



## Advanced Program & Registration Form



for SAYMA Yearly Meeting  
Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, North Carolina  
from Thursday June 7 to Sunday June 10, 2007

### Nourished by our Roots Bursting forth with Fruits

Dear Friends,

The Yearly Meeting Planning Committee began its work last summer by carefully considering your comments on last year's evaluation forms. It was clear that you value a spiritually gathered meeting, that you want lots of opportunities for shared community, and that an important part of developing a spirit of worship throughout all four days of Yearly Meeting is having unhurried time together.

People told us they were happy with moving to just one workshop each afternoon. Simplicity works well for Friends, doesn't it? So with that in mind, we have scheduled worship sharing this year for just Friday and Saturday after lunch and added an hour of free time on Sunday morning for packing up.

We're excited about our plenary speakers – Annie Black suggested we invite Peterson Toscano; Carol Nickle suggested Jan Hoffman; and Steve Livingston told us about Dave MacInnes.

Planning for Yearly Meeting is rooted in our experiences together, in your helpful feedback, and in our worshipful committee meetings throughout the year. We hope our work will prove fruitful for you when you join us in Swannanoa this coming June.

In Friendship,

*Carol Ciscel*

Clerk, Yearly Meeting Planning Committee

### Registration Deadline May 12

After that there will be a \$30 late fee. Unfortunately no dorm rooms can be assigned after 5/26 and no meal tickets can be purchased or changed after 5/29. If you need to cancel, contact the Registrar ASAP. Only partial refunds can be made after May 29.

### May 25 deadline for State of Meeting Reports

Electronic copies: [AdminAsst@sayma.org](mailto:AdminAsst@sayma.org)  
Paper copies (4): Liz Perch, Adm. Asst.  
330 Goebel Avenue,  
Savannah, GA 31404.  
If you miss the May 25 deadline, bring 5 paper copies to Yearly Meeting with you.

### Scheduling meetings

If your committee wishes to meet on Friday at 11 a.m., contact Steve Livingston at [nc\\_stereoman@charter.net](mailto:nc_stereoman@charter.net) to be assigned a room. During Yearly Meeting in June you may also schedule a private dining room for an impromptu lunch or dinner meeting.

### Display Space at SAYMA

WQOs should contact Carol Ciscel at [carolciscel@bellsouth.net](mailto:carolciscel@bellsouth.net) to reserve display space at SAYMA

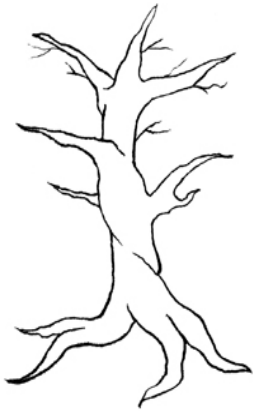
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	<b>Thursday</b>	<b>Friday</b>		<b>Saturday</b>	<b>Sunday</b>
6 a.m.		Early Worship – Pavilion 6:30—7 a.m.		Early Worship – Pavilion 6:30—7 a.m.	Early Worship – Pavilion 6:30—7 a.m.
7 a.m.	Breakfast in Gladfelter Cafeteria – 7:15 a.m. to 8 a.m. (Dining rooms A, B, and C may be reserved for breakfast meetings.)				
8 a.m.	Check-in begins 4:30 p.m. Wednesday See page 9 for Registration hours.  Informal activities are available on Wednesday evening & Thursday morning	Meeting for Business Canon Lounge 8:30—11 a.m. ✎		Meeting for Remembrance Canon Lounge ✎ 8:30—9:30 a.m.	Free time for check-out. 8—9 a.m.
9 a.m.				Meeting for Business Canon Lounge 9:30—noon ✎	Meeting for Business Canon Lounge ✎ 9 – 11 a.m.
11 a.m.		Committee Meetings ✎ Films & other activities 11 a.m.—noon			Closing Worship ✎ 11 a.m.—noon
noon	Lunch in Gladfelter Cafeteria – noon to 1 p.m. (Dining rooms A, B, and C may be reserved for luncheon meetings)				
1 p.m.	Opening Worship Canon Lounge ✎ 1—2 p.m.	Worship Sharing ✎ posted 1:15—2:15 p.m.		Worship Sharing ✎ posted 1:15—2:15 p.m.	✎ JYM is in session. See page 7 for details.  See final program for a list of <u>pre-scheduled</u> committee meetings: times & locations.  See bulletin board at Conference Central for meetings scheduled on the spot and for film schedules.  See Conference Central for Worship Sharing assignments & locations.  See final program for info on late evening worship groups.
2 p.m.	Meeting for Business Canon Lounge 2—5 p.m. ✎	Workshops ✎ See pages 4&5 2:30—4:30 p.m.		Workshops ✎ See pages 4&5 2:30—4:30 p.m.	
4 p.m.		Free time 4:30—5 p.m.		Free time 4:30—5 p.m.	
5 p.m.	Dinner in Gladfelter Cafeteria – 5 to 6 p.m. (Dining A, B, C may be reserved for dinner meetings.)				
6 p.m.	Singing Gladfelter Patio	Singing Gladfelter Patio		Singing Gladfelter Patio	
7 p.m.	Worship & Plenary Canon Lounge ✎	Worship & Plenary Canon Lounge ✎		Saturday Intergenerational Bryson Gym (Barn)	
9 p.m.	Chat & Chew, Movies, Worship for men/women/FLGBTQ,	Chat & Chew, Movies, Worship for men/women/FLGBTQ.		Chat & Chew, Movies, Worship for men/women/FLGBTQ	

