



September, 2010

Western Work

News of Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church

Co-Superintendents' Bible Study

Steve & Marlene Pedigo

"For Christ's love compels us, because we are convinced that one died for all, and therefore all died. And he died for all, that those who live should no longer live for themselves but for him who died for them and was raised again." [2 Corinthians 5:14-15]

"I directed them to the Light of Christ, by which they might see their sins; and their Savior Christ Jesus, the way to God, their Mediator, to make peace between God and them; their Shepherd to feed them, and their Prophet to teach them. I directed them to the Spirit of God in themselves, by which they might know the Scriptures, and be led into all Truth; and by the Spirit might know God, and in it have unity one with another. Many were convinced at that time, and came under Christ's teaching; and there are fine gatherings in the name of Jesus in those parts at this day."

[The Journal of George Fox. Richmond, IN: Friends United Press, 1976 p. 238]

*How does the love of Christ compel you?
What does it mean to be a "convinced" Friend?*

Women's Retreat, Sept. 12-14, 2010

Western Yearly Meeting women are invited to attend this year's Quaker Haven Retreat on September 13 & 14, 2010 (registration begins on Monday at 1 p.m.). This year's theme, "All Kinds of Tea in My Cup," will include Pat Shrock as the speaker, the new USFWI President. Do you play an instrument or have another talent that you would share with us? Last year was lots of fun so please share again or join in this year! Cost is \$55.00 which includes three great meals and overnight lodging. Send your deposit of \$25.00 to Susan Pickrell, 340 S. Main Street, West Milton, OH 45383. For more information contact her at ppickrell@woh.rr.com.

USFW Fall Conference, Sept. 25, 2010

Westfield Friends Church will sponsor the fall USFW Conference on Saturday, September 25, 2010. Registration begins at 9:30 a.m. with the meeting beginning at 10:00 a.m. The speaker will be Pam Ferguson, USFWI Peace & Christian Social Concerns Secretary. Offering will be received for the Kenyan Friends Mission. Cost of lunch is \$8.00 and is co-hosted by Hortonville and Sheridan USFW Friends. To register call Sharon Sewell by September 17: (317) 896-4462.

Young Friends Fall Impact Retreat, Oct. 22-23, 2010

Western Yearly Meeting Young Friends, grades 7-12, are invited to Quaker Haven Camp on October 22-23 for a Fall Impact Retreat, "Be Holy, Because I Am Holy." Retreat speaker is Pat Byers from Wabash Friends. Parental signed registration forms and \$25 must be received by October 15 at the Western Yearly Meeting Office to register. Welcome and check-in will be on Friday, October 22, at 7:00 p.m. On Saturday time will be spent helping with various work projects to "give back" to Quaker Haven Camp. Please be sure to bring work gloves and appropriate clothes to work outside. Other planned activities include devotions, campfire s'mores, climbing wall/zip line, and a hayride. For more information check out the Western Yearly Meeting website: westernym.net.

Ministry Leadership Classes

Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church is pleased to announce the continuation of the Barclay College Advantage Satellite Campus for 2010-2011. The 2010 fall class schedule includes:

September 24-25 & Oct. 22-23	Pauline Epistles (Marlene Pedigo)
November 12-13 & Dec. 10-11	Systematic Theology I (Mike Thornburg)

Western Yearly Meeting has approved providing tuition scholarships for those individuals who are currently in the Training & Recording process. However, if you are a Bible study leader, Sunday School teacher, youth leader, or pastor interested in these continuing education learning opportunities please feel free to consider enrollment for these classes. To take a class and receive credit, the cost is \$150 per credit hour. The cost to audit a class is \$150. The 2011 spring classes includes: Old Testament Prophets, Systematic Theology II, Biblical Evidences, and Spiritual Formation. If you would like to donate towards the fund to provide scholarships, please send your contribution to Western Yearly Meeting, Box 70, Plainfield, IN 46168 and indicate in the Memo this is for the WYM Scholarships.

For more information about these classes, please contact the WYM Office (317) 839-2789. To register online: www.barclaycollege.edu.

WYM Sessions

New Presiding Clerk

Dale Graves (West Newton) was approved as the new Western Yearly Meeting Presiding Clerk.

