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Iowa Yearly Meeting Schedule—2014

Summer Quaker Camps (2014)

Little Fry (k-2nd) June 6-8
Elementary (3-6th) June 15-19
Jr/Sr High (7th-12) June 22-27
Young Adult Weekender
May 30-June 1

Triennial at FUM June 11-15

Yearly Meeting 2014
July 30th—August 2
at William Penn University

August 6-8
Church Multiplication
Conference at Barchay

September
CQH Family Camp
No date set yet for this event

December 28-January 1
Summit 2014

FRIENDS
SUMMIT
2014



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"I tell you, open your eyes and look at the fields.
They are ripe for harvest." — John 4:35b

LITTLE FRY

K—2nd Grades
Arrive 4 pm, June 6th
Departure 10am, June 8
Directors: Eric and Sara Paar

Cost—\$175 (1 adult and 1 child)
(\$70 for another child)



ELEMENTARY

Grades 3rd—6th
Arrive 4 pm, June 15
Departure 11 am, June 19th
Directors:
Michael & Emma Chase
Brad & Bailey Hupp
Cost—\$235

JR. HIGH/HIGH SCHOOL

Grades 7—12
Arrive 4 pm, June 22
Departure 10 am, June 27
Directors: John Wilbur & Scott Biddle
Cost: \$290

S.I.T. PROGRAM

(Servants in Training)

Do you already have a relationship with Christ, maybe have already done the camp experience, and want more? Servants in Training, the S.I.T. Program, might be what you are looking for. This is a track for students that desire to develop a mission mindset, an attitude like Christ Jesus (Philippians 2). Jesus taught that in order to be great you have to serve (Mark 9:35). Students in this program will be working behind the scenes, doing work projects, developing leadership skills, and making Christ known.

Designed for Juniors in high school to sophomores in college.
Cost—\$290

YOUNG ADULT WEEKENDER

College—35ish
May 30th—June 1st
Registration 5-6:30pm
Single Married**
Cabins \$110 \$160
Tall Oaks \$130 \$180

**married couples have
priority

At Tall Oaks
{How do we recognize
GOD's
movement?}

no childcare provided*

Friends United Meeting
YOUNG FRIENDS TRIENIALS

ONWARD

"Forgetting the past and looking forward to what lies ahead" Phil 3:12-16

Grades 9th—12th
June 11—14th, 2014
@Indiana Wesleyan University, Marion, IN
Speaker—Amos Taylor

Cost: \$175 for youth, \$90 for Chaperones



Missions Focus on Mesquakie Friends Center

Mathew 28:18-20 "Therefore go and make disciples of all nations, baptizing them in the name of the Father, and of the Son, and of the Holy Spirit, and teaching them to obey everything I have commanded you. And surely I am with you always, to the very end of the age."

The first known contact with the self-named Mesquakie tribe was in 1666, when the French discovered them and gave the tribe the name of "Renards" or "Fox". Iowa history dictates that the first people group to inhabit and walk these lands we now live on and call home were Native Americans, particularly the Iowa Tribe, and the Fox (Mesquakie) and Sauk tribes. The mission began in 1987, with Victor and Brenda White and continues to provide a lighthouse of hope with Daneen Ahumada now serving as Director. She, along with her husband and her family is committed to reaching lost souls for Christ. The purpose of our Mesquakie mission has not changed and continues to be giving God's word and helping those who are lost to find Jesus and have a change of heart. Mesquakie Friends Church is not located directly on the settlement and receives no funding from Meskwaki Tribe nor the Meskwaki Casino.

Wednesday worship service continues to serve 50 to 60 kids, along with the adults who volunteer. The Wednesday that I visited, there were 71 kids that came. Some of the children's parents from the Mesquakie settlement have even shown interest as of late. Mesquakie Friends need support to pay for the electricity, food, and the gas needed to open the church on Wednesdays and to serve these kids. Daneen felt the Lord was asking her to begin a Friday night prayer group, and they have been meeting about four months now. The Lord is blessing this meeting and many are beginning to take notice, please pray that the Lord will use this group to grow outreach to the community, and that spiritual formation will take place in this context. Because of the ministry that Jesus has started with the children of Mesquakie settlement and the community surrounding Mesquakie Friends, the children love to gather together before Wednesday services for fellowship and play. It would be nice if they had more positive things to do, some suggestions are an updated playground, a volleyball

pit, disc golf course, an updated basketball hoops and court, tire swings, pool table, phoose ball table, or other outdoor activities individuals feel led to support. There have been 8 deaths in the past two months and Daneen (the Director) has been focused on ministering to these families, and there are a few that have reached out to her alone. Please pray for the translation of scripture into the Mesquakie language and the availability of Bibles for these people. There is also a great need for another van, as Daneen's personal van has broken down, the transmission is out of it. Pray for these needs, that they may be met, so that the work can be done as the harvest is plenty but the workers are few in this case especially. Please remember that the vision of this mission is still alive, prayer and volunteer help is welcomed. Daneen and her family encourages anyone felt led to please come and visit them.

Mesquakie Friends Mission center continues to work hard to reach the surrounding community for Christ, and the Holy Spirit is indeed there, as integrity, spirituality, and love come alive when one experiences the center for themselves. Consider coming to visit or scheduling a Church work day. You may visit their webpage at www.mesquakiefriendschurch.org. Thank you!

