



Third Haven Friends Meeting

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"Meeting old friends after a long time, we see with surprise how they have changed, and must imagine, despite the mirror's lies, that change is upon us, too."

"The Faces of Children" by Elizabeth Spires

Third Haven Friends Meeting Minutes of the 5th Month, 13th, 2007, Meeting for Business

Attending: Anne Rouse, Molly Burgoyne, Marsie Hawkinson, Candace Shattuck, Robert Shattuck, Jim Rouse, Ken Carroll, Sumner Parker, Katherine Johnson, Ann Williams, M. Joyce Zeigler, Frank Zeigler, Lorraine Claggett, Winslow Womack, Larny Claggett, Doreen Getsinger, Cynthia Browne, John Hawkinson, Susan Claggett, Mark Beck, Peter Howell, Nancy Mullen, and Jeff Mullen.

The Clerk of the Meeting, Anne Rouse, presided over the business meeting. She opened the meeting at 11:15am after a brief silence.

Query for the 5th Month: The query "Education" was read. After the reading, one friend expressed concern over the cost of Quaker education. He expressed a desire for our meeting to be more financially supportive of our children attending Friends' schools. Discussion took place regarding scholarship funds for Quaker education of children from our meeting. After various friends shared their knowledge of funds and experiences, the Meeting approved the Religious Education and the Budget and Finance committees working together to come up with a plan to address this issue. Peter Howell graciously volunteered to serve on any committee that might be set up in the future regarding this.

Approval of Minutes: Approval of the minutes from Business meeting from the 4th month was given after a correction was made correcting the name of the Friends Committee on National Legislation or FNCL.

Treasurer's report: Joe Davis gave the Treasurer's report. Please refer to the attached Income and Expenses April 2007. Total Income for the month was \$5,835.55 and total expenses were \$3,698.41 with a net income of \$2,137.14. There was an additional unexpected expense this month from the contingency fund of \$205 for door closers. There was additional income of \$300 from a wedding. On the second page of the report under budget vs. YTD, we have a net income of \$8,157.74. One friend pointed out that in spite of being ahead of budget; we are \$5,565 under

budget for member contributions. The third page covers assets, liabilities and equities. The treasurer's report was approved by the Meeting.

Clerk's Correspondence: The clerk received a letter from PYM approving a tuition supplement for Laura Claggett and Sarah Thompson for George School.

The request for membership letters from Lee Anne Dodge and Robert Weiland were read to the members. These requests have been forwarded to Overseers.

Three contributions have already been received in memory of Hooper Bond.

We have received a letter from the Unitarian Universalist Fellowship that their target "move-in" date is June 1st. It was a kind letter of appreciation for the use of our facilities. Peter Howell volunteered to investigate an appropriate "house-warming" gift from our Meeting.

Quakerism 101 will start in Fall 2007. Dates will be listed in the newsletter.* Three of the six meetings will take place on first days, the other three on Friday evenings.

Idlewild Park volunteers have asked to use our parking lots from May 30- June 3rd. This will be coordinated with Property and Grounds.

Overseers: John Schneider, Heidi Weitzel, Lorraine and Penny Claggett are approved as overseers for the Gerni/ Dabney wedding.

The welcoming committee has met with Mark Beck. Hooper Bond's service was well attended.

Budget and Finance: Please refer to the preliminary draft. Projected expenses are down \$2090.00 from June '06-07. There was much discussion about the donations item in the budget. During the Business Meeting of 4th month, Testimonies and Concerns listed 28 charities to which the Meeting added 3 organizations for a total of 31 to be awarded \$50 each for the coming year. A friend helped clarify the difference in the budget between the categories of memberships in organizations vs. donations. Several friends felt that the Good Samaritan Fund should be awarded more money. This fund is managed by TACL and as a member of this group it has traditionally been a responsibility of our Meeting to contribute to the fund. One friend mentioned that the token amount given to various charities should serve as an impetus to encourage members to contribute more generously as individuals. After several opinions were expressed, the Meeting approved awarding \$300 to the Good Samaritan Fund contingent on a report by our TACL representative, Ann Williams, on how these funds have been used over the past several years.

