



Program & Registration Form

SAYMA Yearly Meeting June 11-14, 2015

Warren Wilson College, Swannanoa, NC

What is Mine to Do?

Quotes from John Woolman

I was early convinced in my mind that true religion consisted in an inward life wherein the heart doth love and reverence God the Creator and learns to exercise true justice and goodness not only toward all men but also toward the brute creatures.

Do we feel an affectionate regard to posterity; and are we employed to promote their happiness? Do our minds, in things outward, look beyond our own dissolution, and are we contriving for the prosperity of our children after us? Let us then, like wise builders, lay the foundation deep.

Of late a deep exercise hath attended my mind, that Friends may dig deep, may carefully cast forth the loose matter, and get down to the rock, the sure foundation, and there harken to that divine Voice which gives a clear and certain sound.

Men's happiness stands not in great possessions, but in a heart devoted to follow Christ, in that use of things, where customs contrary to universal love have no power over us.

Many are the vanities and luxuries of the present age, and in laboring to support a way of living conformable to the present world, the departure from that wisdom that is pure and peaceable hath been great.

There is a principle which is pure, placed in the human mind, which in different places and ages hath had different names. It is, however, pure and proceeds from God. It is deep and inward confined to no forms of religion nor excluded from any, where the heart stands in perfect sincerity. In whomsoever this takes root and grows, of what nation so ever, they become brethren.

Friends,

In the face of all the challenges that compete for our attention in today's world, just how are we to know

What is mine to do?

How can our testimonies, our history and our personal connection to Spirit help us answer that question?

The Yearly Meeting Planning Committee has dug deep into our Quaker past to focus on what we can learn from John Woolman, an eighteenth-century Friend whose leadings often led him to witness for changes ahead of his time.

Michael Birkel, professor of Religion and Quaker Studies at Earlham College in Indiana, will help us focus on our theme by reflecting on how Woolman translated his own leadings into action.

In Friendship,
Carol Ciscel

Clerk, Yearly Meeting Planning Committee

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Yearly Meeting Central: Gladfelter lower level

Register at Yearly Meeting Central on the lower level of Gladfelter. From inside the building the lower level is accessible only by stairs; however, around the SE side of the building doors open to the outside at ground level. You may park near Gladfelter just long enough to get registered.

Pick up your program, room key, and name tag (which lists your meals, workshops, worship sharing location, and your dorm room) at Yearly Meeting Central. Note: we'll be using different dorms this year since Sunderland is under renovation. See page 12 for more information.

Wider Quaker Organization displays, YM notices, messages, & schedules, an all-day coffee pot, and the book store are also located at Yearly Meeting Central.

WQO Displays & SAYMA Committees

Contact Bob Welsh at
bobwel2@charter.net

- To reserve a table for a WQO display (a representative must be present to set up the display and take it down) or
- To schedule a time and place for your committee meeting or interest group.

Chat & Chew

Chat & Chew is held Thursday, Friday, and Saturday evenings at Yearly Meeting Central after the plenary session or dance. We're looking for two meetings each evening to share bringing food and set ups.

Contact Hank Fay at . . .

hankfay@gmail.com

if your meeting would like to be a co-host.

Bookstore

Look for us on the lower level of Gladfelter and browse hundreds of books from FGC on Quaker spirituality, testimonies and concerns, as well as books for Quaker kids, and books suggested by our workshop presenters.

You may also bring used books to place on the free-exchange table. Quaker themes are especially appreciated by Friends.

Bring cash or check, since we can't process credit or debit cards. If the sales desk isn't open, set your books on it with your name on a slip of paper, and come back later to pay.

WQO Guest Rotation

Our invited guests for 2015 are from . . .

FGC: Friends General Conference

FCNL: Friends Committee on National Legislation

Quaker House

FPT: Friends Peace Teams

SAYMA Reps to WQOs . . .

AFSC — Lee Ann Swarm,
Arnold Karr, Janine Bruton

FCNL — Jane Hiles, Charlie Wilton,
Christopher Easton

FGC — Christina VanRegenmorter

FLGTBQC — Susan Phelan

Friends Peace Teams — Adrienne Weir

FWCC — Geeta McGahey, Michael Galovic,
Matt Riley

QEW — Lisa Rose

Quaker House — Anne Welsh

RSWR — Pat Williams, Steve Olshewsky

William Penn House — Bonnie Isaacs

**Register by May 11th
Avoid the \$30 late fee!
Registration & refund
policies on page 11.**

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Meeting for worship with attention to business is the core of yearly meeting. Each session begins with silent, expectant worship. Before beginning our work each day, we take a roll call of meetings, introduce ourselves, and review the day's agenda.

Here is a general overview; a more detailed agenda will be printed in the Final Program.

Thursday afternoon we appoint a Naming Committee (which names people to the Nominating Committee) as well as an Epistle Committee to write an epistle to the wider Quaker world about our time together. Action items are presented in order to give time for seasoning.

