



The Iowa Friend

Iowa Yearly Meeting: Spreading Like Prairie
Grass to Make the Love of Jesus Christ
Known in the Heartland and Beyond

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Agreeing AND Disagreeing in LOVE

by: Ron Bryan, General Superintendent

This is the title of the poster that I ordered for all of our member churches. The rest of the poster states:

Commitments for Christians in Times of Disagreement, "Making every effort to maintain the unity of the spirit in the bond of peace" (Eph 4:3), as both individual members and the body of Christ, we pledge that we shall:

IN THOUGHT

Accept conflict
Affirm hope
Commit to prayer

IN ACTION

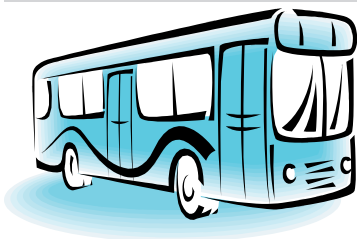
Go to the other
In the spirit of humility
Be quick to listen
Be slow to judge
Be willing to negotiate

IN LIFE

Be steadfast in love
Be open to mediation
Trust the community
Be the Body of Christ

This is the result of many years of study and

teaching by the Lombard Mennonite Peace Institute. I have had the privilege of attending and participating in four different training events from this group. I am always inspired by the challenges and promises that we receive when we study and rehearse with others who are striving to live the model of Jesus Christ and His revealed words from Scripture. No one said it would be easy and no one has promised that we will always 'win'. However, if all of life is a stage and we are all actors on that stage then we should be mindful that the audience (the world) is watching us. Every one of us is made in the image of God and the world needs to see us, as those professing to be His children, modeling the love and peace the world so desperately is crying out for. This peace begins when we reach out and invite in God's Spirit that can then quicken or fully enlighten the image that has been placed in each of us but remains incomplete until we encounter the True Light, the Inward Light that is Jesus Christ. In these classes of training we are constantly exhorted that this only works if we are willing to "examine ourselves and see if we are in the faith" (2 Cor. 13:5) No one can do it for us we simply need to be humble enough to ask the question in the right spirit. Am I walking the walk of Christ, in all ways and in all things?



*Bus Trip to Sturgeon
Bay Friends for the
Winnesheik
Quarterly Meeting
July 10-11th*

COSTS:

Bus travel (\$61 to \$110 per person) from Marshalltown and picking up in two additional locations. The more participants the lower the cost. Bus provided by Hawkeye Stages from our friends in Decorah

Depart: Friday July 9 Return on Sunday July 11

Lodging: Motel is \$104 per night and that price is

the same whether there are 4 people or 1 person in a room. **Total cost:** Approximately \$318 per person plus our food stops and shopping.

This would also be a time of celebration as Sturgeon Bay is moving forward with a new lift in their church as well as some other improvements to their facilities.

I need to know how many people would be willing to make this commitment by April 15 (contact the office either by email or phone - iaym@mahaska.org or 641-673-9717)

If we do not have at least 27 people interested in the bus travel then we will try to work out some car-pooling arrangements. PLEASE let us know that you are wanting to attend and we will work out the details!!!



Wolfe Ranch Open House May First

We invite individuals, families, Sunday School Classes, Churches and others to come visit. Meet Joy and Jon Bethel who are leading this project and reside on the ranch. Learn about our heart to serve the Lord at Quakerdale... not only at the Ranch, but in every program and initiative we do!

We are having a come and go open house breakfast on May 1, from 6 to 10 am! We invite you to come and see the ranch and have some breakfast. Then you can go to Camp Quaker Heights for their work day.

So please keep Quakerdale in your prayers. We are always looking for ministry minded people to work and volunteer. We need your prayers that we find the needs that God has for us to serve Him through. We need your input! If you'd like someone to come and talk to your church, school, or club please contact us!

By: Robert C. Talbot, Executive Director
www.quakerdale.org

Friends Disaster Service of Iowa and work day for Camp Quaker Heights May 1st



The FDS emphasis this spring is to help complete the restoration of Camp Quaker Heights in time for the summer camping season. To do this, we want to cooperate with the camp work day on Saturday, May 1. Last August if you were there on the afternoon of the hail storm that devastated the camp or the next day, you saw what could be done when there are many individuals working together. Much was accomplished then and throughout the fall to restore the buildings inside and out, but now we need you again to complete the task of spring cleaning to prepare the camp for the summer season. In addition to cleaning cabins there may also be work available to complete the deck on the youth director's home and replacing the steel roof on the shelter near the dining lodge. As usual, bring rakes, pails, chain saws (a log splitter?) and any other tools or materials you would use for spring cleaning and yard work at home.

Friendly Flashes

- a Ministry of USFW of Iowa -

USFW Spring Fling April 24, 2010

The ladies of the Iowa USFWI Board and Middle River Friends' USFWI Eve Circle are really excited about Spring Fling!

