The 45th Annual Gathering of Pacific Yearly Meeting began at 7:08 p.m. with a period of silent worship.

Clerk Jane Peers welcomed us with an opening minute:

Friends, we are gathered together to build again a portion of the blessed community. Once more, we have the opportunity to worship together, to speak freely, knowing that our words will be heard with kindness, to answer that of God in each other, and to seek to know how we may live in accordance with divine law.

We are meeting in a new place, and we have an unusual design for this year's session. As we are confronted with change and sometimes with our own confusion, may we be particularly tender toward each other.

We are deeply aware of the anguish in the lives of people all across the earth and, indeed, of hurt to the earth itself, as well as of the sadness and pain within those who are among us. Let us be bearers of healing, living with gentle love for one another while we try to answer the call to do what is required of us. May this, our beloved community, be a dynamic element in the peaceable kingdom.

The 45th annual gathering of Pacific Yearly Meeting is now in session.

INTRODUCTIONS

Clerk Jane Peers, Assistant Clerk Jane Mills and Co-Recording Clerk Carolyn Stephenson introduced themselves.

The following visitors introduced themselves:
Elizabeth Campuzano, Clerk of Cochise (Arizona) Monthly Meeting and founder of Mariloma Meeting; Bill Wright, Whittier First Friends, Southwestern Yearly Meeting; Mildred Burck, Corvallis Monthly Meeting (Oregon); Cilde Grover, FWCC Western Field Staff; Grace Oboma-Layat, Quaker United Nations Office; Cynthia Taylor, Intermountain Yearly Meeting and AFSC Field Consultant; Deirdre Kerr, Multnomah Meeting, North Pacific Yearly Meeting, Junior Friends and Young Friends representative; Wilson Riles, Jr., Executive Secretary of Pacific Mountain Region of AFSC; Nancy Yarnall, Editor of Friends Bulletin, Corvallis Monthly Meeting; Gretchen Hall, Friends Committee on National Legislation; and Betty Bacon, Northern California Clerk of Friends Committee on Legislation.
ROLL CALL

Assistant Clerk Jane Mills called the roll of Monthly Meetings, Preparative Meetings and Worship Groups. There were people in attendance from 36 Monthly Meetings, (all except Humboldt), no Preparative Meetings, and 11 Worship Groups as follows: Amador County, Conejo Valley, Hayward Area, Lake County, Los Osos, Mendocino, Modesto, Morongo Basin, North San Luis Obispo, San Luis Obispo, and West Sonoma County.

The Clerk invited us to stand and shake hands with as many people as possible in one minute.

ARRANGEMENTS AND REGISTRATION

Arrangements Clerks Eric Moon and Margaret Mossman (Assistant Clerk) urged us to be careful in use of energy, especially air-conditioning. Friends were asked to deal only with Arrangements Clerks rather than directly with staff for equipment. Schedules will be posted outside dining area. The Arrangements Clerks asked for hugs to help with the fragmented nerves that go with this job.

Registrars Gary Wolff and Betty Miller regretted yesterday's delay and also need hugs. They spoke of procedures for meal cards and dorm doors, for buying individual meals and for return of deposits.

WORSHIP-FELLOWSHIP GROUPS

Worship-Fellowship Committee Co-Clerk Arden Pierce indicated that lists for 20 or 21 balanced groups would be available Friday morning and asked Friends not to change groups without consulting her. She reminded us to hand in evaluation sheets.

SECRETARIAT

The Clerk mentioned the cutting of Secretariat services this year and suggested picking up Committee reports that are available on tables before sessions.

Sandy Farley, Clerk of Secretariat Committee, told us that assistance will be available for reports of Nominating and Finance Committees, Treasurer and Statistical Clerks. Recording Clerks will have priority on the use of computers. There will be no Daily Miracle. The Committee recommends that next year's budget be divided in two parts, session and general PYM expenses (See Attachment A).
CHILDREN’S PROGRAM

Mark Koenig, Co-Clerk of the Children’s Program Committee, reported for himself and Rolene Otero, Clerk. He introduced Pat Daggerty, Coordinator for the Children’s Program this year, who spoke on swimming and hours for the program.

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING, YOUNG FRIENDS

Junior Yearly Meeting Committee Clerk Dottie Vura-Weis introduced the large number of Junior Yearly Meeting attenders. Four advisors have already begun work. Activities will center in the first floor lounge in Fawcett and will include interest groups, worship-fellowship groups, an alternatives to violence workshop, pool party, and a JYM dance (which is open to all).

Young Friends Co-Clerk Owen Elliott spoke of their plans. Desiree Dawn, Co-Clerk, will not be able to be here. Young Friends rose to greet each other.

MINUTES

The minutes of this session were approved after several corrections.

VISITOR

Ed McCarroll, Assistant Clerk of John Woolman School Alumni, introduced himself and asked John Woolman alumni/ae to stand.

This minute was approved with correction.

CLOSING

The meeting closed with silent worship at 8:31 and was followed by announcements by Assistant Clerk Jane Mills.

Carolyn Stephenson, Co-Recording Clerk
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
Eighth Month 7, 1992
Claremont, California

PLENARY SESSION 2

At 9:00 a.m., Friends met in the main meeting hall for an hour of silent worship.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
Eighth Month 7, 1992
Claremont, California

PLENARY SESSION 3

The meeting began at 10:19 with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

John Randall, Reading Clerk, read from the Epistles of Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends Conservative, New Zealand Yearly Meeting, and Canadian Yearly Meeting.

VISITOR

Alfonso Suro, Cochise Monthly Meeting, Arizona, introduced himself.

REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE REPORTS

Clerk Jane Peers introduced those who would present the approved reports of Representative Committee.

COMMITTEE TO NAME THE NOMINATING COMMITTEE: Harry Bailey, Clerk, reported for the Committee to Name the Nominating Committee. Nominated are: for the class of 1993, Sally Davis, who will continue as Clerk for one year; for the class of 1994, Cal Edinger of Whitleaf Meeting; and for the class of 1995, Sandra Farley, Chuck Orr, and Lisa Mackinney.

SOCIAL ORDER COMMITTEE: Clerk Marybeth Webster reminded Friends to take the minute (Equality of Rights for Domestic Partners) on the back of the committee’s report, to their monthly meetings for consideration next year. (See attachment E.)

UNITY WITH NATURE COMMITTEE: Tom Farley presented the report of the Unity With Nature Committee (Attachment P), speaking of the publications Befriending Creation (published by FCUN) and EarthLight (published by PYMCUN), an interest group and other activities. The following minute was presented for information and response of Friends.

We of the Southern California Quarterly Meeting of Friends are convinced that the sacredness of creation is a profound spiritual truth, one rooted in Scripture and religious experience.

We confirm our commitment to the following principles:

All Nature is an expression of God. Nature and the natural resources of this world are also gifts from God, and as inhabitants of the Earth, it is
incumbent on us to respect these gifts and use them wisely. Moreover, it is our responsibility to influence others by example and education.

Clerk Jane Peers reminded us that this was new material, not only a report of Representative Committee.

A request for a report on the monies expended for Marshall Massey was registered.

PEACE COMMITTEE: Nancy Lynch presented two minutes approved at Representative Committee. The first asked for PYM sponsorship of the Alternatives to Violence Project West (see Attachment J). It was suggested that the minute needed reference to violence in the wider society and education for prison staff as well. The question of the rightfulness of prisons themselves was raised. One friend told of Claremont Meeting's successful experience with holding an Alternatives to Violence workshop for the meeting and the wider community.

PYM MIN
92-1 Yearly Meeting approved the sponsorship of the Alternatives to Violence Project West. Sponsorship means that the name of PYM can be used as a sponsor. It also means that each Monthly Meeting is asked to consider this project and to advance its work in any way possible. Sponsorship does not require direct financial contribution.

The second minute referred to PYM sponsorship of the Nevada Test Site Witness April 2-4, 1993 (see Attachment K). The following minute was approved.

PYM MIN
92-2 Pacific Yearly Meeting sponsors and supports the fifth Friends Witness at the Nevada Test Site, April 2-4, 1993. Pacific Yearly Meeting entrusts planning to a working committee consisting of liaisons from PYM Peace, Social Order, and Unity with Nature Committees.

Interest groups will be presented on the US-Mexico border, on the Middle East, and on the Alternatives to Violence project.

FAITH AND PRACTICE REVISION COMMITTEE: Jean Walton, Clerk, reminded Friends of the availability of their written report (See attachment D). The Committee has been working for one year on the Discipline to be ready by 1998. The Committee is challenged by diversity. The task is to articulate the central common core of our faith. Articulation of this was begun in a memorable March meeting. An interest group will be presented. The Committee has also begun work on membership, especially children's membership and the meaning of membership,
as well as the nature of our community, and commitment to it. Six members of the Committee are permanent and six rotate.

MINISTRY AND OVERSIGHT: Lincoln Moses, Clerk, reported for the Committee. A Subcommittee on Sexual Abuse was established, clerked by Becky Newman. It is sponsoring a nightly sharing group, and has begun on a draft of a document. Ministry and Oversight will also present interest groups on Sexual Abuse, Meetings and the Mentally Ill, and Prayer.

SECRETARIAT: Sandy Farley, Clerk of the Committee, presented a minute for approval. Even with cutbacks, operations here will cost $900, and the cost of packets will remain at $1500, yet the Committee has a budget of $1500. She suggested splitting expenses between those of the annual gathering, to be borne by attenders here, and those of the Yearly Meeting itself, i.e., the packet. The Committee also requested an additional $750 for this year. Walter Jones said Finance Committee supported the recommendation of splitting expenses beginning next year.

PYM MIN
92-3 Yearly Meeting approved splitting the Secretariat budget between the budget for the session and the PYM general fund beginning next year.

We were reminded that volunteers used to aid in getting out the packet before the end of the yearly meeting and that mailing them raises our expenses.

FINANCE COMMITTEE: Walter Jones, Clerk, presented the following three minutes which were approved by the Yearly Meeting (Attachment Q).

PYM MIN
92-4 PYM established a cap of $2500 on the Young Friends Travel Reserve budget.

PYM MIN
92-5 PYM laid down the reserve fund for Wider Fellowship Among Friends and transferred the monies to the general fund.

PYM MIN
92-6 PYM added $750 to the Secretariat budget for the 1992 PYM Session.


Walter informed the meeting that this would be their last year and thanked us for allowing them to serve as Treasurers and for our support in their crisis. A
moment of worshipful thanksgiving followed. Clerk Jane Peers said that we will minute our deep appreciation for the faithful and devoted service Walter and Virginia Klein have given to this meeting, and our love for them.

MINUTES

The minutes were approved as corrected, pending further reading of the final version by a reading committee to be appointed by the Clerk.

SECRETARIAT

Sandy Farley noted that it actually less expensive to print and mail the packet after PYM due to Xerox costs. She also explained that Representative Committee minutes were available on the table in front of the Plenary room for corrections.

CLOSING

The meeting ended at 11:50 a.m. after a period of silent worship. Assistant Clerk Jane Mills read announcements.

Carolyn M. Stephenson
Co-recording Clerk
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
Eighth Month 7, 1992
Claremont, California

PLENARY SESSION 4

Plenary session 4 began at 3:12 p.m. with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

John Randall, Reading Clerk, read from epistles from North Pacific Yearly Meeting, Indiana Yearly Meeting and Southeastern Yearly Meeting.

INTRODUCTIONS

Several visiting Friends introduced themselves: Jim Kingery and Dave King of Whittier Church, Southwest Yearly Meeting, Tony Henry and Ched Myers from the Pasadena office of the AFSC, and Ellen Gonzales from Mexico City.

STATISTICAL CLERK

Phyllis Jones, Statistical Clerk, called our attention to the 14-page statistical report. It records 1556 members of PYM. She asked that the report be accepted into the minutes.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Finance Committee Clerk Walt Jones presented corrections and additions to the budget (Attachment R, column 5) and answered questions. The Finance Committee recommended that the travel allocation for Friends coming from Mexico City and Guatemala to Representative Committee Meetings be increased from $400 to $550 per person per trip.

PYM MIN

92-7 The recommended increase from $400 to $550 per person per trip for Friends traveling to Representative Committee Meetings from Mexico City and Guatemala was approved.
NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Sally Davis, Clerk of Nominating Committee, presented and reviewed the preliminary report of the Nominating Committee. The final report is to be approved at our last Plenary.

SITES COMMITTEE

Joan Johnson reported for the Sites Committee. She and Eric Moon summarized the pros and cons of the Walker Creek site in Northern California. The Committee recommends that we meet at Walker Creek Ranch for the next two years (1993 and 1994).

Questions were raised about the capacity of Walker Creek to accommodate the numbers that may attend PYM. We should look closely at the question of fairness in rates and equality within our community. The Committee on the Right Holding of Yearly Meeting was asked to consider this issue. Several persons expressed a strong sentiment that it would be a serious step to exclude anyone from Yearly Meeting because of space limitations. After considerable discussion, we authorized the committee to negotiate a contract for 1993.

PYM MIN

92-8 The Sites Committee is authorized to negotiate a contract with Walker Creek for 1993 PYM with the understanding that if anyone is turned away by reason of space limitations, the site location for the following year will be reconsidered. (See Attachment S for written report from Sites Committee.)

EAST-WEST RELATIONS

Judy Harlow reported for the East-West Relations Committee, calling attention to the written report of the Committee (Attachment T).

WIDER FELLOWSHIP AMONG FRIENDS

For the Wider Fellowship Among Friends, Paul Niebanck and Jeanette Norton reported on the recent Western Gathering of Friends. Paul reviewed the origin and development of the Gathering; Jeanette showed slides from the Gathering and commented on the experience of those who attended.
FCL

Emma Childers, lobbyist with the FCL, called our attention to an interest group on welfare and the budget, thanked people for their support, and introduced a new FCL staff member for fund raising, Steve Burgess.

AFSC

Barbara Graves, former member of the AFSC Board of Directors and current PYM Convenor of Representatives to the AFSC, summarized the ongoing process of evaluation and planning in the Service Committee.

QUNO

Clare Galbraith of the Quaker United Nations Office Committee introduced Grace Obama-Layat, a staff member of QUNO, who summarized the work of the QUNO office.

FRIENDS BULLETIN

Sonda Beal, Clerk of the Friends Bulletin Committee, reviewed the past year under the leadership of new Friends Bulletin Editor Nancy Yarnall, and talked about strengthening ties with North Pacific and Intermountain Yearly Meetings. She explained the request for a liaison person to the Friends Bulletin from individual monthly meetings.

PYM EPISTLE

Walt Kersey, Clerk of the Epistle Committee, read a preliminary draft of our Yearly Meeting epistle. Suggestions for changes were solicited. The final draft will be read on Sunday.

The session ended with a brief period of silent worship.

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PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
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Claremont, California

PLENARY SESSION 5

Plenary session 5 began at 7:05 p.m. with an intergenerational sing led by Peter Blood and Annie Patterson based on their group singing songbook Rise Up Singing (Bethlehem, Pa.: Sing Out Corporation, 1992). Friends were delighted to sing with them until 7:30 p.m.

The session was reopened with a period of silent worship at 7:40 p.m. Clerk Jane Peers introduced the evening session "The PYM of the Future" under the care of Ministry and Oversight and the Committee on the Right Holding of PYM.