Friday morning the Nominations Committee will bring the first names for approval and we'll hear the first reading of next year's budget. Reports from other committees, invited guests, and WQO representatives will happen through-out our time together.

Saturday morning we continue our work on Nominations and the SAYMA budget and lift up any minutes or concerns that may have arisen from Monthly Meetings. We will also finalize the calendar of Rep meetings through March 2016.

Sunday morning we hear epistles from JYM, SAYF, YAF, and the adults (OAFs or OAQs) as well as the Registrar's report and finish up any business carried over, before settling into closing worship.

We state our own concerns just once, if possible, and listen carefully to others as we labor to reach a sense of the meeting. Often silence helps us discern the way forward.

Look for written reports from committees and WQO Reps on the SAYMA website.

Plenary Worship

Yearly Meeting begins with **Opening Worship** from 1 to 2 p.m. on Thursday, June 11, 2015.

Each meeting for worship with attention to business begins with **silent worship**.

Yearly Meeting ends with **Closing Worship** from 11 to noon on Sunday, June 14, 2015.

More Opportunities for Worship

Early Morning Worship Friday, Saturday, and Sunday 6:30 to 7 a.m. in the Pavilion

Evening Worship 6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Thursday, Friday, and Saturday in Jensen 105
Meeting for Remembrance happens at the Friday evening worship.

Men's and Women's Worship will be held in Village A and B after Chat & Chew.



Jensen 105 is a **dedicated Worship Space** available from 8 a.m. to 11 p.m. each day.

Jensen 105 is in the back corner on the first floor of Jensen where it is close by, but secluded. Try taking the level path from Gladfelter and enter Jensen at the lower elevator lobby; then follow the corridor through to 105.

Worship Sharing

Worship sharing groups meet from 10:45 a.m. until 11:45 a.m. both Friday and Saturday.

Please let us know on your registration form who in your party wants to participate.

If you feel a leading to facilitate one of the groups, mark your registration form in Section F (second page) under the volunteer options. Contact Arnold Karr for information at aek03030731@gmail.com.

Queries are taken from John Woolman's Journal.

Woolman's Queries for Friday

How am I called to follow the Christ spirit, that only universal love should have power over me?
How does conforming to the present world cause us to depart from pure and peaceable wisdom?
How may Friends dig more deeply?

Woolman's Queries for Saturday

Do we feel an affectionate regard to future generations?
In what does the prosperity we desire for them consist?
How best can we promote true happiness in times to come?

Plenary Sessions

Michael Birkel, Earlham College

John Woolman: Contemplative & Activist

Thursday 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Canon Lounge

Michael is a Woolman scholar and will help us get better acquainted with this influential Friend from Colonial New Jersey. Woolman was an early abolitionist who went about his calling in a very Quakerly way, never condemning his fellow Quakers who kept slaves, but laboring with them so that they might see the Light.

SAYMA Graduates of the School of the Spirit

What is mine to do?

Friday 7:30 to 9 p.m. in Canon Lounge

SAYMA Friends who have attended the School of the Spirit will share reflections with us about their leadings. After the panel speaks, members of the audience will be given a chance to witness to their own leadings.

Quakers Got Talent with MC Jonathan Schinhofen

Saturday 3:15 to 4:45 p.m. in Bryson Gym

SAYMA kids and adults have a chance to sing, dance, play an instrument, or give dramatic readings while the rest of us enjoy the show. Refreshments will be served this year: Vine, Cheese & Chocolate.

Please sign up when you register or in person with the MC at Yearly Meeting by Friday dinner at the latest.

Folk Dance

Saturday 7:30 to 9:30 p.m. in Bryson Gym

Our dance this year will begin at 7:30. It is an opportunity for everyone at yearly meeting from the very youngest to the very oldest to enjoy each other's company and celebrate our time together.

Our guest caller will choose dances that everyone can enjoy regardless of their experience or level of expertise.

Last year everyone danced together from JYM on up; let's do it again this year.

Friday Workshops: 1:15 to 3 pm – choose one Friday workshop

NOTES: Workshops are limited to the first 25 who sign up. If a workshop you want is full, we'll ask you to choose another. All workshops are available to all ages: OAFs, YAFs, and SAYFers and, in the case of #16, JYMers as well. In the unlikely event that we have to cancel a workshop, we will contact you so you can choose another one.

#1 Does Dr. Who have a Traveling Minute?

Michael Birkel, Earlham College

Why is the Doctor so appealing to many Friends? Would he make a good Quaker – or just a good Dalek? We'll explore these and other theological questions of interest to fans of the good Doctor.

#2 Learning from New Meetings

J. Brent Bill, FGC

Since its launch in autumn 2012, FGC's New Meetings Project has had the opportunity to learn a lot about supporting and nurturing new worship groups and meetings – we hear what such Friends say they most need and we listen to the advice they have to offer. Come find out what new meetings have to teach existing meetings.

#3 How do I support equality?