## Plenary Sessions

**Thursday Night:** Peterson Toscano will share his spiritual journey with us. Peterson spent 17 years and over \$30,000 on three different continents seeking to change his same-sex attractions. Now a Christ-centered Quaker and openly gay, he tells his story on-line, in film and on-stage. Peterson travels internationally – often meeting with conservative leaders, pastors and ex-gays in order to foster dialogue and change. On-stage he is praised for his character transformations; off-stage Peterson seeks peace and reconciliation through story telling. He is a member of Hartford Monthly Meeting, New England Yearly Meeting. ([www.petersontoscano.com](http://www.petersontoscano.com))

**Friday Night:** Jan Hoffman will speak to us from the Spirit. Jan has deepened her roots and been nourished by traveling and working among a great variety of Friends. From this grounding she expects to learn as much as she can about SAYMA and its constituent meetings. She intends to hold that knowledge in God's light during the spring and then speak as led on Friday evening. She comes from New England Yearly Meeting, where she currently serves as clerk of its *Faith and Practice* Revision Committee.



**Saturday Night:** Hibbard Thatcher Celebration Dance for all ages. Dave MacInnes will lead us in the kind of dances that Hibbard so loved to do. Dave started out in folk dancing, but now calls mostly circle, square and contra dances. Dave specializes in groups of beginners or mixed groups, mostly school groups and home school groups of all ages. His primary goal is helping the community come together. Dave calls for New Garden Monthly Meeting and once called for the Friends General Conference Gathering in Ithaca NY, with 3000 people attending.

## Worship at SAYMA

Yearly Meeting offers daily opportunities to worship in plenary – all of us together. We begin with opening worship on Thursday afternoon and end with closing worship on Sunday morning. Every business meeting and the Thursday and Friday night plenary sessions begin with silent worship. On Saturday morning, Worship for Remembrance allows us to hold in the light Friends who are no longer with us.

There are also opportunities to worship in smaller groups. Only a small number of intrepid Friends make it to Early Morning Worship on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday mornings, but they have perhaps the most beautiful spot on campus – the pavilion at dawn. Also any group who wishes may request a space to hold a meeting for worship in the evening after the plenary session. Our worship coordinator this year, Errol Hess, will help you make arrangements. Email him at [errol@kitenet.net](mailto:errol@kitenet.net).

And of course one of the highlights of Yearly Meeting is worship sharing. This year worship sharing will be held for a full hour between 1:15 and 2:15 on Friday and again on Saturday after lunch. Queries will address this year's theme – Quaker roots and their fruits. SAYFers will hold their own worship sharing sessions this year and JYM will experiment with worship sharing through artistic expression.

If you indicate on your registration form that you wish to participate in worship sharing, the registrar will assign you to a group. Information on groups and locations will be readily available at Conference Central. (See page 8.)