You are invited to Middle River Friends, in Carlisle, to hear what Linda Garrison, Chip and Alicia Daleske have to share with us about Camp Quaker Heights, sing some contemporary camp songs, enjoy special music, worship together and share some great times of fellowship.

During registration time and the lunch hour, take time to purchase some books and items from Kenya, pick up information about Camp Quaker Heights and help yourself to one or more of the free items that will be available.

A few weeks ago, I received some of the books which are on the 2010/2011 reading list. There are some that are new to me such as:

Wanted and Forgiven, books II and III from the *Sisters of the Heart* series **and** *A Sincere and Constant Love: Introduction to Margaret Fell* which includes a study guide

and there are also books that I have read, but are certainly worth reading again, such as:

Celebration of Discipline **and** *Bryson City Secrets*

Two books I look forward to reading are:

The Beautiful Soul of John Woolman **and** *What Difference Do I Make: Stories of Hope and Inspiration*.

These and many others will be on the book table for you to look through and hopefully purchase for your local USFWs.

***Come prepared to be enlightened,
inspired and uplifted.***

Submitted by Cathie Zeliadt, Literature Secretary

Meeting Moments & Vital Signs

The IAYM Missions Board would like to emphasize prayer for our missionaries and their families.



Prayers for Missionaries & Their Families

by Heather Kaiser

Discipleship. Lord, help _____ to make disciples who also can teach others so that Your kingdom will expand. (2 Tim. 2:2)

Protection. Lord, I praise You that You do not slumber as You watch over _____. Grant them good health, and protect them from physical danger. Shield them with Your armor so that they can stand firm against evil. Remind them that You have not given them a spirit of fear, but of power, love, and self-discipline. (Psalm 121; Eph. 6:13; 2 Tim. 1:7)

Marshalltown First Friends Church Presents:

Jungle Jam: King of Kings
A Musical for the Whole Family
Come visit the Jungle and learn about the real
King of Kings!

Sunday April 11th at 3:00 PM
(approx. 60 minutes long)

Refreshments will be served afterwards.

A Love Offering will be taken to support the 2011 mission work of First Friends Church.

Lynnville Friends Church Blues, Soul, and Country Gospel Sunday, April 11th

6:00 - 7:30 pm Jones & Dunsbergen

Award Winning BBQ Dinner

Freewill offering to support

89.7 - God's Country Radio and Recording Studio

7:30 pm Restoration Gospel With Soul

opening act is the LFC Youth Praise Band

restorationgospel@gmail.com

West Branch Friends

Area church folks gathered last fall at the Friends Church choosing various jobs to do in the West Branch community, such as raking, window washing, etc. This is sponsored by the West Branch churches. Our meeting was invited to the Conservative Friends for a potluck supper and board games and fun with friends.

On January 19, our faithful member, Niko Senio, passed away from cancer. He was known for his music and beautiful flower garden which he shared with the meeting. He was a willing helper in so many ways. He will be greatly missed by the members of our meeting as well as others.

For Christian Unity Sunday we welcomed Pastor Marty Jacobsen from the Lutheran Church and Pastor Ruthie visited St. Bernadette's Catholic Church. We had a Friendship Sunday where we were to invite someone to attend church. Each year we send Valentine boxes to our church college youth. Teri Johns spent the weekend with us and brought a message about FUM. We welcomed three new members to our meeting. They are Alan & Teresa Winder and their son Blake.

Births:

Congratulations to Manny and Jenalee Garcia (youth pastors at Middle River Friends) on the birth of their daughter, **Ciela Ranae Magana-Garcia**. She arrived on March 29th at 11:51 am. She weighed 8lbs 5oz and was 20.75".



Deaths:

Shirley Settle, 86, passed away on March 23, 2010 at



Iowa River Hospice House in Marshalltown. Funeral services were held at LeGrand Friends Church with Pastor Alan Mullikin officiating and Pastor Ron Bryan assisting. The thread of Shirley's life was intricately woven throughout the fabric of Quaker life including involvement locally as a member of LeGrand Friends (and previously at Bangor-Liberty Friends), regionally with Iowa Yearly

Meeting, and internationally with Friends United Meeting. Shirley served in numerous areas, including: Ministry and Counsel, Stewardship, IAYM Representative, and Missions. Enthusiasm overflowed from her, as did her commitment to prayer. A gracious hostess, wise and listening counselor, Shirley was warm and loving to family and friends alike. As much as she enjoyed life, it's hard to imagine how much more she is enjoying heaven.