David Ciscel, Memphis

Economic equality has become a big topic recently. The French economist, Thomas Piketty, published a book last year with a wealth of data about economic equality and its decline over the past few decades. Let's take a look at his findings in the light of the Quaker testimony on equality.

#4 What is Mine to do at the United Nations?

Doug Bennett, NE Yearly Meeting

The United Nations embodies Friends' hopes for peace in a troubled world and yet it seems both distant and troubled. How can Friends best understand and support the promise of the United Nations in its work for peace?

#5 John Woolman on Resignation

Wood Bouldin, Greenbrier Valley

Woolman is every American Friend's go-to example for recognizing "what is mine to do." He truly focused his will on being fully resigned to the will of God. We will study the spiritual discipline of resignation as he presents it in his journal and as it is presented in chapter 7 of Backhouse & Janson, *Guide to True Peace*.

#6 A Course for Conflict Solvers

Hank Fay, Berea

My 5-year leading for spreading the use of the Inner Spirit, however named, to our non-Quaker community has led to the development of a 6-week, once-weekly course. In the workshop you'll experience the "how" and we'll explore the "why" of my leading as well as giving you opportunities to provide this course to your local community.

#7 When Public Speaking is Yours to Do

Melissa Lewis, Swannanoa Valley

Stage fright needn't keep you from speaking out. It's time to embrace a gentle, grounded, powerful approach so that you can do what is yours to do. Follow your leadings confidently using three revolutionary, positive and surprisingly "Quakerly" shifts in perspective. This workshop will show you how.

#8 Cracking the Code of Racial Inequity

Bert Skellie & Susan Firestone, Atlanta

Many Friends feel a leading to work for racial equality. Let's get together to discern what is ours to do within ourselves, our institutions, and our communities. We'll view different excerpts from the film we saw last year and continue our discussion of how we can support each other in this work. Newcomers are welcome to join us.

#9 Lucretia's Leadings

Carol Ciscel, Memphis

Lucretia Mott, the most widely known Quaker woman in 19th century America, raised 6 children and found time to advocate for Blacks, Women, and Irish Immigrants. What do we remember about her? What can she teach us about following our own leadings?

#10 Is Clerking Mine to Do?

Tim Lamm, Berea

Let's look at the responsibilities, challenges, and rewards of clerking. What does a clerk do? How is a clerk different from a president, moderator, or secretary? Are you being called to become a clerk? Are you already clerking for your meeting and want some perspective on what is and what is not within that domain? Let's share experiences.

#11 Many Dimensions of Meaning

Pat Gailey, Berea

Exploring the dimensions of meaning can help us evaluate what is an authentic expression of values and what is not and why it is that problems lurk in attempts to carry out a leading if it is not authentic.

#12 Answering the Kabarak Call

Geeta McGahey, Celo

At the World consultation in Kenya in 2012, I saw an opportunity for my own meeting to join with Samburu Friends Meeting in a project to foster education among Samburu women. Participate in a simulation game, showing how education influences the life choices of the Samburu.

Saturday Workshops: 1:15 to 3 pm – choose one Saturday workshop

#13 Stories of Leading and Service in QVS

QVS staff, volunteers, and alum

Come find out what participation in Quaker Voluntary Service can mean. QVS was formed out of a leading from within SAYMA and is now helping young adults deepen their spirituality, explore the Quaker way, and discover their own leadings and their calling in the world. The experience is transformative.

#14 Rufus Jones: from inward life to outward leadings

Michael Birkel, Earlham College

Rufus Jones (1863-1948) was a mystic, a social reformer, and the most influential Quaker of the last century, particularly among liberal Friends. We will explore and reflect together on some passages from his writings that focus on the inward life and outward leadings.

#15 Godly Play for First Day School

Alison Mawle, Atlanta

Friends are often challenged with developing a robust curriculum for First Day School. The template of Godly Play is a way to tell Bible stories and stories of Quaker Faith and Practice in a way that is accessible to young people. Come experience 2 of the stories and see how they can provide a strong structure for our children's education.

#16 Intergenerational Games

SAYF and JYM

SAYMA adults are invited to join SAYFers and children from Junior Yearly Meeting in playing cooperative games and sharing time with each other.

#17 Scarcity & Abundance Consciousness

Elizabeth Long, Lexington, KY

Using paired words for scarcity & abundance we'll work together to understand how unity consciousness sustains life while materialism/fear destroys it. The paired words came to me in about 10 minutes as I was working on an M.Div. thesis at Vanderbilt. The words read horizontally and vertically challenge us to grow into our Christ-center.

#18 Are you a Conscientious Objector?

Lynn Newsom, Quaker House

Selective Service registration is so hidden and seamless now that it is linked with obtaining a driver's license that the idea of Conscientious Objection is fading from our consciousness. It is difficult for young Friends to grasp the extent of the commitment they make when they register and the possible consequences. This workshop will help young people articulate and document their beliefs against war and violence.

