Junior Yearly Meeting Oversight Committee Report
June, 2012

Jonathan Schinhofen and Beth Myers will be completing their last year as JYM coordinators this summer. They have enjoyed the experience very much, and found it to be a meaningful and creative three years.

The theme for the JYM program this summer will be "Communion with the Spirit." Beth and Jonathan have designed activities around silence and listening. This will include meditative/reflective activities in nature, art and practices like yoga. Very young friends will have their own programming during some of the quieter times.

Beth and Jonathan contacted past participants and also recruited new participants for the program. These attempts were not part of the official registration process but an important part of keeping participation high and the energy dynamic. Volunteers are always needed for the program. At the time of reporting, 13 young friends have registered for JYM 2012.

Decorating t-shirts will once again be an art activity at SAYMA, same as the last two years, and they will have the SAYMA logo on them this year.

After three fabulous years, the coordinators are handing JYM over to Michael Kramer and Jennifer Dickie from Atlanta. They have had much experience working with children, especially in a Quaker setting. Beth and Jonathan plan to meet with Michael and Jen during Yearly Meeting to facilitate the transfer of responsibilities.

The JYM Oversight Committee is looking for another member for the coming two-year term. Wendy is stepping off, Jonathan and Beth will serve, as is the costume for recent coordinators, and Jane Goldthwaite as agreed to serve. One or two more members would be ideal.

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