Communications: The annual report from this committee was given by John Hawkinson. Please refer to the complete report. John respectfully requested more original contributions from members and attenders to our newsletter. The use of e-mail has allowed us to save money this year on publishing and printing.

Testimonies and Concerns: The Interfaith Social Action Committee has requested that the Meeting set up a place in the common room for members and attenders to bring in their extra home-grown produce to be distributed to those in need throughout the summer. The Meeting approved this if guidelines are structured for the days the produce will be collected and the cleanup of the common room area is organized properly.

One friend asked for clarification of who handles community invitations when they come in the mail. This concern was placed under advisement.

First Day: Susan Claggett presented the First Day School report. Of note, over 20 children attended First Day recently when a guest speaker, Dawn Ferguson, taught a song of peace to all. June 3rd will be "Moving Up Day" to honor those who are graduating from 8th grade- Sarah Thompson, High School- Robert Burgoyne and Norval Thompson and St. Mary's College- Andrew Watters. There will be an annual potluck picnic after the ceremony.

June 10th will be the last First Day before summer break. Self-guided curriculum will be available in the common room's closet for those parents who would like to use it during the summer to teach their children. Information about summer camps and events for Quakers involving children is available in the brick meeting house or through Susan.

Quarterly Meeting Coordinator: More information on this position is not available at this time and will be tabled until a later business meeting.

Interim Meeting: Please refer to the report submitted by Doreen Getsinger, Marsie Hawkinson, Cathy and Norval Thompson.

Other Business: Our Meeting is currently a member of the Interfaith Housing Development Coordination which provides affordable housing to local residents. Our Meeting will be approached to underwrite a line of credit to fund a project, The Lodges at Naylor Mill. The line of credit involves no upfront contributions but would involve some exposure to risk. The Meeting approved Larny Claggett coming back with more information on the project. Marilla's lunches will take place this Wednesday at Ashbury Methodist Church at 10am.

Anne Rouse concluded the meeting after a brief period of silence at 1:00pm.

Worship and Ministry plans to present Quakerism 101 as a series both to Third Haven and to members and attenders of the three other meetings within the Southern Quarter. These sessions will be held here at the rise of meeting on the 3rd first day (Sept 16, Oct 21, Nov 18) as well as the evening of 6th day before the first 1st day of 9th, 10th, 11th month (Aug 31, Oct 5, Nov 2). We will invite all from the Quarter to the sessions. Quakerism 101 will be taught by Thomas Macaluso, whose resume is as follows: "37 years teaching English writing and literature, book arts, the rare book, humanities, and commercial law at Monmouth University (NJ), Ohio State University, and Delaware County Community College (PA) where I also was Associate Dean of Instruction, and from which I retired in 1997. Presently Emeritus Professor, Delaware County Community College. Traveling teacher of Quakerism courses, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, Religious Society of Friends. Lecturer: Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and Delaware County Community College speakers' bureaus. Frequent speaker on radio and before many groups on Quakerism and book topics." Address is: macaluso@kennett.net 716 Wollaston Road, Kennett Square, PA 19348 - 610-444-1054 Submitted by Bob Marshall

Annual Report of the Communications Committee

The Communications Committee prepares weekly announcements, the monthly newsletter and maintains the website for Third Haven Meeting. Our goal is to provide continuity of information to members and attenders. A directory of names, addresses, phone numbers and e-mail addresses is published in January on even numbered years. The directory listings are kept up-to-date on the website.

We have reduced our budget by more than half by making the announcements and the newsletter available by e-mail. For those without computer, the monthly newsletter is sent by mail, and we have initiated mailed announcements.

Thanks for the time and effort spent by our members: Ralph Young, Nancy Mullen, Dee Rein, Peter Howell, Clay Owens, Jake Mullen, Paige Bethke and John Hawkinson.

We would like to see more original contributions from the meeting community. Much of what we receive has already been published elsewhere. If there is a message that you wish to have the meeting share, please make an effort to express it in your own words.