#19 Living a Non-violent Life

Bill Reynolds, Chattanooga

What does it mean to live a nonviolent life? We'll learn some specific new activities that will allow us to upgrade our personal commitment to nonviolence and to upgrade our efforts to change the dominant human cultural value from violence to nonviolence.

#20 What is Racism?

Lauren Adams, Desaray Smith, Sharon Smith, Asheville

What is racism? What does it have to do with me? What can I do about it? Participants will have an opportunity to respond to racism in their own hearts, communities and society.

#21 Publishing as Way Opens

Judy Geary, Boone

Have you felt led to write, but worry about publishing? Have you heard about independent or self-publishing or vanity presses? What about eBooks? Ask me and I'll share 15 years of experience about the various paths to publication. Learn how to use these new venues while avoiding the "wolves in the forest."

#22 Speaking Green to Power

Christopher Easton, Athens; Jane Hiles, Birmingham; Charlie Wilton, Berea

Gain confidence lobbying on climate change. We will brief you on the facts, issues, and legislation, and then rehearse your own meeting with your member of Congress through role play.

#23 Sharing Stories of Forgiveness

Hector Black, Cookeville

Life has given all of us scars and wounds. I would like to share how the murder of our daughter has affected my life; how taking one step at a time without knowing where I was being led has brought some extraordinary experiences. Perhaps others could share their stories too.

#24 Finding Your Calling

Bob McGahey, Celso

We will do an exercise in which each participant matches their greatest joy with the world's greatest need(s). That intersection marks our true calling. Then we'll share our revelations & challenges in worship sharing.

Many groups get together during yearly meeting at lunch and/or dinner for discussions on topics of interest. If you want to sponsor such a group, email Bob Welsh at bobwel2@charter.net. A schedule will be posted at Yearly Meeting both at the registration desk and on the bulletin board outside the cafeteria.

Let's Get Moving!

Friday June 12th from 3:15 to 4:45

There is no need to choose ahead of time.

Just join one of these activities as the Spirit moves you on Friday afternoon.

1. **Rhythm & Chant Meditation Circle** – Pavilion -- drumming for the Spirit with Aaron Ruscetta – some drums will be provided, but bring your own if you have one.
2. **Piano recital** – Rehearsal Hall – Richard Allen will play and discuss his own composition, *2000 Years Ago in Jerusalem* – eight piano pieces with transformative power.
3. **Hike to the Meditation Hut** led by Laura Seeger – meet at Kittredge Theater foyer. The trail is short and fairly easy, but you'll want good hiking shoes. At the hut, you'll spend about 25 minutes in worship communing with nature.
4. **Join JYM for a hike to the creek.** Meet at the patio across from the cafeteria. Plan to get wet. The kids will be wading and splashing and you'll want to join in the fun.
5. **Fly a Kite** – meet at the pedestrian bridge for a walk to the soccer fields to fly kites with Chuck Jones. He's an enthusiastic kite-maker and it will be fun to see his creations fly.
6. **Swimming** – the pool is open and life guard is on duty – Aquatic Center across the street
7. **Farm Tour** – meet on the lower patio outside meeting central to visit the pigs, cows, and chickens and see the fields and gardens tended by Warren Wilson students. It's where a lot of the food we eat in the cafeteria comes from.

Young Adult Friends

Who are YAFs? SAYMA Young Adult Friends (YAF) are a community of peers who meet for fellowship and fun at Yearly Meeting and, whenever possible, throughout the year. Many of us are graduates of SAYF, but we welcome all young, adult Friends to explore spiritual growth and build community with us. There are many transitions to negotiate from high school graduation to at least our mid-30s. Let's work together to nurture our mutual needs and concerns within the open, safe, and sacred space of the Quaker community at Yearly Meeting.

What do YAFs do? When we are not participating in adult programs, we hold our own business and worship sessions, help with SAYF and JYM, participate in the Talent Show and the dance, and continue the tradition of welcoming SAYF graduates into our community on Saturday night. We also lead worship sharing at Evening Worship on Saturday at 6:15 p.m. for the whole community.

If you are 35 or younger you might want to choose to room with us in the same dorm – ask for the YAF dorm in section D of the registration form -- or choose GEN to stay in a general dorm open to the whole community of adults. In either case, you are welcome to participate in the full range of programs offered at Yearly Meeting: SAYMA business meetings, plenaries, worship sharing, workshops, etc. as well as any of our YAF activities.

Scholarships are available to YM attendees; see page 11 for info on how to apply.

Southern Appalachian Young Friends (SAYF)

What is SAYF?

SAYF is a program for Young Friends 12 years old (who have finished 6th grade) up to age 18. Anyone who has already turned 12, but not yet finished 6th grade, can choose either SAYF or JYM.

Middle Schoolers have some separate activities, as well as joint activities with the High Schoolers.

All SAYFers may also join the intergenerational community activities offered at Yearly Meeting.

Getting Registered for SAYF at SAYMA

SAYFers have one form to fill out for the SAYMA Registrar and two or three forms to fill out for SAYF.