Western Yearly Meeting Friends Visited Kenya

A number of Western Yearly Meeting members visited Kenya in July for the USFWI Triennial Conference in Mombasa and the FUM General Board Meetings. You may want to ask one of these Friends to share about their experience: Jim Crew, Katy Palmer, Dale & Sylvia Graves, Jennifer Hodge, Mary Lee Comer, Dinah Geiger, Sarah Lookabill, Marilyn Bell, Ann Godby, Sarabeth Marcinko, Marlene Pedigo, and Hope Carter.

Earlham

It was approved for Indiana Yearly Meeting to be released from their Earlham Board appointments.

New Pastors

Elizabeth Ann Carter accepted a call to New Salem Friends beginning August 1. Ann is a recorded minister of Western Yearly Meeting. Russiaville Friends is her home meeting.

Carlos Moran now brings a message on Sunday mornings to Indianapolis Second Friends Meeting and leads a Spanish speaking meeting for worship in the afternoon. Carlos is originally from Guatemala and has served as a pastor in Southwest Yearly Meeting. He currently is being supported by Indiana Yearly Meeting; Second Friends Monthly Meeting approved renting space for this ministry.

Missions Update

Working Together Projects *submitted by Florence Emma Peery*

The Indian Table proceeds at Yearly Meeting were \$975. We want to thank all those who contributed items and all those who bought. It will be divided between the three Indian Missions.

The response on "Dresses for Haiti" was terrific. One hundred thirty-two dresses or shorts were brought to Yearly Meeting! I had already mailed over 100 since we started this after Women's Retreat last fall. Keep on making them, please. The mission is so glad to have them to hand out to needy children.

Many people brought medicine bottles and canceled stamps also. The stamps have been mailed to a meeting in California who processes them and sells them, using the money made for various missions or Right Sharing projects. Keep collecting stamps! *The medicine bottles are no longer needed.* Those collected will be sent to a mission in Guatemala and some to Kenya as people travel there by tucking them in their luggage. They cannot be shipped to Kenya in quantities, so do not keep saving them.

2010 Special Project, Adopt-a-Nurse

The WYM Outreach Board 2010 Special Project is "Adopt-a-Nurse," salaries for nurses at Kaimosi Hospital in Kenya. The goal is to raise \$10,000. There is a great need for qualified nurses and the only way to attract them and keep them is if they are paid regularly. If each area could raise at least \$1,000 we could reach this goal! A Power Point presentation is available through the WYM Office, and speakers are available by contacting Candi McDonald, (317) 773-9034. We currently have raised \$5,289.30 for this Special Project.

News Among Friends

Thank You, Katy!

The Western Yearly Meeting Young Friends expressed their deep appreciation for the ministry of Katy Palmer as Christian Education Director during Western Yearly Meeting sessions with a gift of flowers, a signed framed picture and an evening reception of cake and ice cream. THANK YOU, KATY! Katy has accepted a new ministry position with Westfield Friends.

Congratulations, Westfield Friends!

Westfield Friends celebrated their 175th Anniversary on Saturday and Sunday, August 21-22, with a number of special events and over three hundred people in attendance!

Hinkle Creek Building Renovation

Hinkle Creek Friends are currently renting space from the old Cicero Christian Church, 269 W. Jackson Street, Cicero, Indiana. Recent roof damage uncovered significant structural repairs which will be needed on their 140 year old building. They are hoping this renovation will be accomplished by next year when they will celebrate their 175th anniversary. Please pray for our Hinkle Creek Friends.

Lynn Friends' Generosity

A special thank you goes to Lynn Friends for the donation of \$20,000 from the sale of their property to Quaker Haven Camp restricted for the renovation of Friendship Lodge. Quaker Haven Camp currently has a capital campaign, "RENEWAL," to renew Friendship Lodge to better serve family ministries. For more information about this project look at their website: quakerhaven.com. This is a wonderful chance to build on to the already wonderful facilities we have at Quaker Haven Camp. Contact Brandon Dennis or John Meyers at Quaker Haven Camp for more information about how you can be a part of this campaign.

Mooresville Friends Kid's Club

Mooresville Friends will celebrate their five years of ministry to children and youth with a Birthday Party and Pizza on Wednesday, September 22, 6-8 p.m.