**Friday Query:** What are the roots of your Quakerism (both Quaker and non-Quaker)?

**Saturday Query:** How is your Quakerism expressed in your life?

## Friday Workshops

### **#1 - Creating an Earthcare Testimony**

**Roy Taylor (Canton Worship Group; Ecological Concerns Network)**

Participate in a threshing session about what an Earthcare Testimony might look like for SAYMA. This is your chance to be heard & recorded. After a short presentation, we'll engage in a "world café" conversation addressing queries developed to elicit our core beliefs on this subject.  
*Worship 100% hopefully Lecture 10% Discussion/Interactive 90%* *Length 90-120 min; all ages*

### **#2 - June Is Torture Awareness Month. Anybody Notice?**

**Chuck Fager (Quaker House)**

Torture is one of the hardest issues to face. I've been working to face up to it and get started on work to overcome and end it. I'll talk about that, and other anti-torture efforts. It will take long-term effort and courage to make headway; let's get started, & encourage each other.  
*Worship 100% (Cf. Matthew 22:37). Some presentation and discussion.* *Length 90-120 min; all ages*

### **#3 - Barriers to Building the Beloved Community**

**Mary Ann Downey (Atlanta MM)**

What are the major barriers to building community in your meeting? How do you recognize and address these issues? This workshop will focus on how we deal with the problems that we face in building the beloved spiritual community that was the dream of early Friends.  
*Lecture 20% Discussion 40% Interactive 40%* *Length 90 min; all ages; limit 40 people*

### **#4 - 1652 England: Hearing the Message of George Fox**

**Bill Holland (Atlanta MM)**

How did George Fox develop his vision and message that brought together religious seekers in 17<sup>th</sup> century England? A slide show takes you to the birthplace of Quakerism and helps you discover more about the message & the man.  
*Lecture 80% Discussion 20%* *Length 90 min; all ages*

### **#5 - Our Quaker tradition of healing**

**Mark & Ceal Wutka (Atlanta MM)**

Quakers have a long relationship with healing. George Fox recorded many instances in his writings. We will present a brief introduction and describe the process of a Meeting for Worship For Healing as we learned it from Lee Richard Lee at FGC Gathering. In the first hour we will get to know each other a little better; in the second we'll hold our meeting for healing. Requests for healing will be taken from the group.  
*Worship: 50% Lecture: 10% Interactive: 90%* *Length: 120 min; all ages; limit 20 people*

### **#6 - Spirit in Your Wallet**

**Cathi Watkins (Athens MM)**

1st Hour: Spirituality and Money; 2nd Hour: Financial Survival. This two-part workshop offers SAYFers and YAFs a chance to consider how Spirituality intersects with earning, saving, spending, donating & borrowing money. The 2nd session covers basic money management with Q&A and a smorgasbord of hand-outs. (Cathi is a certified financial counselor & works at a community development corporation in Athens.)  
*Worship 10% Lecture 40% Small group discussion 50%* *Length: 120 min; aimed at youth (SAYF & YAF)*

### **#7 - 2000 Years Ago in Jerusalem: 8 Piano Pieces About Jesus' Crucifixion**

**Richard Allen (Atlanta MM)**

In naming these pieces, I avoided words conveying exclusion: words used by groups who believe including people who are different would undermine their concepts of absolute right and wrong. I'll play the pieces and then invite questions, comments, and discussion.  
*Music 60-80% Lecture 2% Discussion 20-40%* *Length 60 min; all ages*

### **#8 - I Was a Stranger and You Welcomed Me**

**Jane Berger (Friends General Conference Traveling Ministry)**

Participants will consider what newcomers notice about our meetings that Friends often do not perceive. How might our communities become more open and Quakerism more accessible? And, what is the relationship between spiritual vitality and meeting growth?  
*Worship 5-10% Lecture 10-15% Discussion 40% Interactive 40%* *Length 90-120 min; all ages; limit 20 people*

### **#9 - Introduction to "White Awareness Anti-Racism Training"**

**Bert Skellie (Atlanta MM)**

Experience a sample of the many exercises in Judith Katz' 2003 handbook which can "help white people become more aware of how racism affects our lives, our institutions, our perspectives, and our actions and help change our assumptions and behaviors." (p. 24)  
*Worship 10% Lecture 5% Discussion 15% Interactive 70%* *Length 120 min; all ages; limit 20 people*

### **#10 - Building Hope for Palestine**

**Samir Moukaddam (Middle East Peace Education Program,  
American Friends Service Committee)**

Our program, "Faces of Hope" supports nonviolent resistance and refusal in Israel and Palestine. We can bring hope to the Palestinians: by buying their Fair Trade products, by telling their stories, and by witnessing pictures of their lives under military occupation.  
*Lecture 50% Discussion 30% Interactive 20%* *Length: 75-90 min; all ages*

### **#11 - English dances at the beginning of Quakerism**

**Dave MacInnes (plenary speaker)**

While early Friends felt dance & music distracted from the inner life, they must have grown up dancing, before they converted; surely young Friends even then rebelled a little against their elders? Come and learn some of their dances and the effect dance had on early Quaker thought and practice. We'll experience dances from both countryside and the court, both ritual based and purely social.  
*Worship 5% Lecture 5% Discussion & Interactive 90%* *Length: 75-90 min; all ages*