1. The SAYMA registration form in this packet must be mailed to Chris Berg by **May 11!**
 - Sign up for a SAYMA workshop. If you want to participate, you must sign up ahead of time. High Schoolers may choose Friday and/or Saturday workshops. Middle Schoolers have a Friday SAYF activity, but may sign up for a Saturday workshop. (Note: SAYF and JYM Intergenerational Games are on Saturday.)
 - Note: SAYFers make their own breakfast on Friday, Saturday, and Sunday mornings, so **don't sign up** for these cafeteria breakfasts.
 - If you need a scholarship, apply first to your monthly meeting and then contact Jonah McDonald. (See contact info below on right.)
 - SAYFers need an adult sponsor who is attending SAYMA. If this is not a parent, identify someone else who will be on campus and have them fill out the SAYF sponsorship form in your packet.
2. A packet with the SAYF-at-SAYMA, sponsorship, and medical forms will be mailed to you separately.
 - If you are not yet on the SAYF mailing list, email Jonah McDonald. The forms are also on the SAYF website: www.awesomesayers.org.
 - **Bring the SAYF-at-SAYMA and sponsorship and medical forms with you to the SAYF dorm.**
 - ***These forms are important! Without them, you cannot participate in SAYF-at-SAYMA!***

SAYFers arriving at Warren Wilson

First, check in at the SAYMA registration desk in Gladfelter to get your conference name tag. Bring that with you to the SAYF dorm together with the SAYF-at-SAYMA and sponsorship and medical forms.

The SAYF dorm opens on Thursday at 6 p.m. after dinner. Parents and sponsors have responsibility for SAYFers who arrive earlier. Please do NOT come to the SAYF dorm before 6 on Thursday.

SAYF Schedule

A detailed schedule will be printed in the final program booklet which you get when you check-in.

- **SAYFers make their own breakfast, but lunch and dinner will be in the cafeteria.**
- Activities throughout the day include both SAYF and SAYMA programs.
- There are some special activities for middle schoolers including a workshop on Friday.
- Roll calls are held after lunch, before dinner and in the evening in the dorm each day.
- Special SAYF events:
 - Thursday evening:
 - 9:30 p.m. FAN orientation (Friendly Adult Nurturers)
 - 11:00 p.m. Opening Circle
 - Friday 10:00 a.m. SAYF community building
 - Friday 9:15 p.m. Fishbowl dialog with adults
 - Saturday 1:15 p.m. Intergenerational Games
 - Swim Friday and Saturday 6 to 7 p.m.
 - Saturday night graduation for high school seniors.
 - Sunday: 10:00 a.m. Closing circle

Note to Adults about SAYF

Parents and sponsors are welcome to observe or participate in SAYF activities. Adult presence is vital for our year-round youth program. But first, read about working with SAYF on page 9 (next page).

You may want to . . .

1. Provide overnight supervision in the SAYF dorm. This means staying awake at the dorm for a two-hour shift between 1 a.m. and 8 a.m. If you are interested, contact Jonah McDonald. We really need to hear from you ahead of time so we can plan.
2. Run errands, picking up food at the grocery store, etc.
3. Swim with SAYFers in the campus pool on Friday and Saturday from 6 to 7 p.m.

Contact info for SAYF

To volunteer or to ask questions about SAYF please contact:

Jonah McDonald, Administrative Assistant, at 404-373-8036 or email awesomesayers@gmail.com

Wren Hendrickson, Lead FAN, at 919-490-8950 or email her at wrenhendrickson@AOL.com.

At Yearly Meeting, just come to Vining C.

Junior Yearly Meeting!

Mary Jahntz is excited to serve as JYM Coordinator and welcome young Friends to the 2015 SAYMA gathering! She has long been led to nurture the spiritual lives of young people and is looking forward to working with the young Friends of SAYMA.

What is Mine to Do?

This year, young Friends will consider the life of John Woolman and wonder together about how God guides their lives through story, art, song, play, and time in the natural world. We will spend time with SAYF playing games, swim in the college pool, and play in the creek with the wider SAYMA community.

Junior Yearly Meeting is designed for young Friends from age 4 to rising 6th graders. If your child is younger than 4, please email Mary at maryjahntz@gmail.com to see if/how JYM can work for them too!

Once you register, we will contact you with welcome letters, details about our planned activities, and medical release forms. You can also email Mary directly if you have any questions.

For so many families, friendships are built and memories made at SAYMA Junior Yearly Meeting that significantly enrich their children's lives. SAYMA encourages families to bring their children to yearly meeting by not charging a registration fee for JYM children, allowing them to stay with parents at no additional charge, and subsidizing their meals. Please consider bringing your child(ren) this year!

Working with JYM/SAYF at Yearly Meeting

SAYMA has long been proud of its efforts to nurture children and youth and our SAYF and JYM programs cannot operate without volunteers. We appreciate everyone who volunteers with SAYF and/or JYM.