Respectfully Submitted by John Hawkinson

The Marilla McCarthy Award

During her 14 years as a CASA, Marilla McCarthy worked with many children and their families, touching many lives. Marilla was tireless in her advocacy for children, passionate in striving to help improve their lives, empathic toward the parents of the children in her caseload, gentle and quiet in her approach to conflict, and incredibly talented at peace-making. She was patient, determined, and creative and we were all better for having known her.

Marilla passed away in 2005 and it was in her honor that we created the Annual Marilla McCarthy Award. We give this award each year to the CASA volunteer who, showing Marilla-like qualities, helps keep us and the system focused on what really matters: the children.

This year, we had a tie. So, we decided to present the 2007 Marilla McCarthy Award to two CASA volunteers whose passionate integrity for their work with children is consistently remarkable. The willingness of both of these individuals to do pretty much whatever it takes to make children's lives better has been, time and time again, truly humbling. Both of these CASAs have shown persistence and grace in the face of adversity, and the children they have worked with in their individual cases are all better off because of their CASAs. I'd like to ask the two individuals to join us here at the podium as we present both of them with the 2007 Marilla McCarthy Award. Please join me in showing our appreciation to CASA volunteers, Peggy Paul and John Heck.

REPORT FROM INTERIM MEETING, May 24, 2007

The May session of Interim Meeting was held at the Arch Street Meetinghouse and was led by the clerk, Jada Jackson. In his report as General Secretary Arthur Larrabee talked about bringing positive energy and referenced the good energy coming from Friends in the Southern Quarter building or renovating "green" Quaker meetings both at Camden Meeting and at Wicomico Meetings. He asked for input from Interim Meeting on the subject of the Grounds of the Arch St.

property. The General Services Standing Committee has responsibility for the care and management of the building and its surrounds. Currently there is no seating area on the grounds outside, making it less hospitable to visitors and attenders. The prior benches were either stolen or removed to discourage unmentionable overnight use of the property and made burdensome clean up demands of the staff. The committee would like to create a welcoming place for visitors and users of the building. Their proposal is to find a way to fund benches and to close the gates when the staff leaves for the day. Concerns were expressed about the unquakerly and unwelcoming sentiments the gate closing presents to those in need and about finding a more positive way to work with the homeless. Input from the monthly meetings is being sought. Arthur also reported that Elizabeth Foley will be retiring in March 2008 as Director of the Annual Fund. She stated that we are now only \$86,500 from the Annual Fund's goal of \$475,000 and need your help in getting there by June 30th.

TylaAnn Burger, treasurer of Philadelphia Yearly Meeting reported on the progress of the Friends Center renewing project - "Turning Quaker Gray into Quaker Green" or "Plan H" as it is being called, will incorporate the use of geo-thermal heating and cooling, solar paneled and vegetated roofing and reuse of rain water-run off for non drinking purposes. PYM is a 1/3 equity partner in this property, but occupies 18% of the building. The other partners are AFSC and Central Philadelphia Meeting. With the decision to make this a "green" building the cost will be \$12.5 million compared to \$6 million for a traditional carbon emitting fossil fuel dependent project. In light of universal concerns about global warming, Interim Meeting approved going ahead with the "green" project. It also approved its portion of the increased initial cost of \$270,000, which requires taking \$100,000 a year for the next three years from the designated Chace Fund.

Thomas Swain, clerk of PYM, reported of his visit to Britain Yearly Meeting earlier in May. He expressed surprise at the importance given to the role of PYM clerk by Friends in Britain. Clerk Jada Jackson read letters of appreciation Marjorie Larrabee for a workshop on Eldering. The meeting Closed with silent worship.

