

Horsham Monthly Meeting of the **Religious Society of Friends**

Tenth Month, 2005

Query for Tenth Month

Stewardship of the Environment

Is the Meeting concerned that human interaction with nature be responsible, guided by a reverence for life and a sense of the splendor of God's continuing creation?

Are the decisions of the Meeting and its committees relating to the uses

of property, goods, services, and energy made with sensitivity toward the environmental impact of those choices?

How does our Meeting learn about environmental concerns and then act in the community on its concerns?

How am I helping to develop a social, economic, and political system\ which will nurture an environment which sustains and enriches life for all?

Inside this Issue Am I aware of the place of water, air, and soil in my life? Do I consider with Query for Tenth Month care the necessity of purchasing substances hazardous to the environment? Minutes of Ninth Month, 2005 Do I act as a faithful stew-News From Around 3 ard of the environment in PYM the use and disposal of 2006 Gathering of 4 such hazardous sub-Friends stances? Some Quaker Hu-4 mor Do I choose with care the use of technology and de-Horsham Heritage 5 vices that truly simplify Art Show and add quality to my life without adding an undue Upcoming Events 5 burden to essential resources?

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Minutes of Ninth Month 2005

Horsham Monthly Meeting of Friends held September 25th. 2005

Clerk Amy A. Jarrett opened the Meeting for Business.

The reading of the 9th Query "Ministry of Outreach", and the corresponding Advices to the Query having been read during Meeting for Worship, there were no thoughts or comments made.

Amy Jarrett asked if there were any additions or correction to the minutes which are now included in the newsletter.

It was suggested that we table the coat project. However Michelle Bender-Gruber has suggested we collect coats and donate them to the Salvation Army. She will take over and run this project with drop off taking place on Saturdays between 1 -3PM.

The New sign project is on hold because the sign maker is having difficulty finding a source of movable letters.

Interim meeting Penrose Hallowell reported for Interim Meeting. There was discussion on the Arch Street Meetinghouse use Pendle Hill at one time expressed interest in using a part of the building and helping with costs to rehab work but they have since withdrawn because of costs. Historic Landmark status may improve the ability to raise funds for maintenance which is badly needed.

Elizabeth Lukshides reported for Overseers.

Their next meeting will be October 17 at 7:30PM. There will be Soup Sunday today soup made by Clare and Archie Ashley. There is a Spiritual Formation program which costs \$400 to attend. There are two retreats the first is October 14-16 and the other is June 16-18 at Fellowship Farm. Elizabeth asked if the Meeting would support the cost of the program for both Christine Greenland and herself to attend the retreats and program. The Meeting approved. There is an Inquirers Weekend at Pendle Hill ask Eliza-



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Peace Quote:

of nations. It report had to do with a brought about by a Treasurer's report. The serenity of solid ground financially. soul. Peace is not merely given by Elizabeth O. come only to the American Red Cross people.

beth Lukshides about this if you are interested in attend-There are Activities ing. held at Gwynedd at the Gathering Garden. Then there was some discussion about a memorial service **Peace is not** for Ethel Huber. Elizabeth Lukshides was going to try and contact Ethel's son to see if he has returned from relationship Iraq about a memorial service. The next bit of the clearness committee for **is a** Matthew Keck. Some sug**condition of** gestion were Amy Jarrett, Cindy Cox, Alice and Richard Wetherill, and R. Evelyn **mind** P. Carpenter.

> David Charles gave the meeting continues to be on

The Trustee's report was Jarrett. The contract for the absence work to be done to the carriage shed had been of war. It is granted to Gehman's Builders. The work should get also a state started in about 6 weeks. Tree trimming that needs to of mind. be done will take place during the winter months as Lasting the cost will be less during those months. The Meeting **Deace can** approved giving AFSC \$1,000 and \$500 each to and Salvation Army to help peaceful out with the recent hurricanes in the Mississippi, Louisiana and Texas areas. Trustees will be meeting at 7PM during the next couple of months.

-Jawaharlal Nehru

Christine Greenland gave the Worship Ministry/ Religious Education report. She briefly talked about the Making New Friends which is winding down and if we would like to continue to move forward with help or guidance from PYM. Nothing was decided. Then she asked two question for us to think over.

