

# Advanced Program & Registration Form

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SAYMA Yearly Meeting

Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, North Carolina

Thursday June 12 to Sunday June 15, 2008



## Out of the Harbor: Our Voyages of Faith

Dear Friends,

This year the Yearly Meeting Planning Committee looked for inspiration from within our yearly meeting and found a deep well from which to draw. We offer you the opportunity to experience some of the journeys of faith that Friends in SAYMA have made, and to reflect on your own journeys.

We continue to value our time together in the bookstore, in the display area highlighting Quaker organizations, in Junior Yearly Meeting, in Southern Appalachian Young Friends (SAYF), in workshops, worship, business sessions, shared meals, worship sharing and free time with new Friends as well as renewed friendships. We hope you don't miss ANY of it, and that you tell other Friends of your sustaining experiences at SAYMA.

Each evening we offer a program on the theme of our journeys of faith. Thursday evening will surprise and challenge you as you listen to Friends of different ages share their experiences of voyaging forth in faith, accompanied by visual presentations. On Friday evening Friend Kathleen Mavournin has prepared to share with us her story, as a storyteller and seasoned Friend. On Saturday, a good evening of shared talent, stories, music and dance is being organized and managed by our Young Adult Friends (YAFs).

The Planning Committee felt as if it embarked upon the planning process in a slightly leaky dingy, but now feels that the wind is in our sails. We feel the powerful buoying of the Ocean of Light as we travel forth to our gathering in June. Please join us on the Warren Wilson College campus. See you there!

Sincerely,

*Barbara Esther*

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Clerk, Yearly Meeting Planning Committee

### Registration Deadline

**May 10**

After that there will be a \$30 late fee. No dorm rooms can be assigned and no meal tickets can be purchased or changed after 5/31. If you need to cancel, contact the Registrar ASAP. Only partial refunds can be made after May 31.

### April 28 deadline for State of Meeting Reports

*How Fares the Spirit Among You?*

Electronic copies: [AdminAsst@sayma.org](mailto:AdminAsst@sayma.org)

Mail paper copies to: **Bob McGahey**  
**300 Dharma Way**  
**Burnsville NC 28714**

Ministry & Nurture will review the reports on May 3 to prepare for ministering to individual meetings at Yearly Meeting.

### Scheduling meetings

If you would like a private room for a committee meeting or a private dining room for a meeting at breakfast, lunch or dinner, contact Steve Livingston at [nc\\_stereoman@charter.net](mailto:nc_stereoman@charter.net).

### Display Space at SAYMA

To reserve display space at SAYMA all WQOs should contact Barbara Esther at [besther@buncombe.main.nc.us](mailto:besther@buncombe.main.nc.us).

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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 8:00—10:30 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.		Threshing Session on marriage Canon Lounge 10:30 a.m.—noon ✎		Meeting for Business Canon Lounge 9:30—noon ✎	Meeting for Business Canon Lounge ✎ 9 – 11 a.m.
11 a.m.					Closing Worship Canon Lounge ✎ 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 final program for a list of 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 10 & 11 2:30—4:30 p.m.		Workshops ✎ See pages 12 & 13 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. (A, B, C may be reserved for meetings.)				
6 p.m.	Singing Gladfelter Patio	Singing Gladfelter Patio		Singing Gladfelter Patio	
7 p.m.	Worship & Plenary Canon Lounge ✎	Worship & Plenary Canon Lounge ✎		Dance & Talent Show Bryson Gym (Barn)	
9 p.m.	Chat & Chew, Late night Worship groups	Chat & Chew, Late night Worship groups		Chat & Chew, Late night Worship groups	

## Plenary Sessions

**Thursday Night:** SAYMA Friends of diverse ages and varied experience will share with us their individual voyages of faith. They will use both the spoken word and interesting visual images on which we may focus. We look forward to messages from: **Dick Houghton** (Nashville Friends Meeting), **Nicholas Wells** (Asheville Friends Meeting), **Pam Beziat** (Nashville Friends Meeting), a young Friend from SAYF, **Woods Nash** (West Knoxville Friends Meeting), **Charles Schade** (Charleston Friends Meeting), and **Hannah MacDermott** (Atlanta Monthly Meeting).

