a country that has for two generations officially considered God dead. She thanked PYM for its loving support over the years and invited Friends to the Committee's interest groups on East-West issues.

FRIENDS' BULLETIN

Shirley Ruth, Editor of Friends Bulletin, reminded Friends that moving accounts like those we had just heard appeared in the June 1988 issue of Friends Bulletin on Citizen Diplomacy. She called attention to two innovations in the Friends Bulletin. The new column called "Friends for 300 Words" is intended for very brief articles describing insights, experiments, efforts to live our faith, dilemmas, humorous stories, and other personal sharing and ministry of the kind that we experience once a year at PYM but need throughout the year. A second new column, titled "Regional News," will focus each month on a single region, and reporters from different regions are being asked to provide thoughtful distillations of news items culled from recent Meeting newsletters. Shirley Ruth listed some of the feature articles planned for upcoming issues of the Bulletin, and asked for articles on the impact of AIDS on Meetings, First Day School programs (what's working), work on conflict and conflict resolution, and South Africa. She introduced David Wilson of Davis Meeting, Clerk of the Bulletin Committee; other members of this Committee include Ellie Foster of Santa Cruz, Jane Mills of Redwood Forest Meeting, Elsa Glines of Hayward Meeting, and Jane Anderson of Chico Meeting.

David Wilson described both the good news and sober news about the Bulletin's finances. Although important strides have been made in erasing the deficit reported last year (through an annual appeal, sales of ads, and increased subsidies from the three supporting yearly meetings), the Committee has become aware it must begin planning for our present editor's eventual retirement. While Shirley Ruth has been paid for a half-time job, she has actually given far more and funds for one or more full-time positions are likely to be necessary in the future. David Wilson celebrated with us the fabric of interconnections Friends Bulletin makes possible and expressed gratitude for the many letters, drawings, memorials, articles, and news items that enable an ongoing sharing among Friends in this area. Friends were encouraged to drop by the Bulletin Committee table tomorrow at lunchtime to suggest topics, raise concerns or provide feedback, and/or to stop by the Bulletin display table, where written suggestions can be left.
MINUTE OF APPRECIATION TO ELIZABETH BOARDMAN

Bob Schutz read a minute from College Park Quarterly Meeting expressing deep appreciation to Elizabeth Boardman for her years of dedicated leadership in the creation of Friends House in Santa Rosa (see Attachment B). Friends approved sending the minute to *Friends Bulletin* for wider distribution.

The Session ended at 11:30 a.m. with a brief period of worship, after which Assistant Clerk Marilee Eusebio read several announcements.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
At 3:30 p.m. Friends gathered to reflect upon the lives of those from our Yearly Meeting who have died during the past year. Members of Ministry and Oversight read selected passages of prose and poetry, then allowed quiet time for Friends to celebrate and mourn—with messages of grief and loss, appreciation and humor—the lives of those who have passed on. Excerpts follow:

The eternal God is thy refuge and underneath are the everlasting arms.

Deuteronomy

ELIZABETH BARRETT
ERNESTINE BARRIER
DONALD CAMPBELL
J. ARTHUR CAMPBELL
CARYN DASCHBACH
San Diego
Westwood
Mexico City
Claremont
Berkeley

Thou known unknown, dark radiant sea
In whom we live, in whom we move,
My spirit must lose itself in Thee,
   Crying a name—Life, Light or Love.

Edward Dowden
O my brave soul!
Of farther, farther sail!
O daring joy, but safe! are they not all the seas of God?
O farther, farther, farther sail.

Walt Whitman

BENJAMIN COLLINS
ANNE DALE
MARIANNA HILL DE BEERS
FRANK FAIRCHILD, JR.
YOKO GATES

Santa Barbara
San Jose
San Francisco
Guatemala
San Diego

O Lord, support us all the day long, through the joys and sorrows and troubles of this life, until the shadows lengthen and the evening comes and the busy world is hushed, the fever of life is over and our work is done. Then Lord, in thy mercy, grant us safe lodging, a holy rest and peace at the last.

John Henry Newman

JUDY GREENWOOD
VIVIAN HARVEY
RAY KENDIG
TOM LAYFIELD
MURIEL NEWSOM

Berkeley
Hemet
Marloma
Orange County
Inland Valley

They that love beyond the World cannot be separated by it. Death cannot kill what never dies. . .Death is but crossing the World, as Friends do the Seas; they live in one another still. For they must needs be present, that love and live in that which is omnipresent. . .that Heaven which God created and this world are all one.

William Penn

For you shall go out in joy, and be led forth in peace.

Isaiah

CHARLENE HAZELETT
FERNER NUHN
MERLE PERRY
HENRY SPIELMAN
MARGARET SOUTHERLAND

Strawberry Creek
Claremont
Orange Grove
San Francisco
La Jolla
At the last, tenderly
From the walls of the powerful, fortress'd house,
From the clasp of the knitted locks, from the keep of the well-closed door
Let me be wafted.
Let me glide noiselessly forth
With the key of softness unlock the locks--with a whisper
Set ope the doors, O soul.

Walt Whitman

KATE KORSHAK
KATHARINE WHITESIDE TAYLOR
ALICE B. WAY
LILLIAN WILLIAMS
HON SOK HAM

Honolulu
San Francisco
Pacific Ackworth
Delta

O God, who sendest peace to those that receive it; open to us this day the sea of Thy love, and make us children of quietness and heirs of peace.

Unknown

Steve Smith, Co-Recording Clerk
PLenary Session 9

Plenary Session 9 began at 9:45 a.m. with a period of silent worship.

Epistles

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read a letter from New York Yearly Meeting and selections from the epistles of The Religious Society of Friends Yearly Meeting of Aotearoa, New Zealand; Illinois Yearly Meeting; and Southeastern Yearly Meeting.

Minutes

Minutes for Plenary Session 6 were read and approved. Minutes for Plenary Session 7 were read and approved with corrections.

Representative Committee minute 89-19 was read and approved as follows:

PYM MIN

89-5 Pacific Yearly Meeting approved joining, as amicus curiae, the AFSC’s lawsuit seeking exemption from the Employer Sanctions provision of the 1986 Immigration Reform and Control Act. The Social Order Committee was asked to consider additional actions PYM may wish to undertake to implement this minute.

Unity with Nature Committee

Rolene Otero of Orange Grove Meeting gave a dramatic and moving presentation describing how being in unity with nature has been an important part of her personal spiritual journey. She asked for a show of hands from Friends who talk to their pets, houseplants, vegetable seedlings, and dirt. She showed slides of rain forests and told us these were our lungs. She listed ecological projects PYM Meetings have already done, ranging from simple recycling projects to the creation of an eco-collapse game; and directed Friends to a variety of resources including videotapes, checklists, and members of PYM’s Unity with Nature Committee. She asked all Friends to take personal responsibility for reducing their personal waste, eating lower on the food chain, promoting conservation in our communities and nationally, and contributing financially toward promoting a sustainable future. For the spiritual aspects of this concern, Friends were asked to create a new definition of equality, a new mythology that promotes a mindset of the whole world as a single country, and a definition of the Light of God that includes all of God’s creations. In concluding, Rolene Otero asked Friends to spend a few minutes together...
holding the "blue marble" [Earth] in the Light. During the ensuing silence, Friends shared examples of myths expressive of our dependence on sharing Earth's limited resources.

SOCIAL ORDER COMMITTEE

Minute on Handguns:
Keith Wedmore of Marin Meeting, Clerk of Social Order Committee, introduced a proposed minute on handguns by reciting the sobering statistics on numbers of guns in America, the murders, suicides, and accidental deaths caused by handguns annually, and U.S. murder rates compared to those in countries forbidding private ownership of handguns. Kate Lacey of San Francisco Meeting reported on the National Rifle Association's recent failure to block passage of a ban on assault weapons.

Though there was general support for the intent of the proposed minute on handguns, some Friends expressed discomfort with its failure to address the religious basis for advocating a total ban on the private possession of handguns and automatic and assault rifles. The minute was referred back to the Social Order Committee for revision.

A concern was raised concerning PYM's lack of a formal mechanism for releasing relevant minutes to the press and appropriate lawmakers. Clerk Hermione Baker reminded Friends it is the Clerk's responsibility to implement or assure implementation of action minutes passed by the Yearly Meeting.

Minute on IRCA Lawsuit

Keith Wedmore reported that the Social Order Committee, following a request from Representative Committee, had considered how PYM should implement its decision to join, as amicus curiae, the AFSC's IRCA lawsuit, and decided that the proper body to oversee the production of the PYM brief was the Ministry and Oversight Committee. The alternative of adding our name to the list of religious institutions supporting a brief already prepared by AFSC's lawyers on behalf of religious organizations generally was considered less desirable, since that document does not adequately describe the spiritual basis for our position. Steve Birdiebough of Sacramento Meeting suggested that Ministry and Oversight be also empowered to supervise additional testimony or briefs that may become necessary as the lawsuit proceeds. Other Friends questioned giving this responsibility to our already overburdened Ministry and Oversight Committee. The Clerks of Social Order and Ministry and Oversight Committees were asked to discuss the best process for getting the documents written and approved, and return with a proposal agreeable to both Committees.

The session closed at 11:50 a.m. with a brief period of silent worship, after which Assistant Clerk Marilee Eusebio read several announcements.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
Friends gathered for silent worship at 4:05 p.m. in Plenary Session 10.

We came together seeking the Source of all healing, allowing it to bathe us and restore our spirits. The Kingdom of God is not so much within us as among us, even when things seem not to be going well. Perhaps heaven is where everybody is helping everybody else.

Ruth Peters. Co-Recording Clerk
PLENARY SESSION 11

Plenary session 11 began at 7 p.m. with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read portions of epistles from Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, and First Friends Church of Whittier, California, as well as a "Statement Against the Death Penalty" drafted by Berkeley Friends Church of Friends United Meeting and endorsed by Whittier Friends Church.