The first was. How well do we know each other?

The second was. How do we get to know others?

Working on curriculum for First-Day School is a challenge because of the age differences and not know who will show up on any given Sunday.

Alan discussed the newsletter. He suggested that if anyone would like to contribute to the newsletter they are welcome to summit stories about growing up in the meeting, other memories of people of the Meeting past and present, recipes. This may not make it into the newsletter on the month it is submitted they will be used as space is open. He is requesting that committees summit meeting times so that they may be included in the newsletter.

It was suggested that get well cards be sent to both Laura Powell, and Dorothea Sines as they are both in the hospital. It was suggested they be sent to for Laura Evelyn's house and for Dorothea to her home. We wish them both speedy recoveries from their recent surgeries.

Quarterly Meeting will be held Sunday the 1st of October. Dorothea is our Repre-

sentative as she is recovering from surgery and Evelyn are alternative is busy taking care of Laura we asked that someone else act as representative for Horsham at Quarterly Meeting. Christine Greenland agreed to step in and represent the Meeting.

There is a display of Quaker Meeting at Philadelphia International Airport in terminal F which will be there until December. The Paintings were done by John Satterthwaite a member of Merion Meeting. There is on of Horsham Meeting on display.

Horsham Heritage Art Show will take place at the new Horsham Library on Babylon Road from October 24th to December 3rd.

There was an announcement of a Ham Supper the date has not been set.

Amy Jarrett announced various newsletters and brochures for members and attenders to look at on the back bench.

The Meeting closed with a few moments of silence

Respectively submitted

acting Assistant Clerk,

Peter Choate

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News from around PYM

Katrina Grants Available

AFSC grants available to Meetings working with Katrina evacueesThe American Friends Service Committee has set up a special fund to provide financial support to Friends Meetings, Churches and organizations who want to reach out to aid the victims of Hurricane Katrina. These grants are for Meetings that are actually providing services to evacuees or engaged in relief/rebuilding efforts through qualified organizations. AFSC is glad to be able to support Friends' initiatives to help the people who continue to suffer through these traumatic events. Projects must focus on helping the poor, Native Americans, undocumented immigrants and other underserved groups. Friend Rubye Braye from Wilmington, North Carolina, will be coordinating the effort for AFSC. For grant criteria and information, call her at (910) 681-0670 or email RBraye@afsc.org Applications are due by October 31.

"Silent Witness" Panels Featured in Abington Art Center's "Lost Meeting" Exhibit

Until November 12 nearly half of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's "Silent Witness" panels about local Quaker meetinghouse architecture set the stage for the Abington Art Center's multilayered, interactive, participatory exhibit, "The Lost Meeting," which takes place in the former Orthodox Meetinghouse in Jenkintown, PA.

"The Lost Meeting" features the work of artist/designer J. Morgan Puett, assisted by other collaborators. Moving through the Hicksite/Orthodox schism and the Quaker culture of that period, the collaborators have set-up a provisional drafting studio in the Little Abington Meetinghouse to experiment with historical domestic Quaker objects using 21st century technology.

Friends may wish to start their experience with a visit to the "Silent Witness" panels in the Community Gallery of the Abington Art Center, open Monday - Friday, 10am to 5pm, Thursdays until 7pm. Then, a walk through the Sculpture Park takes visitors to the Little Abington Meetinghouse for J. Morgan Puett's work and other events. Visit

www.abingtonartcenter.org/ for details about specific events, including Family Workshops on Saturdays, September 10, October 8, and November 12, 1:00 - 3:00 p.m. and First Day Meetings at 2:00 p.m. on September 11, October 2, and November 6. The November 6 event is a dialogue with J. Morgan Puett, Iain Kerr, Julie Courtney, Sue Makler of Abington Meeting, Christopher Densmore of the Friends Historical Library, and Catherine Lavoie of the Historic American Buildings Survey in Washington DC.