**Friday Night:** Storyteller **Kathleen Mavournin** will weave together stories of voyages and faith from myth, fairy tales, scripture, and life to illuminate the way faith journeys arise from leadings and calls of the Spirit. Kathleen holds that storytelling is one of the healing arts. Stories help us visualize dreams, seek enlightenment, and confront fears; they draw on the deepest and the highest parts of us. Kathleen is a member of West Knoxville Meeting and current editor of the SAYMA newsletter, Southern Appalachian Friend.

**Saturday Night:** Hibbard Thatcher Memorial Dance & Talent Show. Due to popular demand the talent show is returning, but with a twist. Our Saturday evening session will be more or less like a "layered cake" with sessions of dance (with an invited professional caller) intermingled with sessions of talent. There will be no "open-mike" and all acts must sign up prior to the evening. Young Adult Friends is taking on the responsibility for oversight of the Talent Show.



## 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, Chris Berg, will help you make arrangements. Email him at [cshapenote@hotmail.com](mailto:cshapenote@hotmail.com).

And of course one of the highlights of Yearly Meeting is worship sharing. This year, like last, worship sharing will be held for a full hour between 1:15 and 2:15 on Friday and again on Saturday. Queries will address this year's theme – our voyages out of the harbor. SAYFers will hold their own worship sharing sessions again 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.

### Worship Sharing Queries for 2008:

Describe your Voyage of Faith. Do you keep a log? What does – or what could – it say?

Consider the tasks, arts, and instruments of sailing. Do they help you describe your voyage?

Why leave the harbor? Where do you mean to go?

How do you prepare for your voyage? How will Friends' traditions, testimonies, Scriptures, or counsels aid you?

## Friday Workshops

The percentages of lecture and discussion/interaction are given as rough guidelines to aid you in your choices. In addition all of our workshops will seek to develop a Spirit of Worship as a basis for our work together.

Notice that the first six Friday workshops are repeated again on Saturday. However, since the Saturday workshop is a repeat, not a continuation, of the Friday workshop, sign up for one day or the other, but not both.

### #1 – Singing Your Own Blues Tune

**Bonni McKeown (Charleston, WV)**

Folks from age 7 to 107 can tell their own stories in classic three-line, 12-bar blues verse. Musicians can play along.

*Interaction 100%; length 60 minutes: 30 participants maximum*

*Repeats on Saturday.*

### #2 - Truth in Recruiting

**Christina Repoley (AFSC Peace Education Coordinator, Atlanta)**

In the wake of bipartisan support for war policy, antiwar activists across the country are increasingly taking community responsibility for ending this war. We will explore the realities of military recruitment and begin to equip those interested in working with our schools to counter military recruitment and with our young people to help them find viable alternatives to the military.

*Lecture 20% Discussion/Interaction 80%; length 60-90 minutes*

*Repeats on Saturday.*

### #3 - George Fox's Use of the Bible

**Mark Wutka (Atlanta)**

George Fox had an amazing ability to weave together various parts of the bible to illustrate his points. We will look at several of Fox's epistles and the biblical passages he alludes to or quotes to gain a deeper view of the epistles.

*Lecture 80% Discussion/Interaction 20%; length as the Spirit leads*

*Repeats on Saturday.*

### #4 – Deepening the Spiritual Life of the Meeting

**Mary Ann Downey (Atlanta)**

In meeting for worship, we seek a deep sense of God's presence among us. What is the role of our appointed ministry and worship committees in anchoring the gathered stillness and nurturing vocal ministry? We will explore how meetings can deepen and nurture the spiritual life of the meeting, especially meeting for worship.

*Lecture 10% Discussion/Interaction 90%; 25 participants maximum; length 90-120 minutes*

*Repeats on Saturday.*

### #5 - 2000 Years Ago in Jerusalem: 8 Piano Pieces About Jesus' Crucifixion

**Richard Allen (Atlanta)**

Listen and respond to a set of eight original piano pieces about the week of Jesus' crucifixion: I. Journey, arrival, entrance. II The high priests and the roman governor on thin ice. III. The Passover meal, IV. Gethsemane. V. Torture and crucifixion. VI. Grief, loss, despair, fear, shame. VII. First light of the new week. VIII. "I am with you always." Matthew 28:20.