INTRODUCTIONS

Barbara Bradshaw, new Principal of John Woolman School, was introduced and welcomed.

MINUTES

Minutes of Plenary session 8 (Memorials) were read.

FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION

Steve Birdlebough, Convenor of PYM representatives to FCNL, introduced two Friends now working with FCNL. Ruth Flower, formerly of PYM and now a member of Adelphi Meeting of Baltimore Yearly Meeting, and Aline Autenrieth of Iowa Yearly Meeting Conservative, summarized the work of the FCNL, its relationship to other Quaker organizations, and its needs, concluding with an invitation to members of PYM to be more involved in the work of the committee. Steve Birdlebough and Hermione Baker thanked Ruth and Aline on behalf of PYM.

BUDGET

Interim Financial Statements of PYM were circulated. Bob Young, Clerk of the Finance Committee, reviewed the statements, including the proposed budget for 1990.

PYM MIN

89-6 The proposed budget for 1990 was approved. [See Packet Attachment C.]
TREASURER'S REPORT

Walter Klein, Co-Treasurer, reviewed the Treasurer's Report. He reported that for the first time in some years there were no problems with the IRS, regaling us with a dream in which he dunned the IRS to the tune of $40,000,000.

PYM MIN
89-7 The Treasurer's Report for fiscal year 1989 was accepted. [See Attachment C.]

SOCIAL ORDER

Keith Wedmore, Clerk of Social Order, announced that in the matter of the AFSC legal initiative regarding the Immigration Reform and Control Act of 1986 (IRCA), he had conferred with the clerk of Ministry and Oversight and they were agreed that an ad hoc committee was needed.

PYM MIN
89-8 The Yearly Meeting approved the recommendation from the clerks of the Social Order Committee and Ministry and Oversight Committee that the Clerk of PYM be empowered to appoint an ad hoc committee to oversee the preparation of the amicus curiae brief and additional testimony or briefs as may become necessary as the lawsuit proceeds.

The Clerk appointed Steve Birdlebough and Margaret Mossman to the new ad hoc committee.

Keith Wedmore then brought the following revised minute on handguns, which was approved:

PYM MIN
89-9 The availability of guns leading to their increasing use affronts our traditional religious objection to violence. The Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends urges our legislatures to ban the private possession of handguns and automatic and assault rifles. They have no relevance to sport. The death rate from guns is high, unnecessary and intolerable. As the courts have so frequently said, and as gun-free cities in the United States have so long evidenced, there is no constitutional "right" to individual guns.

We urge our representatives to ignore the suggestions that armed self-help improves policing, that occasion for armed treason is just around the corner, and also the false pleas of very special interests; and we urge them not merely to "control" but to end this horror.

We are concerned not only by the death rate of at least 22,000 people a year across the country from handguns, but by the fear, corruption, and violence in our society let loose by the very existence of these handguns. In ending this evil we may return to a dignified, less-armed police, a responsible and safe society, and a minimum standard of civilization.

11-2
Keith Wedmore presented the following revised minute on religious freedom and the flag, which was approved

**PYM MIN**

**89-10** Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) unites with the United States Supreme Court majority in its June 21, 1989 decision in Texas v. Johnson where the freedom of dissent was upheld even when it involved the destruction of a United States flag, a cherished national symbol.

We agree that freedom of speech, for which the flag is a symbol, is more precious than the symbol itself.

Our constitutional guarantees of religious freedom include freedom from compulsion or coercion to participate in religious and patriotic rituals which are contrary to our religious testimonies. Consecration of the U.S. flag by legislation or constitutional amendment would erode that freedom.

We call on all Americans who cherish religious and political freedoms to join us in affirming the Supreme Court decision and in opposing proposals to circumvent that ruling.

A revised proposed minute on criminal justice was referred back to the Social Order Committee for further clarification.

**FRIENDS IN UNITY WITH NATURE**

Michael Dunn, Clerk of PYM Friends in Unity with Nature, presented the following minute which was approved:

**PYM MIN**

**89-11** PYM will appoint two representatives with two-year overlapping terms to attend the annual Friends Committee on Unity with Nature (FCUN) meeting. If selected to the Steering Committee of FCUN, these representatives will be expected to attend that body's meetings. These representatives will be nominated by Nominating Committee with the first appointments for one- and two-year terms respectively. A travel budget in the amount of $500 will be provided. (For the full statement, including a preamble to the minute, see Packet Attachment D.)

After a brief period of silence, the session closed with several announcements by Marilee Eusebio, Assistant Clerk.

Steve Smith, Co-Recording Clerk
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PLENARY SESSION 12

Friends gathered at 9:45 a.m. and settled into a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read the epistles from South Africa Yearly Meeting and Ireland Yearly Meeting.

MINUTES

Minutes from Plenary 9 were read and approved as amended. Minutes from Plenary 10 (Worship) were also read.

MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT

Guatemala Friends Meeting

Eric Moon of Berkeley Meeting, Clerk of Ministry and Oversight, read a minute prepared by Ministry and Oversight (see Attachment E) recommending a change in Guatemala Meeting's status from that of a Preparative Meeting under the care of Mexico City Meeting to a Monthly Meeting attached directly to Pacific Yearly Meeting without membership in a Quarterly Meeting. The M&O minute included the complete text of the Mexico City Friends Meeting minute requesting this action, and plans for the oversight to be provided over the coming year to Guatemala Friends Meeting by the Ministry and Oversight Committee.

PYN MIN

89-12 Pacific Yearly Meeting thanked Mexico City Friends for their previous oversight and approved the establishment of Guatemala Friends Meeting as a Monthly Meeting under Pacific Yearly Meeting.

Phyllis Bunker, Clerk of Guatemala Meeting, thanked Friends on behalf of her entire Meeting.

Brinton Visitor Subcommittee

Eric Moon reported on behalf of Joan Johnson of Westwood Meeting, Clerk of the Brinton Visitor Subcommittee (who was at London Yearly Meeting), that the Brinton Visitor Subcommittee was taking a rest and looking for new directions. Friends were encouraged to direct suggestions regarding alternative visiting patterns directly to Joan Johnson or through Ministry and Oversight.
Bob Vogel of Orange Grove Meeting noted that requests for visitation also come to PYM's Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee, as did a recent request from Westwood Meeting. Clerk Hermione Baker asked Bob and the Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee to include Joan Johnson and the Brinton Visitor Committee in discussions of an appropriate response to such requests.

Subcommittee for Special Funds

Eric Moon reported that the Subcommittee for Special Funds was a source of unending joy for Ministry and Oversight because of the wonderful things Friends are doing. He called attention to a written request from Patti and Brian Erickson of Strawberry Creek Monthly Meeting for financial support of their work in Nicaragua. Copies of this request are available in the display room (see Attachment F). Friends were reminded to have their Meetings direct money to the PYM Treasurers earmarked "Fund for Concerns."

Eric Moon listed the other subcommittees of Ministry and Oversight: Worship-Fellowship Groups, Quaker Process Workshops, Oversight of Big Island Friends Meeting, and Meetings and the Mentally Ill.

RELIGIOUS EDUCATION COMMITTEE

Diana Egly of Palo Alto Meeting, on behalf of George Gastil, Clerk of Religious Education Committee, described what some Meetings have been doing in their first day school programs and announced plans to publish a quarterly newsletter to be titled Learning in the Light, through which Meetings could share experiences and problems they have had with first day school programs, both those for children and adults and adolescents. Friends were invited to stop by the Religious Education Committee's display table.

Quaker Spiritual Quest (QSQ) Subcommittee

Laura Magnani of Berkeley Meeting, northern clerk of the Quaker Spiritual Quest Subcommittee of the Religious Education Committee, reported that over that past three years, nine-month study programs had been offered in six locations and were attended by 150 individuals. The northern QSQ committee is now at a crossroads and no additional programs are planned for the coming year.

Jean Walton of Claremont Meeting, on behalf of Joan Johnson, Clerk of the southern QSQ subcommittee, reported that full programs had been offered in Claremont and La Jolla in the first year, a continuing program plus a series of one-day "Circuit Rider" programs in the second year, and a full-year program at Orange Grove Meeting in the third year. Next year, the QSQ subcommittee is organizing study groups based on Alastair Heron's pamphlet "Charity, Liberty, Unity: A Quaker Search for Essentials" for individual Meetings, to be followed by a weekend retreat for all participants.
REQUEST FROM PACIFIC-ACKWORTH FOUNDATION

Marion Givens, a member of the Pacific Ackworth Foundation, read a minute from a PYM interest group (see Representative Committee Attachment CC) describing an immediate need for $20,000 to open the preschool while the Pacific Ackworth Foundation’s New Development Committee explores new ways to use the campus to serve Friends. The Clerk reminded Friends that Representative Committee had decided that Yearly Meeting is not in a position to do more than alert Monthly Meetings to Pacific Ackworth’s need, and had approved asking the Clerk to send Monthly and Quarterly Meetings information on Pacific Ackworth’s circumstances and needs, with a covering letter encouraging them to respond helpfully.

Betty Simmerer of Honolulu Meeting asked that the covering letter include the suggestion of interest free or low interest loans if outright grants were not possible. Friends were urged to be generous.

Jean Gerard of Orange Grove Meeting, convener of the committee nominating members for the New Development Committee, asked Friends interested in finding ways to develop this valuable property to make themselves known to her.

EPISTLE COMMITTEE REPORT

Marie Parker of La Jolla Meeting, for the Epistle Committee, read a draft of the Epistle for Pacific Yearly Meeting, 1989. Friends were urged to communicate any suggestions or comments to the Committee members, who include Rick Troth of Orange Grove Meeting, Richard Sanders of Grass Valley Meeting, and Betty Simmerer of Honolulu Meeting.

STATISTICAL CLERK’S REPORT

Statistical Clerk Betty Hall of Strawberry Creek Meeting thanked Meeting Recorders who fill out the statistical forms that serve as the basis for PYM’s statistics on Meetings and members. Friends who have served in this capacity were asked to rise and be recognized. Meetings were encouraged to appoint individuals to this job for long terms since it usually takes at least five years to figure out how to do it.