Clerk of Ministry and Oversight Lincoln Moses reminded us of the benefits of an abrupt change, asking us to think about the values of PYM. Becky Newman asked us to hold our Yearly Meeting in the light tonight in our meeting for worship.

Lowell Tozer told us that an important feature of PYM has been a commitment to being socially engaged. He mentioned the unity of spirit which is felt most deeply in the silence of unprogrammed worship, and which can make diversity of belief fruitful rather than divisive. He introduced the first query:

How have your spiritual lives and those of your children been affected by participation in a PYM annual gathering?

Friends spoke of marriages resulting from Yearly Meeting, of the sense of community created here and continued throughout the year, of children who joined meetings and felt a part of a larger group, and others who never felt a part of Yearly Meeting. Friends acknowledged that Yearly Meeting brought some of the most painful and some of the most joyful moments in their lives. One said "I was loved here and I loved everyone here." One spoke of the daunting and scary parts of PYM. "It is a place to figure out where I am and who I am."

Anne Friend brought us the query:

How have programs and experiences of Pacific Yearly Meeting strengthened the faith, practices and life of your Monthly Meeting or Worship Group?

Friends answered: I can give back to my meeting what I learned here, facilitating a worship-fellowship group, or clerking a meeting. Here the children can be mentors for adults. One PYM minute encouraged a meeting to go forward in the
sanctuary movement. Materials from this yearly meeting have been carried to other countries. Yearly Meeting can help us to be open to changes in our lives and society. One Friend said of Yearly Meeting: "I once was lost and now am found," as a Young Friend having been given things to do that mattered here, and which took him back to his meeting. There is a tenderness here that is not in some Monthly Meetings. It is a training ground. Programs for youth at PYM have led to college worship groups. One Friend said: for me PYM is "huge rooms of hundreds of people in business meetings where they're probably going to hurt each other," while the Young Friends New Year's group is smaller and more caring, a spiritual home. There was a wish for more silence in this meeting.

Ellie Huffman queried:

The committee has wondered what degree of involvement Friends want with the business and programs of Pacific Yearly Meeting.
What do you yearn for Pacific Yearly Meeting?

One Friend responded that the meeting is wonderful people, even though it is not very tender to many people. It is our interactions with each other. Perhaps it might be more thematic; we might be challenged on particular issues. Perhaps it might be more tender to people, might not ask so much of us. For another, the time of greatest spirituality is in corporate business. Yet another referred to a key business meeting where she spoke for the first time twenty years ago. When children cannot wait to get here, there is something right going on. "Some of the peak times in my life have been in a plenary meeting, where you acknowledged who I was." Even with pain, Yearly Meeting is a family. We must take care of, prepare for, those who come along behind us. In Junior Yearly Meeting, Friends need to be taken seriously, expected to be responsible and competent. Here is where we have learned and understood what it means to be a Friend.

Clerk Jane Peers asked us for after-thoughts: one Friend spoke of another for whom Yearly Meeting had been the loneliest week of her life. For another, the first Yearly Meeting was "people passing me in a blur to hug someone else." Yet later, when Monthly Meeting is like glasses helping her to see, Yearly Meeting is where those glasses get cleaned. One summed it up: what matters about Yearly Meeting is that it is a large number of Quakers gathered together in one place for a few days; all we need to do is avoid getting in the way of letting that of God in us speak.

Jane Peers thanked the Committees. Jane Mills, Assistant Clerk, announced that a sharing group would continue this meeting, and made other announcements.

Carolyn M. Stephenson,
Co-Recording Clerk

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PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
Eighth Month 8, 1992
Claremont, California

PLENARY SESSION 6

At 9:05 a.m., Friends gathered for the annual Meeting for Memorials, to remember the lives of those in and close to PYM who died this past year. Ministry and Oversight Committee presided. Clerk Lincoln Moses explained that 28 members of our community had passed away during the previous year, and that their names would be read in four groups.

Dana Leroy Abell, Davis
Elizabeth Bachrach, Redwood Forest
Hermione Baker, Claremont/Morongo Basin
Bonnie Bovard, Claremont
William Bruff, Redwood Forest
Sang Dal Cha, Los Angeles
John Draper, Davis (Redwood Forest)

And what is it to cease breathing but to free the breath from its restless tides, that it may rise and expand and see God unencumbered.

- Kahlil Gibran

Weslie Eastman, Strawberry Creek
Mari Mai Emmons, Strawberry Creek
Mark Scott Fairchild, Orange Grove
Grace McMillan Batch, San Diego
Willard Earl Jones, Palo Alto
Mary King, Redwood Forest
Richmond LeGallais, Santa Cruz
Dorothy Maxwell, La Jolla
Isaiah Myer, ex-Berkeley
Richard Francis McFadd, La Jolla
Robert W. O'Brien, Whitleaf
David Guinn, Honolulu
Rick Saporito, San Francisco
Margaret Schaeffer, Redwood Forest

Harriet Schaffran, Berkeley
Marlene Schulze, Berkeley
Eugenia Sorenson, Redwood Forest
Katherine Szasz, San Diego
Ruth Cawthon Trickey, Orange County
Archer William Zamloch, Los Angeles
Richard Zumwinkle, Santa Monica

Between readings of the four groups of names, Friends spoke movingly of the individual lives of the departed ones, sharing their personal memories and how their own lives had been touched by these beloved Friends.

The meeting was closed at 10:45 a.m.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
PLenary Session 7

Plenary Session 7 began at 9:00 a.m. with a period of silent worship.

EPISTLES

The Reading Clerk read selections from the epistles from German Yearly Meeting, New York Yearly Meeting and Ohio Yearly Meeting.

JOEL Gazis-Sax's Sojourn in Croatia and Slovenia

The Clerk acknowledged receipt of the 4-page report to PYM describing Joel Gazis-Sax's current sojourn in Croatia and Slovenia (Attachment U). Additional copies of this report may be obtained from Carol Mosher, Co-Clerk of Peace Committee, or from Palo Alto Monthly Meeting.

NOMINATING COMMITTEE

Sally Davis, Clerk of Nominating Committee, gave the final report of the Nominating Committee, which included a few changes from the preliminary version reported Friday. Nominating Committee has assigned a liaison person from their Committee to each of the standing committees. These liaison persons will be in touch with respective committee clerks in February, and that is the time to register any concerns. Friends were reminded to submit their suggestions regarding future nominations for any positions in writing. Finally, Friends were reminded that although most new nominees take over their responsibilities immediately at the end of the annual gathering, the treasurers continue until the end of the fiscal year. Therefore, it is important for all Friends to continue sending checks and/or requests for reimbursement to Walter and Virginia Klein until September 30, 1992.

PYM min

92 - 9  The final report of the Nominating Committee was approved. [See Attachment V].
YOUNG FRIENDS

Laura Cornell, Clerk of the Ad Hoc Young Friends' Finance Committee, explained that the young Friends travel budget had not been spent in recent years, not because there was no need, but because these funds have not been sufficiently publicized and procedures for applying for the funds have not been clear. At this annual gathering, Young Friends set up an ad hoc Finance Committee whose charge is to publicize the availability of travel scholarships and facilitate administration. This committee has prepared a letter to Young Friends describing the availability of the fund as well as an application form. These will be distributed to Monthly Meetings in the yearly meeting packets (see Attachment W). PYM Representatives and other Friends are asked to draw this letter and the attached application form to the attention of the Clerks of their respective Monthly Meetings, to publicize widely the availability of such travel funds, and to encourage Young Friends to consider applying to Monthly Meetings for additional funds for Quaker-related travel if needed. Finally, Young Friends asked the Yearly Meeting to maintain their budget for next year at the same level at which they were funded this past year, rather than reduce their line items for both general expenses (line item 5209 in Treasurer's Report, Attachment R) and Young Friends Travel (line item 5288 in Treasurer's Report), as currently proposed (see Attachment W for complete report from Young Friends).

PYM Min
92 - 10. Friends approved maintaining for Young Friends their two budget line items at the same levels at which they were funded this past year.

FINANCE COMMITTEE

Walter Jones, Clerk of Finance Committee, described the changes to the budget necessitated by the above action (PYM Min 92-10).

PYM Min
92 - 11 The proposed budget for 1992-1993 was approved (see Packet Attachment R).

MINUTE OF APPRECIATION FOR WALTER KLEIN

The Clerk read the following minute of appreciation, which was approved.
PYM Min
92- 12 We minute our appreciation for the long and careful labor of our Treasurers, Walter and Virginia Klein. We also recognize the quality of the dedication they have shown in their faithful service to this meeting. In addition, we wish to affirm, as a group, the love in which we hold them and the hope with which we release them from this service.

UNITY WITH NATURE COMMITTEE

Robert Schütz responded to the request registered in an earlier plenary session for an accounting of what we got for the $25,000 given to Marshall Massey. He first reminded Friends that sum had not been PYM funds, but rather consisted of individual gifts to the work of the Unity with Nature Committee. He then explained that it was the Committee's decision, in accord with Friends' tradition, to release Friend Marshall Massey to do work on behalf of the Committee. The Committee supported the Massey family for two years at the rate of $1100 per month. During this time, Marshall Massey spoke powerfully to many other Friends' gatherings, one tangible result of which is the present national organization, Friends Committee on Unity with Nature. Both the Committee and Marshall were disappointed that nothing was published as a result of this work. The time Marshall required for writing the intended handbook exceeded the resources of the Committee. He did, however, produce a 70-page detailed outline, in cooperation with other members of the Committee. The Committee learned a great deal from its experience with Marshall Massey, and continues to work hard to make concern for the earth a priority among Friends. Robert concluded by reminding Friends that the Unity with Nature Committee needs funds now to carry out its work almost as desperately as it did seven years ago.

REGISTRARS' REPORT

Gary Wolff, Co-Registrar, presented the report from our Registrars. This year 399 persons attended our annual gathering; this compares with 373 persons who attended the 1990 gathering in LaVerne, and 445 persons attending the 1991 gathering in Chico. The age, sex, and commuter-resident distributions by day are given in the complete report (Attachment X). The Registrars encountered several problems this year which took a great deal of time to handle. These problems, which included the fact that 41% of registrants sent in their registration forms after the penalty cutoff date, are listed in the complete report (Attachment X).
FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION (FWCC)

Carol Mosher, convener of the Representatives for PYM to the Section of the Americas of FWCC, introduced the current FWCC Representatives, past Representatives who continue to work with FWCC, and PYM's official delegates to the 5th World Conference held last summer on three sites. She reminded us that all interested Friends are invited to attend the Section of the Americas' Annual Meeting as well as regional meetings in their own areas, where programmed Friends come together with unprogrammed Friends. Details of upcoming regional meetings in both southern and northern California are included in Attachment Y. Carol also described several publications available from FWCC, and ended with the news that the Ramallah Play Center for small children and their mothers was recently destroyed by fire. Funds for rebuilding are needed. (See Attachment Y.)

Nancy Espana of Guatemala Monthly Meeting thanked Friends for their warm welcome here at the annual gathering and for their continuing support of the Guatemala Scholarship Fund. She also sent greetings from Trudy and Tom Hunt.

At the suggestion of Bob Vogel, Friends minuted their appreciation for the faithful service of Jane Peers, whose term is ending this year, and also for the service of the other clerks who worked to facilitate our annual gathering this year.

One Friend reminded us that today is the anniversary of the bombing of Nagasaki.

The Clerk explained that the packets of minutes and attachments should arrive at Monthly Meetings by the end of the month.

EPISTLES TO FRIENDS EVERYWHERE

Walt Kersey, Clerk of the Epistle Committee, introduced the other members of the Epistle Committee: Kit Glover of Honolulu Monthly Meeting and Steve Smith of Claremont Monthly Meeting. He then read the final version of the 1992 Pacific Yearly Meeting Epistle to Friends Everywhere (see Attachment Z).

Owain Elliott, Clerk of Young Friends, introduced the members of the Young Friends' Epistle Committee: Lisa Mackinney, Carl Magruder, and Julia Bazar. They shared in the reading of the Epistle from Young Friends (see Attachment AA).
Reo Wexner introduced Faith Bass and Lauren Keeler who were part of the Junior Yearly Meeting (JYM) Epistle Committee. Two epistles from JYM were then read (see Attachment BB).

The Clerk urged Representatives to be sure to bring all 3 of the epistles from our younger Friends to the attention of their Monthly Meetings.

The Ad Hoc Committee on the Right Holding of Yearly Meeting will continue to meet and will bring recommendations to Representatives Committee in March. The Clerk asked Friends to be alert for messages from their PYM Representatives and/or in Friends' Bulletin regarding the site and plans for next year's annual gathering.

The March meeting of Representatives Committee should be held in the South this year.

Before closing, Jane Peers expressed her own deep appreciation for having had the privilege of serving as Presiding Clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting these past three years.

The minutes of Plenary Session 7 were read and approved pending a final reading by a Reading Committee to be appointed by the Presiding Clerk.

There being no further business, Plenary Session 7 closed at 10:50 a.m. with a period of silent worship.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
Eighth Month 9, 1992
Claremont, California

PLENARY SESSION 8

The closing unprogrammed Meeting for Worship was held between 11:05 and 11:50 a.m.

Clerk Jane Peers read the following Closing Minute:

The time has come for us to take the joy and hope we have felt here back into our separated worlds. But, although we may be parted by distance, the fellowship we have built together is one fabric. In days and months to come, whether of joy or of pain, may we walk with courage, seeking to do what is required of us with grace. We will draw strength from our sharing here and from our awareness that each of us is held by the others in the Light. May we feel secure in the shelter of that love until we meet again next year, from August 3rd to 8th, in the northern area of our yearly meeting.

This, the 45th session of Pacific Yearly Meeting is now closed.

Ruth Peters, Co-Recording Clerk
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The Secretariat Committee recommends that its budget be divided into two parts: the sessions expenses and the general PYM expenses. It seems to us that the costs of duplicating and mailing out the minutes to each monthly meeting are less of a session expense and more of a general yearly meeting responsibility. Therefore, those costs should come out of Yearly Meeting dues. This is a change and may require approval either now or within Finance Committee report.

This year the Secretariat asks for a budget augmentation of $750.00 to meet our actual costs.

Sandra Farley, clerk
Committee to Nominate the Nominating Committee Report to Representative Committee 8/4/92

There have been two resignations from the Nominating Committee since the C N N C was appointed March 1, 1992. Also the Clerk of the Committee has been nominated.

The following list includes the four incumbents who are continuing.

Class of '93 Rick Troth OG Continuing
Class of '93 Lois Bailey GV Continuing
Class of '93 Sally Davis Sa To fill out term of David Wilson who has resigned.

Clerk for '92-'93 Sally Davis

Class of '94 Leonard Dart Cl Continuing
Class of '94 Larry Perry St Continuing
Class of '94 Cal Edinger W1 To fill out term of Shirley Ruth who has resigned

Class of '95 Sandra Farley PA New
Class of '95 Chuck Orr LI New
Class of '95 Lisa Mackinney BE New.