*Music 80-90% Lecture 2% Discussion 5-10%; length 60 min; all ages*

*Repeats on Saturday.*

### #6 – The Spiritual Bond Between 12-Step Programs & Quakerism

**John Potter (Nashville)**

Twelve-step programs began in 1935 with the creation of Alcoholics Anonymous. These programs offer a spiritual basis for living life that closely mirrors the Quaker testimonies. Find out more about AA and share your own experiences with twelve-step programs and their members.

*Lecture 20% Discussion/Interaction 80%; length 60-75 minutes*

*Repeats on Saturday.*

### #7 – A Quaker House in SAYMA? Why not?

**Chuck Fager (Fayetteville, NC)**

Chuck Fager leads a brainstorming session on how to plant more peacework in the SAYMA geographic region. What locations would benefit the most? Think "Ft. Campbell" or bring your favorite site.

*Lecture 10% Discussion/Interaction 90%; length as the Spirit leads*

### #8 – Putting the Worship in Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business Dick Houghton (Nashville)

A Monthly Meeting is so-named because once a month it gathers to conduct business. Attendance at Nashville Monthly Meeting's business meetings had dwindled to a handful of the faithful few. Over a year ago, Nashville began an experiment in integrating business into a meeting for worship. Attendance is up and business is getting its proper attention. Come for a dialog with Dick about what works and what doesn't. Would your meeting benefit from this approach? Find out!

*Lecture 10% Discussion/Interaction 90%; length 60-75 minutes*

### #9 – Rediscovering John Woolman's Message for the 21<sup>st</sup> Century

**Ruah Swennerfelt**

Come hear about the 1,400-mile, 6-month journey of Ruah Swennerfelt and Louis Cox as they walked from Vancouver, B.C. to San Diego visiting with Friends from Canadian, North Pacific, Northwest, and Pacific Yearly Meetings from November, 2007 through April, 2008. What does it mean to engage with Friends who may have differing world views, theological perspectives, and styles of worship? How do we engage in true conversation, heart-to-heart, and to really listen to one another? What was it like to walk 8 to 20 miles each day with heavy packs and gear when the walk was of the Spirit?

*Lecture 60% Discussion/Interaction 40%; length 60-75 minutes*

## Saturday Workshops

### #10 - Living to be 100

**Betty Johnson (Nashville)**

People are living longer lives today, but how often do you contemplate what your life will be like when you are 90 or 100 years old? Join Betty for a discussion on getting the most out of life now and into the future. Be prepared to talk about how your personal vision has changed or not changed over the last 10, 20 or 30 years.

*Lecture 10% Discussion/Interaction 90%; length 75-90 minutes*

### #11 – Becoming a Friendly Adult Presence (FAP)

**Kathleen Mavournin (West Knoxville)**

A Friendly Adult Presence (FAP) assists young Friends (ages 12-18) in SAYF (Southern Appalachian Young Friends). This is a both an informational and a training workshop: what SAYF is, what FAPs do, how the school-year retreats work, SAYF at SAYMA, safety & transportation. Attend the first part to learn about SAYF, stay for the second part for training to be a FAP.

*Lecture 20% Discussion/Interaction 80%; length as the Spirit moves*

### #12 – Conversion as Radicalism

**Ron McDonald (Memphis) & Jonah McDonald (Atlanta)**

The purpose of this workshop will be to (1) encourage Friends to share personal stories of transformation, (2) entertain Friends with a couple of good stories that Jonah and Ron tell (3) help Friends understand that true transformational experiences help us deepen our roots, make us earthier, and give us personal confidence and power

*Lecture 20% Discussion/Interaction 80%; length 90 minutes*

### #13 – The Work of FWCC: Section of the Americas

**Margaret Fraser (FWCC)**

We'll review the work of the FWCC in building ties between North American Friends and Friends in Latin America. Many of you may have attended our conferences; for those who haven't, this may be an introduction to the work we do.