*Pastor Kathi Berry-
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Please continue to support our Iowa mission of Mesquaki with prayer and financial support. We are so thankful for God's unfailing love and for yours also.

Please send donations to the IAYM office:

PO Box 657

Oskaloosa, IA 52577

Make checks payable to IAYM with a memo to the Mesquakie Friends Center.

Standing on the Shoulders of Giants

Yearly Meeting

July 30—August 2, 2014 @ Oskaloosa



We are sponsoring a Meals from the Heartland event Saturday, August 2nd, 2014 (during our annual sessions) 9:00 am—11:00 am. We will be

packing rice/soy meals AND mac & Cheese meals during our event. This is an exciting opportunity to connect with other members of our yearly meeting of all ages!

In order to make this happen, we need donations to pay for the raw ingredients to make the food packages.

Would you consider a contribution of \$25 or more to help with the cost of this? We need approximately \$4000 for the raw ingredients to make our goal! Please send any contributions to IAYM, PO Box 657, Oskaloosa, IA



Come and be part of the conversation!

We will gather as a yearly meeting and have directed conversations through a “World Café” event. Ron has asked Adrian Halverstadt to be the moderator for this event. Our World Café will meet on Thursday and Friday afternoons at 1:15 pm until 3:00 pm. We will come together in groups of 5-6 individuals and spend about 1/2 hour discussing and writing down ideas from our conversation starter questions. The individual groups will split apart and change tables. 3 “break sessions” will happen each afternoon. Let’s come prepared to see what God is stirring in our hearts for our yearly meeting!

Other Large Group Workshops

Thursday @ 3:15pm

Our local ministries will share their vision and ministry happenings!

Camp Quaker Heights
Mesquakie Friends Center
Quakerdale

Campus Ministry at WPU

Friday @ 3:15 pm

Missions will present ministries from around the world!

***Cambodia** –Martins
***Belize** –FUM representative
***Friends Theological College**
Dr Robert Wafula
***Samburu Mission**
Samuel Letoole
***IAYM Missions Committee**

Spring Ideas to “Live Love” Year 2

May 11 is Mother’s Day: While roses and candy are synonymous with Mother’s Day, this year think of the holiday as an opportunity to reach an overworked and stressed out single mom, a grieving family, or partner with a local crisis pregnancy center and provide care packages to teen moms. Mother’s Day can be extremely difficult. Encourage everyone to remember the contributions women—mothers or not—ave made in their lives.

A Surprise While Waiting: We have all been in line waiting to pay for food or drink. Next time do the person behind you a favor; buy a gift card and pass it on to them. Or when you are at the drive up window paying, tell the cashier that you would like to pay for the food for the people in the car behind you. You will not only bless the person whose food/drink is free but also the cashier.

“Christ’s love compels us. When we love deeply we serve with a glad heart.” Wayne Cordero

Words of Compliment: When you receive good service at a store or restaurant ask to see the manager and let them know of your pleasant experience. They will love the positive feedback and it will make the clerk or servers’ day as well.

Ways to “LIVE LOVE” in your own neighborhood or your church’s neighborhood

- Hold a BBQ/picnic in your yard to get acquainted. Knock on doors & invite everyone!
- Create a neighborhood watch for safety.
- Plant a tree or a flower bed in a park area.
- Get to know the elderly or disabled and regularly check on them.
- Organize a clean-up day to pick up trash, blown down limbs, or paint over graffiti, etc.
- Offer to help during vacations to gather mail, water plants, fed pets, mow lawn etc.
- Encourage fellowship nights one a month or once a season at homes or local facilities.

“Choose being kind over being right and you’ll be right every time.” Richard Carlson

If these spark other ideas that work for you, let us know and we’ll share them to bring encouragement to others. If our faith in God doesn’t cause us to do anything different, then our faith is not a living faith. Bring your faith to life by putting it into action today!

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Volunteer Opportunities @ CQH

May 24th—Cookie Day

A gathering for mixing up cookie dough to stock our freezers for the summer season. All ingredients and equipment will be provided! Bring your favorite cookie scoop and join in on some fellowship.

God's blessings come in many shapes and sizes, and we are blessed to be a part of such a community of believers. Thank you so much for your prayers, calls, cards, visits, and gifts during these past few months. God will carry us through the future as He has in the past.

Dick and Ardee Talbot



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On-Line Registration is now OPEN
See fum.org to started your registration process!
June 11—June 15

At Indiana Wesleyan University—Marion, IN

Welcome Statement from the Registration Page....
“Throughout its history, Indiana Yearly Meeting has given birth to several “new” yearly meetings: Western Yearly Meeting in 1858, Iowa Yearly Meeting in 1863, Evangelical Friends Church Mid-America Yearly Meeting (formerly Kansas Yearly Meeting) in 1972, Wilmington Yearly Meeting in 1892 and more recently, the New Association of Friends in 2013. Indiana Yearly Meeting historically has led the movement to try to centralize Orthodox Gurneyite Friends through the calling for the Friends Conference of 1887 and the creation of the *Richmond Declaration of Faith*. ”