Betty Hall read the statistical report for the period 1 May 1988, through 30 April 1989 (see Packet Attachment G). We now have 1532 members, 403 children, and roughly 800 attenders. The Hayward Area Meeting has laid itself down as a Monthly Meeting, and continues as a worship group. Humboldt Meeting has been included in PYM’s statistical summary sheet for the first time this year, and Guatemala will be included next year.
REGISTRARS' REPORT

Joe Magruder and Margaret Mossman, co-registrars, thanked Friends for the opportunity of serving as registrars of PYM this year and reported on the attendance at Yearly Meeting: 380 individuals registered this year, which is down from the 460 registered at Chico last year (See Packet Attachment H for complete report).

Phyllis Jones of San Diego Meeting suggested that the registration fee charged for attending a single interest group or evening plenary may have discouraged some local Friends from attending and that others may have failed to register. Bob Vogel of Orange Grove Meeting told us PYM was the only Yearly Meeting he had attended that charges Friends just to attend, even without food and housing. He urged PYM to consider changing its fee structure in future years to make it easier to drop in without paying.

PEACE COMMITTEE

Linda Dunn of Inland Valley Meeting, Clerk of the Peace Committee, asked members of the Peace Committee to come forward and be introduced. She described the two interest groups sponsored by the Peace Committee and reported that the sharing group for Peace Committee clerks had been very valuable and would be repeated in future years. Several handouts were distributed and described (see Attachments I through L), including a minute from Orange Grove Meeting on the Palestinian-Israeli confrontation calling on our government to take three steps recommended by American Friends Service Committee. Noah Wardrip-Fruin of Orange County Meeting, Co-Clerk of Junior Yearly Meeting, thanked the Peace Committee for their work this year with the high school group at PYM, including training them to serve as monitors and spokespeople for the Nagasaki peace vigil and discussing the draft with them. Ron Braithwaite of Conejo Valley Meeting described his profound and deeply spiritual experience of witnessing at the Nevada Desert test site last Spring, and Allen Karcher of Claremont Meeting, the new Clerk of PYM Peace Committee, described plans for another desert witness next March. Linda Dunn read a proposed minute from Peace Committee, which was approved as follows:

PYM MIN

89-13 Pacific Yearly Meeting, at the joint request of the Unity with Nature, Social Order, and Peace Committees, will sponsor the March 16-18, 1990 Desert Witness. This Witness at the Nevada Desert Test Site also is sponsored by the Church of the Brethren and the Mennonites (the other historic peace churches).

There not being time remaining to consider a second minute on developing relationships with refugee or detention camps, it was deferred to the next Plenary session.

The session closed at 11:58 A.M. with a period of worship.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
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PLENARY SESSION 13

Plenary session 13 began at 1:30 p.m. with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read epistles from Evangelical Friends Church - Eastern Region, and Japan Yearly Meeting.

MINUTES

Minutes from Plenary Session 11 were read and approved with several minor changes.

PEACE COMMITTEE

Edith Cole, a member of the Peace Committee who has worked with Peace Brigades International (see Packet Attachment M), encouraged us to learn more about this organization which was founded largely by Friends to pursue practical, on-the-spot peacemaking in war-torn regions of the world. Edith Cole also brought us a minute from the PYM Peace Committee, based on a concern brought by the Claremont Meeting (see Packet Attachment M), urging Friends to explore ways of creating relationships with refugee or detention camps.

The Yearly Meeting approved the following minute from the Peace Committee, asking the Clerk to send it to PYM Monthly Meetings with a cover letter containing information about current activities and resources:

PYM MIN
89-14: Pacific Yearly Meeting urges Monthly Meetings to explore ways of creating relationships with refugee or detention camps by Monthly, Quarterly, or Yearly Meetings.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Lowell Tozer, Clerk of Nominating Committee, presented the Preliminary Nominating Committee Report.
DISCIPLINE COMMITTEE

Laura Magnani, Clerk of Discipline Committee, presented a minute with supplementary information (see Packet Attachment O) on the structure and responsibilities proposed for the standing Discipline Committee and for a new FAITH AND PRACTICE Revision Committee that would be appointed when needed. The minute envisioned a Discipline Committee of six members plus the Historian/Archivist, and a Revision Committee of 18-24 experienced Friends representative of the diversity of thought and spirit within the Yearly Meeting, who would form six subcommittees to conduct their work.

Responses to the Discipline Committee’s proposal were contrasting and strongly stated, often invoking memories of the distress that accompanied some first encounters with the present edition of our Discipline. One Friend was apprehensive that such a large Revision Committee would be tempted to produce a voluminous Discipline with the potential to confine or rigidify our religious principles and practices within a mass of codification. Another thought points of conflict in the current Discipline resulted from inadequate use of our revision process, rather than from inadequacies inherent in that process. Did the Discipline Committee mean to imply that the different process it now proposed would yield a superior Discipline, and if so, what was the rationale for that view? Several Discipline Committee members recounted their perspectives on the rationale for the proposal. A member of a former revision committee cautioned that this large committee, with its several subgroups, would be unwieldy and would take many years to complete its task. We were reminded that when the current edition of FAITH AND PRACTICE was presented to the Yearly Meeting a minute was approved stating that procedures for the next revision should be considered jointly by Discipline Committee and Ministry and Oversight Committee. Laura Magnani’s interpretation of this earlier minute was that consultation should take place at the onset of revision of a new edition of the Discipline. She noted, however, that a member of Ministry and Oversight Committee participated in all of the Discipline Committee’s discussions on this matter before Yearly Meeting.

The sensitivity of Revision Committee members is critical, we were told, not their number. The Clerk of the revision committee that produced an earlier edition of FAITH AND PRACTICE recalled his disappointment when that edition was received without controversy -- evidence, he thought, of its blandness and lack of daring. Each edition of FAITH AND PRACTICE should reach beyond its predecessors, he asserted, venturing into the fragile territory where Friends attempt to define and interpret our current thinking and evolving practices. Full consultation is essential to the revision process, this Friend counseled, but a small committee can revise the discipline at least as well as a large committee and probably in less time. Should plans for a Revision Committee be deferred until we feel the need actually to begin revising our discipline, another Friend asked?
As unity seemed to evade us, a Friend noted that our dialogue seemed focussed on the size of the proposed Revision Committee, whereas the principle of separation of the functions of the standing Discipline Committee from those of an occasional Revision Committee was an important contribution of the proposed minute. A Discipline Committee member supported that observation, commenting that the idea of a large Revision Committee originated as an attempt to permit direct, person-to-person contact between the Revision Committee and each Monthly Meeting. Pru Meyer of Santa Barbara Meeting suggested that each Meeting nominate a member to serve on the Revision Committee with the responsibility of keeping their Meeting informed throughout the revision process.

Sensing that unity on the minute’s essential content had emerged from our deliberations, the Clerk found the Meeting ready to approve the minute when specific sizes for Revision Committee and subcommittees were omitted:

PYM MIN 89-15 The Discipline Committee of six members plus the Historian/Archivist will continue, as a standing committee of the Yearly Meeting, to coordinate and receive communications concerning FAITH AND PRACTICE between revisions of the Discipline, and to solicit, clarify, evaluate, and organize material for transmission to a Revision Committee when revision is underway.

A FAITH AND PRACTICE Revision Committee shall be appointed when the Yearly Meeting directs. The Revision Committee will consist of experienced members of the Society of Friends, active in Monthly Meetings, who are representative of the diversity of thought and spirit within the Yearly Meeting and able to serve for several years, until the final text is ready for publication.

FRIEND IN THE ORIENT COMMITTEE

Rose Lewis, Clerk of the Friend in the Orient Committee, reminded us that this is a joint committee of PYM and North Pacific Yearly Meeting. Louis and Lois Hoskins, last year’s Friends in the Orient, are now traveling widely to report on their year in China. The experience they gained helps Friends to understand the background to the June 4, 1989 killings of student demonstrators in China, and to anticipate the directions China may take in the future. Chinese to whom we have become close have managed to warn us that they would be endangered by attempts to contact them, so we know that the situation within China is volatile. Louis Hoskins and others are establishing a Quaker study group to explore changes and currents of life in China during the past forty years, and they welcome expressions of interest in this project.
The Committee is launching a project in the Pacific Islands, which are heavily influenced by economic and political forces from the U. S. and Japan. The project will support islanders' efforts to achieve a nuclear-free Pacific, and to restore traditional techniques of sustainable agriculture. Rose Lewis read a statement from Verna and Russ Curtis, of Visalia Meeting, who will represent us in Micronesia in the coming year, summarizing their expectations for the work they will carry out. Verna and Russ then addressed the Meeting, sharing their personal visions for the year ahead. (Their statements are transcribed in Packet Attachment P.)

Rose Lewis told us that the Friend in the Orient Committee plans to continue to publish its newsletter in the simple form that has been inexpensive enough to be paid for by contributions from subscribers. It is hoped that a donated word processing system can be found to ease the labor of newsletter preparation. Otherwise, the Committee may seek Yearly Meeting assistance for that purpose.

Korean Friends in the Seoul Meeting let the Committee know that they would have been very glad to have Lloyd and Mary Margaret Bailey remain with them longer than a year. These Friends are not able to return, but the Committee is exploring the availability of other Friends for placement in Seoul. Rose Lewis is now personally involved in arranging nonviolence training in Korea by experienced activists.

FRIENDS ASSOCIATION FOR HIGHER EDUCATION

Langdon Elsbree of Claremont Meeting invited correspondence from Friends who may be interested in involvement in the Friends Association for Higher Education, a network intended to sustain the Friendly character of Quaker colleges and to bring together Friends of both evangelical and unprogrammed persuasions who are professionally involved in higher education. Quaker Studies in Human Betterment is a three-year effort to bring our professional training to bear on issues raised by our concerns as Friends. In the summer of 1990, FASE will hold its annual meeting at George Fox College in Oregon.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with worship at 3:30 p.m., after which announcements were given by Assistant Clerk Marilee Eusebio.