### **#12 - Worship Sharing through Songwriting**

**Guy Larry Osborne (West Knoxville MM)**

Do you like to listen to music with a spiritual and social justice message? Are you a songwriter who expresses aspects of your spiritual journey through music? If so, this workshop might be both enjoyable and meaningful for both song-listeners and songwriters of various ability levels.  
*Lecture 10% Discussion 15% Interactive 75%* *Length 60 min; all ages; limit 20 people*

**#13 - Creating an Earthcare Testimony (repeat of workshop #1)****#14 - June Is Torture Awareness Month. Anybody Notice? (repeat of workshop #2)****#15 - Words with Life: Roots, Fruits, and Seeds****Janet Hoffman (Plenary speaker)**

Through worship we will open ourselves to sharing the continuing life in the words I spoke Friday night. What words or thoughts came alive in you? Which ones seeded further understanding or deeper questions? What confusions arose? Be prepared for a spiritual adventure!  
*Worship and worship-sharing percents as per the Spirit*

*Length: 90-120; all ages; limit 30 people***#16 - Naming and Nurturing Emerging Gifts of Ministry****Hannah MacDermott (Atlanta MM)**

"Ministry is what makes more real the presence of God"- Marty Grundy. FGC Traveling Ministries is deeply involved in "Naming and nurturing emerging gifts of ministry". Let's begin a discussion in SAYMA about emerging gifts of ministry in our communities.  
*Worship 10% Lecture 20% Discussion 70%*

*Length 90 min; all ages***#17 - Acting the Bible****Peterson Toscano (Thursday plenary speaker, comedian)**

Participants will stage the action from a Gospel passage scene by scene choosing from a variety of roles: actor, director, photographer, reporter and observer. Bibliodramas are an amazing way to experience scripture by engaging all of our mind, our heart and our body.  
*Lecture 10% Discussion 30% Interactive 60%*

*Length 120 min; all ages; max 25 people***#18 - Drawing Nourishment from the Taproot****Paul Buckley (Earlham School of Religion)**

When George Fox asked, "What canst thou say?" Margaret Fell's anguished response was, "We are all thieves, we are all thieves, we have taken the Scriptures in words and know nothing of them in ourselves." Can we find inspiration from the same Spirit that inspired Scripture?  
*Worship 25% Lecture 25% Discussion 25% Interactive 25%*

*Length 90 min; all ages***#19 - Let It Shine!****Jane Berger (Friends General Conference Traveling Ministry)**

Participants will look at a variety of ways to make our Quaker meetings more visible. Then through a lively double circle exercise, Friends will practice responding to questions visitors ask. We'll talk about Quaker Quest, which is bringing seekers to meetings all over England.  
*Worship 5-10% Lecture 10-15% Discussion 40% Interactive 40%*

*Length 90-120 min; all ages***#20 - Mountain dances****Dave MacInnes (plenary speaker)**

Many of the dances we'll be doing in plenary Saturday night come from the SAYMA area: from play party games to big circle and square dances. Come and try them out in preparation for the evening's dance. If you have a mountain dance to share you are welcome to bring it.  
*Discussion 10% Interactive 90%*

*Length 75-90 min; all ages***#21 - Shedding Burdens of Affluence—Harvesting Fruits of Simplicity****Jackie Speicher (Right Sharing of World Resources)**

Early Quakers took to heart Biblical teachings on simplicity. Today, many suffer the burdens of affluence. We'll discuss our experiences of "affluenza" and consider Biblical & Quaker wisdom for application healing & harvesting the fruits of simplified, more spiritual living.  
*Worship 10% Lecture 20% Discussion 35% Interactive 35%*

*Length 120 min; all ages; max 30 people***#22 - Healthy Solutions to Confront Global Warming****Rita Kilpatrick & Dan May (Atlanta MM)**

We'll explore the energy choices we face in our region and consider how they can nourish our relationships with each other with the earth. We'll share the initiatives being tried in Atlanta Friends Meeting and invite other ideas from workshop participants.  
*Lecture 40% Discussion 60%*

*Length 90 min; all ages***#23 - Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP)****Nancy Evans Nothhelfer (Alternatives to Violence Project)**

This introduction to AVP will involve experiential exercises and group process methods, creating a sense of community for sharing feelings and thoughts. As Larry Apsen, a founder of AVP said, learning the arts of peace begins with the individual.  
*Lecture 10% Discussion 15% Interactive 75%*