Submitted by Norval Thompson and Marsie Hawkinson

Philadelphia Yearly Meeting will be gathering from July 26 to 30 at Rowan University in Glassboro, NJ, for fun, fellowship, learning, worship, discernment, service and manifesting the Kingdom of God. All are welcome! Registration and more program information will be sent to all households that receive mailings from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting. More details and online registration will be available at www.pym.org

Children's Sessions will meet morning and evening – at the same time as the adult sessions. The afternoons will be left free for Friendly community, relaxation and workshops for Friends of all ages. All of the children's activities will be led by gifted, enthusiastic adults who will follow your child's age-defined group throughout the Sessions. Programs will be based upon this year's theme "Dwelling in God: Living Our Faith Out Loud." Since children like living "out loud," we are certain that when your children attend RYM sessions, they will learn about God, their Quaker faith, grow spiritually, and have fun at the same time! For more information contact Children's Sessions Assistant Elizabeth Piersol Schmidt at 215-241-7236 or ChildrensSessions@pym.org.

THIRD HAVEN COMMUNITY RAISES FUNDS FOR EMERGENCY MEDICAL AID WORLDWIDE

Third Haven's periodic Carriage Shed Sales traditionally generate funds to help organizations whose work embodies Quaker testimonies and beliefs, and this spring's sale was no exception. The impetus for the sale at this time was to reach out to those affected by war, particularly children in Iraq. Our Testimonies and Concerns Committee recommended and Business Meeting approved that the recipient be Doctors Without Borders, an independent international medical humanitarian organization that delivers emergency aid to people affected by armed conflict, epidemics, natural or man-made disasters, or exclusion from health care in more than 70 countries.



Tons of treasures to be had!



Lorraine and Leigh Anne peddle plants

The sale took place on Saturday May 19 under sunny skies, after a week of preparation and gathering of items for sale. The bottom line is that we will be sending Doctors without Borders a check for roughly \$4,200.00.



**Did the Quaker dog bite Winslow?
Helen wonders**



Valerie and Katie Rose sell sweets

Many thanks to the many members and attenders who helped make the sale a success, by donating items for sale and by taking on the many tasks necessary to make this event happen. "We know how to do this!" one member was heard to comment with satisfaction after the sale. So thank you for making and distributing posters, placing ads in the newspaper, writing press releases, arranging for the tent, potting plants for sale, preparing Quaker dogs, baking cookies, moving tables, sorting and pricing a seemingly endless number of items, arranging a Silent Auction, taking money, arranging for disposition of leftover things, cleaning up ... the list goes on, and all these tasks were attended to, gracefully. Truly is a case where "many hands make light work." It was a joy to take part in this event.



Sumner collects for the cause



Tom and Mary take a time out



Molly and Robert pause for a hug



Sam at the ready!



Beth and Mae test a high chair



Candace, Paige, Lorraine, Mary and Ann savor the fruits of their labors

Friends Hospice

Friends Hospice is beginning services in mid-July for under-served communities of Philadelphia as they deal with the challenges of terminal illness. They seek start up team members: paid staff of 2 registered nurses and 1 social worker, an administrative assistant, and volunteers willing to give 4 or more hours per week. Volunteers may be nurses, social workers, health aides, chaplains or citizens interested in helping. A 20 hour training course begins June 4th and meets Monday and Wednesday evenings through June. If interested, contact Freddie at Friends Hospice 215-925-6848 or freddie@freindshospice.org.

Third Haven Announcements

PHONOTHON VOLUNTEERS Needed Faithful Friends needed to help raise the Annual Fund Via the phonation At Friends Center - The dates are: Wednesday, May 30th, Monday, June 4th, Wednesday, June 6th, and June 7th. Dinner provided at 6:00 p.m., training follows. Calls are made from 7:00 p.m. to 9:00 p.m. With enough volunteers Friends will reach the goal of \$475,000. A short finite service to our Yearly Meeting. Come alone or carpool, park after 5:00 p.m. in the Parkway lot on the N. E. corner of 15th Street. You will be reimbursed for tolls, parking, and carfare. This is an opportunity to meet and work with Friends from other Meetings. It is also a chance to serve our extended faith community. For a Friend, Giving your time in service is an extension of worship. RSVP at 215-241-7115, e-mail: elizabeth@pym.org