Change of speaker for AFSC Gathering

This is a correction to a news item distributed in September. The keynote speaker for the Annual Public Gathering of the American Friends Service Committee will be Mary Frances Berry, former chair of the U.S. Commission on Civil Rights. U.S. Rep. Barbara Lee will not be there. The gathering is 1:30 p.m. to 4:30 p.m. Saturday, November 5, 2005, at the Holiday Inn at 4th and Arch streets in Philadelphia. For more information visit www.afsc.org

Pastoral Care Newsletter Seeks Editor

The Pastoral Care Newsletter, coming out 4 times per year, is a periodical directed to those providing pastoral care in unprogrammed Friends Meetings. We seek an Editor to edit and lay out articles and work with writers, while collaborating with an experienced editorial committee, under the care of the Worship and Care Standing Committee of PYM. The editor will be Friend from anywhere in the U.S., experienced in the Quaker work of pastoral care, with an understanding of unprogrammed Friends around the country. He/she will help identify topics and writers for PCN, help with promotion of the newsletter, and be skilled with the computer. Most of the work of the Editor is done by e mail and telephone. More information is available from the Search Committee, and resumes should be sent by December 15 to: Search Committee, PCN Philadelphia Yearly Meeting 1515 Cherry Street Philadelphia, PA 19102

Apply for Quaker Youth Pilgrimage

Friends World Committee for Consultation announces the 2006 Quaker YouthPilgrimage will take place in the Midwestern United States, July 14-August 10, 2006. FWCC Section of the Americas is seeking 14 young Friends who will be ages 16-18 at the time of the pilgrimage, and two adult facilitators. For more information contact Friends World Committee for Consultation, Section of the Americas, 1506 Race St., Philadelphia PA 19102, (215)241-7250, QYP@fwccamericas.org.

Application forms are now ready for pilgrims and leaders and can be downloaded at www.fwccamericas.org. The deadline for applications for adult leaders is December 15, 2005; deadline for pilgrim applicants is January 15, 2006. A pilgrimage begins a lifetime of spiritual growth.

PYM Reunification Documentary for Sale on DVD

For your Christmas gift-giving, consider Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's new DVD: "Hicksite-Orthodox Reunification: 50th Anniversary Perspectives." This video documentary was originally developed for showing at PYM's Annual Sessions in April 2005, on the occasion of the 50th anniversary of Hicksite and Orthodox Friends finally setting aside their differences after 128 years of disunity. The DVD revolves around interviews with five Friends who were personally involved in PYM at the time of the reunification, with historical narrative to tie the story together. Says Lucy Duncan, Co-Manager of QuakerBooks of FGC, "The production values are very high... The Friends interviewed are charming, and all the images are really wonderful."

To order a copy, or to learn more, go to

http://www.quakerbooks.org/get/11-99-01808-2, or call (800) 966-4556.





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2006 Gathering of Friends "Swimming in Living Waters"

July 1-7, 2006 ,Pacific Lutheran University

Puget Sound, Washington

Historic First-ever Western FGC Gathering A week of Worship, Workshops, Programs and Community for Friends of All Ages.

Long-time and first-time FGC Gathering attenders will come together from east, south, middle, north and west to create the familiar and well-loved Gathering community in a historic new setting near the Puget Sound in Washington State.

Friends at the 2006 Puget Sound Gathering will draw spiritual sustenance from a place of living waters and majestic mountains. Rooted in a century of tradition we will transplant a Gathering community for the first time ever to western soil.

What makes the FGC Gathering a cherished and inspirational Quaker event? Multiple daily opportunities for worship, deep and intensive week- long workshops for every age and interest, provocative evening plenary Friends General Conference sessions, local field trips and innumerable opportunities for music, art, information and conversation.

For children and teens especially, the Gathering is often the unique occasion when they are embraced by a large community of Quaker peers. The Junior Gathering involves even the youngest children in Spirit-led, week-long activities. High School Friends bond in a prototype monthly meeting community, including selection of clerks and conduct of meeting for worship for business.

Dislike what deserves it, but never Hate: For that is of the Nature of Malice; which is almost ever to Persons, not Things, and is one of the blackest Qualities Sin begets in the Soul.

> William Penn Fruits of Solitude,#269

Evelyn Carpenter would like to thank the Friends of Horsham Meeting for the love and support she has received over the past few months. It has meant a lot during a difficult time.