Jamie Newton, Acting Recording Clerk
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
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PLENARY SESSION 14

At 4 p.m. Friends gathered for a Meeting for Worship.

How shall we maintain faith, when God’s presence is difficult to discern? Faith means planting seeds even when there seems to be no soil. It means holding to the truth of God’s presence, even when that presence is hard to hear.

When we do not listen, others may see our need for God more clearly than we, and bring us to realize it; this is the function of a true preacher.

As the substance of things hoped for, faith is like the seed’s glimmering of the flowering plant, the soul’s intuition of God. Knowledge lies within us, expressed in the most artful of ways. In our search, fellowship may give us strength and guidance. Beyond the horizon of loneliness and conflict are intimations of joy. Listen, listen, listen to that heart song!

Steve Smith, Co-Recording Clerk
Plenary session 15 began at 9:30 a.m. with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

Reading Clerk Bruce Folsom read portions of epistles from New England Yearly Meeting and North Pacific Yearly Meeting.

MINUTES

Action minutes from Representative Committee Session III were read and approved. Minutes from Plenary Sessions 12 and 13 were read and approved with minor corrections. The Minute of Record from Plenary Session 14 (worship) was also read.

COMMITTEE ON MEETINGS AND MENTAL ILLNESS

Jane Peers, Clerk of the Committee on Meetings and Mental Illness, reflected with us on ways Monthly Meetings may respond helpfully to problems of disturbed individuals within the Meeting community. She listed several resources of the committee that are available, including folders of pertinent material that may be used by Meetings.

EPISTLES FROM PYM

Convenor of the Epistle Committee Marie Parker read the epistle prepared by the Committee. The epistle will be translated into Spanish as well. (See Packet Attachment Q.)

David Calderon, Co-Clerk of Young Friends, read the epistle prepared by Young Friends. (See Packet Attachment R.)

Benjamin Abrahams read an epistle on behalf of Junior Friends. (See Packet Attachment S.)

Benj Farley read an epistle from Junior High School Friends. (See Packet Attachment T.)
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Lowell Tozer, Clerk of Nominating Committee, gave the final report of the Nominating Committee (see Packet Attachment U), including a few corrections.

PYM MIN
89-16 The Final Report of the Nominating Committee is approved.

An additional minute was approved:

PYM MIN
89-17 Pacific Yearly Meeting requests that Nominating Committee select a young person to represent PYM at Youthquake, an ecumenical organization of Young Friends.

Benjamin Levine, Historian-Archivist of PYM, has been recorded by Santa Monica Meeting as a Quaker prison minister. Friends are advised that this is possible elsewhere. Ben gave an engaging report of his ministry, and appealed for juicy bits of Quaker folklore, letters to be sent to him at his home and bulk items to Santa Monica Meeting.

Presiding Clerk Hermione Baker asked Stratton Jaquette to stand with her at the end of the session in appreciation of his help to her throughout this past year and Yearly Meeting.

The session closed with silent worship.

Steve Smith, Co-Recording Clerk.
Friends of all ages gathered at 11:09 a.m. for the last Meeting for Worship of the Yearly Meeting.

We are grateful for each other, for God speaks to us through each other’s voices and each other’s lives. Memories of shared wisdom and shared lives remain after physical separation and even death to help us remain as a single fabric. We are interwoven with all peoples, all species, and all of earth’s creation through cycles of death and rebirth.

The 43rd session of Pacific Yearly Meeting closed at 12:00 noon with the shaking of hands.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
THE SONG OF THE OLIVE TREE

From the musical play The Corksack Cavalier

By Gerald Perry, Rathfeigh, Tara, Co. Meath, Ireland

Sad is the wind in the Olive tree.

Sadly it sighs as it grieves with me,

"Whispering wistfully, hauntingly the song that my love sang so tenderly.

What was the song that my love sang me,

Echoed today by the Olive tree?

Peace be with thee, peace be with thee,

Whispers the wind in the Olive tree.

Peace be with thee, peace be with thee,

Peace in your heart may there ever be.

Sad is the wind through the crosses white,
Now upon row in the pale moonlight.

Why must men die to win liberty?
Can living men not in peace be free?

Hear how the wind with its mournful sound
Whispers today in this hallowed ground:

Peace be with thee, peace ...
MINUTE OF APPRECIATION TO ELIZABETH BOARDMAN

Provision of services to the elderly has been a concern of College Park Quarterly Meeting for more than fifteen years. Throughout that period Elizabeth Boardman has provided inspiration, focus, and subsequently staff leadership to our concerns resulting in the creation of Friends House in Santa Rosa.

Elizabeth is an advocate for Quakerism and for concerns of the aging. Her reliance on Quaker principles as the basis for operating a complex institution has not always been easy, but has always been consistent.

Elizabeth is now moving forward with her career and will be leaving Friends House in July. CPQM is particularly appreciative of the significant contribution she has made to Friends and to others in the Santa Rosa community.

She has touched the lives of many and has helped us respond to the needs of older Friends.

Elizabeth, our prayers and support will follow you as you explore new opportunities. We thank you.
PYM 1989 Minutes -- Packet Attachment C

INTERIM FINANCIAL STATEMENTS

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING of the RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

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### GENERAL EXPENSES - CONTINUED

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#### CONFERENCE TRAVEL, PYM DELEGATES

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**SUBTOTAL: CONFERENCE TRAVEL** $5,200.00 $4,337.00 $6,150.00 $2,168.00 $7,000.00

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TREASURER'S REPORT for FISCAL YEAR 1989
PERIOD: October 1, 1988 through June 30, 1989

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EXPLANATORY NOTES - SEE REVERSE SIDE
NOTES:

1. Under control of PYM Ministry and Oversight Committee; not available for general PYM use.

2. Specifically contributed funds for use of the Friend in the Orient Committee; includes funds for "Windows" ($551.); "Project" ($724.); not available for general PYM use.

3. Represents printing costs, etc., that should be recovered by sale of the publication.

4. For use of the Clerk, not available for general PYM use.

5. Friends Bulletin monies; not available for general PYM use.

6. These are funds invested in WORKING ASSETS MONEY FUND and money market checking accounts.

7. Travel reserves are funds set aside for future travel costs that PYM has already agreed to pay; some of these meet every 2 to 3 years, but we budget a portion of the cost each year.

8. These are the only funds available for general PYM use.

9. Reserve Funds for use by the Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee.

10. Fund located in separate account. Contributions are earmarked for the specific account. Not available for general PYM use.

11. Social Order Series Editor reports a starting balance of $1,786.; additions of $986.; reductions of $169.; ending balance of $2,603.


13. East-West Relations Committee reports a starting balance of $2,810.; additions $72,404.; reductions of $67,349.; ending balance of $7,865.


Virginia V. and Walter E. Klein
Treasurers, Pacific Yearly Meeting
REPRESENTATION FROM PYM TO THE NATIONAL UNITY WITH NATURE COMMITTEE

The national organization, Friends Committee on Unity with Nature (FCUN), was formed at FGC in 1986 with the help of individuals from PYM. FCUN's purpose is similar to that of our PYM Unity with Nature Committee, but national in scope. Their stated goals are as follows:

1) To search for that life which affirms the unity of all creation.
2) To apply Friends' practice to live in deep communion with all life spirit.
3) To be guided by the light within to participate in the healing of the earth.
4) To be a reflective and energetic forum within the Society of Friends to strengthen and deepen our spiritual unity with nature.

FCUN currently is organized as a Steering Committee of Friends with Nominating, Program, Editorial, Spiritual, Nurturance Publications and Finance Subcommittees and a Treasurer (Robert Schutz). Major activities underway include: (1) The organization of workshops and programs on the environmental concern for various Friends gatherings (such as FGC and FWCC), (2) Oversight (jointly with PYM-UwN) of editorship and production of our newsletter, Befriending Creation, (3) Fund raising through the sale of functional and educational materials, and (4) Publication of other information on the concern.

Robert Schutz of our UwN Committee is the business editor for the newsletter and has functioned for the past three years as the de facto representative from PYM to FCUN. This activity has involved six trips to the East Coast to attend FCUN Committee meetings (2/year) at a cost of approximately $350 per trip at his own expense.

FCUN is requesting that each yearly meeting in North America nominate and send two representatives to the annual meeting of FCUN. These representatives will be members of that annual meeting. Henceforth, they will determine the leadership of FCUN and select the membership of the Steering Committee and will set the agenda and direction of FCUN's future work. Members selected for the Steering Committee will be requested to attend one or two other meetings of the Steering Committee during the year. We believe FCUN does now play and will continue to play an essential role in developing the spiritual basis for the role of organized religion in the preservation and care for the environment. Our UwN Committee has been very interested in the development of FCUN, and we are satisfied that the activities of this organization are important to PYM's concern for the environment. Therefore, formal representation from PYM is recommended.

RECOMMENDED ACTION

PYM will appoint two representatives with two-year overlapping terms to attend the annual FCUN meeting. If selected to the Steering Committee of FCUN, these representatives will be expected to attend that body's meetings. These representatives will be nominated by Nominating Committee with the first appointments for one- and two-year terms respectively. A travel budget in the amount of $500 will be provided.

Clerk, Friends Committee on Unity with Nature
Minute from Ministry and Oversight

On Monday evening, your Committee received via telephone the text of the following minute from Mexico City Friends:

(Minute numbered II.6, dated 2-1-89)

(Other details of Ellen Gonzalez’ visit to Guatemala Friends Meeting) ...Guatemala Preparative Meeting held a special gathering for Mexico City Meeting’s representative, to give support to their request to be a Monthly Meeting attached to Pacific Yearly Meeting. Clerks and committees have been named and a budget proposed. A list of Friends who would transfer membership once the Meeting was formalized, including Tom and Trudy Hunt, now members of Mexico City Meeting. After hearing the report, Mexico City Meeting approved the request and passed it on directly to Pacific Yearly Meeting’s Committee on Ministry and Oversight, no quarterly Yearly Meeting having jurisdiction.