May 30- June 3 Project Idlewild construction. Both skilled and unskilled carpenters are needed as well as babysitting and food service support. Loan of tools and donation of materials are also being requested. There are volunteer sign up forms on the table in the common room. For more detailed information look at <http://www.projectidlewild.org/index.html>

June 1 to 3 - Quaker Conference on Torture, "The Work Continues", Guilford College. Register at <http://www.quit-torture-now.org/Pages/07Registration%20Form.pdf> or mail to: Registration, Quaker Conference on Torture, Quaker House, 223 Hillside Ave, Fayetteville, NC 28301 Phone: 910 323 2912 Fax: 1-800-839-5849 E-mail: gpr@quaker.org

June 6 (fourth day) 5pm Property & Grounds committee will meet in the Common Room

June 6 (fourth day) 5:30pm meeting for worship

June 10 (first day) 10am meeting for worship, final day of first day school, and meeting for business. Committee reports due: Budget & Finance, First Day School.

The Third Haven Thursday Food Link team needs an additional member to pick up food from our two sources, Giant Foods and The Railway Market, and deliver it to the Doverbrook Housing Project and the Neighborhood Service Center. This valuable community service takes up a small portion of one morning per month. Contact John Hawkinson at hawkjm@goeaston.net or call 410-822-0589.

Volunteers (2) are needed in the Lending Library of the Talbot County Detention Center. Tasks include updating a library data base whenever books are loaned out and when they are returned, pulling and returning books to the book stacks, entering new books into the data base and periodically updating the printed lists of all books in the library which are located throughout the detention center. There are about 5,000 books in the library and weekly circulation varies from sixty to one hundred books. There is no direct contact with inmates. Volunteers are needed on Monday and/or Friday mornings from about 9:45 until noon. For more information contact Ralph Young, 410-819-0050.

Trinity Episcopal Church will begin its Migrant Ministry in cooperation with Choptank Health in June. Teams of two or three people take supplies to camps which are located around the Cordoba area. To volunteer or to find out what supplies are currently needed, people can call Trinity Cathedral office. Past supplies have included hats, t-shirts, towels, eyewash, lotions, etc. Contact phone number 410-822-1931

Reminders

- Send a contribution payable to: Third Haven Monthly Meeting
Mail to Third Haven Treasurer, PO Box 2379, Easton, MD 21601

- Send a contribution payable to PYM Annual Fund (mention Third Haven)
Mail to PYM Development Office, 1515 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102.
Please look at the Third Haven Calendar on the following website: we need your input.
<http://www.google.com/calendar/embed?src=thirdhaven%40gmail.com>

- If you have an announcement or newsletter article, please submit it to
hawkjm@goeaston.net

- Notices of committee meetings, e-mail and other address changes should also come to this address.

- If you have an unused computer, please call Ralph Young (819-0050) and a new home will be found for it. The demand is great and the supply is small.

The following is the newly updated index of coming events listed by Philadelphia Yearly Meeting and other major Quaker organizations. Details of these events may be found on the Third Haven Website, <http://www.thirdhaven.org/> by clicking on Complete Text Material on the home page.

PYM INDEX OF EVENTS FOR 2007

Updated May 20, 2007

GENERAL (undated)

Idling Gets You Nowhere
Quaker Exhibits on the Move
Quakerism Programs at Pendle Hill
Quaker Worship Group Forming near Pottstown
PYM Annual Fund goal is \$475,000
Yearly Meeting Takes Action on Climate Change
Washington Quaker Workcamps
Concerned about the War on Drugs?
Using PYM Library materials
Join the PYM Library Services Group
Quaker Parenting Project offers Discussion Series
Friends Counseling Service

PYM Needs Volunteers for Phonation

JUNE 2007

June 1 and 2. Providence Meeting Celebrates Eight-Month Anniversary of “Peace Way”
Berry Festival June 3 at Wilmington Meeting
June 23 Question Session about PYM Budget Process