Respectfully Submitted,
C N N C, H. Bailey Clerk
Joe Magrunder
Ben Levine

ATTACHMENT B - 1
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING

of the RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS

REPORT TO THE REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE OF PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
FROM THE SITES Committee August 1992

The two arms of the Sites Committee have been active in the search for an appropriate site during this past year. The two arms being the Northern area consisting of Herb Foster, Lois Richter with Hank Maiden Clerking and the Southern area with George Rudenko, Warren Smith and Joan Johnson Clerking.

At the 1991 Session of PYM the Sites Committee made the recommendation to return to Craig Hall in Chico for the 1992 Session. At that time it was decided by the Sites Committee that we would concentrate on finding a site in the Southern area and we proceeded with that plan until the events of the Representative Committee Meeting at the Feb.-March Meeting caused us to alter our course of action.

Prior to that Meeting the two area Committees had jointly investigated 30 sites, some rather thoroughly. Two members of PYM wrote us shortly after the PYM 1991 Session suggesting Walker Creek Ranch. The Northern Committee followed up on that lead and at that time Walker Creek Ranch didn't feel able to accommodate a group as large as PYM. Some months latter we received a third suggestion and again the Northern area Clerk made inquiry. He found that in the interim Walker Creek Ranch had changed their thinking and was beginning to explore the possibility of accommodating larger groups.

Since that time seven members of various PYM Committees have visited the site and found it exciting and the staff open to working with us. They have exhibited a willingness to make changes and to find creative solutions to some of our specific needs.

They have offered us a grassy area near the dining room for tenting although fire regulations will not permit cooking.

Walker Creek Ranch is located on 1,700 acres of rolling hills in western Marin County. However, the main body of the Ranch is on flat terrain and quite compact. It is accessible to Friends of all ages and abilities. There are a variety of sleeping accommodations and adequate space for our program needs. The attractive dining room and patio area will seat 340 persons so we may need to consider slightly longer meal hours to accommodate all Friends. The food some of us sampled was excellent. The climate is pleasant being similar to San Francisco and Santa Cruz.

The Ranch is owned and administrated by the Marin County office of Education. It is available for our exclusive use the first week of August, August 3-8, 1993 and should we wish the first week of August, August 2-7, 1994.

The Committee for the Right Holding of Yearly Meeting in their preliminary recommendations to the Sites Committee suggests that each site be retained for two consecutive years and that the Sites Committee recommend Walker Creek Ranch for the next two years (1993 and 1994). We so recommend.

Joan Johnson, Co-Clerk and Hank Maiden, Co-Clerk
Southern Area
Northern Area

ATTACHMENT C - 1
Faith and Practice Revision Committee
Annual Report, August 1992

The F&P Revision Committee, an enlargement of the former Discipline Committee, was formed in PYM '91 and charged with the task of producing a draft of a revised edition of Faith and Practice by 1998. It seemed important at the outset to establish some procedural guidelines to govern our approach to the task. We agreed at our first meeting on the following:

Procedural Guidelines

1) All members of the expanded Revision Committee should have access to all relevant materials in the committee files. During the year we circulated minutes of all meetings of the Discipline Committee since the previous edition was distributed, and also two subject files, including all materials received by the committee, one on Quakerism and Christianity and the other on Membership. A third file, on same sex relationships, will be circulated in the future.

2) We want to achieve a continuing interaction between Meetings and the committee throughout the revision process. We agreed that each meeting and worship group will have a liaison person from the committee. These responsibilities were allocated at the first meeting. Several members have made contact with their meetings during this first year and have reported on their visits to the full committee.

A letter in November '91 to clerks of all monthly meetings, preparative meetings, and worship groups explained the procedures of the committee and urged comments or suggestions at any time. Also, the first of a series of brief statements about our revision process appeared in Friends Bulletin in January '92.

3) We need to talk together in the full committee about a few central issues before discussing the structure of the book as a whole and before undertaking any final writing. We scheduled two meetings this year in addition to the first introductory meeting. The first of these focused on Quakerism and Christianity and the second on Membership.

Quakerism and Christianity

This meeting plunged us quickly into some deep and searching questions involving the core of our faith. We each tried to give an honest statement of our own beliefs and also to share what we had learned from the many moving statements sent to the committee in the years following the distribution of the '85 edition of F&P.

It was clear to us that there are very real differences in the way we describe our faith. Our hope for the new edition
is to recognize and acknowledge that plurality in inclusive rather than exclusive terms. But we found, nonetheless, in the varied statements a central, common core to our faith. We do not want to lessen the reality of this common core by being so open to all seekers as to deny any substance to our Quaker faith.

We made an initial effort to articulate that common core. We have planned an interest group at PYM '92 to share our tentative findings and will ask those present to work with us in a continuation of our effort.

We considered deeply the relationship of Quakerism and Christianity. We are considering writing a separate section on this topic which will recognize the importance of our Christian heritage and discuss the place of Christianity in our Society today.

Membership

In our meeting on Membership much of our sharing centered on the issue of the meaning of membership. Is it a covenant between the meeting and the new member and if so, can we define it? What commitment do we ask of the new member, and what does the meeting expect to give? Whatever we write about the core of our faith will help shape our definition of the community the new member is asking to join, but we must also be clear what membership in that community means. We are still exploring these questions. We seemed to have unity in saying that a potential new member should understand that he or she is asking to join a seeking community with an underlying faith in some transforming power, and should expect to make some commitment to that community in joining it.

We also spent some time on Transfer Membership (we are committed to the creation of a simpler statement and procedure for the new edition); Children and the Meeting (we had clear unity that the statement previously circulated to meetings is not adequate and needs major revision, but are not yet clear on the form of the revision); and Dual Membership (we have some basic agreement, but not yet clarity on all details).

At the end of our first year's work, we have great humility as we recognize, even more clearly now than before, the magnitude of the task before us. We are trying to follow the Light that is given us, but we are much in need of your help and your prayers.

On behalf of the committee, in love and peace,
Jean Walton, clerk 1991-92
Faith and Practice Revision Committee

Jean Walton
1992 ANNUAL REPORT OF PYM

SOCIAL ORDER COMMITTEE

Clerk: Marybeth Webster (GV) (replacing Bard McAllister due to illness), Ernest Bicknell (BE), Chris Nunez Daw (WW), Marion Givens (WW), Diana Lockard (CL), Bard McAllister (VI), Peter Milbury (CH), Linda Rowell (CH), Margie Swanson (SB).

Two planning meetings were held this year: Visalia, October 26, 1991, and Grass Valley, May 30, 1992.

The plan to have a different theme at each PYM was begun in 1991. Choosing a theme was seen as a way of expediting selection of Interest Group topics and of giving in-depth consideration to a social order concern each year. 1991's theme was Economics with Interest Groups on: 1) Peace Conversion, 2) Alternative Investing, and 3) Women, Children, and Money.

In October we reconfirmed this plan for 1992 with the topic "Sensitizing Ourselves to Women's Issues". Sexual harassment and curtailment of reproductive freedom as well as continuing impoverishment of women and children and on-going violence against them were key events in 1991-92. But so was economic deterioration as dramatized by PYM's own economic concerns.

The committee therefore came up with the following Interest Groups for the 1992 PYM:

1) If you want social order, take Women's Issues personally.
   --convened by Peter Milbury and the Sub-committee on Women of the Social Order Committee: Margie Swanson, Diana Lockard, Ernest Bicknell, and Marybeth Webster.

2) If you want social order, take Economics personally.
   --convened by Linda Rowell for the Sub-committee on Economics of the Social Order Committee: Marian Givens, Bard McAllister, and Linda Rowell.

3) If you want social order, take your State Budget personally.
   --convened by Emma Childers, our lobbyist for FCL. A review of the history and effects of the budget cuts on Welfare families and how Quakers can help.

Marybeth Webster will facilitate a Sharing Group on personal experiences of reproductive choice-making.

See over side for a Minute we present for dissemination to your Monthly Meetings for seasoning and discussion.

Social Order Committee reminds Friends that Minutes for Action and ideas for Interest Groups need to be seasoned by Monthly and Quarterly Meetings and then brought to our committee preferably for our Fall planning meeting, but at least by RepCom in March. Late requests will be considered but are hard to incorporate.
MINUTE OF EQUALITY OF RIGHTS FOR DOMESTIC PARTNERS

Background

We are concerned for certain injustices in our present system. We see these as inhumane and intolerable. Persons may be in committed relationships of many kinds, sometimes sharing their lives for decades. Yet, under present practices, they are sometimes unable to see each other in their final hours, due to hospital regulations, and they may be unable to share equally in property rights to which they have both contributed unless they go through cumbersome and expensive legal processes. When one becomes unemployed, the medical benefits of the other cannot be extended for coverage, although one is more than willing to assume the loving care of the other. All of these legal rights are currently enjoyed by men and women living in a committed legal relationship called marriage. However, such a committed relationship may exist outside of the condition called marriage. It is not our concern to know whether or not there is a sexual element in the relationship. We are looking simply at the matter of persons who lovingly share their lives in a public and lasting manner and are presently denied rights presently granted to others.

Minute

We feel that the same legal rights, such as joint ownership of property, the condition of being the stated next-of-kin, medical insurance coverage, rights of survivorship, and similar rights and privileges should be legally recognized for any two individuals living in a publicly acknowledged, committed relationship regardless of the gender of the individuals.

Disposition of Minute

We call on the Southern California Quarterly Meeting, Pacific Yearly Meeting, and the Friends Committee on Legislation in California to consider this concern and to move it forward. We hope that, after appropriate “seasoning,” it will be brought to the attention of the legislators of the State of California and that state laws will be created and altered to achieve the above goals.
On April 30, 1992 the 37 monthly meetings of Pacific Yearly Meeting had a total adult membership of 1556. The meetings range in size from Palo Alto, which has 143 members, to Guatemala with four. All the former members of Hayward Area Monthly Meeting have now been transferred or released and the meeting, which was laid down two years ago, has been dropped from the annual report.

Thirty-five years ago PYM had 1060½ members (including 3 dual memberships that were each counted as one-half person). Geographically we extended to Canada, the Rocky Mountains, Mexico and Shanghai. Twenty years ago membership was at its maximum of 2076, just before the formation of North Pacific Yearly Meeting and Inter-Mountain Yearly Meeting. In 1980, after University Monthly Meeting in Seattle stopped holding a dual membership in both yearly meetings, our membership of 1452 was the lowest since the early 1960's. Since then we have had a net gain of 104 members, 37 of whom have joined in the last two years. This year the net gain is 25 members and, for the second year in a row, San Francisco Meeting had the largest increase.

This Statistical Clerk has become aware of several problems in the reporting process. We have traditionally asked how many of the new members were previously youth in PYM meetings. Such young people may be reported along with other "convinced" Friends, and not identified separately. In such cases, unless the individual is known to the Statistical Clerk, we may miss recognizing the fact that they were introduced to Quakerism as children. This year we welcomed two members who had grown up in PYM.

We are reminded in our discipline that "to carry out its responsibilities, a Monthly Meeting keeps good records". Although most meetings keep excellent records, the traditional "good order" involved in transferring or releasing members has seemed to be lacking in an increased number of cases. There have been examples of incomplete transfers, reports of members being released when no minuted action had been taken, and one membership which was unreported for three years. Our annual statistics, and the budget, are based on the official minuted membership of each April 30th. Transfers not yet acknowledged by the receiving Meeting are not counted until the following year. Meetings are asked to make this clear to their recorders.

Each year this report includes the names of preparative meetings and worship groups associated with PYM. We have learned about five worship groups since last year's roll call. They meet in the Bishop, Los Osos, Paradise, Willits and Gilroy-Hollister areas. None of these five are under the care of a PYM meeting. Two former worship groups in Kaua'i and Las Vegas are no longer meeting. A survey was sent to all the unprogrammed groups in the PYM geographical area and the answers have been given to the Committee on Ministry and Oversight. Of 25 active groups, two are preparative.
meetings, thirteen are worship groups under the care of PYM monthly meetings, and eight are worship groups not under the care of any monthly meeting. Two worship groups reported that they were under the care of a monthly meeting while the parent meeting said only that the groups were organized by members of the meeting. A concern about what it means to be "under the care of a monthly meeting" has been referred to M & O.

Some worship groups are larger than many of our monthly meetings, have regular business meetings and a full agenda of First-Day School, adult education, potlucks and outreach activities. Friends in three San Luis Obispo County worship groups (not officially part of PYM) join together monthly to feed the homeless. The tiny group in Taft has had an outreach program about AIDS and HIV+ for several years. And the correspondent for a new group in Willits mentioned a proposal to adopt two miles of highway, thus providing a service and advertising the group's presence at the same time.

Pacific Yearly Meeting continues to grow and to reach out in new areas where there continue to be, as in George Fox's time, "a great people to be gathered".

Phyllis Jones
Statistical Clerk
## Pacific Yearly Meeting Statistical Information 1992

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### 1992 PYM MEETING INFORMATION

**MONTHLY MEETINGS**

**BERKELEY**  
11:00 A.M. Sundays  
2151 Vine St., Berkeley, CA 94704  
Mail: same address  
Clerk: George Millikan  
Mail: to Meeting  
(510) 843-9725

**CHICO**  
10:30 A.M. Sundays  
3603 Mariposa, Chico, CA 95926  
Mail: P.O. Box 3769, Chico, CA 95927  
Clerk: Jamee Anderson  
Mail: to Meeting  
(916) 348-3429

**CLAREMONT**  
9:30 A.M. Sundays  
727 Harrison Avenue, Claremont, CA 91711  
Mail: same address  
Clerk: Steven Smith  
Mail: to Meeting  
(714) 949-6392

**DAVIS**  
10:00 A.M. Sundays  
345 L Street, Davis, CA 95616  
Mail: same address  
Clerk: Willa Pettygrove  
Mail: to Meeting  
(916) 753-6808

**DELTA**  
11:00 A.M. on 2nd, 3rd & 4th Sundays  
Newman House, 4101 N. Manchester, Stockton, CA 95205  
Mail: c/o Clerk, P.O. Box 387, Jackson, CA 95642  
Clerk: Peter B. Bunting  
Mail: P.O. Box 387, Jackson, CA 95642  
(209) 223-0843

**FRESNO**  
10:00 A.M. Sundays  
University Religious Center, 2311 E. Shaw Avenue, Fresno, CA 93710  
Mail: 2311 E. Shaw Avenue, Fresno, CA 93710  
Clerk: Fran White  
Mail: 1286 N. Harrison, Fresno, CA 93728  
(209) 233-4216

**GRASS VALLEY**  
9:45 A.M. Sundays  
John Woolman School, 1585 Jones Bar Road, Nevada City, CA 95959  
Mail: same address  
Clerk: Susanna Matthey  
Mail: to Meeting  
(916) 273-1611

**GUATEMALA**  
11:00 A.M. on 1st & 3rd Sundays  
11 Calle 5-02, Zone 10, Guatemala City, Guatemala  
Mail: Club 747 - Section 52, P.O. Box 52-7270, Miami, FL 33152-7270  
Clerk: Phyllis Bunker  
Mail: to Meeting  
(011) 502-2-32-47-40

**HEMET**  
9:30 A.M. Sundays  
26665 Chestnut Drive, Hemet, CA 92544  
Mail: P.O. Box 848, San Jacinto, CA 92581  
Clerk: Bill Lovelady  
Mail: to Meeting  
(714) 927-8399