Your committee on M&O met with Phyllis Baker, clerk to Guatemala Friends Meeting. We discussed the difficulties and opportunities in being a Friends Meeting relatively isolated from other Meetings, and the special difficulties and opportunities in being Quakers in a country at war, at least intermittently, with itself. We reviewed the resources available within the Quaker family to isolated Meetings.

We appreciate the work of Mexico City Friends, themselves a small and very hardworking Meeting, in fostering this new Meeting beyond their borders. It seems possible that Guatemala Friends will be a meeting much like Mexico City, where a faithful score of Friends sustain a worship also enjoyed by many visitors and short-term residents.

Guatemala Friends are aware of the many reports involved in attaching one’s wagon to the PYM star. The economic situation in Guatemala is much healthier than that of Mexico, and Guatemala Friends will support PYM with a per-member assessment like that of Honolulu Friends.

How can PYM support Guatemala Friends? Components of ongoing outreach to our furthest Friends, not limited to Guatemala, is a permanent agenda item for M&O. For the coming year, we propose to field two Friendly visitors, hoping to utilize Friends who are traveling in the area for other purposes.

Our conclusion, and our recommendation to Pacific Yearly Meeting is that we thank Mexico City Friends for their oversight and accept Guatemala Friends Meeting as a Monthly Meeting of the Pacific Yearly Meeting.
Strawberry Creek Meeting has received a request from our dear Friends Brian and Patti Erickson asking us to endorse and forward their application for support from Pacific Yearly Meeting's Fund for Special Concerns. Patti and Brian's request has been considered at a called meeting of our Peace and Social Order committee, and reviewed with careful consultation among members of our Meeting who are especially close to Brian and Patti's work in Nicaragua. We hold their request for support for one year's living expenses, which will include eight months of study in Costa Rica, very tenderly in the Light. Strawberry Creek Monthly Meeting wholeheartedly urges a positive response to their request for support in the amount of $3,600 from the PYM Fund for Special Concerns.

Discussion

Patti and Brian are long time member and attender of Strawberry Creek Meeting and have for many years been very active in the life of our Meeting, especially in our commitment to Sanctuary work for Central American refugees. After visiting Central America, Brian and Patti felt a deep call to respond with the talents and resources of their lives in a personal ministry to the people of Nicaragua. They prepared with extensive study and research, and two years ago left for Nicaragua to contribute their talents of carpentry and artesany to a project near Matagalpa funded in part by a nongovernmental Swiss agency, Swissaid. For two years they have been supporting themselves and their work in large measure from their own personal funds, which are now exhausted. Their resources have been supplemented by an ongoing Sojourners Fund, made up of earmarked contributions as part of the Strawberry Creek Meeting budget. To date, this Fund has contributed over $2,000 to their ministry, and we anticipate that our support will continue at or above this rate. We, and Patti and Brian, feel strongly that they remain a vital part of the life of our Meeting. Patti spent part of last summer with us, and in August presented a moving summary of their first year of work to PYM in Chico.

Until now, Brian and Patti have been working on a small scale project developing toy and furniture making cooperatives and participating in the introduction of bamboo as a renewable resource for both reforestation and economic development. They have recently been invited to study bamboo cultivation and technology at a Taiwanese Technical Mission in Moin, Costa Rica. Here they will learn to cultivate and work bamboo with an emphasis on quality and hand tool techniques that are much more appropriate in Nicaragua. Upon completion of their study, they will return to Nicaragua to develop economic alternatives in the countryside and to help protect and maintain the environment.
STATISTICAL REPORT FOR THE YEAR MAY 1, 1988 TO APRIL 30, 1989

There are times in the life of Pacific Yearly Meeting that the Statistical Clerk must formally report that a Monthly Meeting has been laid down. Several of our meetings are small with only a few individuals doing work of the meeting. Although it is with sadness that we acknowledge the loss of Hayward Area Meeting, we must also acknowledge the difficult, yet courageous action of these Friends to know that the time for change is now. In balance, today, August 11, 1989, Guatemala was approved as a Monthly Meeting.

In addition to mere numbers there are many things that the Statistical Clerk learns that may or may not be known to the PYM Clerk or the Ministry and Oversight Committee, such as areas of growth and stability, or decline and disorganization. For instance: the former clerks of two meetings resigned; Two other meetings have clerks that were not members of that particular meeting last year. This may surprise Friends: not all clerks of meetings are members. Several Meetings have co-clerks. Is this because: a) the meeting is too large / too small? b) everybody is burned-out? c) nobody's willing to serve as Clerk for more than 3 months? or, d) so many Friends are qualified we couldn't choose just one?

MEMBERSHIP: We recognize additions in three ways: Youth becoming adult members; Transfers from Friends Churches & Meetings; and Convinced Friends. Youth becoming full, adult members is a category designed to reflect those individuals who grew up in Friends Meetings and then applied for membership. Usually what is reflected here are teenagers or early 20's, but what is an emerging trend perhaps are Friends waiting until mid or late 20's and beyond to become full members. Often they have been involved in several meetings -- childhood, college age, and finally establishing their own careers before taking on the responsibilities of membership. Youth becoming full members this year is five. Last year I again encouraged Friends to transfer their memberships to the meeting which they attend. Thirty-six Friends did transfer their memberships. Those joining as convinced were 55. Subtotal for gains in membership is 96. Losses by death for the year ending April 30 were 18. Friends transferred out were 34. And those resigned or removed were 39. Subtotal for losses is 91. Membership as of April 30, 1989 is an increase of five members, for a total of 1532 members.

The number of children is 403. The number of attenders is 821. The number of Friends who attend each of your meetings, but have not transferred their membership is 159. Now, what are the reasons that this number is so large? In the Ministry & Oversight presentation they reflected on three areas. Let's speculate as to how these areas might apply to our membership rolls: 1) LONELINESS: My old Meeting was friendly. 2) CONFLICT: The Meeting has conflicts, I don't want to be part of a faction; they don't value my opinion; Meeting seems disorganized and lacks good order. 3) LEADERSHIP: I was a leader in my old Meeting and a) they have plenty of leaders and don't need me; or, b) they need me, but I don't want to be put in charge of something. Again let us encourage and welcome friends to join our meeting, whether by transfer or convincement.

A challenge was presented to us this week by Lind Coop of Southwest Yearly Meeting and Jack Willcuts of Northwest Yearly Meeting as to our vision for the future:

WHAT ARE OUR GOALS FOR PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING?
NEW MEETINGS:


Guatemala Meeting
Phyllis Bunker, clerk Telephone: 0-11-(502) 236-7922
Club 747 - Section 35
Post Office Box 52-7270
Miami, Florida 33152

Use care in sending mail to Guatemala Meeting. They must pay for each piece of mail they receive thru the air courier service. Friends should be aware that Guatemala is an English-speaking Meeting, it is not necessary to translate correspondence into Spanish.

WORSHIP GROUPS AND PREPARATIVE MEETINGS:

Attention is still need by meetings to define the term "Under the Care" as we apply it to worship groups and preparative meetings. Meeting Recorders have reported the following:

PREPARATIVE MEETINGS:

Big Island Preparative under the joint care of PYM & Honolulu
Tom Daniel, clerk (808) 325-7323
73-1036 Ahikawa, Kailua-Kona, HI 96740

WORSHIP GROUPS:

One thing I attempted to do was to clarify the status of all worship groups. From the queries on simplicity: Do we keep our lives uncluttered with things and activities, and avoid commitments beyond our strength and light? From time to time a meeting is laid down, recognizing the commitment of being a Monthly Meeting is beyond its strength. This year Hayward Area is in the process of being laid down. Hayward Area continues as a Worship Group. Formal ties to be under the care of a Monthly Meeting or CPQM have not yet been established. San Luis Obispo is also a former meeting, although not affiliated with a Quarterly Meeting, San Luis Obispo continues to be part of PYM.

Hayward Area: 4th firstday evenings in homes.
mail: Elsa Glines, Clerk. Telephone: (415) 582-2076
P.O. Box 3291, Hayward 94540

San Luis Obispo: 9:30 AM, school year. Summer: (805) 543-0995
Location: University Christian Center, 1486 Foothill Blvd.
mail: Anna Alexander, Convener. Telephone: (805) 541-3101
30 El Mirador Court, San Luis Obispo 93401
WORSHIP GROUPS UNDER THE CARE OF (Monthly Meeting):

Amador County (Delta): 1st firstdays in Jackson
Contact Clerk of Delta Meeting (209) 223-0843

Conejo Valley (Westwood): 1st, 3rd & 5th firstdays, 10:00 AM
Location: 3609 Thousand Oaks Blvd. Westlake Village Suite 110
mail: Joan Fasken-Johnson, convener
2224 Thorsby Rd., Thousand Oaks 91360

Hermosillo (Mexico City & Pima IMYM): firstdays, 11:00 AM
Norman Kreckler, convener. Phone: (905) 623-7-0142
Location: Casa Heberto Sein, Calle Felipe Saledo 32
mail: Apartado 15, Sucursal A, Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico

Mendocino (Redwood Forest): 10:00 AM Telephone: (707) 937-0200
Location: Kelley House, 54007 Albion Street
Correspondent: Hanneliesel Reeves
mail: P.O. Box 1003, Mendocino 95460

Modesto (Delta): 1st & 3rd firstdays, 9:30 AM
Location: 922 G Street, Modesto
Information: (209) 524-8762

Morongo Basin (Claremont): firstdays, September - June, 2:00 PM
Location: Church of Religious Science,
7434 Bannock Trail, Yucca Valley
mail: Hermione Baker, Correspondent. Telephone: (619) 365-1135
8885 Frontera, Yucca Valley 92284