*Lecture 40% Discussion/Interaction 60%; length 60-90 minutes*

### #14 – Intergenerational games with JYM

**Stephen & Heidemarie Huber-Feeley (Chattanooga)**

For information about JYM and its program, see page 7. The theme this year is Multicultural Awareness so the games will reflect what children like to play around the world.

*Interaction 100%; length 1-2 hours depending on your stamina.*

The following workshops are repeats of workshops on Friday, so the full descriptions are on page 4. Note: be careful to sign up by the right number: #1 is Singing Your Own Blues on Friday; #15 is the same workshop, but on Saturday.

### #15 - Singing Your Own Blues Tune

**Bonni McKeown (Charleston, WV)**

### #16 - 2000 Years Ago in Jerusalem: 8 Piano Pieces About Jesus' Crucifixion

**Richard Allen (Atlanta)**

### #17 – Truth in Recruiting

**Christina Repoley (AFSC Peace Education Coordinator, Atlanta)**

### #18 - George Fox's Use of the Bible

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### #19 – Deepening the Spiritual Life of the Meeting

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## Friendly Guests at SAYMA

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

- Phil Neal, FCOR (Friends Committee on Outworld Relations)
- Margaret Fraser, Executive Secretary, FWCC Section of the Americas
- Betti Knott, Regional Director, AFSC-SERO
- Ruah Swennerfelt, QEW
- and a guest from FGC



## Our Ship Logo

The logo for YM 2008, which you see on this page and through-out this program, was drawn for us by Geneva Bierce-Wilson. She was a SAYFer for many years and is now a sophomore at Warren Wilson College, so for the past couple of years she has been associated with YAF.

# 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. Beginning this year, Middle Schoolers will have a semi-separate program with their own dorm, their own FAPs with a 5 to 1 ratio, and opportunities for separate age appropriate activities, as well as joint activities with the High Schoolers.

All SAYFers may also join the intergenerational community activities offered at Yearly Meeting.

## 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 10!
  - High Schoolers may sign up for workshops on Friday and Saturday afternoons, however, there will also be SAYF only options available. If space permits, you will be given a chance to sign up for workshops after you arrive at Warren Wilson.
  - 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 contact Therese Hildebrand. (See contact info below on right.)
  - SAYFers need an adult sponsor who is attending SAYMA. If this is not a parent, 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. 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.
  - These forms are important. Without the medical form, you can not participate in SAYF activities!

## SAYFers arriving at Warren Wilson

First, you must 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 form.

The SAYF dorm opens on Thursday at 6 p.m. after dinner. 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.
- 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
  - Saturday night graduation
  - Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Closing circle

## 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 Therese Hildebrand. We really need to hear from you ahead of time so we can plan.
2. running errands to the store on Friday and/or Saturday.
3. swimming with SAYFers in the campus pool on Friday and Saturday.

## Contact info for SAYF

To volunteer or to ask questions about SAYF please contact:

Therese Hildebrand, Administrative Assistant, at 859-986-5418 or email her at [theresehild@yahoo.com](mailto:theresehild@yahoo.com)

Wren Hendrickson, Head FAP, at 919-490-8950 or email her at [wrenhendrickson@AOL.com](mailto:wrenhendrickson@AOL.com).

During Yearly Meeting, just come to the SAYF dorm.

## Junior Yearly Meeting

Join Heidemarie and Stephen Huber-Feely for another year of JYM fun, with an international flavor!

**We are all One under the Sun:**  
**Multicultural Awareness & Appreciation**  
**for a Peaceful Planet.**

- \* Play on Ron McDonald's rope bridge (yay, our favorite!) - while pretending to explore mountain geography ;
- \* Explore nature hiking in the woods and splashing in the creek - while learning about our role in world climate;
- \* Make art and craft creations (including Tibetan-style peace prayer flags) - from different cultures of the world;
- \* Enjoy preparing and tasting food from different cultural cuisines;
- \* Play your favorite games - PLUS games that children in different countries love to play;
- \* Learn songs and listen to stories - from countries around the world;
- \* Learn how to say and write "*Peace*", "*Love*" and "*Hello*" - in several foreign languages.

Culminate 3 days of enlightening, engaging, educating fun with celebrating all we have in common with the peoples of the world, and displaying our prayer flags for world peace to the SAYMA community.