Adults in charge of SAYF and JYM as well as all the full-time FANs have completed an application process to be eligible. SAYMA encourages other Friends volunteering with these programs to do the same.

The application form is available on the SAYMA website as well as from Liz (Perch) Dykes, SAYMA administrative assistant at adminasst@sayma.org. When SAYMA receives an application, Liz Dykes initiates a background check which each applicant completes for themselves online. Members from either the SAYF Steering Committee or the JYM Oversight Committee will check references.

NOTE: Parents and other Friends may visit or assist with the programs without going through this process as long as they have their SAYMA Yearly Meeting nametags visible, they are known to the eligible staff and volunteers, and those staff members are always present. If you are led to work with JYM or SAYF or have any questions or concerns please contact any of the following Friends:

Co-Clerks, SAYF Steering Committee:	Wren Hendrickson, wrenhendrickson@aol.com Mari Ohta ohta.mari@gmail.com
SAYF Administrative Assistant:	Jonah McDonald, awesomesafers@gmail.com , 404-373-8036
JYM Coordinator:	Mary Jahntz, maryjahntz@gmail.com
SAYMA Administrative Assistant:	Liz Dykes, adminasst@SAYMA.org , 865-272-9621

Thursday June 11

Breakfast 7:15 to 8 a.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

SAYMA staff, officers, and YMPC personnel may be arriving Wednesday afternoon, but Yearly Meeting doesn't officially begin until Thursday at 1 p.m.

Lunch noon to 1 p.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Opening Worship

1 to 2 p.m. in Canon Lounge

Meeting for Business

2 to 4:45 p.m. in Canon Lounge

Dinner 5 to 6 p.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Singing 6:15 to 7:15 on Gladfelter Lower Patio

or

Evening Worship

Jensen 105 6:15 to 7:15 p.m.

Plenary: Michael Birkel 7:30 p.m. Canon

Chat & Chew Meeting Central after the plenary

Men's worship 9:30 pm Village A Lounge

Women's worship 9:30 pm Village B Lounge

Friday June 12

Morning Worship 6:30 to 7 a.m. Pavilion

Breakfast 7:15 to 8 a.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Meeting for Business

8:15 to 10:30 a.m. Canon Lounge

Worship Sharing 10:45 to 11:45 a.m. Jensen classrooms

Lunch noon to 1 p.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Workshops

1:15 to 3:00 p.m. Jensen classrooms

Let's Get Moving

3:15 to 4:45 (see list of activities page 7)

or

YAF Business Meeting 3:15 to 4:45 YAF dorm

Dinner 5 to 6 p.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Singing 6:15 to 7:15 on Gladfelter Lower Patio

or

Worship for Remembrance

6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Jensen 105

Plenary: SoS Graduates 7:30 p.m. Canon

Chat & Chew Meeting Central after the plenary

SAYF fishbowl dialog with adults & YAFs

9:15 p.m. Vining C

Men's worship 9:30 pm Village A Lounge

Women's worship 9:30 pm Village B Lounge

Saturday June 13

Morning Worship 6:30 to 7 a.m. Pavilion

Breakfast 7:15 to 8 a.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Meeting for Business

8:15 to 10:30 a.m. Canon Lounge

Worship Sharing

10:45 to 11:45 a.m. Jensen Classrooms

Lunch noon to 1 p.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Workshops

1:15 to 3:00 p.m. Jensen classrooms

Quakers got Talent 3:15—4:45 p.m. Bryson Gym

Dinner 5 to 6 p.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Singing 6:15 to 7:15 Gladfelter Lower Patio

or

YAF-led worship sharing for all ages

6:15 to 7:15 p.m. Jensen 105

Folk Dance

7:30 to 9 p.m. Bryson Gym

Chat & Chew Meeting Central after the dance

YAF Business Meeting 9 pm YAF Dorm

Men's worship 9:30 pm Village A Lounge

Women's worship 9:30 pm Village B Lounge

Sunday June 14

Morning Worship 6:30 to 7 a.m. Pavilion

Breakfast 7:15 to 8 a.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Pack-up & Check-out 8 to 9 a.m.

Meeting for Business 9 to 11 a.m.

Closing Worship

11 to noon

both in Canon Lounge

Lunch noon to 1 p.m. Gladfelter cafeteria

Pick up a copy of the Yearly Meeting Program when you register at Warren Wilson in June.

Your workshop choices as well as your worship group location with the name of the facilitator will be listed on the back of your name tag.

If your committee or interest group wants to meet during yearly meeting, please contact Bob Welsh to arrange a time and place.

bobwel2@charter.net

Warren Wilson is on Eastern Daylight Time

Register for Yearly Meeting before May 11, 2015

Your registration (with check) must be postmarked by May 11 to avoid a \$30 late fee.

We'll acknowledge receipt ASAP; if you don't hear from us, let us know.

Questions? If it's still April or May, contact Chris Berg at cshapenote@hotmail.com.

If it's already June, contact Laura Seeger, Registrar, at 423-400-4091 or Liz Dykes at adminasst@sayma.org.