JULY 2007

July 15 Peace and Justice Picnic
Update on Residential Yearly Meeting 2007
July 26 to 30 Come to Residential Yearly Meeting!
July 26 to 30 Children’s Sessions at Residential Yearly Meeting
July 27-29 Pendle Hill Offers Weekend on Basic Quakerism

AUGUST

August 10 & 11 Non-Violence and Children's Annual Summer Training

2008

2008 Quaker Pilgrimage to England

FRIENDS EMPLOYMENT OPPORTUNITIES

Friends Hospice seeks registered nurses and social workers
Outreach Coordinator, Haverford Monthly Meeting
Friends Journal seeks Development Officer
Temporary Job Opening with Friends Center Capital Campaign
Call for Licensed Mental Health Professionals

Advancement and Outreach Coordinator for FGC

The following is the latest list of organizations to be considered for contribution from Third Haven Friends Meeting. This list with mailing addresses is posted on the Third Haven website, <http://www.thirdhaven.org/> under the heading Sponsored Non-Profit Organizations.

A decision about this year's contributions will be made at our business meeting on June 10, 2007.

- [1] Friends Committee on National Legislation www.fcnl.org/
- [2] American Friends Service Committee www.afsc.org/
- [3] Friends World Committee for Consultation www.quaker.org/fwcc/FWCC.html
- [4] Friends General Conference www.fgcquaker.org/
- [5] Friends Journal www.friendsjournal.org/
- [6] National Campaign for a Peace Tax Fund www.peacetaxfund.org/
- [7] Quaker United Nations Office www.quno.org/
- [8] Friends Peace Team Great Lakes www.quaker.org/fptp/agli/friends.html
- [9] Friends Peace Team Colombia www.friendspeaceteams.org/programs/colombia/
- [10] Nonviolent Peaceforce www.nonviolentpeaceforce.org/
- [11] Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors www.objector.org/
- [12] Quaker Earth Care Witness www.quakerearthcare.org/
- [13] Pendle Hill www.pendlehill.org/
- [14] George School www.georgeschool.org/
- [15] Women for Afghan Women - Afghan Women's Fund www.womenforafghanwomen.org/
- [16] P.E.A.C.E. (not sure this is the correct website) www.peace-action.org/
- [17] Talbot Partnership for Alcohol and other Drug Abuse Prevention
www.talbotpartnership.org
- [18] Talbot Association of Clergy and Laity <http://www.whatsoeveryoudo.net/TACL.htm>
- [19] Habitat for Humanity Talbot <http://www.habitattalbot.org/>
- [20] Habitat for Humanity Caroline <http://www.carolinehabitat.org/>
- [21] CASA (Court Appointed Special Advocates) <http://www.casaofalbot.org/>
- [22] Channel Marker of Talbot Co. <http://www.channelmarker.org/youthprograms.htm>
- [23] Talbot Hospice Foundation <http://www.talbothospice.org/>
- [24] Maryland Food Bank <http://www.mdfoodbank.org/>
- [25] Talbot Mentors no web site
- [26] Talbot County Humane Society <http://www.talbothumane.org/>
- [27] Evergreen Cove <http://www.evergreencove.org/>
- [28] SMART (Self Management and Recovery Training) <http://www.smartrecovery.org/>
- [29] Alternatives to Violence Project <http://www.avpusa.org/>
- [30] AFSC Mid-Atlantic Region <http://www.afsc.org/midatlantic/default.htm>
- [31] Easton Volunteer Fire Department, Inc. <http://www.eastonvfd.org/>
- [32] Southern Poverty Law Center www.splcenter.org/

Art teacher and drama teacher wanted! Three mornings of the last weekend of July, to work with 11, 12 and 13 year olds at Residential Yearly Meeting at Rowan University in South Jersey. The pay is reasonable and the kids are WONDERFUL. All enquiries ASAP to:

Elizabeth Walmsley, Middle School Friends, Philadelphia Yearly Meeting, 1515 Cherry Street, Philadelphia, PA 19102, 215-241-7171 or 1-800-220-0796 extension 7171, elizabethw@pym.org