Napa-Sonoma (Redwood Forest): 1st-4th firstdays, 10:00 AM
Location: 1777 Laurel, Napa. Jeannine Scott, Convener (707) 257-8302
mail: c/o Diana & Joe Wilcox, 57 Chapel Hill Dr., Napa 94559

Ojai (Santa Barbara): firstdays, 9:00 AM
Location: 514 Vista Hermosa Dr.
Information: (805) 646-6928 or 646-3200
Correspondent & mail: Jane C. Hubler, P.O. Box 793, Ojai, CA 93023

San Mateo (Palo Alto): 4th firstdays, 11:00 AM
Location & mail: 134 West Popular Ave., San Mateo 94402
Convener: Edith Morris, above address, telephone: (415) 344-7882

South County (Santa Cruz): 1st & 3rd firstdays, 10:00 AM
(Aromas-Watsonville-Hollister-Salinas areas)
Location: in homes, contact Emily Buskirk: (408) 724-0903
mail: Emilyn Buskirk, 209 Sunnyhills Dr., Watsonville 95076

Taft (Orange Grove): firstdays, 10:00 AM
Location: contact the correspondent (805) 765-4766
mail: Bonnie L. Beaty, 104 Center Street, Taft 93268

Windward (Honolulu): 1st & 3rd firstdays, 9:30 AM
Location: 41-715 Mooki St., Waimanalo, Oahu (call to confirm)
Information: Polly Pool (808) 235-6500
Convener: Anne Fong (808) 259-5341
mail: c/o Anne Fong, 41-715 Mooki St., Waimanalo, HI 96795
WORSHIP GROUPS NOT UNDER THE CARE OF A MEETING:

Hawaiian Islands:
All of the following worship groups are in contact with Honolulu Meeting.

Kauai: 2nd & 4th firstdays, 10:00 AM
Location: 5875-A Lokelani Rd., Kapa'a Kauai
Correspondent: Lynwood Hume, (808) 332-7324 or 822-0448
mail: P.O. Box 663, Lihue Kauai, HI 96766

Maui: firstdays, 10:30 AM
Location: 9 Kahiolo Place, Paia, Maui
Clerks: John Dart (808) 878-2190 & Alice Walker (808) 579-9124
mail: c/o John Dart, 107-D Kamnui Rd., Kula, Maui, HI 96790

California:

Point Arena & Ukiah - Lake County Worship Groups are in contact with Redwood Forest Meeting.
Southern Humboldt Worship Group is in contact with Humboldt Meeting.

Point Arena: Contact Conveners for time & location
Conveners: Glen & Nora Lyon (707) 882-2007
mail: P.O. Box 735, Pt. Arena, CA 95468

Southern Humboldt: Contact Convener for time & location
Convener: Bill Andrews (707) 923-3377
mail: P.O. Box 887, Redway, CA 95560

Ukiah - Lake County: Contact Conveners for time & location
Conveners: Kathy & Steve Harness (707) 275-2014
mail: P.O. Box 985, Upper Lake, CA 95485
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#### August 1989

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* "SCQM" means Southern California Quarterly Meeting

* "Unaffiliated" means not affiliated with a Quarterly Meeting

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08/11/89
Registrar’s Report

We would like to thank you for the opportunity to be your registrars this year. A few numbers follow:

Friends Present 380
Divided by sex
   Male 153
   Female 227
Divided by age
   Preschool 0 - 5 13
   Elementary 6 - 11 33
   Junior Friends 12-18 30
   Adults 304

Youngest
   Isabel Gaona
   Kelsey Thompson-Briggs

Oldest
   Floyd Schmoe

Daily attendance ranged from 217 on Sunday to 345 on Wednesday. A comparison with recent years:

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Of the 345 attenders on Wednesday, 193 (56%) stayed in dorms, 90 (26%) camped and 62 (18%) were day attenders.

Joe Magruder
Margaret Mossman
Registrars
Dear PYM participant:

Since my retirement on December 1986 I've been spending a great deal of time in Central America. My first stay was in Nicaragua where I worked for the Ministry of Education in the city of Leon. Besides my work in education, and with the help of my religious community—Palo Alto Friends Meeting—and other groups we were able to bring drinking water to two marginal barrios in Leon. After my ten months stay in Nicaragua I went back to El Salvador where I applied for residency as a U.S. citizen. Then back to Nicaragua accompanying a group that financed the building of a day care center that is to serve one of the communities that had received the water—Heroes y Martires de Calvarito. The day care center building is almost finished, and the same group that financed it, the Earthstewards, is beginning to raise funds to bring electricity to Heroes y Martires de Calvarito.

I returned to El Salvador last February accompanying a caravan bringing aid to the victims of the 1986 earthquake who are still living in temporary housing. The caravan as such was not allowed to enter but we were able to get the supplies, the vehicles and 31 of the 51 drivers into the country. When my work with the caravan ended I dealt with the bureaucrats and I finally was granted residency.

I am planning to return to El Salvador next October. I will be taking with me some equipment to start a day care center in my home. During the time I was in El Salvador the armed forces entered the offices of some labor unions, the office of CRIPDES, an organization of displaced persons, ADEMUSA, a women's organization, and others. Everybody inside was taken prisoner, children included. The day care center will serve from 15 to 20 children, birth to 4 years old, of women who are working in mass organizations.

The center is being sponsored by the Institute for Research, Development and Training of Women, IMU in San Salvador and by Palo Alto Friends Meeting in Palo Alto, CA. The Institute will administer the center, will secure medical services and basic food for the children. Palo Alto Friends Meeting will receive and disburse the funds. I will contribute the rent, the utilities and the kitchen equipment. During the first year the center will need $938.00 monthly to pay the salaries of three workers and their social security contributions, and to buy supplemental food and some of the furniture needed. If you, your friends and or your organization can help, you can be sure that every cent will be used to benefit the children. Donations earmarked "El Salvador Child Care Project" may be made payable to and sent to Palo Alto Friends Meeting, 957 Colorado, Palo Alto, CA 94303.

If you would like to see a Spanish copy of the project as presented by IMU, please let me know. I am enclosing the English translation.

Praying, working and hoping for peace with justice in El Salvador, I remain sincerely yours,
JULY 30TH, 1989

CONGRESSIONAL UPDATE:

1. STATUS OF THE FOREIGN AID AUTHORIZATION & APPROPRIATIONS PROCESS:

A. IN THE HOUSE:

In late June the debate on El Salvador reached the floor of the House when the Foreign Aid Authorizations Bill was debated and voted on. Prior to the Floor vote the full Foreign Affairs Committee caved into heavy pressure from the Bush Administration by gutting the strongest section of the Bill, namely, the reprogramming provision. This provision would have given Congress the power to cut military aid every six months if they determined that certain conditions had not been met. Although this key provision was lost in Committee, a fight on aid to El Salvador took place when Rep. McHugh offered an amendment on the Floor which would have held up the second installment of military aid until both houses had voted to release the aid in April 1990. A second amendment on El Salvador was also offered by Reps. McCollum and McCurdy. Their amendment proposed loosening restrictions on police aid. The vote which took place in late June was close on both. Unfortunately, the McHugh amendment lost (185 for, 232 against) and the McCollum/McCurdy amendment passed (220 for, 198 against). After the close votes on the above-mentioned amendments, Washington DC lobbyists were surprised that during the Appropriations process, Rep. Obey (Chairman of the Foreign Operations Subcommittee) failed to offer any amendments to the Foreign Aid Bill when it reached his committee. No other amendments were offered subsequently in either the full Appropriations Committee or on the floor when the Appropriations bill came to a final vote. Although the final Appropriations Bill passed by the House did not allow for police aid it also failed to include any mechanism to hold up or cut off aid if the report of the President shows inadequate progress. It would appear that House Democrats were basically unwilling to seriously challenge the current policy.

B. IN THE SENATE:

The Foreign Aid process is now underway in the Senate. Several weeks ago, the Senate Foreign Aid Authorizations Bill was approved in the full Senate Foreign Relations Committee. The only changes
made to President Bush's proposal were: a $90 million cap on military aid (as compared to the House's $85 million cap) and an amendment for police training aid. The Bill was passed out of Committee on a voice vote (Sen. Alan Cranston sits on this Committee). The only Senator on the Committee to voice his opposition to the level of military aid approved for El Salvador was Senator Paul Simon. The next step in this process is the mark up of the Foreign Aid Appropriations Bill in the Senate Foreign Operations Subcommittee, expected to take place in early September. The Liberals on this Subcommittee are only expected to offer a strong amendment (ie the Hatfield/Harkin Amendment) if it can pass the Full Appropriations Committee. This amendment is probably the strongest legislative victory possible in the Senate. After the Senate finishes it's Appropriations Bill then a Conference Committee made up of the House For. Ops SubCmt members, the House Chairperson of the Full Appropriations Committee, and the members of the Senate For. Ops SubCmt will meet to come up with a joint proposal which will be voted on by both the Senate and the House. The members of this Conference Committee are considered particularly important legislative targets, as they say in Washington DC.

2. STATUS OF PELOSI & KASTENMEIER RESOLUTIONS:

   A. KASTENMEIER - 52 COSIGNERS

   B. PELOSI - OVER 150 COSIGNERS

3. ACTION NEEDED:

   A. Generating debate in the Senate is still necessary and possible in the next few months. Although the Harkin/Hatfield Amendment is still too weak for many of us to enthusiastically support, a general grassroots message calling for an end to war aid to El Salvador can put the heat on key Senators.

   B. There are also two "Dear Colleague Letters" circulating on the new penal code reforms in El Salvador, both initiated in the House. A push in California for a similar Senate initiated letter, ie initiated by Sen. Alan Cranston would add to increasing the debate in the Senate as well as make it clear to the new Arena government that the Senate is becoming increasingly concerned with their repressive policies.
As the Palestinian-Israeli confrontation continues without resolution, we grieve for the Palestinians and Israelis who have suffered and died this past year.