Tis a Gift To Be Complex

Tis a gift to be complex, 'tis a gift to be obtuse, 'Tis a gift of verbosity that all Friends like to use, And when we find ourselves with the talk at an end, We'll think of a reason to start up again.

When true complexity is gained, To go on for hours we shan't be ashamed, To sit her and starve will be our delight, While we talk and discuss with no end in sight.

--From the Pima Meeting (AZ) Newsletter

Once in the 1850s, an Ohio Friend was returning by train from an abolitionist convention when a group of ministers from Kentucky boarded his car. One of them, noting the Friend's plain garb and guessing his antislavery convictions, began to bait him: "Are you one of those Quakers who wants to free all the Negroes?" he demanded. The Friend nodded affirmatively.

"Well, then" badgered the minister, "why do you preach your antislavery doctrines up here in Ohio? Why don't you come try it over in Kentucky?"

The Friend was tired and a bit out of sorts, so he responded with a question of his own: "Is thee a preacher?" he asked.

The other said he was.

"And does thee want to save souls from hell?" the Friend continued.

Yes, the minister allowed that he did.

"Well, then," concluded the Friend wearily, "why doesn't thee go there?"

HORSHAM PRESERVATION & HISTORICAL ASSOCIATION

HORSHAM HERITAGE ART SHOW

At the Horsham Library October 24th to December 3rd

We are looking for drawings, oils, pastels, etc. of Horsham locations or Horsham's Historical residents. We are also interested in showing historically oriented work by Horsham artists. If you have a building or ancestor painted or sculpted, let us know. We want to show off Horsham locations and Horsham talent!

If you are in the Hatboro-Horsham School District's middle or high schools, these is a contest for the best representation of an historic person or building. Prizes will be awarded and the winning work will be in the Horsham Heritage Art Show.

Talk to Show Chairman, George Krieman, our HPHA resident artist. Call him at 215-646-5991 for information and how we can display your Horsham Art.

For further information, contact Pete Choate at 215 343-0659 (HPHA), email to farm1742@aol.com or visit www.horshamhistory.org.

Upcoming Events

"Experiment With Light" Retreat Planned

Friends will gather to learn a form of Quaker meditation based on early Friends' experience of the Light at an "Experiment With Light" retreat led by Marcelle Martin. The event will be held at Solebury Meeting near New Hope, Pennsylvania, from 9:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. on Saturday, November 12, 2005. Tickets cost \$25 and include lunch and

light refreshments. For tickets call John Ellsworth at (215) 348-1215.Childcare is not available.This retreat uses the "Experiment With Light" process of British Friend and theologian Rex Ambler. His book, "Light to Live By: An Exploration in Quaker Spirituality," describes the process he found in his systematic compilation of George Fox's writings, and then updated with elements of psychologist Eugene Gendlin's "Focusing" process.

Late October Book Sale at PYM Library

PYM Library's Annual **Book Sale at Friends** Center, 1515 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, is Friday, October 28, 10:00 am to 3:00 pm., and Sunday. October 30. at the rise of meeting for worship. Donations of bags and boxes of books, cassettes, records, puzzles and games are welcome right away. Contact Librarian Rita Varlev at 215-241-7219 or ritav@pym.org for more information.

Planning Meeting For A Women's Retreat

Are you interested in participating in a multi generational women's retreat? Do you seek a time for worship nurture, singing, spirituality and connecting with other women?

There will be a meeting for worship to plan and hold in the Light such an event. We invite you to come to a planning meeting at Mount Holly **Friends Meetinghouse** (NJ) on Saturday, November 5, from 9:30 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. Tentative Plan: Refreshments, Meeting for Worship, Worship Sharing of Our Hopes & Dreams, Break, Small group brainstorming: "How can we do this?", Brown Bag Lunch, Whole Group Sharing.

We may offer a tour of the John Woolman Memorial.

Please call to let us know you are coming. Child care will be provided if requested by October 28.