### 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).



## Quaker Man wants

# YOU!

## to join Young Adult Friends (YAF)

**Who are YAFs?** The SAYMA Young Adult Friends (YAF) is a group of 18-35 year olds. We are a community of peers who meet for fellowship and fun in an open and trusting environment. We strive to create a safe and sacred space for spiritual growth and provide an opportunity for learning how to build community. We endeavor to provide a meaningful experience from the Quaker tradition. We provide support for the many transitions that we as young adults go through in these stages of our live and nurture the needs and concerns of this age group within the wider community.

**What do YAFs do?** We hold a business meeting at SAYMA and 3 additional retreats over the course of the year. At SAYMA we will lead an evening worship sharing, provide Friendly Transportation, and continue the tradition of kidnapping SAYF graduates and welcoming them to our community.

**\*NEW THIS YEAR\*** In an effort to build our community, YAFs at SAYMA will live together in our own dorm and participate in an additional simple living option (we will cook and eat dinner together on Friday and Saturday night—so if you want to participate in YAF/SLO, don't buy those meals in the cafeteria!)

## Conference Central

The registration desk will be in the same spot this year as last – on the lower level of Gladfelter – and again 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 a cell phone to get in touch with key people around campus. Members of Ministry & Nurture will also be available 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 FGC.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).

All rooms available to us in Jensen are now equipped with built-in audio-video viewing systems. You are welcome to use this equipment once you have been briefed on connections and operation.

Classroom seating varies from 15 to 30. The Jensen Lecture Hall seats about 70. Reserve your room as far in advance as you like, or wait until after you arrive, and look for the sign-up sheet at the registration desk.

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. We may be able to find other times to show videos of an hour or less.

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 convenes every evening in Conference Central after the plenary sessions. This year's host meetings will be:

Thursday – Asheville  
Friday – West Knoxville  
Saturday – Cookeville



## Registering for Yearly Meeting

Your registration form must be postmarked by May 10 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. It opens Thursday at 6 p.m. Early arrivals will stay with parents.
2. A simple living option (**SLO**) is available for the first 20 adults who request it.
3. Young Adult Friends (**YAF**), roughly 18-35, can choose to be housed together and participate in an SLO option for YAFs only.
4. All others 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 G.

### What is the Simple Living Option?

SLO means access to a shared kitchen for cooking dinner on Friday & Saturday evenings. You will need to bring plates, utensils, and food. Do not sign up for supper in the cafeteria those evenings.

### May I camp out? Only at nearby campgrounds:

- 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. Bring sheets, blankets, pillows, and towels. Linen packets may be rented for \$16/person, but they must be ordered ahead of time.

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** Bring a \$5 dollar bill with you to leave with the registrar for each key you will need.

**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 that amount under “Summary of Fees” on the registration form. You may also want to see page 10 for suggestions for volunteer opportunities and indicate your choices in section F.

**Meal Costs:** Breakfast \$4.25, lunch \$5, dinner \$6.50 ordered ahead of time. (Breakfast \$4.50, lunch \$6, and dinner \$8 at the door.) Kids pay less.

### 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. From the north, take I-26S to I-240E, then take exit 9 onto I-40E.

Get off I-40 at exit 55, turning back under the interstate to get to US Highway 70. Turn right on US 70, go 1.5 miles and you will see a large green highway sign for Warren Wilson College. Turn left at the stoplight 0.3 miles beyond the sign, go 1.5 miles through a residential area, then through a field, across a small stream, and onto the campus.

The main entrance is the second entrance on the right. Proceed past the library, then left and up to a small parking area. Note there is a handicap ramp on the left which provides access to the lower level of 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 programs.

### 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 7 p.m., 9 to 10 p.m.

**Friday:** 8:00 a.m. to noon and 6 to 7 p.m.; 9 to 10 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 behind Kittredge Theater, and across the highway from main campus with safe access via the pedestrian bridge. There are a half dozen handicap parking spaces directly behind Sunderland.

**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 31: 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 special arrangements with the registrar .