Quakers have long been concerned about alleviating the suffering of both the Jewish and Palestinian peoples and have worked toward reconciliation of the Middle East conflict. We note growing world concern and are heartened by the increased cooperation in the United States among Arabs and Jews and others in the search for peace in the Middle East. We welcome the Palestine Liberation Organization's (PLO) declaration of an independent Palestinian state as a historic first step toward self-determination for the Palestinian people. We have been heartened by the United States' decision to establish diplomatic contacts with the PLO. We believe that a solution to this long, hard and dangerous conflict can only be achieved through a negotiated settlement.

We call upon our government to:

1. Support an independent Palestinian state alongside Israel in the West Bank and the Gaza Strip, with peace and security for both peoples.

2. Participate in an international peace conference under the auspices of the United Nations Security Council with the participation of the permanent members of the Security Council, Israel, the PLO and each of the states in the region involved in the conflict.

3. Recognize the Palestine Liberation Organization as the representative of the Palestinian people.

This minute was approved by Orange Grove Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends in Business Meeting on the 12th day of the 3rd month in 1989. It is to be carried forward to the Peace Committee of PYM for its approval and submission to Pacific Yearly Meeting.

Peace Committee ACTION: 1) Approved an interest group on the Middle East, presented Linda Fritz, AFSC in Pasadena. 2) Reviewed in both the interest group and committee. 3) Approved for presentation at Plenary as an information item.
U.S. Air Force Invites Public Comment on Advanced Launch System

The U.S. Air Force, Headquarters Space Systems Division, announces a public meeting to solicit from the public the scope of the issues to be addressed and the significant issues to be analyzed in the Programmatic Environmental Impact Statement for the Advanced Launch System (ALS), a program proposed jointly by the Air Force and NASA. Several existing and potential launch sites are being evaluated to support ALS, including: Cape Canaveral Air Force Station/Kennedy Space Center, Florida; Vandenberg Air Force Base, California; and a currently undeveloped site on the island of Hawaii. Because of the national scope of this program, a public scoping meeting will be conducted in Washington, D.C. The scoping meeting is open to all interested individuals, groups, and governmental agencies and will be held on August 1, 1989 from 9:00 a.m. to 12:00 noon at the Washington Plaza Hotel, located at Massachusetts and Vermont Avenues, NW, Washington, D.C. To accommodate all speakers, individuals will be allowed five minutes to speak; those representing groups will be allowed 10 minutes. A written copy of extensive oral comments should also be submitted. In addition to the scoping meeting, written comments may be sent directly to HQ Space Systems Division/DEV, Attn: Captain Hector Malave, P.O. Box 92960, Los Angeles Air Force Base, California, 90009-2960. Written statements should be mailed to reach HQ SSD by August 15, 1989. For additional information, call Captain Malave at (213) 643-0935.
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Peace
Brigades
International

NONVIOLENCE IN PRACTICE
Peace Brigades Concept and Background

PBI seeks to establish international and nonpartisan approaches to peace-making and to the support of basic human rights. We challenge the belief that violent institutions and warfare inevitably must dominate human affairs. We seek to demonstrate that international volunteers, citizens can act boldly as peacemakers when their governments cannot.

Peace Brigades sends unarmed peace teams invited into areas of violent repression or conflict. These teams can flexibly pursue avenues not open to governments or political groups. Their work is to reduce the violence and support local social justice initiatives through a) protective accompaniment of those whose lives are threatened; b) fostering reconciliation and peace dialogue among conflicting parties; and c) educating and training in nonviolence and human rights.

Peace Brigades International builds on the rich heritage of nonviolent social change movements throughout the world. Mohandas Gandhi's Shanti Sena ("nonviolent army") in India has often intervened and reconciled in Hindu/Moslem conflicts since 1922.

The World Peace Brigade sided in the Zambian independence movement in Africa and intervened during the Chinese-Indian border conflict. This predecessor to PBI was founded in 1962. In 1972-74, World Peace Brigade volunteers were instrumental in the Cyprus Resettlement Project which carried out reconstruction and reconciliation work among Greek and Turkish refugees.

Peace Brigades International was founded at Grondine Island, Canada in 1981 by veterans of these and other nonviolent social movements from three continents. PBI was conceived as an international network to support both local and international initiatives in nonviolent action and reconciliation.

An early PBI effort was a short-term nonpartisan border team of ten volunteers from three countries, which went in 1985 to the border of Honduras and Nicaragua to deter military attacks.

PBI Program and Activities

In Central America:

* PBI established international Peace Teams in Guatemala (1983) and El Salvador (1987), countries that have suffered thousands of kidnappings and murders. Peace volunteers provide protective accompaniment for threatened leaders of unions, human rights and peasant organizations, and a watchful presence at demonstrations and in workplaces. This nonviolent presence provides "breathing space" for these groups to exercise their legal rights to organize and to be heard.

* This accompaniment is supported by the PBI Emergency Response Network of concerned organizations and individuals who send telegrams when a kidnapping or other crisis occurs.

"Your presence really gave us more confidence and strength to continue our work; a great help."

-Leader, Guatemalan electrical workers' union.

* Peace and human rights education is another facet of the Peace Teams' work. The El Salvador team is developing curriculum materials and conducting teacher training in conflict resolution and cooperative skills for use in Salvadoran schools. In Guatemala, the PBI team provides workshops and resource material on human rights upon request.

Over 200 PBI volunteers from four continents have undergone training in nonviolence and participated in the Peace Teams' work. They have returned home to share their first-hand experiences with nonviolent struggle and Central America. In this way, PBI contributes both to the theory and practice of nonviolence, and to the growing awareness of the Central American reality.

Elsewhere in the world:

* In Sri Lanka, PBI representative Sudharsha donated Buddhist intellectual and educational resources, hosted reconciliation talks between Buddhists and Tamils through Buddhist negotiations. The Buddhist Shambala and among Tamil religious leaders also intended to help heal the intense conflict between these two ethnic groups.

* An exploratory mission to South Africa is taking shape. Resource persons with training experience in nonviolent struggles such as the US civil rights movement and India's independence movement will consult with interested organizations in South Africa.

* In Costa Rica, PBI has worked with the United Nations University for Peace to develop and implement models for training in nonviolent conflict resolution, effective group process, and negotiation skills.

* PBI/Europe, a new and growing regional organization of PBI, is providing training, volunteers and support for PBI Central America programs, and is also exploring new initiatives in the Middle East, the Basque region of Spain and elsewhere.

Here's how you can help:

Enclosed is my tax-deductible contribution of $ (in Canada, your check is tax deductible if made out to: Canadian Friends Service Committee)

Please send me information about voluntary service in Guatemala or El Salvador

Add me to your mailing list, and tell me about the Emergency Response Network

Name:

Address:

City:

Phone:

Clip and Send to:

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Tel. 416-995-9484 or 953-3910
August 11, 1989

TO: PYM PLENARY SESSION
FROM: PEACE COMMITTEE
SUBJECT: TWO MINUTES

#1. DEVELOPING RELATIONSHIPS WITH REFUGEE OR DETENTION CAMPS

Background

One of the tragic results of the endless wars around the globe is the displacement of large numbers of people into the permanent homelessness of refugee and detention camps. A suggestion was made at the Triennial in Tokyo that Friends' Yearly Meetings might seek ways to "adopt" a refugee camp. Considering the plight of the refugees, the Claremont Peace and Social Order Committee and Claremont Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends (Quaker) feel this concern to be timely.

Based on their minute the PYM Peace Committee proposes the following minute:

"Pacific Yearly Meeting urges Monthly Meetings to explore ways of creating relationships with refugee or detention camps by either Monthly, Quarterly, or Yearly Meetings."

Action

PYM Peace Committee, in the next few months, will send this minute to Monthly Meetings with a cover letter containing information about current activities and resources. Follow up will continue including a sharing group on this subject at the 1990 PYM session.

#2. PYM ENDORSEMENT OF THE DESERT WITNESS SCHEDULED FOR MARCH 16 - 18, 1990

"Pacific Yearly Meeting, at the joint request of the Unity with Nature, Social Order, and Peace Committees, will sponsor the March 16-18, 1990 Desert Witness. This Witness at the Nevada Desert Test Site also is sponsored by the Church of the Brethren and the Mennonites (the other historic peace churches)."
The PYM Discipline Committee is proposes the following minute:

The Discipline Committee of six members plus the Historian/Archivist will continue as a standing committee of the Yearly Meeting to coordinate and receive communications concerning Faith and Practice between revisions of the Discipline, and to solicit, clarify, evaluate and organize material for transmission to a Revision Committee when revision is underway.

A Faith and Practice Revision Committee, consisting of 18 - 24 Friends shall be appointed when the Yearly Meeting directs. The Revision Committee will consist of experienced members of the Society of Friends, active in Monthly Meetings, who are representative of the diversity of thought and spirit within the Yearly Meeting and able to serve for several years, until the final text is ready for publication. The committee will form itself into up to six subcommittees, organized regionally wherever possible, with at least one member of the standing Discipline Committee to serve as liaison to each subcommittee.

The Discipline Committee believes that writing ability and editorial skills are among a number of skills needed by members serving on the Revision Committee and we trust that the Nominating Committee process will take these into consideration. It is clear that once the revision process gets underway it will cost some money. However writing the Discipline is one of the most important functions of the Yearly Meeting and we believe costs can be reduced by organizing into regional subcommittees as much as possible. Guidelines and objectives for the revision should be set by the Yearly Meeting at the time the committee is activated.

Submitted to PYM, August 1989
STATEMENTS BY VERN A AND RUSS CURTIS.

Verna Curtis:
As we go to travel amongst the islanders, we go to learn from them. We will support their resistance to any nuclear presence. We will support their challenges to their giant overseers. We will support their aspirations for independence.
EXAMPLES: They have been wise enough to say "Thank you, but no thank you!" to a high-rise hotel. They have said "No thanks" for feeding programs.
Several Quakers (from Seattle, the Midwest, Hawaii, and California) have lived and worked in the islands -- and I would like you to know that their influence has been considerable.
Friends and islanders share several values:
- relationships with each other are warm and gentle and inclusive.
- island life is simple, ecologically sensible, and economically sustainable.
- people are governed by consensus.
Thank you for trusting us to accomplish a mission for you.