Statistical Report

Deaths

Moore, Rachael Adelia (Jones) b. 7-28-1923 d. 6-28-2010.

New Members

Edie Kessee, Cameron Stafford, Cynthia Rodriguez, Nadia Young, Taran Day, Velma Brattain, Dee Prater, Casey Meers, Travis Browning, Annette VanWinkle, Pam Browning, and Jim Foster (Hinkle Creek Friends)

FUM Tune-In Tuesdays

Friends United Meeting (FUM) extends an invitation to join them for a simple meal and the next "Tune In Tuesday" on September 21 at 6:00 p.m. Here Katie Terrell speak about the 50th Anniversary of Quaker Life. The FUM office is located at 101 Quaker Hill Drive in Richmond, Indiana.

FUM Triennial Representatives

All area council clerks are reminded to submit their 2011 FUM Triennial Representative names to the WYM Office as soon as possible for approval at the Fall Administrative Council.

FUM Emerging Leaders Conference

Friends United Meeting is sponsoring an Emerging Leaders Conference, Sept. 17-19, 2010. Cost is \$180. For more information check out their website at: [www.regonline.com/Emerging Leaders](http://www.regonline.com/EmergingLeaders).

FUM General Secretary Search

Sylvia Graves, Friends United Meeting General Secretary, has announced she will leave her position at the end of the Triennial (July, 2011). Those who are interested in this position are to submit their resumes to Kelly Kellum, FUM GS Search, High Point Friends Meeting, 800 Quaker Lane, High Point, NC 27262.

Allen Jay Symposium

You are invited to an Allen Jay Symposium on September 11, 1-4 p.m. at the Earlham Stout Meetinghouse with a continued segment on September 12 at 11:00 a.m. at the Farmers Institute Friends Meetinghouse.

Retirement of Doug Bennett

Doug Bennett, President of Earlham College, has announced his retirement at the end of June, 2011.

Board of Peace & Christian Social Concerns

Sixty five years ago, the world saw the horrific effect of nuclear weapons in Hiroshima and Nagasaki. If you are interesting in urging Congress to pass the New START Treaty without restrictions and encouraging Congress to work toward total nuclear abolition, you can check out the following website: <http://afsc.org/resource/new-start-treaty-ratification-resources-and-links>.

Lost & Found

A pair of computer glasses were found after yearly meeting. Please contact the office to claim the glasses.



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Address Correction Requested

Western Yearly Meeting of Friends Church Calendar

**MATERIALS DEADLINE
FOR NEXT NEWSLETTER:
9/27/10, 9:00 a.m.**

*Our Purpose Statement
Seeking the guidance of the Holy
Spirit,
Western Yearly Meeting equips
Friends Meetings
in the Gospel of Jesus Christ
by exercising mutual care and
extending cooperative ministries.
Through various expressions of our
Christian faith,
we strive to inspire ministry and
the release of gifts of leadership.*

Office Hours:
9:00-12:00; 1:00-3:00;
Monday-Thursday

Ninth Month

- 11 Chicken/Beef Noodle Dinner at Kokomo Friends, 4-7
- 13-14 USFW Fall Quaker Haven Retreat
- 18 Board Meetings, 9:00 a.m.
Board on Finance, 2:00 p.m.
- 19 West Central Young Friends Hayride at Hadley Friends, 6-8
- 23 Seasoned Friends at Richards Restaurant, 11:30 a.m.
- 24-25 Pauline Epistle Class
- 27-29 Superintendents' Meeting at Quaker Heights Camp
- 28 Program Committee, 2:00 p.m.

Tenth Month

- 2 Plainfield Friends Quaker Day
- 8-9 FUM General Board Meetings
- 9 Danville Chicken Noodle Dinner
- 11 West Central Area Pastors' Mtg., 6:00 p.m. at the WYM Office
- 14 Northern Area Pastors Mtg., 11:30 a.m. at Courtland Ave. Friends
- 16 Executive Committee, 9:00 a.m.
- 21 Western Area Pastors Meeting, 10:00 a.m. (Indiana Time) at Ridge Farm Friends
- 22-23 Pauline Epistle Class
Quaker Haven Fall Impact
- 25 North Central Area Pastors Mtg., 11:00 a.m., at Italia Mia