*Length 90-120 min; all ages; max 20 people***#24 - Mindfulness and Psychology****John Todd (Recorded Minister, Wilmington Yearly Meeting)**

Learn to follow your breathing & observe your mind. When your mind is quiet we will look, listen, touch, taste and smell aspects of nature: fruits, leaves, branches. Can we observe the mind observing the mind? Change the mind: where is the changer? To experience the temporary end of the mind is startlingly intense & powerful and people need to know it could happen even in just two hours  
*Worship 50% Interactive 90%*

*Length 120 min; all ages; max 12 people***#25 - Exploring Personal Pilgrimages****Jonah McDonald (Atlanta MM)**

What is your pilgrimage today? What do you want it to be? Let's embrace the journey and approach it more mindfully. We will focus on our individual journeys defining goals and creating specific processes to help facilitate personal growth. We will also explore ways in which our Monthly Meetings can better support our individual transformative journeys.  
*Lecture 10% Discussion & Interactive 80%*

*Length: 90 min; all ages; max 20 people***#26 – Intergenerational games with JYM (See info under JYM, page 7.)**

# Southern Appalachian Young Friends (SAYF)

## What is SAYF?

SAYF is a program for Young Friends aged 12-18 in Middle School or High School. They have a separate dorm, a separate program, and ongoing supervision at Yearly Meeting. Anyone who has already turned 12, but not yet finished 6<sup>th</sup> grade, can choose either SAYF or JYM. Parents with questions about SAYF may call Wren Hendrickson at 919-490-8950 or email [wrenhendrickson@AOL.com](mailto:wrenhendrickson@AOL.com).

## Getting Registered for SAYF

SAYFers have one form to fill out for the SAYMA Registrar and two forms to fill out for SAYF.

1. The SAYMA registration form in this packet must be mailed to the registrar by May 12!
  - High Schoolers should sign up for workshops on Friday and Saturday afternoons. All other times SAYF will have its own program.
  - Note: SAYFers make their own breakfast on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday mornings, so do not pay for the community breakfast on those days.
  - If you need a scholarship, apply first to your monthly meeting, and then fill in the amount you still need under *Summary of Fees*.
  - You will need an adult sponsor who is attending SAYMA. If this is not your parent(s), you must identify someone else who will be at SAYMA.
2. The SAYF-at-SAYMA form and a medical form will be mailed to you separately.
  - If you are not yet on the SAYF mailing list, email Therese Hildebrand at [hildebrand@acer-access.com](mailto:hildebrand@acer-access.com) or write her at PO Box 158, Big Hill, KY, 40405. The forms are also on the SAYMA website: [www.SAYMA.org](http://www.SAYMA.org).
  - Bring the SAYF-at-SAYMA and medical forms with you to the SAYF dorm.

## SAYFers arriving at Warren Wilson

First, check in at the SAYMA registration desk in Gladfelter Hall to get your conference name tag. Bring that with you to the SAYF dorm together with both the SAYF-at-SAYMA and the medical forms.

The SAYF dorm opens on Thursday at 11:00 a.m. SAYFers who arrive earlier must be under the care of their parents or sponsor until the dorm opens. Please do NOT come to the SAYF dorm early.

## SAYF Schedule

A detailed schedule will be printed in the final program which you will pick up when you check-in.

- SAYFers start each day by making their own breakfast. Lunch and dinner are in the cafeteria.
- Each day there is at least one activity available with the SAYMA community:
  - Thursday – opening worship 1 p.m.;
  - Friday/Saturday – workshops 2:30-4:30;
  - Sunday – epistle sharing at Meeting for Business 9:30 a.m.
- Optional activities throughout the day include both SAYF and SAYMA programs.
- SAYFers hold their own worship sharing.
- A roll call before lunch and dinner and dorm roll calls are held each day.
- Special SAYF events:
  - Thursday evening: 9:30 p.m. FAP orientation; 10:00 p.m. Nurturing Committee and orientation for Young SAYFers; 11:00 p.m. Opening Circle
  - Friday morning: 9:00 a.m. introduction to SAYF at SAYMA
  - Sunday – 10:00 a.m. Closing circle
- Lights out each night at 1 a.m.

## Note to Adults about SAYF

Parents or other adults are welcome to observe or participate in SAYF activities. Adult presence is vital for our year round youth program. We especially need volunteers for...