**HONOLULU**  
10:00 A.M. Sundays  
2426 O'ahu Ave., Honolulu, HI 96822  
Mail: same address  
Clerk: Mary Anne Magner  
Mail: 2607 Waikeha Dr., Honolulu, HI 96821  
(808) 334-8161

**HUMBOLDT**  
11:00 A.M. Sundays  
1920 Zehnder Avenue, Arcata, CA 95521  
Mail: P.O. Box 4786, Arcata, CA 95521  
Clerk: Andrea Armin-Holland  
Mail: to Meeting  
(707) 822-6423

**INLAND VALLEY**  
10:00 A.M. Sundays  
1st Congregational Church (basement), Seventh & Lemon Streets, Riverside, CA 92507  
Mail: P.O. Box 7554, Redlands, CA 92373  
Clerk: Michael Dunn  
Mail: 250 E. Blaine St., Riverside, CA 92507  
(714) 681-5364

**LA JOLLA**  
10:00 A.M. Sundays  
7380 Eads Avenue, La Jolla, CA 92037  
Mail: same address  
Clerk: Judy Leshefska  
Mail: to Meeting  
(619) 277-3714

**LOS ANGELES**  
11:00 A.M. Sundays & 7:30 P.M. Wednesdays  
4167 S. Normandie Ave., Los Angeles, CA 90037  
Mail: same address  
Clerk: Jimmy Choi  
Mail: to Meeting  
(213) 662-9475

**MARIN**  
10:00 A.M. Sundays  
Mill Valley Scout Hall, 177 E. Blithedale, Mill Valley, CA 94942  
Mail: P.O. Box 1301, Mill Valley, CA 94942  
Clerk: Mark Farmer  
Mail: 115 Golden Hind Passage, Corte Madera, CA 94925  
(415) 924-6633

**MARLOHA**  
10:00 A.M. Sundays  
Huntington School, 2935 Spaulding, Long Beach, CA 90740  
Mail: P.O. Box 3674, Seal Beach, CA 90740  
Clerk: Ed Borges  
Mail: to Meeting  
(310) 431-4015

**PACIFIC NORTHWEST PRESBYTERIAN CHURCHES**

**HEMET**  
9:30 A.M. Sundays  
26665 Chestnut Drive, Hemet, CA 92544  
Mail: P.O. Box 848, San Jacinto, CA 92581  
Clerk: Bill Lovelady  
Mail: to Meeting  
(714) 927-8399

**HONOLULU**  
10:00 A.M. Sundays  
2426 O'ahu Ave., Honolulu, HI 96822  
Mail: same address  
Clerk: Mary Anne Magner  
Mail: 2607 Waikeha Dr., Honolulu, HI 96821  
(808) 334-8161

**HUMBOLDT**  
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(310) 431-4015
STRAWBERRY CREEK 10:00 A.M. Sundays Berkeley Friends Church Fellowship Room, Sacramento and Cedar Streets, Berkeley, CA Mail: P.O. Box 5068, Berkeley, CA 94705-0065 Clerk: Lynne Bird Mail: to Meeting

VISALIA 10:30 A.M. Sundays 17308 Avenue 296, Visalia, CA 93291 Mail: same address Clerk: James Hangls Mail: to Meeting

WESTWOOD 10:30 A.M. Sundays 900 Hilgard Avenue, Los Angeles, CA 90024 Mail: same address Co-Clerks: Leta McKinney-Adler and Susan Scott Mail: to Meeting

WHITTLEF 9:30 A.M. Sundays Administration Bldg., Whittier College, Philadelphia and Painter Streets, Whittier, CA Mail: P.O. Box 122, Whittier, CA 90608 Clerk: Mary Warren Mail: to Meeting

1992 SURVEY OF PREPARATIVE MEETINGS AND UNPROGAMMED WORSHIP GROUPS IN THE AREA OF PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING

BIG ISLAND Preparative Meeting under the joint care of HONOLULU Monthly Meeting and PYM Ministry & Oversight Committee 10:00 A.M. Sundays (except 5th Sunday) Conveners: Peter and Judy Bunting (209) 223-0843 Mail: P.O. Box 387, Jackson, CA 95642 6 adults and 1 child in group 6 adults and 1 child - average attendance 5 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting Activities: business meetings; First-Day School; monthly study group; potluck every two months

NAPA-SONOMA Preparative Meeting under the care of REDWOOD FOREST 11:00 A.M. Sundays (except 5th Sunday) Magic Years Preschool, 177 Laurel St., Napa, CA Clerk: David Kearney-Brown (707) 226-2064 Mail: c/o Diana & Joe Wilcox, 57 Chapel Hill Dr., Napa, CA 94559 22 adults and 8 children in group 10 adults and 4 Children - average attendance 6 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting Activities: business meetings; First-Day School; monthly study group; potluck every two months

AMADOR COUNTY Worship Group (geographical extension of DELTA Mtg.) 11:00 A.M. on 1st and 5th Sundays Location: home of conveners in Jackson, CA Conveners: Peter and Judy Bunting (209) 223-0843 Mail: P.O. Box 387, Jackson, CA 95642 6 adults and 1 child in group 6 adults and 1 child - average attendance 5 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting Activities: potluck after worship

BISHOP Worship Group under the care of RENO Meets alternate Sundays at the home of the conveners 5:00 P.M. - shared meal 6:00 P.M. - First-Day School and adult discussion 7:00 P.M. - Meeting for Worship Conveners: Carla Scheldigger (619) 873-8439 Mail: 393 Mt. Tum Rd., Bishop, CA 93514 9 adults and 6 children in group 6 adults and 4 children - average attendance 2 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting Activities: see above
MEXICO 11:00 A.M. Sundays
Casa de los Amigos, Ignacio Mariscal 112, Colonia Revolucion, 65030 México, D.F.
Mail: same address
Clerk: Ingeborg Jones (735) 6-1560
Mail to Meeting

MONTEREY PENINSULA 10:00 A.M. Sundays
155 Van Buren St., Monterey, CA
Mail: P.O. Box 789, Pacific Grove, CA 93950
Clerk: Allen Tegtmeier (408) 373-5003
Mail to Meeting

ORANGE COUNTY 10:00 A.M. Sundays
Building 800, 661 Hamilton st., Costa Mesa, CA
Mail: P.O. Box 1159, Paularino, Costa Mesa, CA 92626
Clerk: Debby Rector (714) 549-3199
Mail: above address is clerk's address

ORANGE GROVE 11:00 A.M. Sundays
526 E. Orange Grove Ave., Pasadena, CA 91104
Mail: same address
Clerk: Rick Troth (213) 255-8714
Mail to Meeting

PACIFIC ACWORTH 11:00 A.M. Sundays
6210 Temple City Blvd., Temple City, CA 91780
Mail: same address
Clerk: Cal Edinger (818) 280-6325
Mail to Meeting

PALO ALTO 9:00 A.M. & 11:00 A.M. Sundays
957 Colorado Ave., Palo Alto, CA 94303
Mail: same address
Clerk: William Bauriedel (415) 493-1304
Mail to Meeting

REDDING 10:00 A.M. Sundays
Secret Garden Preschool, 118 Churn Creek Rd., Redding, CA
Mail: P.O. Box 991665, Redding, CA 96099-1665
Clerk: Rhea Farley (916) 244-1245
Mail: 715 Mary Ave. #1, Redding, CA 96001

REDDING FOREST 10:00 A.M. Sundays
Friends House, 804 Benicio Dr., Santa Rosa, CA 95409
Mail: P.O. Box 1831, Santa Rosa, CA 95402
Clerk: Lynn Waddington home (707) 528-8161
Mail to Meeting work (707) 573-3626
(term ends 4/30/93)

RENO 10:30 A.M. Sundays during school year
5:00 P.M. Sundays during summer (June-August)
Wiegand Youth Center, 1300 Foster Dr., Reno, NV
Mail: P.O. Box 20636, Reno, NV 89511
Clerk: Susan Marcus (702) 324-3848
Mail to Meeting

SACRAMENTO 10:00 A.M. Sundays
Stanford Settlement 450 West El Camino, Sacramento
Mail: P.O. Box 163677, Sacramento, CA 95816
Clerk: Sally Davis (916) 432-4992
Mail to Meeting

SAN DIEGO 10:30 A.M. Sundays
YWCA Bldg., 4048 Seminole Dr., San Diego, CA 92115
Mail: same address
Clerk: Virginia Flagg (619) 583-1324
Mail to Meeting

SAN FERNANDO VALLEY 11:30 A.M. Sundays
15056 Bledsoe St., Sylmar, CA 91342
Mail: P.O. Box 922378, Sylmar, CA 91392
Clerk: Ken Hurst (818) 270-9707
Mail to Meeting

SAN FRANCISCO 11:00 A.M. Sundays
2160 Lake Street, San Francisco, CA 94121
Mail: same address
Clerk: Krista Barnard (415) 392-8779
Mail to Meeting

SAN JOSE 10:00 A.M. Sundays
1041 Morse St., San Jose, CA 95126
Mail: same address
Clerk: Alice Spurrier (408) 272-0690
Mail to Meeting

SANTA BARBARA 10:00 A.M. Sundays
2130 Mission Ridge Rd., Santa Barbara, CA 93101-0120
Mail: P.O. Box 9120, Santa Barbara, CA 93110
Clerk: Margie Swansen (805) 963-1377
Mail: 312 E. Sola #B, Santa Barbara, CA 93101

SANTA CRUZ 10:00 A.M. Sundays
Louden Nelson Center, 301 Center St, Santa Cruz, CA
Mail: P.O. Box 813, Santa Cruz, CA 95061-0813
Clerk: Eleanor Foster (408) 423-2605
Mail: 118 Mile St., Santa Cruz, CA 95060

SANTA MONICA 10:00 A.M. Sundays
1440 Harvard Street, Santa Monica, CA 90404
Mail: same address
Clerk: Henry Yang (310) 376-8152
CONEJO VALLEY Worship Group under the care of Westwood
10:30 A.M. on 1st, 3rd & 5th Sundays
Casa de la Senda, 3760 Cabrillo, Newbury Park, CA
Correspondent: Joan Johnson (805) 495-9753
Mail: 2224 Thorley Rd., Thousand Oaks, CA 91361
15 adults and 4 children in group
9 adults and 2 children - average attendance
9 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: child care; shared meal and discussion on
1st Wednesday of the month

GILROY-HOLLISTER Worship Group - not under the care of a Meeting
(organized by members of SANTA CRUZ Meeting)
Meets in homes - 3rd Sunday in Gilroy
4th Sunday in Hollister
Call for location and time
Correspondent: Fran Schneider (408) 637-1794
Meets: 1044 Monterey, Hollister, CA 95023
8 adults and 1 teenager in group
2 adults and 1 teenager - average attendance
3 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: occasional potlucks

HAYWARD AREA Worship Group - not under the care of a Meeting
5:00 P.M. on 3rd or 4th Sunday
Call for location and time
Correspondent: Elsa Glines (510) 582-2076
Meets: 22566 Fifth St., Hayward, CA 94541
12 adults and 1 child in group
10 adults and 1 child - average attendance
5 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: worship, potluck and discussion

HERMOSILLO Worship Group under the joint care of MEXICO CITY and
PIMA (INVM)
4:00 P.M. Sunday
Casa Helberto Sein, Felipe Saucedo #31, Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico
Correspondent: Norman Krejler (623) 7-0142
Mail: Apartado Postal 15, Sucursal A,
83000 Hermosillo, Sonora, Mexico
7 adults and 3 children in group
4 adults and 1 child - average attendance
4 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: service work of "Asociacion Sonorense de Los Amigos" and Casa Helberto Sein Friends Center

KAUA'I HONOLULU reported that group is discontinued

LAKE COUNTY Worship Group under the care of REDWOOD FOREST
10:00 A.M. on 1st and 3rd Sundays
Call for location
Correspondent: Kathy Harness (707) 275-2014
Mail: P.O. Box 985, Upper Lake, CA 95485
18 adults and 11 children in group
8 adults and 5 children - average attendance
2 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: First-Day School; infrequent business meetings; Saturday social group meets monthly; adult discussion groups

LAS VEGAS Reno reported that group is discontinued - for information about Friends in Las Vegas, contact Tom Graham at (702) 796-1158

LOS OSOS Worship Group affiliated with SAN LUIS OBISPO Worship Group - not under the care of a Meeting
10:30 A.M. Sundays (except 2nd Sunday when they meet with the SAN LUIS OBISPO group)
Meets in homes in Los Osos, Morro Bay and Cayucos
(call SAN LUIS OBISPO correspondent for information)

MAUI Worship Group considered by themselves to be under the care of HONOLULU
10:30 A.M. Sundays
Call for location
Correspondent: John Dart (808) 878-2190
Mail: 107 Kamului, Kula, HI 96790
15 adults and 3 children in group
5 adults and 2 children - average attendance
4 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: business meetings

MENDOCINO Worship Group under the care of REDWOOD FOREST
10:00 A.M. Sundays
Kelley House, 54007 Albion St., Mendocino, CA
Clerk: Charles Bass (707) 934-5733
Mail: P.O. Box 1003, Mendocino, CA 95460
20 adults and 3 children in group
12 adults and 1 child - average attendance
8 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: business meetings; occasional study groups; occasional potlucks

MODESTO Worship Group (geographical extension of DELTA Mt.)
9:30 A.M. on 1st and 3rd Sundays
922 - 6th Street, Modesto, CA
Correspondent: Liz Allen (209) 524-8762
Mail: 913 Peachwood Ct., Modesto, CA 95350
3 adults and 6 children in group
3 adults and 6 children - average attendance
3 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: children stay in worship group
MOLOKAI Worship Group considered by themselves to be under the care of HONOLULU
5:30 P.M. on Fridays
Location: Waialua on the East End
Correspondent: Claud Sutcliffe (808) 558-8923
Mail: Star Route 38C, Kaunakakai, Molokai, HI 96748
1 adult and 4 children in group
1 adult is a member of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: potluck after worship; play group on Wednesday mornings

MORONGO BASIN Worship Group under the care of CLAREMONT
2:00 P.M. Sunday (except no meetings from June to September)
Church of Religious Science, 7434 Bannock Trail, Yucca Valley, CA
(Contact correspondent about plans for fall of 1992)
Contact from CLAREMONT Meeting:
Margaret Simkin
Mail: send to CLAREMONT Meeting
(714) 624-2537
10 adults in group
Activities: monthly potluck

NORTH SAN LUIS OBISPO COUNTY Worship Group - not under the care of a Meeting
9:00 A.M. Sundays
Meets at the home of Irene Wade, 10840 Old Morro Road, Atascadero, CA 93422
Correspondent: Raymond Jansen (805) 466-4733
Mail: 6655 Country Club Dr., Atascadero, CA 93422
7 adults and 4 children in group
Activities: business meetings; occasional First-Day School and adult study groups; cooperate with SAN LUIS OBISPO group to feed local homeless once a month

OJAI Worship Group under the care of SANTA BARBARA
9:00 A.M. Sundays
514 Vista Herzows Dr., Ojai, CA 93023
Correspondent: Jane C. Hubler (805) 646-3200
Mail: P.O. Box 793, Ojai, CA 93024
39 adults in group
7 adults - average attendance
1 adult is a member of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: business meetings