How to register for Yearly Meeting

Fill out a registration form and mail it with a check made out to SAYMA well before May 11 to

**Chris Berg, Recording Registrar
6 Rosemary Trail
Flat Rock, NC, 28731**

Use the form on pages 15 + 16 (or print one from SAYMA website), fill it out, & add up the totals...

OR

Download the Excel file from the SAYMA website and fill it out on your own computer letting the formulas calculate totals. Then print and mail.

Full payment is preferred; at least 25% required.

Your registration will not be processed until we receive either a full or partial payment.

Scholarships: First figure out how much you can afford and then apply to your monthly meeting for support. Include at least one of the checks with your registration form. Last, fill in the amount you still need from SAYMA on the scholarship line under "Summary of Fees."

What are my room choices? (See also p. 12)

1. The **SAYF** dorm for young Friends entering grades 7-12 next September opens at 6 p.m. on Thursday. Early arrivals stay with parents or sponsors until then.
2. A simple supper option (**SSO**) is available for the first twenty who request it.
3. Young Adult Friends (**YAF**), roughly 18-35, can choose to be housed together.
4. All others specify General (**GEN**).
5. To share a room, type **BED** under "Sleep Space"; if single occupancy type **ROOM**.

What is the Simple Supper Option? SSO is a cooperative meal with access to a shared kitchen for cooking dinner on Friday & Saturday evenings. You will need to bring plates, utensils, pots and food. Do not sign up for supper in the cafeteria those evenings.

Meals in the cafeteria: Please sign up for the cafeteria meals you want when you register even if you don't stay overnight. Warren Wilson needs to plan how much food to prepare for us.

2015 Fees

- **Registration forms must arrive with a check.** Full payment expedites checking in; 25% is required.
- **Every participant 12 and over pays meal and campus use fees** whether or not they also pay to sleep on campus. See registration form.
- **Registration fees are still \$40** per person 12 and over with a family cap of 3 X \$40 or \$120.
- **SAYMA subsidizes all meals for JYM children**, so enter a \$0 for each cafeteria meal your JYM child wants. If the box is blank, we won't order a meal.
- **SAYFers** eat lunch & dinner in the cafeteria, but have a free breakfast in the SAYF dorm

Registration is required.

No one may be on campus for any yearly meeting activities, meals included, who has not registered.

Cancellations:

If you registered and can't come, let us know ASAP. Don't rely on friends to tell us. Before the end of May, email Chris Berg at cshapenote@hotmail.com. If it's already June, call Laura Seeger at 423-400-4091 or email Liz (Perch) Dykes at adminasst@sayma.org.

Refunds:

If you cancel before May 26, you may request a 100% refund – except for any late fee. However, Warren Wilson requires us to provide meal and room counts two full weeks before yearly meeting begins and by contract SAYMA must pay for those meals & rooms whether or not you use them. So, if you cancel after May 26, SAYMA must still pay your room & board. If helping SAYMA with this cost imposes a financial hardship for you, you may request up to a 75% refund for a late cancellation.

THINK CAREFULLY BEFORE REGISTERING LATE:

Between May 11th and May 26th you must include a \$30 non-refundable late fee as well as a full or partial payment to register, but we can still process your registration normally.

After May 26th you must include a \$30 non-refundable late fee, but on-campus housing gets scarce. Also, even if you don't come, you will still be obligated to pay the late fee plus 25% of room, meal, campus use, and registration fees.

Dorms and Hills at Yearly Meeting

Warren Wilson is renovating the bathrooms in Sunderland this summer, so we will have to use dorms that are further away from the center of campus. The only dorm with AC and elevators is at the far end of the Kittredge parking lot and the other dorms are across the main road. Two golf carts will be plying these routes. Most of the rooms in the accessible dorms are single-use, but Laura Seeger will try to accommodate everyone, comfortably.

The climb is steep between Gladfelter (with the cafeteria, Canon, and YM Central) and the Jensen classroom building (workshops and worship sharing). You may want to use either . . .

- golf cart transport
- or a much more level side path past the Log Cabin to the lower level of Jensen. See map on page 14.

The lower level of Gladfelter is only accessible by stairs from inside the building, but there is a ground level entrance from the lower patio on the southeast side and the golf cart can drop you there – just ask the driver.

Air conditioning in the common rooms – especially Canon Lounge in Gladfelter – is not under our control, so you may want to bring a sweater and/or socks to keep warm.

Mattresses on campus tend to be hard. Some Friends bring mattress pads and even egg crate foam to help them cope.

Vegetarian options are available both at the entrée counter and at the pizza and salad bars.

It is also possible to find gluten-free items. The kitchen staff can make a gluten-free entrée for those who request it with their registration. However, there is no separate prep table, so those with Celiac may want to bring their own food and cook in the dorm kitchen with the folks doing the Simple Supper Option (SSO).