1. overnight supervision in the SAYF dorm. This means staying awake at the dorm for a two-hour shift between 1 a.m. and 8 a.m. If you are interested, contact Sig Christensen at 865-765-2163. During SAYMA, just come to the SAYF dorm to volunteer.
2. helping with SAYF registration at the SAYF dorm Thursday 11a.m. to noon and 2 to 11 p.m.
3. bringing groceries for SAYF with them to SAYMA (list and reimbursement provided).
4. running errands to the store on Friday and/or Saturday.
5. swimming with SAYFers in the campus pool on Friday and Saturday.

## Junior Yearly Meeting

Stephen and Heidemarie Huber-Feely are working to create a children's Yearly Meeting that reflects the adults' Yearly Meeting including worship for business, worship sharing, and workshops – all on an age appropriate level.

By creating a children's Yearly Meeting that reflects the adults' Yearly Meeting, they aspire to meet the universal need of children to grow and develop skills that prepare them as members of their culture and their world. JYM gives us a unique opportunity to provide our Quaker children with a distinctly Quaker experience developing skills for participation in our Quaker community.

### JYM Program for 2007

**Thursday evening:** Children's business meeting to explore how they want their program to run.

**Friday morning:** Worship sharing exploring the roots that nourish the children in their lives. This will include a variety of artistic media in which the children can express themselves.

**Friday afternoon:** Youth-led workshops with adult guidance.

**Friday evening:** Songs, Stories, and Creative Play.

**Saturday morning:** Hike – inviting SAYF to join us to explore one of the many beautiful trails on campus; we'll be experiencing how our connection to the natural world nourishes our souls.

**Saturday afternoon:** Intergenerational cooperative games. Adults can participate as one of their workshop options.

**Saturday evening:** Dancing with the SAYMA community.

**Sunday morning:** Designing a mural to bring to the closing business session.

### NOTE

If your child has special challenges, especially those which have been clinically diagnosed, we need to know about them well ahead of time in order to discuss them with you. Please email Heidemarie at [huberfeely@yahoo.com](mailto:huberfeely@yahoo.com).



### Friendly Guests at SAYMA

Yearly Meeting gives us a chance to meet visiting Friends from other Yearly Meetings and Wider Quaker Organizations. This year we have invited...

American Friends Service Committee: Mary Ellen McNish (not confirmed)

Right Sharing of World Resources: Jackie Speicher  
Alternatives to Violence Project: Nancy Evans Nothhelfer  
and

Friends General Conference Yearly Meeting visitor: Jane Berger

### Young Adult Friends (YAF)

YAF is a self-defined community of Friends roughly 18 to 35 who share a living space at Yearly Meeting. YAF holds its own meeting for business on Friday morning and sponsors worship sharing for all who wish to attend on Friday and Saturday nights. They also hold a time of Fellowship for Young Adult Friends Thursday morning before the official start of Yearly Meeting

### Our Tree Logo

The logo for YM 2007, which you see on this page and through-out this program, was drawn for us by Jimmy Malone, a member of Chapel Hill Monthly Meeting and an enthusiastic member of SAYF. Jimmy is a talented artist and is planning to go to art school in the fall.

## Conference Central

The registration desk will be in the same spot this year as last – downstairs in Gladfelter – but we are going to gather round it all the WQO displays, bulletins & schedules, an all-day coffee pot, and the payment desk for the book store, as well as Chat & Chew each evening. Books will be displayed in the room just off Conference Central where you can browse at your leisure.

You will pick up your program booklet, keys, and name tags (which include your meal tickets) at Conference Central. The Registration desk has walkie-talkies to get in touch with key people around campus and, of course, we do try to help with any concerns you may have during Yearly Meeting.

## Bookstore

One of the highlights of Yearly Meeting is the SAYMA bookstore. It is a rare opportunity to browse through a large selection of Quaker books. To be sure, you can always go on-line at [quakerbooks.org](http://quakerbooks.org), but there is nothing like holding the book in your hands and flipping through it, is there?

Each year the bookstore coordinators actually haul in around 500 books for Friends to examine. There will be a great selection this year too: books on Quaker history, ecology, peace and other concerns of the day, Spiritual devotion, and so forth – many by Quaker authors. We'll also have a sizable selection of books for young people that you can buy for your own children or grandchildren or for your meeting's First Day School.

The SAYMA book store accepts cash or checks but no credit cards. We're just not set up for handling electronic transactions!

## Showing DVDs & VHS tapes

If you want to bring a DVD or VHS tape to show at Yearly Meeting, please get in touch with Steve Livingston by email at [nc\\_stereoman@charter.net](mailto:nc_stereoman@charter.net).