PARADISE Worship Group - not under the care of a Meeting
6:00 P.M. Sundays
Call for location
Correspondent: Betty Polivka (916) 877-8044
Mail: P.O. Box 943, Paradise, CA 95969
5 adults in group
5 adults - average attendance
4 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting

SAN LUIS OBISPO Worship Group - not under the care of a Meeting
9:30 A.M. Sundays
University Christian Center, 1486 Foothill Blvd., San Luis Obispo, CA
Correspondent: Anna Alexander (805) 541-3101
Mail: 30 El Mirador Court, San Luis Obispo, CA 93401
21 adults and 5 children in group
7 adults - average attendance
9 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: provide meals for 50-60 homeless on every 4th Sunday

SOUTH COUNTY Worship Group under the care of SANTA CRUZ
9:30 A.M. religious education; 10:30 A.M. worship
1st Sundays at 51 Carr Ave., Aromas, CA
3rd Sundays at 1014 Circle Dr., Salinas, CA
Correspondent: Kathleen Fitzgerald (408) 724-2695
Mail: c/o Wendy Elder & Richard Smith, 51 Carr Ave., Aromas, CA 95004
(408) 426-7406
21 adults and 12 children in group
18 adults and 10 children - average attendance
Activities: First-day School; adult study groups; potluck and sing-a-long at every gathering

SOUTHERN HUMBOLDT Worship Group - not under the care of a Meeting
Generally at 9:30 A.M. on Sundays
Call for location and exact time
Correspondent: Bill Andrews (707) 923-3377
Mail: P.O. Box 877, Redway, CA 95560
6 adults and 2 children in group
5 adults - average attendance
Activities: coffee after meeting

TAFT Worship Group under the care of ORANGE GROVE
10:00 a.m. on 1st and 3rd Sundays
Meets at Convenor's home - 104 Center St., Taft, CA
Convenor: Bonnie Stack (805) 765-4766
Mail: 104 Center St., Taft, CA 93268
3 adults in group
3 adults - average attendance
Activities: outreach concerning AIDS and HIV+
WEST SONOMA COUNTY Worship Group under the care of REDWOOD FOREST
10:00 A.M. Sundays
Garzot Bldg., in Libby Park at Valentine & Pleasant
Hill Avenues, Sebastopol, CA
Correspondent: Sam Cox (707) 887-1173
Mail: 13885 Green Valley Rd., Forestville, CA 95436
37 adults and 4 children in group
20 adults and 3 children – average attendance
30 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: business meetings; First-Day School;
potluck and discussion every two months

WILLITS Worship Group not under the care of a Meeting
11:00 A.M. on 1st Sundays
Call for location
Correspondent: Dianne Marshall (707) 459-1911
Mail: 485 Raymond Lane, Willits, CA 95490
17 adults and 2 children in group
12 adults – average attendance
3 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting

WINDWARD Worship Group under the care of HONOLULU
9:30 A.M. on 1st Sunday
Call for location
Correspondent: Sasha Bley-Vroman (808) 263-8426
Mail: c/o HONOLULU Friends Meeting, 2426 O'ahu
Avenue, Honolulu, HI 96822
11 adults and 3 children in group
5 adults and 1 child – average attendance
7 adults are members of a Monthly Meeting
Activities: worship and potluck on 3rd Wednesdays
Report to Pacific Yearly Meeting

The biggest news about Friends Bulletin is that it has gotten bigger! With the December 1991 issue, Friends Bulletin changed from its former 6 1/2" by 9" size to 8" by 11." We were able to increase the print size and add the equivalent of three extra pages with no additional cost.

The November issue focused on Pacific Yearly Meeting, highlighted by an article by Lincoln Moses, "The Religious Society of Friends and the American Friends Service Committee." Friends from Pacific Yearly Meeting played a major role in other issues, including the December issue, "The Fifth World Conference of Friends;" the May issue, "Fifty Years of AFSC in Northern California;" and the July issue, "Without Peace There is No Justice."

Regular correspondents from PYM included Lois Vincent, San Fernando Valley; Patricia Silva, Fresno; Betsy Kahn, Santa Monica; and Clare Galbraith, Delta.

Other PYM Friends who wrote for Friends Bulletin in the past year included: Bob Barns, Grass Valley; Steve Birdlebough, Sacramento; Estelle Burroughs, Hemet; Michael F. Dunn, Inland Valley; Betsy Eberhardt, Redwood Forest; Tom Farley, Palo Alto; Beverly Garcia, Fresno; Elsa Gilnes, Strawberry Creek; Kit Glover, Honolulu; Jeannie Graves, San Fernando Valley; Rusi Gustafson, Davis; Ethel Haller, Mendocino; Jack Hailer, Mendocino; David Hartsough, San Francisco; George Heaton, Palo Alto; Howard V. Hendrix, Fresno; Tony Henry, Pacific Southwest AFSC; Paul B. Johnson, Orange Grove; Scott Johnson, Berkeley; Kare Lawrence, La Jolla; Nancy Lynch, Santa Barbara; Stephen McNeil, Pacific Mountain AFSC; Hank Maiden, Marin; Anthony Manousos, Claremont; Patrick K. Michaels, Redwood Forest; Ken Morgan, Pacific Southwest AFSC; Lincoln Moses, Palo Alto; Carol Mosher, Berkeley; Paul Niebank, Santa Cruz; Mrs. Frederick O’Hara, La Jolla; Chuck Orr, La Jolla; Maurine Parker, Santa Barbara; Betty Jane Peckham, Redwood Forest; Jane Walters Peers, La Jolla; Eric Reed, Berkeley; Nancy Saltzman, Berkeley; Marie Schutz, Redwood Forest; Robert Schutz, Redwood Forest; Leslie Pratt Spelman, La Jolla; Pat Stewart, Berkeley; Bob Vogel, Orange Grove; Jean Walton, Claremont; Mary Beth Webster, Grass Valley; Rob Roy Woodman, Davis; and Young Friends — Ben Abrahamse, Tristan Anderson, Owen Elliot, and Sage Waxner.

Photographers from PYM included Bob Barns, Grass Valley; Daniel Barth, Chico; Vanita Blum, Berkeley; Ethel and Jack Hailer, Mendocino; John Mackinney, Berkeley; Anthony Manousos, Claremont; Carol Mosher, Berkeley; and Paul Niebank, Santa Cruz.

PYM illustrators included Nancy Lynch, Santa Barbara and Gretchen McGarigle, Claremont.

Friends Bulletin is grateful for the support of Pacific Yearly Meeting. We appreciate your subsidy payment of $7400. While we do our best to hold down costs, we would not be able to make it through the year without that support.

All of our subscribers are very important to us. We especially appreciate our Meeting subscribers. If you aren't currently subscribing as a Meeting, please consider doing so in the future.

During the next year Friends Bulletin will include reports from our three Yearly Meetings and the Western Gathering of Friends. We hope to focus specific issues on Meeting for Business, teenage Friends, and other concerns that arise out of Yearly Meetings or that bring to our attention. Several Friends have requested articles that deal with our spiritual condition.

Will you write or illustrate for Friends Bulletin next year? We hope to hear from you.

Nancy Yarnall. Editor

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Religious Education Committee

This is not so much a report as a reminder:
At FYM 91 this committee was charged to send out a questionnaire to all Monthly Meetings regarding their First Day Schools and to write up a report on the responses for the Representative Meeting in March 91.

The questionnaire was sent out in November 91 and we received many and prompt answers. The content of the responses, though useful and captivating, were not in themselves surprising, but the quality and quantity were.

A six pages report was sent to the appropriate FYM officers and an oral report was given at the Representative Meeting in March.

Because of the nature of this specific meeting the oral report had to be shorter than planned. The committee felt that the Friends who had responded so caringly to the questionnaire deserved more of an answer than the oral report had been able to give, so we sent out the full report to all Monthly Meeting or First Day School clerks in early March 92.

Because of this procedure and because of the volume of the report we decided to not have the report mass reproduced for FYM 92, but to remind Friends that it should be in the possession of their Monthly Meetings and that it also had received generous attention in the May and June Bulletins.

We draw attention to the FYM interest group on 'Networking for First Day Schools' and to the Bulletin's offer of space for a regular column on First Day School matters.

And we welcome reactions that might give us directions for work in the coming year.

For FYM Religious Education Committee

Ingrid Petersen
Clerk

ATTACHMENT H - 1
A Western Gathering of Friends was held at Lewis and Clark College in Portland, Oregon, from July 6 - 10, 1992. The Gathering brought evangelical and liberal Friends together from as far apart as Mexico, Hawaii, Alaska, and the Rocky Mountain and Pacific states. Two hundred and forty Friends of all ages attended, for worship, sharing, and exploration of beliefs and practices. Doug Gwyn, pastor to Berkeley Friends Church, was the keynote speaker. John Punshon, professor of Quaker studies at the Earlham School of Religion, and Asia Bennett, Executive Secretary of Friends World Committee, Section of the Americas, were special guests of the Gathering.

The Gathering was sponsored by six yearly meetings: Pacific, North Pacific, Northwest, Canadian, Intermountain, and Rocky Mountain. Friends from the General Reunion of Friends in Mexico, from Central Alaska Friends Conference, and Friends Church Southwest Yearly Meeting also attended. Each yearly meeting or other Friends group presented itself in its own unique way to the rest of the Gathering. In addition to these plenary sessions, worship (fellowship) groups were held every day, and thematic groups met to consider questions of faith and witness. A children’s program of high quality helped to round out the Gathering.

Attenders remarked on the courage and commitment that inspired the Gathering, and the love, friendship and faith that brought Friends together. Also appreciated was the "earnest intensity" of the Gathering itself, the powerful diversity in Friends that came, the opportunities for learning and personal connection that were provided, and the promise of deeper searching and stronger sharing that will follow. "I listened, and was listened to," said one Friend. Another remarked tenderly on "the halting expressions of trust and intimacy," and another exclaimed, "Quakers everywhere are a great bunch of people!" One Friend spoke for many when she accounted for her experience at the Western Gathering. She felt "the warmth of powerful spiritual sharing and purely joyful friendship." Her witness was that "God is stirring us deeply toward a more helpful ministry to each other and all of creation."

Roughly forty percent of the attenders at the Gathering came from Pacific Yearly Meeting. PYM provided financial support for five attenders, and participated vigorously in the planning for the event. Our preparation and our participation cannot help but urge us towards sharper definition and more vivid presence among Friends.

Paul Niebanck, Acting Clerk
Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee
PYM SPONSORSHIP OF THE
ALTERNATIVES TO VIOLENCE PROJECT-WEST

The Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) has traditionally worked toward the lessening of violence in society and the resolution of conflict between individuals. These themes are integral to the Alternatives to Violence Project West. This project works with prisoners and community members through participatory workshops, which have been shown to be instrumental in decreasing violence.

PYM Peace Committee asks Pacific Yearly Meeting to sponsor AVP West. Sponsorship means that the name of PYM can be used as a sponsor. It also means that each Monthly Meeting is asked to consider this project and to advance its work in any way possible. Sponsorship does not require direct financial contribution, although AVP West does need funds.

Peace Committee will name one of its members as liaison with AVP West.

INTRODUCTION
The Friends Witness at the Nevada Test Site comprises one weekend of the Lenten Vigil coordinated by the Nevada Desert Experience, a Franciscan group working for a comprehensive test ban and nuclear disarmament. The Nevada test site land actually still belongs to the Western Shoshone nation, which also participates with Nevada Desert Experience, through the Ruby Valley Treaty of 1863.

The Friends Witness at the Nevada Test Site is a witness of Friends peace testimony which seeks to put an end to all war. Recently a one-year moratorium on nuclear testing has been approved in the House and is being considered by the Senate. This would be an important step towards a comprehensive test ban and nuclear disarmament.

MINUTE
Pacific Yearly Meeting sponsors and supports the fifth Friends Witness at the Nevada Test Site, April 2-4, 1993. Pacific Yearly Meeting entrusts planning to a working committee consisting of liaisons from PYM Peace, Social Order, and Unity with Nature Committees.
REPORT TO REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE OF PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING
August 6, 1992

by

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING FINANCE COMMITTEE

1. Current practice is to transfer any unexpended funds from the "Young Friends Travel" budget line to a reserve account, so that funds will be available in the event that there is a greater than usual need in some future year. This reserve now contains $2426 and it appears that another $700 will be added as of September 30. Finance Committee recommends that this reserve fund be limited to a maximum of $2500.

2. It is the recommendation of the Finance Committee that it would be inappropriate to institute in this fiscal year a fundamental policy change such as dividing the costs of the Secretariat between session fees and annual assessment. If such a policy change is approved by PYM at this session it should take effect in the next fiscal year.

3. As a part of the budget presentation to plenary we will be recommending an increase for the travel allowance for two Friends from Mexico City, from $800 to $1100.

4. The Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee has recommended to Finance Committee that the reserve fund, created to provide funds for planning and carrying out the Western Gathering of Friends, be laid down and the remaining funds be transferred to the general fund. Finance Committee concurs and is recommending this action to Representative Committee.
To: PYM  
From: Kay Anderson  
Clerk, East-West Relations  

Regarding: East-West Relations Committee Activities 1991-2  

Since PYM last gathered, the East-West Relations Committee has sponsored a very well-timed trip to the former Soviet Union. It has also lent support to a trip made by San Francisco member David Hartsough to Moscow this winter. Right now Kay Anderson and David Hartsough are in Russia, asking ways to further the work of the Committee.

The 1991 Quaker Peace Tour was magnificently timed to begin 7 days after the end of the failed coup last August. The ten of us from all over the US had an extraordinary opportunity to be with the people as they were celebrating, and contemplating the meaning of their wholly unanticipated non-violent victory over totalitarianism. Euphoria and fear were mixed in equal measures, and the stories of courage inspired us to reexamine those issues in our own lives. However, in many ways, it was a still point in time, where everything was the same, yet everything had changed.

We attended a few of the sessions of the CSCE Conference, but somehow the events in the streets overshadowed all else. The human rights organization, Memorial, reported the good news that it was winding down its political prisoner monitoring project—the prisoners were all out (except the ones like in the US—consentious objectors).

Thanks to the many contacts Quakers had made over the years of tours, David Hartsough met with some of the key people of the developing grass roots progressive social movements. The Living Ring was a brand new organization borne of the people on the barricades who defended their elected Russian president without guns, with their arms linked in a living ring. The Living Ring asked David to put together a team to train them in non-violent direct action because they thought another try would be very likely in the winter when conditions worsened. A team of 6 went in late November and trained about 500 people. The Committee could loan the funds up front, so that a timely trip was possible; the team did the fund raising when it returned.

As the changes occurred with intense rapidity, the Committee did not think it appropriate to organize a tour this year. The Committee met in October, and a sub-group gathered again in April to discuss new directions. From those talks and the concerns regarding the suffering of the people, it was decided that the Committee would encourage Kay Anderson and David Hartsough to spend time this summer in the former Soviet Union exploring how Quakers can meaningfully help. Members of the small Quaker community in Moscow do not want us to focus only on direct food relief, but much listening is needed to discern other ways to serve. One exciting idea is to establish a Quaker Center in Moscow which would support the development of Quakerism, but would also be a resource center for the progressive grass roots social movements who need much support and assistance as they organize. Ideas will be explored with people in Moscow, Kiev and St Petersburg.

