

SAYMA Outreach Committee Report to YM 50, June 2021

Outreach has nothing new to add to its report to RM 146 last March. And I quote:

“ After RM 142, March 2019, gave the Outreach Committee responsibility for reviving the SAYMA newsletter our main concern became developing a proposal for an outreach oriented online version of Appalachian Friend. The recent interest in a complete overhaul of SAYMA’s online presence and the proposal for a public website with an important role for the Outreach Committee means that this committee will have to become an essentially new group with different aims and membership. Once a basic proposal is in place Friends will be asked to participate in decisions about categories of content and ways to provide it. Keeping such a site timely and interesting will require, for example, that meetings organize to consistently report on their doings and that Friends experienced in social media culture with regard to communication and design be ready to get involved. “

Anyone interested in participating in this adventure is asked to contact either Wood Bouldin or Hank Fay.

We are also interested in the more traditional tasks of this committee by providing MMs materials concerned with ways to make our meetings and their culture more transparent and welcoming for newcomers and also make our waiting ministry a more accessible, vital and compelling experience for both newcomers and established Friends. We hope to work, perhaps with M&N, to move forward with this through workshops, retreats and on the new website.

Submitted by Wood Bouldin, Clerk