Please contact: Fran Campbell 856-727-4022 Edy Nolan 732-940-6546 Ventina Hershey 856-439-9183

Draft Counselor Training at Haverford

J.E. McNeill, executive director of the Center for Conscience and War, will lead draft counselor training sessions on October 28-29, 2005. The training will occur at Haverford Meeting, 825 Buck Lane, Haverford PA 19041. These sessions are sponsored by Haverford Quarterly Meeting to prepare to counsel young adults should the need arise. We invite young adults to participate as peer counselors. For further information and a registration packet, contact Christine M. Greenland, Haverford Quarterly Meeting Coordinator, P.O. Box 3072, Warminster, PA 18974-0108; 215-322-4105, 215-534-5928 or cmgreenInd@aol.com. Enrollment is limited to 30 participants.

November 11-13

The next Inquirers' Weekend, designed to introduce attenders and new members to the basics of Quaker faith and practice,





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will be November 11-13 at Pendle Hill in Wallingford, PA. Leaders will be Ben Pink Dandelion. Programmes Leader in the Centre for Postgraduate QuakerStudies at Woodbrooke Quaker Study Centre in England, and Deborah Shaw, Worship and Discernment Coordinator at Guilford College. The Inquirers' Weekend is co-sponsored by Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and Pendle Hill.For more information, contact Pendle Hill at ext. 3, 800-742-3150 or610-566-4507 or check the website www.pendlehill.org under Fall 2005-Winter 2006 Workshops. Pendle Hill has funds available to match grants from Friends Meetings for scholarships; please ask for details.

New Testament scholar Paul N. Anderson, professor of Biblical and Quaker

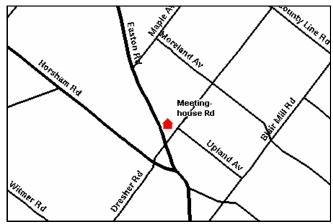
Studies at George Fox University, will present a lecture and lead discussion on "Inspired Readings of the Inspired Text" on Thursday,

November 17, 2005, at 7:30 p.m. at the Arch Street Meeting House, 320 Arch St., Philadelphia PA 19106. This lecture is part of an annual series presented by the Bible Association of Friends in America: and co-sponsored by the Adult Religious Education Working Group of PYM. Participants are invited to dinner with members of the Bible Association at Arch Street at 6 p.m. (cost is \$12), and to the Annual Meeting of the Association at 7 p.m. For further

Bible Association Lecture November 17

About Horsham Monthly Meeting

We welcome all to visit us for worship on Sundays at 10:30AM. First Day (Sunday) school is held during worship from September through May. For more information, call (215) 672-1714, or email our Clerk, Amy Jarrett, at <u>ajarrett@peoplepc.com.</u>



information and registration, please contact Charlotte Lippincott, 856-829-5395, e-mail CLMOOD@aol.com; Christine M. Greenland, 215-534-5928, e-mail cmgreenInd@aol.com, or Marjorie Ewbank, e-mail marjewb@comcast.net

Meetinghouse

Maintenance Workshop is February 4, 2006

Hold this date - Saturday, February 4, 2006 (snow date, February 25) -

for "Living Witnesses III," the third meetinghouse care event geared to-Monthly Meeting property committee members. trustees, and all othersinterested in historically sensitive meetinghouse repair, maintenance, and adaptation. This day-long event at the Arch Street Meeting House in Philadelphia will provide practical information about meetinghouse care through workshops on specific technical topics. It will also explore the

usefulness of the "Living Witnesses" workbook, sold through Quaker-Books of FGC. Watch for event flyers and invitations. For more information, contact Peggy Morscheck, representing the HABS (Historic American

Buildings Survey) Working Group of PYM. Call(610) 642-4069 or email

morscheck@comcast.net.

Sun Feb 5, 2006

Abington Quarterly Meeting Quarterly Meeting at Horsham

Mar 25, 2006

PYM one-day session at Arch Street Meeting House, Philadelphia

Sun May 7, 2006

Abington Quarterly Meeting. Quarterly Meeting at Cheltenham.

July 1-7, 2006

2006 FGC Gathering of Friends "Swimming in Living Waters"

Pacific Lutheran University Puget Sound, Washington

Tuesday-Sunday July 25-30, 2006

PYM Residential Yearly Meeting at DeSales University, Center Valley, PA

Information for this newsletter should be given to Alan Folsom by the 10th of each month for inclusion in that month. Articles or information can be emailed to: alan@folsoms.net.