The Committee is able to supply some back-up funds to support David and Kay's expenses. They making these trips as volunteers and welcome financial contributions to the expenses of their trips. They estimate the total expenses of both trips to be about $4000. Contributions are tax-deductible if made to the PYM East-West Relations Committee, 8 Julie Harlow, 1163 Auburn Drive, Davis CA 95616.
The East-West Relations Committee was created in 1983 in a minute which specified six charges. We began our work with #2, facilitating the study of all aspects of Soviet and East European society, and #5, drawing on any available resources for creative approaches to East-West relations. In 1987-91 we worked primarily on the other charges: #1, prioritizing intercultural visitation; #3, seeking opportunities to cultivate deep personal relationships of trust; and #4, engaging in direct communication with persons of decision making positions as well as ordinary people. We organized five tours to the Soviet Union and brought Soviet Friends here.

Thus #1-5 have been addressed. These activities will be set aside only temporarily as we focus this year on charge #6, which reads as follows: "Further, the committee should explore the possibility of providing a Quaker International Center in Moscow." Through contacts made during the five trips to the Soviet Union, we have had invitations to do training in nonviolence and conflict resolution. There is a continuing need for support for these and similar projects as well as ongoing spiritual support for the active group of Quakers and like-minded friends worshiping in Moscow. Charges #1-5 were self-supporting. The Center will not be. Serious fundraising must be undertaken, and you will be contacted.

As we move toward establishing a center in Moscow we will: (1) continue to be a resource and support for Friends who have specific interests in the areas of the FSU, and (#2) keep you informed about the activities of Friends here and in the areas of the FSU and how you can participate.

We have two interest groups scheduled on Saturday and a table outside with further information.
REPORT TO REPRESENTATIVE COMMITTEE
of Pacific Yearly Meeting

from the
COMMITTEE FOR THE RIGHT HOLDING OF YEARLY MEETING

The Committee was convened in May by Jane Peers, Clerk. Present were committee members: Steve Birdlebough, Ellie Foster, Anne Friend, Ellie Huffman, Walter Jones, Mark Koenig, Jennifer Mahal, Jane Peers, and Lowell Tosier. Becky Layfield-Newman, representative of M & O was unable to be present.

The Committee developed and initiated the following activities in response to its' charge "...to consider the structure and entire role of the annual PYM Sessions beyond 1992",

• A survey of Members and Attenders of Monthly Meetings to help identify core elements of Yearly Meeting has been circulated to all Monthly Meetings and Worship Groups, with gratifying results. The many thoughtful responses that have already been received constitute an important basis upon which further discussion and decision making will be built.

• Ministry and Oversight and this Committee will conduct the Friday night Plenary session at the 1992 Yearly Meeting to provide an opportunity for all participants to give worshipful thought to the meaning and importance of participation in Yearly Meeting in their lives and in the lives of their Monthly Meetings and Worship Groups.

• The Committee will carefully consider the views obtained through these activities to make recommendations on the many facets of Yearly Meeting: meaning, content, structure, timing, and cost. We believe this work will need to continue for the next full year.

• Preliminary recommendations to Ministry and Oversight, Arrangements and Site Selection Committees concern the conduct of future meetings. The committee recommends that:

   1) planning for Yearly Meeting be undertaken two years in advance both with respect to the site and the content of the Annual Meeting;

   2) site selection be completed at least three years in advance, and that each site be retained for two consecutive years to provide more consistency and ease of operation;

   3) the dates for the Yearly Meeting be established and made consistent over time to allow Friends to make plans

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well in advance. If changes in schedule are necessary they should be announced at least one year in advance;

4) the Sites Committee recommend that Walker Creek be reserved for PYM for two years;

5) the 1993 PYM Schedule begin with Representative Committee and other Committee Work from Tuesday noon to Wednesday noon, followed by four days of annual Meeting from Wednesday afternoon to Sunday noon, to be concluded with two optional days for those who may wish to camp and hold informal group activities.

The Committee has one recommendation for Representative Committee:

* It is recommended that the clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting be authorized to appoint a committee when he or she feels the need for assistance in planning the Yearly Meeting sessions.

Other issues were discussed and will continue to be seasoned in the light of sharing from Monthly and Yearly Meeting participants.

Jane Peers,
Ellie Huffman,
Co-clerks
Do you remember our 1985 yearly meeting sessions? A tall man in a broad-brimmed hat addressed us. He looked and talked like a prophet. His message was a spiritually based concern for the environment. We do believe in continuing revelation, and that was obviously one of those experiences.

Who was here when Marshall Massey spoke to us?
Some of you got up in the wee small hours and drafted a minute. We adopted that minute which established the Pacific Yearly Meeting Committee on Unity with Nature, PYMCUN: a committee to educate, publish, and guide us in thought and action.

The Committee jumped into its work and commissioned Marshall to write a handbook. We supported him for two years to the tune of $25,000, a tremendous outpouring of our faith. We were sharply disappointed when this project came to a dead end.

We also started a newsletter which reached a circulation of 500 in two years. We then handed over that newsletter to a North American group called the Friends Committee on Unity with Nature, to which PYM sends two representatives.

How many of you are members of FCUN and get its newsletter, *BeFriending Creation*?
We encourage all of you, as individual Friends and as meetings, to join FCUN. *BeFriending Creation* is currently edited by Chris Laning of Davis Meeting.

PYMCUN now publishes *EarthLight*, a quarterly magazine on spirituality and ecology, edited by Paul Burks. Our subscription base is in the range of four to six hundred. We need to double that number at least to become cost effective.

How many of you subscribe?
Our committee has put on a half dozen conferences, which have been well attended. The most recent was a work and worship weekend at Ben Lomond Quaker Center. The conference included presentations on UNCED and creation theology as well as hands-on experience in restoration ecology and a sunrise meeting for worship in the Casa de Luz.

How many of you participated in that conference or one of our earlier conferences?
At the past two yearly meetings, the PYMCUN has had plenary time to present a stimulus for thoughtful, worshipful response. Two years ago, we shared
with you a possible revision of our Advice and Queries on Peace. The committee then continued this exercise by reviewing four other advices and queries and passing our revisions on to the Discipline Committee.

Last year, we presented five personal statements of witness and testimony. This year, we wanted to continue this process, but we don't have plenary time for much participation from you beyond the show of hands we have asked of you so far.

We invite you to our interest group called Toward a Testimony on Unity with Nature. There we will consider what might be the basic components of that testimony. We ask Friends to continue this process in their local meetings and share their ideas with our committee. Already, we have one minute to consider.

Minute on Unity with Nature, approved by Southern California Quarterly Meeting, Fifth Month, 24, 1992.

We of the Southern California Quarterly Meeting of Friends are convinced that the sacredness of creation is a profound spiritual truth, one rooted in Scripture and religious experience.

We confirm our commitment to the following principles:

All Nature is an expression of God. Nature and the natural resources of this world are also gifts from God, and as inhabitants of the Earth, it is incumbent on us to respect these gifts and use them wisely. Moreover, it is our responsibility to influence others by example and education.
1. The Finance Committee supports the recommendation of the Secretariat that the budget for the session expenses of the Secretariat be divided between the budget for the session and the PYM general fund. However, it is our opinion that it would be inappropriate to apply this change in policy to the 1992 session, in that it represents an ex post facto change in the policy that was in practice when the budget was approved last August, and would result in an imbalance in income versus outgo, since the assessment has already been collected for this budget year. We recommend that this change in policy, if approved, begin in the next fiscal year so that Monthly Meetings can be appropriately notified. This could result in approximately an increase in the annual assessment.

2. We recommend that the Secretariat budget for the 1992 PYM Session budget be augmented from $1800 to $2550.

3. Presentation of the budget.
   a. We recommend that the travel allocation for Friends coming from Mexico City and Guatemala to Representative Committee Meetings be increased from $400 to $550 per person per trip.
   b. Changes to be noted in budget allocations this year in comparison to last year.
      i. Expenses of the officers -- $1000 to $1200
      ii. Young Friends -- $300 to $250
      iii. Discipline Committee (Faith and Practice Revision Committee) -- $1800 to $2000
      iv. Peace Committee -- $950 to $800
      v. Social Order Committee -- $1000 to $900
      vi. Childrens Program Committee -- $350 to $200
      vii. Wider Fellowship with Friends Committee -- $2000 to $900
      viii. Unity with Nature Committee -- $1000 to $750
      ix. Young Friends Travel -- $700 to $400

   These changes reflect an increase or decrease in the projected activity of the committee, or an observation that the committee has not been using its full budget. In the case of Young Friends it is also noted that they have a substantial reserve in addition to the annual allocation. Committee Clerks are advised that they can apply to Representative Committee in March or August for an augmentation if they find that they cannot carry out essential activities within budget. The increase in travel funds for Mexico City and Guatemala is not reflected in an increase in the Representative Travel budget, because the allocation has not been totally spent in the last 2 years, and we project that no increase is needed.

   c. Finance Committee believes that the uncertainties that surround the annual sessions each year, and the changes that may occur, make it more appropriate to present the PYM Session budget to Representative Committee in March. We intend to follow this practice now and in the future unless we are directed to do otherwise.
### Revenue

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#### General Expenses

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**Subtotal: General Expenses**

| Subtotal: General Expenses               | $19,300             | $17,759            | $19,000 | $15,491 | $20,550 |

#### Yearly Meeting Session Expenses, Net

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**Subtotal: Committee Expenses**

| Subtotal: Committee Expenses            | $13,900             | $10,056            | $15,050 | $9,197  | $13,400 |
## GENERAL EXPENSES - CONTINUED

### SUPPORT OF FRIENDS ORGANIZATIONS

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**EXPLANATORY NOTES - SEE REVERSE SIDE**
NOTES (91-92):

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" ($422); "Project" ($1,962); 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. These are funds invested in money market checking accounts.

6. 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.

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

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

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

10. Reserve fund for future publications; under control of Representative Committee per PYM minute 89-4.

11. Loan to Friends Bulletin ($1,849), and Earthlite publication ($500).

12. Funds invested in "FGC Meeting House Fund" per PYM minute 90-10.

13. Quaker Spiritual Quest Program reports a starting balance of $5,824; additions of $820; reductions of $6,163; ending balance of $481.

14. East-West Relations Committee reports a starting balance of $8,592; additions of $6,877; reductions of $7,040; ending balance of $8,429.

15. Unity with Nature Committee reports a starting balance of $18,763; additions of $9,993; reductions of $22,764; ending balance of $5,992.

Virginia V. and Walter E. Klein
Treasurers, Pacific Yearly Meeting
The two arms of the Sites Committee have been active in the search for an appropriate site during this past year. The two arms being the Northern area consisting of Herb Foster, Lois Richter with Hank Maiden Clerking and the Southern area with George Rudenko, Warren Smith and Joan Johnson Clerking.

At the 1991 Session of PYM the Sites Committee made the recommendation to return to Craig Hall in Chico for the 1992 Session. At that time it was decided by the Sites Committee that we would concentrate on finding a site in the Southern area and we proceeded with that plan until the events of the Representative Committee Meeting at the Feb.-March Meeting caused us to alter our course of action.

Prior to that Meeting the two area Committees had jointly investigated 30 sites, some rather thoroughly. Two members of PYM wrote us shortly after the PYM 1991 Session suggesting Walker Creek Ranch. The Northern Committee followed up on that lead and at that time Walker Creek Ranch didn't feel able to accommodate a group as large as PYM. Some months latter we received a third suggestion and again the Northern area Clerk made inquiry. He found that in the interim Walker Creek Ranch had changed their thinking and was beginning to explore the possibility of accommodating larger groups.

S'~e that time seven members of various PYM Committees have visited t. site and found it exciting and the staff open to working with us. They have exhibited a willingness to make changes and to find creative solutions to some of our specific needs.

They have offered us a grassy area near the dining room for tenting although fire regulations will not permit cooking.

Walker Creek Ranch is located on 1,700 acres of rolling hills in western Marin County. However, the main body of the Ranch is on flat terrain and quite compact. It is accessible to Friends of all ages and abilities. There are a variety of sleeping accommodations and adequate space for our program needs. The attractive dining room and patio area will seat 340 persons so we may need to consider slightly longer meal hours to accommodate all Friends. The food some of us sampled was excellent. The climate is pleasant being similar to San Francisco and Santa Cruz.

The Ranch is owned and administrated by the Marin County office of Education. It is available for our exclusive use the first week of August, August 3-8, 1993 and should we wish the first week of August, August 2-7, 1994.

The Committee for the Right Holding of Yearly Meeting in their preliminary recommendations to the Sites Committee suggests that each site be retained for two consecutive years and that the Sites Committee recommend Walker Creek Ranch for the next two years (1993 and 1994). We so recommend.

Joan Johnson, Co-Clerk and Hank Maiden, Co-Clerk
Southern Area
Northern Area

ATTACHMENT S - 1
GENERAL INFORMATION CONCERNING WALKER CREEK RANCH

Walker Creek Ranch is located on 1700 acres of rolling hills in western Marin County about 60 minutes north of San Francisco. It is owned and administered by the Marin County Office of Education. The main body of the facility is located on flat terrain and is wheelchair accessible with wide level paths. We will plan to use a van or rent a golf cart to assist those who would prefer not to do too much walking. The climate is pleasant being similar to San Francisco and Santa Cruz. There is usually fog in the early morning burning off around 10:00AM. In the evening you might need a sweater and it could be windy. There is no need of air conditioning other than that which nature has provided. Exclusive use of the site is available to us during the first week in August of 1993.

ACCOMMODATIONS

Walker Creek Ranch offers a variety of accommodations: Dorms with three sturdy bunk beds in a very large room, semi-private rooms with 2, 3, or 4 people in a room (with children in sleeping bags on the floor at no charge) and private rooms. There are also a variety of bathroom and shower arrangements.

Comfortable tent and RV space will be available close to the dining room. Cooking in the tent area will not be available. We will bring in a mobile wash and shower room for tenters as well as portable toilets.

MEALS

WCR has a new and attractive dining room that will seat 200 people at large round tables. The patio will seat another 140 people at large round concrete tables and benches. We may need to consider longer meal hours to permit us to accommodate all Friends. Dining al fresco will probably be delightful at lunch and dinner but would prove cold in the morning for many of us.

WCR places an emphasis on using regionally grown produce, fresh fish and poultry. Freshly baked breads are a speciality of the kitchen. Tasty vegetarian food is available. The kitchen staff is happy to work with any special food needs you might have.

MEETING ROOMS

There are two large conference rooms suitable for Worship and Plenary Sessions available to us. The Maple Conference Center close to the dining room would probably prove most convenient for us. The Centers are bright and cheerful and away from noise and disturbance.

Worship-Fellowship and Interest Groups could choose from an ample number of quiet rooms or outdoor areas set up with tables and benches.

OFFICE SPACE

There is a sufficient number of pleasant rooms for administrative and program needs which include committee rooms, book and crafts display and sale, registration, appropriate space for the special aspects of the secretariat and equipment storage.

WCR can make 2 AV sound systems available to us as well as overhead projectors, VCR's and other equipment.