## 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.

### Volunteer opportunities

- Contribute to our scholarship fund. We rely on the Spirit to match contributions with requests for support. Amazingly it often works out just right.
- Volunteer to help with SAYF. See page 6.
- Join in JYM activities. See schedule on page 7.
- The bookstore needs help at the payment desk.
- Help the registrar especially on Thursday when so many of us are checking in.
- Make runs to the airport or bus station in town.
- Run errands for business meeting.

To volunteer for any of these tasks, please sign up on the registration form, section F.

## Email registration

It is possible to register by email this year. Those who attended Yearly Meeting last year will automatically get an email request to register this year. If that doesn't include you, you can send a message to the registrar at [registrar@sayma.com](mailto:registrar@sayma.com) and request email registration.

## Earth-Friendly Travel to reduce out-of-pocket expense, air pollution, & global warming gases:

Bill Reynolds will provide an 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. If you are driving, 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.

## Choosing Workshops and Signing up for Worship Sharing:

Choose just one workshop for Friday and one workshop for Saturday. Each workshop begins at the same time: 2:30 p.m. but the length may vary.

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 Worship Sharing on Friday and Saturday from 1:15 to 2:15 p.m. A list of Worship Sharing groups and their locations will be available at Conference Central during Yearly Meeting.

## Contact with the outside world

- **Cell phones** work okay on campus, although reception may be spotty depending on your provider.
- **Internet access** is available in every dorm room. There is also a public computer in Gladfelter and several in the library, but library hours are limited.

## Land-lines 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 call Campus Security at (828) 230-4592. You may pick up your messages at the registration desk.

# SAYMA 2008 Yearly Meeting Registration Form

Thursday June 12 through Sunday June 15 at Warren Wilson College

NOTE: One family/address per form please. Please print.

## A. Contact Information

Name	Fees:
Address Line 1	Total Registration Fees (from Section C)
Address Line 2	Total Housing Fees (from Section D)
City	Total Meals Fees (from Section E)
State	\$30 Late Fee (if e-mailed or postmarked after May 10)
Zip	Contribution to Yearly Meeting Scholarship Fund
Country	<b>Total Charges</b>
Monthly Meeting or Organization	<b>Less:</b>
Phone #(s)	Monthly Meeting Scholarship *
Email Address(es)	Yearly Meeting Scholarship Request
	Amount mailed to Registrar
	<b>Balance Due at Check-in *</b>

## B. Summary of Fees

## C. Attenders

Registration fee is \$40 for everyone 12 and up. There is a maximum of three registration fees charged per family - no charge for additional family members.

First or Preferred Name	Last Name	M/F	Special Needs (describe in Section G)	First Timer	Special Status Guest, Staff, JYM Staff, FAP	Arrival		Youth Only		Reg. Fee \$40 (up to 3)
						Date	Time	Age	Grade level in Fall 2008	
1										
2										
3										
4										
5										
6										

Total Registration Fees

## D. Housing

Dorm Choices: GEN - general dorm, SLO - simple living option, YAF - Young Adult Friends dorm, SAYF - teen program

Sleep Space options (\$/night): ROOM-single occupancy (\$35), BED-shared double room (\$17.50), FLOOR-child on floor in parents/guardian's room (\$0)

Name (or match row #s for everyone listed in Section C)	Dorm Choice (See options above)	Sleep Space (See options above)	Roommate	Nights in room?				Do you want to rent linens at \$16/set?	Housing Cost
				Wed**	Thu	Fri	Sat		
1									
2									
3									
4									
5									
6									

Total Housing Fees

## E. Meals

Prices for meals: **Adult** Brkfst \$4.25, Lunch \$5, Dinner \$6.50, all meals \$63 + Child (ages 6-12) Brkfst \$3.25, Lunch \$3.25, Dinner \$4.25, all meals \$43 + Children under 6 eat free

Name (or match row #s for everyone listed in Section C)	Adult, Child or no charge		Wed		Thu		Fri		Sat		Sun		Meals Cost	
			Dinner	Brkfst	Lunch	Brkfst	Lunch	Dinner	Brkfst	Lunch	Dinner	Brkfst		Lunch
1														
2														
3														
4														
5														
6														

Total Meals Fees