Russ Curtis:
Verna and I are grateful to the Friend in the Orient Committee for asking us to revisit the islands of Micronesia in order to update our understanding of their feeling about the new political status that most of the area has adopted. We will also expect to learn current thinking in Belau and in the Marshall Islands relative to their relationship with the U.S. military and outside commercial interests.
We will do this by listening to the islanders and reassuring them that there are Americans and others willing to assist them toward reaching their life goals if called upon.
We also look forward to reporting on this area of the Pacific next spring when we return from this trip.
I would like to end by reading a few sentences from the Preamble to a petition by Chiefs of Yap regarding a tourist project being established on their islands:
"Whereas we love our lands and the ways in which we live together in peace,
Yet live humbly and still cherish them above all other ways, and are not discontent to be the children of our fathers,
It has become apparent to us that we have been persuaded to subscribe to processes that will quickly extinguish all that we hold dear.
Micronesians cannot defend themselves against the great powers who now seek to make the islands of Micronesia something else and something less.
It is the powers themselves who must learn what the unique island beauty means to the eye and ear and to the conscience."
EPISTLE OF PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING - 1989

To Friends Everywhere,

Greetings from Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends, gathered at the University of La Verne in La Verne, California, Eighth Month, 7 to 12, 1989. At this forty-third annual gathering we find that the years have dealt variously with Friends: death has taken some of our founders, old age and various handicaps have restricted some Friends who were our mainstays in years past; but also, young Friends have grown from beauty to strength; our children flourish. During this time together we have looked at what unites and what divides us. From numerous monthly meeting State of the Society reports we hear repeated the same three problems: we are lonely, we have conflicts, we wonder from where the next leaders will arise. We are brought closer together by sharing what makes us separate. In times of conflict we have been encouraged to look for the "teachable moment." We were reminded to look for the leadings of God, for our strength is in obedience to the Spirit.

We rejoice that Guatemala Monthly Meeting, formerly under the care of Mexico City Monthly Meeting, has now become an independent monthly meeting.

Although Pacific Yearly Meeting is one of the independent yearly meetings, we have sent our representatives to Evangelical Friends Alliance, Friends General Conference, and Friends United Meeting. Representatives also attended meetings of Friends World Committee for Consultation, including the gathering held in Tokyo, Japan. Our yearly meeting committee on Wider Fellowship Among Friends has initiated a consultation to consider a gathering of Friends on the west coast of the United States. A yearly meeting plenary session was addressed by Lind Coop of Friends Church
Southwest Yearly Meeting and by Jack Willcuts of Northwest Yearly Meeting, who observed that only when Friends of different yearly meetings stand aloof from one another do we seem different and small.

In our minutes of social concern, we have reminded ourselves to state publicly the religious basis of our position. The Unity with Nature Committee encouraged us to save the lungs of our planet, the rain forest; to work to recycle the ton of trash each of us produces annually, and to recognize the opportunity for spiritual growth inherent in our search for unity with nature. We are aware of the pain and conflict in Nicaragua, El Salvador, and other areas of the world. Many of our members and meetings are actively involved in alleviating these sufferings. We will be joining with Brethren and Mennonites in sponsoring a Witness at the Nevada Desert Test Site.

We differ from one another within our yearly meeting, just as our yearly meeting differs from other yearly meetings. Not rejecting those who differ, not trying to change them to resemble ourselves, not ignoring our differences, we cherish that which we hold in common and affirm our uniqueness.

In the Spirit,

Hermione Baker
Presiding Clerk
EPISTOLA DE LA JUNTA ANUAL DEL PACIFIC 1989

Estimados Amigos en todas partes,

Saludos calurosos de la Sociedad de Los Amigos, reunidos en la en la junta anual ubicada en la Universidad de La Verne, en La Verne, California, el octavo mes, del 7 al 12 de 1989. En esta cuarentesima tercera junta anual nos damos cuenta que los anos nos han afectado en distintas formas: la muerte se ha llevado a varios de nuestros fundadores; la vejez y otras desabilidades ha limitado las actividades de algunos amigos que en anos pasados eran nuestro sosten; tambien nos damos cuenta que los Amigos jovenes han crecido pasando de la pura belleza hacia la madurez espiritual; nuestros ninos florecen. Durante este tiempo que hemos pasado juntos hemos examinado lo que nos une y lo que nos divide. Tres problemas aparecen en numerosos informes del Estado de la Sociedad que nos vienen de muchas juntas mensuales: Nos sentimos aislados; tenemos conflictos, y nos preguntamos de donde saldran los nuevos lideres. Compartiendo lo que nos divide encontramos la unidad. Encontramos el "momento apropiado para la enseñanza" en medio del conflicto. Recordamos buscar la guia de Dios, ya que nuestra fuerza esta en la obediencia del Espiritu.

Nos da gusta anunciar que la junta mensual de la Ciudad Guatemala, que hasta ahora estaba formalmente bajo el cual de la junta da la Ciudad de Mexico, D.F., ha obtenido el estatus de junta mensual propia.

A pesar de que la Junta Anual del Pacifico es una de la juntas anuales independentes, hemos enviado nuestros representantes a la Alianza Evangelica de los Amigos, la Conferencia General de los Amigos, y la Junta Unida de los Amigos. Representates asistieron a las juntas del Comite Mundial de Consulta de los Amigos, inclusive asistieron a la reunion que tomo lugar en Tokyo, Japon. La reunion de nuestro comito anual de Wider Fellowship (mas amplia
relacion) entre Amigos ha iniciado una consulta para considerar una reunion de Amigos en la costa occidental de los Estados Unidos. Durante una sesion plenaria de nuestra junta anual, los Amigos Lind Coop de la Junta Anual de la Iglesia de los Amigos del Suroeste y Jack Willcuts de la Junta Anual del Noreste observaron que solamente cuando los Amigos de las distintas juntas anuales se mantienen separados unos de los otros, aparecemos diferentes y pequenos.

En nuestras notas sobre preocupaciones sociales, nos hemos recordado publicar la base religiosa de nuestra posicion. El Comite de Unidad con la Naturaleza nos llevo a comprometernos a salvar la selva, los pulmones de nuestro planeta; a comprometernos a reusar la tonelada de basura que cada uno de nosotros produce anualmente, y a reconocer la oportunidad de crecimiento espiritual inherente en nuestra busqueda para alcanzar la unidad con la naturaleza. Estamos conscientes que el dolor y el conflicto en Nicaragua, El Salvador, y en otras areas del mundo esta destruyendo estas regiones. Muchos de nuestros miembros y juntas estan actual y activamente involucrados en el compromiso de aliviar este sufrimiento. Nos uniremos a Los Brethren y los Menonitas para dar un Testimonio en el sitio de las pruebas nucleares en Nevada.

Reconocemos las diferencias dentro de nuestra junta anual, en la misma forma en que esta junta anual difiere de otras juntas anuales. Apreciamos los que tenemos en comun, sin rechazar a los que difieren, sin intentar cambiarlos para que se parezcan a nosotros, sin ignoarar nuestras diferencias, y afirmamos nuestras cualidades especiales.

En el Espiritu,

Hermione Baker

Hermione Baker

Presiding Clerk
YOUNG FRIENDS EPISTLE UNAVAILABLE AT

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To Friends Everywhere:

As Friends gathered together in LaVerne, California, for the 43rd annual session of Pacific Yearly Meeting, we left behind the demands and challenges of our everyday life to seek rejuvenation of spirit. We found joy in seeing familiar faces and in meeting new friends. Our group met infrequently throughout the week as a result of our growing commitments to the Yearly Meeting as a whole. Young Friends were active in the children's program, the Junior Yearly Meeting, as well as serving on various committees. Despite the diffused nature of our community, still present was a togetherness of spirit. There was much discussion as to how we might achieve the delicate balance providing enough structure in our program to properly nurture the group and at the same time fulfill our needs to serve the larger Yearly Meeting.

This week Young Friends experienced more unity with the Junior Yearly Meeting, especially during a midweek excursion to the beach, and an evening of intergenerational tie-dyeing and storytelling. Since our own diverse schedules left a limited time for sharing, we also took advantage one day of the early morning hours to escape to the mountains for a sunrise meeting for worship. We held in the Light Friends not present, and the memory of a member who passed away this last year. We renewed our faith in the strength of the Young Friends community, and looked forward to times we will share again.

In peace,

David Calderon,
Clerk, Young Friends of Pacific Yearly Meeting
Epistle from Junior Yearly Meeting High School

1989

For one week
a group of alones
met in a circle.

Their feet were ready to run,
their mouths were ready to shut
and their trust was a lie.
But they were quick
and eager to find The Answers.

Together, but still apart,
they shared experiences:
the worked, they remembered,
they explored.

Until they discovered that,
somehow,
they had changed from a group of alones
to a together.

And within that together,
individual sin became
group virtue,
individual blindness became
group vision,
and individual pain became
group healing.

And, within that together,
it was discovered that the reason
to search
is not to find The Answers, but rather
because there are no Answers.
Hello Friends, we at the Junior High of Pacific Yearly Meeting had a great time this year. We did Worship Fellowship and went to the beach and swam, jumped, and drowned in the ocean. We learned about sex, drugs, rock & roll, nuclear power, the draft, and what it means to be a Quaker. We also helped the homeless. We talked about how we treat our friends but this subject was hard for some of us who have no friends. So we tie dyed T-shirts. It is extremely hard to write this because we all sunburned or it might be nuclear radiation from San Onofre or the Dolly Parton National Monument. We LOVE you all!!!!!!!!!!

Junior High Friends of Pacific Yearly Meeting
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING, La Verne, California

Final Nominating Committee Report -- 12 August, 1989

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