CHILDREN'S PROGRAM

WCR is a Marin County Education Facility and features a Science Discovery Center where they offer environmental programs for the children of the County. This Discovery Center will be available for the Children's program. It offers a room designed for crafts and painting, a spacious kitchen and
and several large and airy rooms. We could also use one of the adjoining dorms for infants and toddlers. WCR is hoping to have a proposed Tot Lot ready for 1993.

Junior Meeting Friends and Young Friends

There is a great old barn that we propose for the exclusive use of JYM Friends also suitable for the Barn Dance and Rock Dance. However, young Friends should know that it will not be possible to import a live Rock Band and peace and quietude descends on the Ranch at 11:00PM. We appreciate this will be a keen disappointment for many Friends but we hope it is one you can live with. Friends will, of course, be encouraged to bring their own instruments and taped music.

Young Friends can have a spacious Conference Center that is the twin of the one planned for the Plenary Sessions for their exclusive use.

There is a large field for Capture the Flag and a volley ball court. There is also a low-element challenge course and many nature trails free of Poison Oak for hiking, running and bicycling.

At the present time there is no swimming pool but it is hoped that by Summer 1993 the swimming pond may be ready for use. However, that is a hope and not a promise.

Point Reyes National Seashore, Iverness and Tomales Bay are about a half hour away. There are marine museums, oyster farms and swimming could be possible with proper planning and supervision at Tomales Bay.

... is a small fire pit for evening campfires and sings or whatever.

TRANSPORTATION AND CAR SPACE INFORMATION

The nearest major airport is the San Francisco Airport. There is ground transportation from San Francisco to Novato (The nearest town to WCR.) with the Golden Gate Transit or the Marin Airporter. There is also Greyhound Bus service. Perhaps charter buses from Sacramento, San Francisco or other areas could be considered. The Southern Quarter has enjoyed coming to PYM on a chartered bus for many years.

Car space at WCR.
There are spaces for forty cars near the tenting area. There is a large area for car storage at the north end of the facility.

SAFETY AND EMERGENCY HEALTH CARE

Working with the many children that come to the Ranch and the participants in the Elderhostel programs WCR has established an efficient plan for emergency care with Medi-Vac. There are hospitals in both Novato and Petaluma and Medi-Vac can have an ill or injured person at the hospital in 22 minutes.
EAST WEST RELATIONS COMMITTEE REPORT PYM 92
(Supplement to Activities Report 91-92)

The East West Relations Committee was created by PYM in 1983 with a minute that gave us six charges. With interest groups at yearly and quarterly meetings and workshops at Ben Lomond we tackled two of those charges: studying Soviet and East European society and culture and seeking creative approaches to east-west relations. From 1987-1991 we focused on organizing six trips, taking 120 Friends to the Soviet Union, addressing three of the original charges: intercultural visitations, deep personal relationships of trust, and direct communication with people of the USSR.

We will continue to support these activities and are happy to act as an information center for Friends who wish to pursue any of these areas individually, but for now they will move to our back burners while we focus on our sixth charge, providing a Quaker presence in the area.

Way is now open for the establishment of a Quaker International Center in Moscow. We have available a rather detailed list of possible projects for such a center. One use would be to continue the training of trainers in non-violent civil defense and conflict resolution begun by David Hartsough. A specific location has not been found yet but several are being explored. There is need to find a space soon: prices keep increasing, and the group that worships in the manner of Friends and includes several Quakers has outgrown the space it has been using. With 20-25 in attendance each week they are now meeting outside but will not be able to do so in colder weather.

The other projects of EWRC have been self supporting. This center will not be. The committee has decided to tackle the considerable fundraising necessary. We will draw on the resources within PYM but also reach out to and work with other yearly meetings. We are now working with the Quaker US/USSR Committee of Philadelphia on translating materials on pacifism, Quakerism, and general spiritual works. London Yearly Meeting is currently supporting the two-year presence in Moscow of Peter and Roswitha Jarmau. They have organized family retreats in Russia and have taken conflict resolution techniques to North Ossetia in Georgia and Nagornakarabakh in Azerbaijan. Friends on the East Coast are involved in projects including bringing a new Quaker in the Moscow group to the U.S. next summer.

We need all the help we can get in organizing for such an exciting project. Donations and suggestions for raising funds will be cheerfully accepted. We intend to keep you well informed as to the state of the project, how funds are developing, the programs that involve Friends in the areas of the former Soviet Union, and how you can participate.

ATTACHMENT T 1
Dear Friends:

I am writing to you from the heart of a difficult situation here in Croatia and I ask your support and your prayers. You have been following part of the story from your homes in America. You have seen the horrific pictures of Sarajevo and you have heard talk of intervention. You do not, however, see what I can see: that the conflict is much broader and the conflict much greater than CNN is able or willing to report.

The Croatian peace movement is demoralized. Many activists openly declare that they support intervention and some have gone to fight on the front. It is not easy to be a Friend under these circumstances. George Fox’s advice about being an example to all the nations is good, though hard to follow in all counts under the strain. To justify their own ambivalence, some here take pains to point out my every imperfection and the imperfections of my country. Regular and personal communion with God helps me through these difficulties and often, as I sit in worship by myself, I find refreshment in the thought that somewhere there are Friends sitting with me.

Idolatry is rampant in this country. A medical student aptly diagnosed the problem as being that the people still look to the politicians to tell them what to do. In the marketplace you see emblems of German and American political movements for sale. An American eagle, bearing the Croatian emblem instead of the Stars and Stripes, is a popular item. The transition to capitalism has been hard. A woman told me, “We are hungry now. We have not been hungry before.” They do not dare return to Communism, but I have often heard people say that they were “better off under Tito.”

In the peace movement, too, I have seen activists seize upon “peace shields,” astrology, and other magics. They want to end this war, but they are powerless to do so and that, I think, is why military solutions have become more and more attractive to them. I should add that these sorts of idols are most attractive to those who live in Zagreb, which has been mostly untouched in this war. The situation is different in Osijek where many activists suffered through months of intense bombing, shelling, and street fighting. Here I have heard the most intelligent criticisms of the jingoism which is leading this country to extremism. The activists of Osijek have gone through the fire and it is in this place of danger that I find the truest pacifists in Croatia.

The peace movement in Slovenia deserves a place of affection in our hearts, too. Activists in both Osijek and Ljubljana reach out to the authorities in an effort to inculcate the seeds of nonviolence in the widest possible audience. Slovenia’s short struggle for independence can be attributed, in part, to the government’s willingness to employ civilian-based defense. This created a situation where opponents were able to talk to one another and President Milan Kuchan worked tirelessly for a diplomatic solution to the conflict. Many members of the peace and
human rights movements hold places in the Slovenian cabinet. This country truly wanted peace and it got it.

The continuing Bosnian conflict is having a terrible effect on the attitudes of the people of both Slovenia and Croatia. Both countries are swamped with refugees and displaced people, more than either can feed by itself. The UN can only provide small amounts of assistance since many member states, including the United States, are behind on their dues. The flood of refugees is bankrupting these new states, and anger toward the people fleeing from Bosnia will remain for generations if more humanitarian assistance does not arrive soon.

I am saddened by recurrent talk of intervention and by the means of sanctions. I support arms sanctions and I support technological sanctions, but I oppose cultural sanctions. If the Croats, the Bosnians, and the Serbs cannot talk to one another, there will be no peace without slaughter.

We should mind what is happening in our own country as well. We should not think ourselves better than the Croats, the Bosnians, and the Serbs. Recent events in Los Angeles and New York show once more that we have our own, albeit more complex, racial problem. We should work for economic conversion and inter-racial justice. I am not saying that we should neglect what is happening here in former Yugoslavia to mind our own problems. Our witness, as we declared to James II, is to the whole world. That world begins in our own neighborhoods and extends far beyond our immediate vision. Wherever there are wars and violent strifes, Friends should be working to end them and to treat their victims.

ACTIVITIES TO DATE

1. MIRacles, my weekly reports to Friends everywhere, has been published six times since my arrival. [See attachments.] These have described my encounters with the Croatian, Slovenian, and Bosnian people. I have distributed them both by mail and via the Association for Progressive Communications Networks (PeaceNet and ConflictNet in the United States), Quaker-L, EcuNet, and UseNet.

2. Two trips to Osijek. Meetings with the local peace movement, local officials, social workers, soldiers, University of Osijek faculty, relief agencies and ordinary people. Photographs of war damage.

3. Two trips to Ljubljana. Meetings with local peace movement and human rights organizations. Working with Slovenia Section Office of Amnesty International to help start a Croatia Section Office based in Zagreb.


5. English language assistant for the Center for Peace, Nonviolence, and Human Rights. Providing many hours of listening and moral support for
REPORT TO PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING ON JOEL GAZIS-SAX'S SOJOURN IN CROATIA AND SLOVENIA, 7/30/1992

demoralized peace staff. Working to articulate the needs of foreign volunteers and of Center Staff.

6. Communication with American relief agencies, describing specific needs for the people of Osijek.

7. Provided travel expenses and scholarships for activists from Osijek and Zagreb to attend an international peace gathering in Kopar, Slovenia. I will provide other such scholarships as my finances allow.

8. Set up the tentative adoption of an Osijek refugee shelter. Now raising money to buy toys for the children. I can arrange for the adoption of other shelters and camps if this is requested by Meetings, Churches, and organizations.

PLANNED ACTIVITIES

1. A visit to Split to help local activists get on-line and to learn what I can about the local refugee situation. I may also go to Dubrovnik.

2. A possible visit to secure areas of Bosnia with a Croatian war reporter.

3. A possible visit to Beograd to lend moral support to the local peace movement.

4. A possible visit to Mohacs, Hungary, to visit camps where refugees of the Slavonian front have lived for a year.

5. A visit to Greece and Macedonia to seek the seeds of peace in this potentially explosive region.

NEEDS

1. The Osijek Peace Center needs $700 to install its phone and fax lines!

2. At least $2000 to cover additional travel, phone, and other expenses.

POLITICAL ACTION

I urge the Friends to lobby their members of Congress and the State Department to work, through international agencies, for the following:

1. Creation of an effective framework for dialogue between Serbs, Croats, and Bosnians.

2. Immediate Humanitarian aid to Slovenia, Croatia, and Serbia to take care of the needs of refugees. Aid to Serbia can be channeled either through the Orthodox Church or the International Red Cross.

WHAT FRIENDS CAN DO FOR BALKAN PEACE

This special message is addressed to readers of MIRacles and other Friends who want to know how they can better help the peoples of the Balkans. These are just suggestions. For more information about how you can help, contact gn:jsax.
1. Organize a container of NEW socks, NEW or NEARLY NEW shoes, NEW under-wear, non-language-based toys, school supplies, soap, detergent, other hygienic supplies, warm winter coats (in NEW or NEARLY NEW condition), and other work clothes in your area. Contact your local Red Cross or Caritas (Catholic Relief Services) or mosque for information about how you can help. If there is a local manufacturer of these items in your area, ask if they will donate part of a day's run to your container.

2. If there is a pharmaceutical company in your town which makes one of the medicines (or a generic equivalent) on one of the lists, please approach them. Ask if they will donate a container for war relief.

3. Organize a letter-writing campaign to your elected representative. Ask her or him to press for an effective peace process which will include both the establishment of dialogue between the warring factions and sufficient relief for the Bosnian, Serbian, and Croatian refugees.

4. Organize a Balkans Dance for Peace. Contact local folk dancing groups for assistance. Contribute the money to the International Red Cross/Red Crescent. Ask if you can earmark it for one of the following:
   - Slavonian Refugees
   - Serbian Refugees
   - Bosnian Refugees
   - Glass for Osijek

5. If you are a doctor or other health worker, consider spending your vacation here in Croatia. Refugee camps are badly understaffed and even a few days of help will be appreciated. Pack your suitcase with medicines, especially antibiotics and other necessaries.

6. Campaign against the myth that Croatia and other war zones are getting enough aid. Contact your local newspaper. Show them MIRacles and other reports from this area. Explain the importance of helping out at this time.

7. Avoid peace imperialism. If you decide to travel to this area to see for yourself what is happening, come with a specific plan and a willingness to help. A Dutch activist, just back from Serbia, complained that the Serbian refugees weren't receiving assistance from the West. When I asked him what the specific needs were, he had no idea. Don't just complain about the problems. Do something about them. Be prepared to learn.

8. Try to bring Serbian, Croatian, and Bosnian residents of your city together. Help them to listen to one another. These people are a potent political force in the region, even though they do not live here anymore. Win them over to the idea of dialogue. For models, contact your local AFSC Middle East staff person.

9. Urge Friends organizations to set up projects in Croatia, Serbia, and Bosnia.

10. Struggle against myths. An activist reported to me, with considerable sadness, that a QUNO staff person told her that the people of the Balkans "like to fight." Examine your own conscience for possible racism against the people of the Balkans. Don't just say, "That's how those people are." Have the courage to see that of God in everyone. And promote this idea to others. Don't damage the hopes for peace with a careless remark.

ATTACHMENT U - 4
PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING; Claremont, California
Nominating Committee Report—August 1992

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ATTACHMENT V

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93 Franklin Zahn LA
93 Raymond Soares ML
94 Jay Chun SA
94 Nancy Lynch SB, Co-Clerk
94 Scott Johnson BE
95 Gladis Innerst LJ
95 Carol Mosher BE, Co-Clerk
95 Sandra Goy BE
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one of FCNL Reps.

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93 Marilee Eusebio DA Co-Clerk
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94 Ingrid Peterson CL
94
95 Maria May WH
95 Gerry Maynard ST, Co-Clerk

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93 George Mailey SC
94 Stephen McNeil SE, Clerk
95 Ron Sax PA
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SITES COMMITTEE
93 Lois Richter DA
93 George Rudenko SFY
94 Herb Foster SC
94 Joan Johnson WW, Co-Clerk, South
95 Prudence Myer SB
95 Bank Maiden MA, Co-Clerk, North
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SOCIAL ORDER COMMITTEE
93 Marybeth Webster GV, Clerk
93 Diana Lockard CL
93 Linda Rowell CH
94 Marion Givens WW
94 Peter Milbury CH
94 Chris Nuñez Daw WW
95 Ernest Bicknell BE
95 Bard McAllister VI
95 Suzanne Neil BE
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93 Clare Galbraith DE
93 Rusi Gustafson DA
94 Kathy Forsman WW
94 Barbara Graves ST, Co-Clerk
94 Stuart Ridgeway SM
95 Senda Beal BE, Co-Clerk
95 Robert Young OG
Ex Officio: EarthLight Editor
FCSCN Reps.