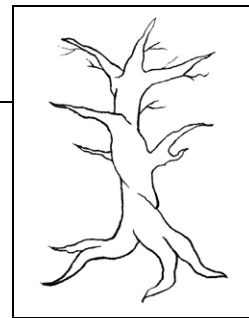
The SAYMA-owned DVD player will be available in the lecture hall in Jensen, but you need to know how to make it interface with the college projector. The lecture hall seats 70 people.

There is no VCR player available in the lecture hall, but VHS tapes can be shown on a TV screen in one of the other rooms in Jensen which seat about 30 people.

The length of your video will determine when it can be shown. Videos of over an hour will need to be offered late in the evening. A video of an hour or less can be shown at 11 a.m. on Friday, and videos of 30-50 minutes or so can be shown at 4 p.m. on Friday and Saturday.

You may ask to show your video more than once, time permitting.

A schedule of video showings will be posted at Conference Central in Gladfelter.



## Chat & Chew

Chat & Chew will be hosted by the following meetings:

Thursday evening: Nashville

Friday evening: Swananoa

Saturday evening: Cookeville

It convenes every evening after the plenary session.

## Registering for Yearly Meeting

Your registration form must be postmarked by May 12 to avoid a late fee.

If you have any additional questions, contact Sharon Phelps at [registrar@sayma.org](mailto:registrar@sayma.org) or call (865) 856-0660.

### What are my dorm choices?

1. The **SAYF** dorm is for young Friends entering the 7<sup>th</sup>—12<sup>th</sup> grade next fall.
2. A simple living option (**SLO**) is available for the first 20 who request it.
3. Young Adult Friends (**YAF**), roughly 18-35, can choose to be housed together.
4. Everyone else should specify General (**GEN**). If you have breathing, allergy or mobility problems or need to be near a handicapped-equipped bathroom, let us know under "Special Needs" section H.

### What is the Simple Living Option?

The Simple Living Option is access to a shared kitchen so you can cook dinner on Friday and Saturday evenings. You will need to bring plates, utensils, and food.

**May I camp out?** Not on campus, but there are some campgrounds nearby:

- Asheville-East KOA – 4 miles from campus; 828-686-3121
- Mama Gertie's Tent Campground – 3 miles from campus; 828-686-4258.
- Miles Motors RV Campground –3 miles from campus; 828-686-3414.

### What should I bring?

Dorm rooms are bare and no toiletries are provided. At a minimum you will need to bring sheets, blanket, pillow, and towel for each person. Linen packets (sheets, blanket, pillow and towel) can be rented for \$15/person. Packets must be ordered when you fill out the registration form.

You may also want to bring: mattress pad, cloth napkins, reading lamp, clock or clock radio, fan, hair drier, clothes hangers, as well as a swim suit, hiking or rain gear and a sweater.

**Key Deposit** You will have to leave a five dollar bill with the registrar for each key checked out to you. It is very helpful if you bring exact change.

**Scholarships** are available so that everyone who wishes may attend Yearly Meeting. Please apply first to your monthly meeting early enough so that you can send the check with your registration form. If you need additional support, fill in the amount under "Summary of Fees" on the registration form. You may also want to consider volunteering to help out at Yearly Meeting. See page 10 for suggestions and indicate your choices in section F.

### How do I get to Warren Wilson College?

Warren Wilson College is 8 miles east of Asheville just off I-40. If you are coming from the east, south or west, take I-40. If you are coming from the north, I-240 East leads into I-40 East. Get off at Exit 55 and follow the signs to campus: right on Rt 70, left at the light by the Shell station onto Warren Wilson Rd.; right into campus across from the Chapel near Kittredge Theater; bear right and down the hill to Gladfelter.

The bus station is in downtown Asheville; the airport is 10 miles south. If you need pickup from either, let us know under "Special Needs."

### Checking in at Warren Wilson

Registration will be in the lower level of Gladfelter for the entire conference. This is where you will pick up your keys, conference name tags, meal tickets, and detailed program information.

### Registration hours:

Wednesday: 4:30-5:30 and 6:00 to 10:00 p.m.

Thursday: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30; 1:45 to 10:00 p.m.

Friday: 8:00 a.m. to noon and 6:00 to 8:00 p.m.

Saturday: 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m. and by appointment.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. to 11:00 am and 12:00 to 12:30 p.m.