"Bringing the Good News"

Isaiah 52:7-8

Iowa Yearly Meeting's

Annual Sessions

Thursday, July 29th through

Sunday, August 1st

at William Penn University



Our planned schedule for the 2010 sessions:

| | Thursday July 29, 2010 | Friday July 30, 2010 | Saturday July 31, 2010 | Sunday August 1, 2010 |
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| Morning | IAYM Board Meetings Registration Open Lunch served at WPU | Breakfast served at WPU Bible Hour with Tim Seid, ESR Memorial Service Body of Representatives Lunch served at WPU | Breakfast served at WPU Bible Hour with Tim Seid, ESR Quakermen & USFW Meetings | Continental breakfast Served at CAF Worship at College Avenue Speaker: Patrick Nugent |
| Afternoon | M&C Body of Representatives Meeting General Body of Representatives Dinner served at WPU | FUM/Triennial Report Workshops Session 1 Dinner served at WPU | Noon Missions Banquet Sam & Becky Barber—Speakers Workshops Session 2 Dinner | <i>Workshops will include:</i> Ministering to Youth Today—Chip Daleske Barclay College Linda Garrison— AFSC Christian Education |
| Evening | Worship at CAF Speaker: Patrick Nugent | Worship at CAF Speaker: Patrick Nugent | Recording Service @ College Ave. Friends Speaker: Ron Bryan Ruthie Tippin Arlen Daleske Alan Mullikin | Stewardship Board FUM EFM Quakerdale |

Garrison Memorial Scramble

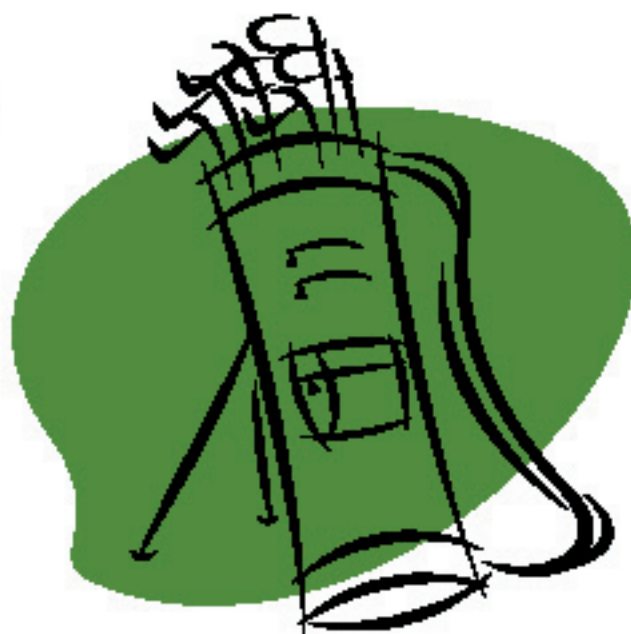
4-person Best position Tournament

9:00 AM Shotgun Start

April 25, 2009

Westwood Municipal Golf Course

Newton, IA



Questions? - Anthony Nieuwsma

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newsma213@hotmail.com

Westwood Municipal Golf Course
3387 Hwy F48 W.
Newton, Iowa 50208

\$200 / team
Includes 18 holes of golf, cart,
lunch & prizes

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Garrison Memorial Scramble Pre-registration Form

Participants Names and Contact Info (Phone or E-Mail):

(You do not need all members listed to register)

Team Captain: _____

Address: _____ City: _____ ST: _____ ZIP: _____

e-mail: _____ Phone: () _____ - _____

Member #2: _____ Contact: _____

Member #3: _____ Contact: _____

Member #4: _____ Contact: _____

Please send your registration form to:
Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends
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Mail registration & \$50 to the
IAYM Office by April 18, 2009
and receive 1 free mulligan
per team member.

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The Living Stone and a chosen people!!!

Are we living like we are a chosen people? Chosen by God, confirmed by the Holy Spirit and secure in our faith. That is the good feeling that we had following our meeting in West Branch for the Spring Body of Representatives. A wonderful turnout, a marvelous host and it was a good day.

We made some significant decisions, (1) Move forward with the planting of a new church in West Des Moines, (2) Appointing Chip Daleske as our new ½ time Youth Director and the other half of his time continue as the Facilities Director for Camp Quaker Heights. (3) Approving the plan of providing an “at large membership” held by the Yearly Meeting for persons who do not live close enough to attend an Iowa Yearly Meeting Friends Church and (4) Appointing a task force under the Stewardship Committee to investigate and evaluate a retirement plan for our pastors.

On another note, our discipline committee has completed the updated inserts for our Discipline binders. A download of this document is available on our website. A copy will be sent to each church of our Yearly Meeting and sets will be available to purchase through our office. Thanks to all who worked diligently on this large project.

2009 Young Friends Camps At Camp Quaker Heights June 2009

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| Little Fry Camp | June 5 - 7th |
| Fox Camp | June 7 - 11th |
| HS Weekender | June 12-14th |
| Junior High Camp | June 14 - 19th |
| High School Camp | June 21 - 26th |
| JH Weekender | June 26 - 28th |
| Fry Camp | June 28 - July 1st |

Registration forms are available at the Yearly Meeting office or can be downloaded from our website in the Youth Ministry section.