WIDER FELLOWSHIP AMONG FRIENDS COMM.
93 Anne Friend LA
94 Marie Schutz RF
95 Jennette Norton OC, Clerk
Ex Officio: Representatives to: EFI, FGC, FUM, RGAM, YFNA, & one FWCC Representative

HOLDING CORPORATION COMM.
93 Harry Bailey GV
93 David Tappan OG
94 Anne Davenport CL
94 Lowell Tozer SD, Clerk
95 Robert Young OG
95 Margaret Mossman BE
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*First year, partial term
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93 Beatrice Miller OG
94 Jean Walton CL
94 Sandra Gey BE
95 Harry Bailey GV

FWCC - Section of the Americas**
93 Carol Mosher BE, Conv.
93 Leonard Dart CL
94 Jan Tappan OG
95 Bob Baras GV
95 Steve Birdiebough SA

**these Representatives select one of their number to be an ex officio member of Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee

EVANGELICAL FRIENDS (2 yr)
93 Meta Ruth Ferguson* LJ

JUNIOR YEARLY MEETING
Esther Milbur GH, Co-Clerk
Danny Tappan OG, Co-Clerk

FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON NATIONAL LEGISLATION
93 Kimi Nagatani OC
93 Ernest Bicknell BE
94 Jean Malcolm SD
94 Steve Birdiebough SA, Conv.
95 Carolyn Stephenson H0

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WILLIAM PENN HOUSE (FCNL)
93 Anne Friend LA

YOUNG FRIENDS
93 Desire Dawn Buell IV, Clerk
94 Karen Lawrence LJ, Co-Clerk

FRIENDS COMMITTEE ON UNITY WITH NATURE
93 Michael Dunn IV
94 Tom Farley PA

YFNA DELEGATES
Carl Megruder SA
Melinda Glines ST

FRIENDS GEN. CONFERENCE (2 yr)
94 Langdon Elsbree* CL

* First year, partial term

FRIENDS UNITED MEETING (3 yr)
93 Stratton Jaquette* PA

*ex officio member of Wider Fellowship Among Friends Committee

REUNION GENERAL DE LOS AMIGOS EN MEXICO
93 Jane Peers* LJ

PJM NOMINATING COMMITTEE REPORT

ATTACHMENT V - 4
REPORT TO PYM FROM THE AD HOC YOUNG FRIENDS FINANCE COMMITTEE

This year Young Friends took the question of finances very seriously. It was the fact that Yearly Meeting put a cap on our reserves that drew our attention to the fact that the budget money for Young Friends Travel was not being spent. As all of you are probably aware this money has not been spent not because there is no need for the funds, or the nourishment Young Friends get from traveling to gatherings like FGC, YFNA, or the exchanges with the Soviet Union but because these funds have not been sufficiently publicized and procedures for applying for funds have not been made clear. So this year we set up an ad hoc finance committee, of which I will be clerk, to publicize and administer scholarships. This is a 1-year committee which may become permanent, depending on how the next year goes.

Given that FGC will be in Oklahoma next year we especially want to encourage Young Friends to attend and hope to send a van-pool. We would pay for travel by van-pool and have also set aside seven $100 scholarships for FGC registration. We plan to work closely with PYM registrar to include Young Friends scholarship applications with registration materials, which is actually a very real need. (I won’t go into details.) We also plan to send 1 or 2 Young Friends to YFNA and have extra money left over in the reserve fund to fund other Young Friends’ travel, if they apply. General applications for FGC, YFNA, or any other scholarships will be sent out with the packet of the minutes of PYM. We ask that PYM representatives announce scholarships, give forms to the clerk, and everybody make the existence of these scholarships widely known. Please note that we use the term ‘Young Friends’ broadly. If someone is wondering if they might fit our definition of a Young Friend, they probably do.

We also ask you to encourage Young Friends to consider applying to your monthly meeting for extra funds for Friends-related travel, if needed. We plan to use our budgeted money for next year and as much of the reserve as possible over the next year. We’ll see how it goes. We hope to work with finance committee before next PYM on next year’s budget, to set future Young Friends allocations, based on what we learn over this year. At this time we are asking that the Yearly Meeting maintain our budget for next year at the same level at which we were funded for this year, rather than the decrease shown on the budget you have in your hands. I might also add that although you see "0" as what we spent this year, we actually did spend most of your budget since arriving on much needed scholarships to PYM. We have also spoken with the clerk of finance who is in favor of our proposal.
TO MONTHLY MEETING CLERKS: Please announce and make available to Young Friends in your Meeting. Thanks.

Dear Young Friend:

We as Young Friends want very much to enable you to attend gatherings such as FGC (Friends General Conference), YFNA (Young Friends of North America), and PYM (Pacific Yearly Meeting), as well as to undertake other Friends related travel.

This year in particular we are offering seven scholarships of $100 towards registration at FGC, which will be held July 3-10, 1993, in Stillwater, Oklahoma. We are planning a van-pool to FGC and can cover your expenses on the van-pool if you so request on the scholarship application. (Friends not requesting financial assistance are also welcome to travel with us.)

The priority filing deadline for FCG scholarships is April 1, 1993. Checks will be mailed out as soon as possible thereafter. There are no deadlines for other scholarships, and FGC money will likely be available even to later applicants. PYM scholarships will be available with registration materials.

Please consider the term "Young Friends" broadly. If you think you might fit the term, you probably do. Also consider asking your Monthly Meeting for funds in addition to applying with us if necessary. We look forward to receiving your application.

In peace and fun,

Young Friends Ad Hoc Finance Committee
Laura Cornell, Clerk

APPLICATIONS ARE AVAILABLE FROM:
Chris Amen
2640 Portage Bay East
Apt #22
Davis, CA 95616
(916) 758-7991
Mail to: Chris Amen
2640 Portage Bay East
Apt #22
Davis, CA 95616
(916) 758-7991

YOUNG FRIENDS TRAVEL SCHOLARSHIP APPLICATION - 1992-93

NAME: ____________________________________________

ADDRESS: _________________________________________

CITY/ST: ___________________________ ZIP _________

PHONE: ( ) ___________________

MONTHLY MEETING (if any) __________________________

WHAT YOU PLAN TO ATTEND OR DO:

What is the minimum amount you will need to attend? $________

What is the maximum you would like? $________

BRIEFLY EXPLAIN YOUR FINANCIAL SITUATION:

WHAT DO YOU HOPE TO GAIN FROM ATTENDING, WHY ARE YOU GOING, OR ANYTHING ELSE YOU WOULD LIKE TO TELL US:

To help the Young Friends Ad Hoc Committee know you, if you have not attended PYM in the last 3 years, please include 2 references (Monthly Meeting clerks, members or attenders, or other Young Friends):

Name____________________Phone____________________Position__________

Name____________________Phone____________________Position__________

ATTACHMENT W-3
Pacific Yearly Meeting
Claremont McKenna College
August 5-9, 1992

REPORT FROM THE REGISTRARS

Statistics

The following statistics should be helpful in planning for future sessions. A total of approximately 400 Friends participated at this session for at least all or part of a day.

The following table the compares the attendance with previous Yearly Meeting sessions.

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The following table shows the distribution of participants by age and day in attendance.

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The following table shows the compliance with the July 18, 1992 deadline for the receipt of a completed registration form in order to avoid a late penalty charge.

| Registration form received on or before penalty cutoff date | 234 | 59% |
| Registration form received after penalty cutoff date | 165 | 41% |
| Total | 399 | 100% |

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The following table shows the distribution of participants by type of access to the facility.

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**Problems**

We experienced many situations which took an inordinate amount of time and effort to handle. These included:

- Working with younger Friends below the age of 18 who came to Yearly Meeting without parental permission and a designated sponsor;

- Handling the distribution of committee reports and producing additional copies as needed;

- Asking day attenders to register;

- Handling many registration change requests for length of stay and room assignment;

- Registering people on-site without the advantage of having received a completed registration form in advance. This included Friends requesting room and meals;

- Handling a major difficulty with the use of the plastic access/meal card which the Claremont McKenna College provided.

**Positive Aspects**

We found the personnel of Claremont McKenna College to be very helpful, flexible, and responsive to our needs.

We wish to thank Pat Wolff, Alan Graham, Linda Rowell, Euclid Bautista, and many others who volunteered to assist us throughout the session.

**The Future**

As relatively new registrars, we learned much from this experience and plan to make recommendations to Representative Committee to make the registration process more efficient and equitable.

Gary Wolff and Betty Miller, Co-Registrars
Sunday, August 9, 1992
REPORT FROM FRIENDS WORLD COMMITTEE FOR CONSULTATION

By Carol Mosher, Convener of PYM's Representatives to the Section of Americas of the Friends World Committee for Consultation (FWCC)

PYM is allotted 5 representatives to FWCC, based on our total number of members. These representatives are Steve Birdlebough, Leonard Dart, Margaret Willits, Jan Tappan, and Bob Barnes. These representatives serve PYM and FWCC by attending the Annual Meeting of FWCC in March and being assigned to one or more committees. In addition, PYM has several past representatives who FWCC found so valuable they co-opted them to continue serving FWCC. They include Jeannette Horton, Bob Vogel, and Sue Brune.

PYM's official delegates to the 5th World Conference held last summer at 3 sites were Steve Birdlebough (Netherlands), Marg Willits and Cliff Cole (Honduras), and Paul Niebauer (Kenya). Please invite these delegates or the FWCC representatives to speak at your Meeting.

ANNUAL MEETING. All friends are invited to Section of Americas Annual Meetings. Write or call the Section of Americas office in Philadelphia, or tell Carol or one of your representatives that you would like an announcement and registration form. The next annual meeting is March 18-21 in Ciudad Victoria, Mexico. This will be the first time the Annual Meeting has been held south of the U.S. Non-representatives have their own programs and can also attend the regular committee meetings.

REGIONAL MEETINGS. Representatives also attend regional meetings in the area where programmed Friends come together with unprogrammed Friends. In Southern California, a Regional Gathering is planned for Saturday, November 14th, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Friends Church in Whittier with keynote speaker Doug Gwyn, who is Pastor of Berkeley Friends Church and was also the keynote speaker at the Western Gathering. Fliers on this meeting are attached. In Northern California, a smaller gathering is planned for September 13th, a potluck at Berkeley Friends Church, from 6:00 to 9:00 p.m., again with Doug Gwyn.

PUBLICATIONS. Publications by FWCC which have just come out include Friends Directory of Meetings and Churches in the Section of Americas. This has already been mailed to each Meeting. Please urge your Meeting Clerk to keep the directory and mail back a check for $6.50 plus postage. Another publication is the Proceedings of the World Conference, available for $18. There are also 2 videos available on the World Conference, one on the Honduras ($25) and one on the Netherlands (also $25) World Conferences. These can be ordered by writing or calling the Section of Americas office.

Friends World Committee Regional Gathering
of Friends Church Southwest Yearly Meeting and Pacific Yearly Meeting

"I Have Called You Friends"

You are invited to join Friends who attended the 1991 World Conference and the 1992 Western Gathering of Friends. We will share our experiences, listening and responding to God and each other.

with Doug Gwyn, Pastor of Berkeley Friends Church
Author of Apocalypse of the Word and Unmasking the Idols

November 14, 1992

10:00 AM to 4:00 PM
$10.00 Registration, includes lunch
Childcare provided with advance request

Fellowship Hall, Whittier Friends Church
13205 Philadelphia St., Whittier

Directions to Whittier Friends Church: Take 605 Freeway to Whittier Blvd. exit. Go east to Philadelphia St., left on Philadelphia St. to Washington Ave. The church is on the corner of Philadelphia St. and Washington Ave.

For additional information: Bill Wright (310) 696-5136
Robert Vogel (818) 798-9706

Registration Form: Registration Deadline: November 6th

Name ____________________________
Address ____________________________
Telephone: ( ) ____________________________
I'd like to request childcare for (list children and ages):

Send this form together with a check for $10.00, payable to "FWCC Regional Gathering" to:
FWCC, c/o Whittier Friends Church, 13205 Philadelphia St, Whittier, CA 90601
To Friends Everywhere:

Greetings from the campus of Claremont McKenna College in Southern California! When we first held Yearly Meeting on this site in 1967, after prolonged and difficult searching we agreed to send food and supplies to war-torn people in North Vietnam. Upon our return for a second visit twenty-five years later we have found ourselves still facing the ravages of U.S. military action on foreign soil. Although our surface activities have varied over the intervening years, we confirm our ongoing commitment to peace, justice and healing.

Because of recent difficulties with site arrangements, our gathering time was abbreviated this year. Reduced from six to three days, our truncated schedule required us to limit our servings of spiritual stimulation and to reflect back upon our individual Meetings and worship groups during the past year.

Many of us were present at the recent first Western Gathering of Friends, attended by Friends from all the Yearly Meetings in the western United States, Mexico and Canada. The mutual infusion of spiritual energies from liberal and evangelical Friends will enrich us for a long time to come.

At our 1991 Yearly Meeting, disturbing disclosures of sexual harassment and sexual abuse among us led to the formation of a Subcommittee on Sexual Abuse and a vigorous effort to address these concerns at the Yearly Meeting level. As Friends, we are called to develop a truly inclusive community, free of violence and injustice. Sexual harassment, like all forms of violence against others, cannot be tolerated in such a community.

We have embarked upon a seven-year review and revision of our book of Faith and Practice. Following upon its early attention to the relationship between Quakerism and Christianity and the meaning of membership, the Revision Committee has challenged us to explore and define the core of our faith.

Our site location difficulties have been an opportunity to search ourselves regarding the right holding of Yearly Meeting. We are grateful for the dedicated and experienced members who have risen again to help us draw into a community of faith and service. We look forward to a continuing rebirth in the Light.
We are deeply aware of the anguish in the lives of people across the earth and of hurt to the earth itself, as well as sadness and pain within those who are among us. Through a sharing of that suffering, our hearts have been quickened in love and gratitude for years of devoted service. May we be agents of healing, caring for one other while doing what is required of us, and may our beloved community be a dynamic element in the peaceable kingdom.

Signed on behalf of Pacific Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends,

Jane Walters Peers
Presiding Clerk
To Friends Everywhere,
from Young Friends of Pacific Yearly Meeting,
meeting at Claremont McKenna College, August 6-9, 1992:

GREETINGS!

Will you join us in a brief moment of silence?

Our spiritual needs bring very few of us to this place. Many of our dear friends who grew up as children of the Yearly Meeting have looked elsewhere to fill their needs for community and for ritual.

How can our Young Friends group offer a place for transition from adolescence to adulthood?

How can we encourage each other to seek a meaningful faith, and support each one in the directions that this may take us?

How do we learn Quaker process?

How do we share the gift of grounding in the Spirit with those both older and younger than ourselves?

When do we let go and move on to our own next stages?

We invite you to think about these things: how they fit into our Yearly Meeting, our Monthly Meetings, and our ongoing lives in community and faith.

No more, but our love.

PYM Young Friends 1992
To Junior Friends Everywhere
From Junior Yearly Meeting of Pacific Yearly Meeting
Meeting at Claremont McKenna College, August 6-9, 1992

Epistle Number 1

After 2-1/2 intense days, JYMers are regretfully realizing that our time together is at an end.

Worship-Fellowships, and various workshops and interest groups have occupied our hours and given us food for thought, while pool parties, dances and capture the flag have kept us entertained.

We are concerned about the future of JYM and PYM as a whole. Some of us feel powerless and unheard. We see the importance of the general PYM and would like to become more involved. We hope that next year's PYM will be longer, and better attended, by people of all ages.

Epistle Number 2

Here we stand,
Lost in the void between
Childhood and adulthood.
Here we sing
Of the joy and sadness
That fill our lives.
Here we sit
And rest our weary souls
Once a year.
Here we talk,
And find that we
Are not alone.
Here we hope
And pray and work
for a future we're never sure of.
Here we dream
Of the world we want to
create.
Here we watch
the miracles of
Growing up.
Here we learn
About love and tenderness,
And the vital importance of time.
Here we live.

-by Reo Wexner

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