**Parking:** You may stop near Gladfelter just long enough to check in. About a dozen spaces reserved solely for SAYMA attendees will be clearly marked and handicapped spaces are available throughout campus. Overnight parking is available near the Ball Field dorms, but the only long-term lot near Sunderland is behind Kittredge Theater near the main entrance. The repaving of that lot has been completed.

**Early Check-in:** Yearly Meeting gets underway at 1 p.m. on Thursday with opening worship; however, dorm rooms and meals will be available beginning Wednesday evening to accommodate Friends traveling long distances.

**Cancellations:** Let the registrar know as soon as possible if you have to cancel. Full refunds can not be made after May 29: email [registrar@sayma.org](mailto:registrar@sayma.org).

**Check-Out:** Everyone must be out of their rooms before noon on Sunday. If you are checking out earlier, please make arrangements with the registrar to meet you at the Registration desk.

## Yearly Meeting Expectations

We are a community of Friends living in the discipline of the Spirit. Attendees of all ages are asked to consider what level of conduct is appropriate to Friend's principles. Remember that our individual actions will reflect on the Religious Society of Friends. Parents and sponsors should plan to be actively responsible for their children at all times. Please read and follow the policies of Warren Wilson College for the use of their campus.

### Campus Policies

1. No smoking is allowed inside any college building or within 20 feet of their entrances. All dorms and porches are nonsmoking.
2. Conference participants and guests must abide by all local, state, and federal laws as well as all college policies and regulations. Any person, group or organization who violates any of the above may be asked to leave college property immediately and any agreement for future use of college facilities and services may be pronounced null and void.
3. Treat college property with care and respect: no littering, damage or maltreatment of buildings, lawns, or surrounding areas. Conferees will be responsible for payment for property that is damaged, lost, or stolen.
4. All college-furnished equipment must be left in the room or facility as found unless permission is granted for removal or rearrangement. Even if permission is granted, the conferee must return it to its original place before leaving campus.
5. The purchase, possession or use of drugs known as "controlled substances" is forbidden by law.
6. Possession or use of firearms, weapons, fireworks and candles is illegal on campus.
7. No gambling is permitted on the property.
8. No pets are allowed on campus
9. For more specific information on college regulations see the College Handbook.

## Telephones on Campus

**Outgoing calls:** Gladfelter has a pay phone on the lower level.

**Incoming calls:** During the day from Wednesday through Friday outside callers can leave messages at (828) 298-3325; on Saturday at (828) 771-2071; after hours and on Sunday at Campus Security at (828) 230-4592. You may pick up your messages at the registration desk.

**Internet access:** Every room has a hardwire connection. There is also a public computer in Gladfelter and several in the library, but hours there are limited.

**Cell phones** work on campus fairly well, except that Cingular phones get spotty reception.

## Volunteer opportunities

- Contribute to our scholarship fund. Each year we rely on the Spirit to match contributions with requests for support. Amazingly it almost always works out just about to the penny.
- SAYF always needs volunteers. See page 6 for specific requests.
- JYM enjoys having adults join in their activities. See schedule on page 7.
- The bookstore appreciates having someone mind the payment desk.
- The registrar needs help especially on Thursday when so many of us are checking in and to make runs to the airport or bus station for pick up and drop off.
- Business meeting needs couriers.

If you wish to volunteer for any of these tasks, please sign up on the registration form, section F.

## Earth-Friendly Travel to Yearly Meeting for reducing air pollution, global warming gases and dollar costs:

Bill Reynolds will provide information exchange for those seeking or offering ride sharing to Yearly Meeting. Email him at [cisland@aol.com](mailto:cisland@aol.com) or call him at (423) 624-6821. Those who are driving should let him know where you are leaving from, when you expect to depart, and how many spaces you have. If you want to "hitch a ride" tell him where you leaving from, when you want to depart, and how many are in your party. He will let you know of any matches that are sent to him.

Many Friends are now bringing mugs and cloth napkins to use in the cafeteria to reduce paper waste.

## Workshops and Worship Sharing:

Choose just one workshop for Friday and one workshop for Saturday. The length of the workshops varies from one to two hours, but each workshop begins at the same time: 2:30 p.m. Attendance in some of the workshops is limited and will be assigned on a first come first served basis. Sign up by number in section F.

Also let us know in section F whether or not each YM attender you list will be participating in Workshop Sharing. A list of Worship Sharing groups and their locations will be available at Conference Central during Yearly Meeting.

The registration form is attached here at the back. This year it is an excel file and it prints in landscape format. These two pages should also be printed front and back.