If you have breathing, allergy, mobility or any other accessibility issue, let us know under “Special Needs” in Section F. We will do our best to make your stay both feasible and comfortable.

Choosing Workshops

Each person should choose one workshop for Friday and one workshop for Saturday. See pages 5 and 6. Sign up by number in Section C.

If your workshop is already full or cancelled, we’ll contact you so you can choose something else.

SAYFers must sign up when they register for any workshop they want to attend.

There is no sign-up required for the *Let’s Get Moving Activities* on Friday at 3:15.

Signing up for Worship Sharing

Indicate in Section C whether or not each person listed on your registration form wants to participate in Worship Sharing.

Volunteer opportunities: Sign up in Section F and note what days and times you are available.

- Contribute to the scholarship fund. Many Friends, especially young Friends depend on it.
- Help with JYM or SAYF. (Be sure to read our new child protection policy on page 9.)
- Be a Yearly Meeting buddy for newcomers.
- Join Ron for singing on the patio after dinner.
- Sign up for the Talent Show with Jonathan.
- Facilitate a worship-sharing group.
- Organize men’s or women’s worship.
- Help Bob Welsh drive the golf cart.
- Pick someone up at the airport or bus station.
- Help with bookstore or registration.
- Assist Friends in the cafeteria line.

Campus Policies

- Children must be supervised at all times.
- Treat college property with care and respect. SAYMA will have to pay for any damaged, lost, or stolen property.
- All college-furnished equipment must be left in the room or facility where it was found.
- Smoking on the main part of campus is restricted to one of four smoking gazebos.
- Use of “controlled substances” drugs, firearms, fireworks (including candles) is not permitted.
- No gambling is permitted.
- No pets are allowed on campus

Directions to Warren Wilson College

The College is 8 miles east of Asheville just off I-40.

- From the east, south, or west, take I-40.
- From the north, take I-26S to I-240E, and then take exit 9 onto I-40 heading east.

Take exit 55 off I-40 and turn north to US Hwy 70.

- Turn right on US 70 heading east.
- Go 1.5 miles and you may spot a large blue highway sign for Warren Wilson College on the right.
- Turn left at the stoplight 0.3 miles past the sign just beyond the Shell gas station.
- Go 1.5 miles past a church, some houses, through a field, across a small stream, and up the hill to campus.

The north entrance is the third on the right. Drive past the Kittredge Theater, bear right past Bryson Gym, and turn right into the small parking lot just beyond the pedestrian bridge. Gladfelter is just a few more steps down the hill.

If you are arriving by bus or plane, the bus station is in downtown Asheville; the airport is 10 miles south. If you need pickup from either, let us know under "Special Needs."

What should I bring?

- Don't forget pillows, x-long twin sheets, blankets, and towels. Dorm rooms provide no linens or toiletries. Sleeping bags are okay. Linen packets are available for \$18/person, but must be ordered on your registration form.
- You may also want a mattress pad to soften the hard mattresses, and/or a reading lamp, hair dryer, clothes hangers, as well as a swim suit, hiking or rain gear and a sweater. You may also want a coffee mug and/or water bottle.
- Some Friends bring cloth napkins, however the paper napkins provided are composted.
- You may want an Ethernet cable to connect to the web since the WiFi is unreliable.
- Bring a \$5 bill to deposit with the registrar for each key you anticipate needing.

Checking in at Warren Wilson

Early Check-in: Yearly Meeting starts at 1 pm on Thursday; however, rooms and meals are available Wednesday evening for SAYMA officers and staff, members of YMPC, and other Friends as needed.

Registration is on the lower level of Gladfelter. This is where you will pick up your keys, conference name tags, meal tickets, and programs.

Unlike a hotel, registration is only available:

Wednesday: by appointment after 4:30 p.m.

Thursday: Morning: 10:30 a.m. to 12:30 p.m.

Afternoon: 2 to 7 p.m.

Late evening: 9 to 10 p.m.

Please, phone the registrar if you are running late:

Laura Seeger 423-400-4091

She's tired and she'll have to wait up for you.

Friday: Morning: 8:00 a.m. to noon.

Afternoon: 4:30 to 5:30

Saturday: Morning: 8:00 a.m. to 9:00 a.m.

Check-Out is Sunday morning.

8:00 to 9:00 a.m. and 12:00 to 12:30 p.m.

To register or check-out any other time, make an appointment with Laura.

Parking: You may stop near Gladfelter just long enough to register and then near your dorm just long enough to unpack. There is limited short-term parking near each of the dorms.

Long term parking is behind Kittredge Theater or across the road by the tennis courts and over by the Ballfield dorms. At check-in you will receive a dashboard placard for parking.

If you need handicap *parking*, ask the registrar for a handicap pass.

Contact with the outside world

- **Cell phones** work, but reception may be spotty.
- **Internet access** is available in dorm rooms with an Ethernet cable and there is spotty Wi-Fi coverage throughout campus.
- **Incoming calls:** In emergencies callers can leave messages for you with Campus Security at (828) 230-4592.

