Advance Program & Registration Form

# **SAYMA Yearly Meeting**

# Community and Communication How We Connect



June 14—17, 2018 Warren Wilson College Swannanoa, North Carolina



# Welcome from the Clerk Yearly Meeting Planning Committee

We invite you to SAYMA's Yearly Meeting at Warren Wilson College in the beautiful mountains of North Carolina. This year's theme is

# "Community & Communication: How We Connect."

We have a rare and exciting opportunity this year. George Lakey will lead our evening plenaries, present two workshops, and be with us all weekend. George began his witness in the 1950s with the ban-the-bomb movement. He was a trainer for Mississippi Freedom Summer and co-authored <u>A Manual for Direct Action</u>, which was widely used by the civil rights movement. He founded the national body "A Quaker Action Group", which took him to Vietnam. In 2009 Lakey co-founded "Earth Quaker Action Team" to build a just and sustainable economy through nonviolence. The group won its first campaign, forcing PNC Bank to stop financing mountaintop coal mining in Appalachia. In that campaign, while in his seventies, Lakey was arrested. He has founded and participated in countless campaigns and has authored numerous books and articles on Strategic Nonviolence and economic justice. George is a Quaker who will inspire us and give us hope.

Worship is an integral part of Yearly Meeting. We open with worship on Thursday and close with worship on Sunday. We have worship opportunities at dawn, after supper, and at night. On Friday and Saturday small worship sharing groups meet to consider queries related to our theme. On Saturday afternoon our Young Adult Friends will lead us in worship sharing.

In addition to the evening plenaries and worship, we have rich and diverse workshops lined up for Friday and Saturday afternoon, and surprise activities on Friday after the workshops.

We will worship, sing, conduct business, and enjoy meeting Friends from all over the Southeast.

Bring all your family and Friends of all ages. This year will be our 2d year of an expanded Junior Yearly Meeting, including a Childcare program/ activities for children age 2 and up and babysitting for infants.

Thanks to generous Friends, scholarships are available for those who cannot afford the full cost of Yearly Meeting. No one should stay away from Yearly Meeting because of the cost.

We look forward to seeing you at Yearly Meeting 2018! carol nickle West Knoxville Friends Meeting Clerk of Yearly Meeting Planning Committee for 2018

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### Note from YMPC

This advance program focuses just on the information you'll need to send in your registration (by May 14 to avoid a late fee), pack appropriately, and find your way to the registration desk at Warren Wilson College when you arrive in June.

To register, either use the form included with this booklet or use the online form – an Excel spreadsheet that does all the calculations for you. Visit <u>www.sayma.org</u> for the spreadsheet.

If you use the form included with this booklet, detach the registration form in the middle, fill in your information, and mail with a check made out to SAYMA to:

Liz Dykes, SAYMA Administrative Assistant P. O. Box 76 Pooler GA 31322 OR email with plans to pay by credit card to: saymaoffice@gmail.com

*Note: This year, SAYMA will accept credit cards for <u>advance payment only</u>. Credit cards WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED at the registration desk. (Only cash or check accepted at registration.)* 

# **Community & Communication: How We Connect**

We come together to communicate "heart to heart" in an effort to live up to our testimonies of equality, community, and integrity; to make SAYMA a more welcoming spiritual home for all; and to seek justice while healing our communities.

### **Evening Plenaries:**

• Thursday 7:30 p.m. Rekindling Our Quaker Legacy of Envisioning.

US fiction and mass media are more likely to offer dystopian futures. Yet the Quaker legacy is mainly about picturing a more just community. Because the Bible predicts that "where there is no vision, the people perish," Friends will be invited to consider how they can boldly offer a vision for a better tomorrow.

• Friday 7:30 p.m. Visioning through the Arts.

This interactive session will be led by Young and Young Adult Friends. Friends will choose from three art forms (music, visual arts and poetry) from which they will be invited to express a single collective vision for our near and/or distant future

### About our speaker, George Lakey

George Lakey, a Friend from Philadelphia who has been a living witness to Friends' testimonies spanning a career of nearly 60 of his 80 years, is leading our plenaries on Thursday evening. A veteran of the civil rights movement, co-founder of AQAG (A Quaker Action Group), MNS (Movement for a New Society), and countless campaigns, he has authored numerous books and articles on Strategic Nonviolence and most recently Viking Economics, a visionary book on economic justice. George is not only a gifted teacher and a committed nonviolent activist and trainer; he is a Quaker whose life speaks from a depth of love and joy that truly lifts the heart.

Two of the many Internet sources for more about George Lakey are shown below: https://www.afsc.org/friends/preaching-peace-and-justice-interview-george-lakey https://peacenews.info/node/6690/george-lakey-nonviolent-warrior

**Workshops on Friday and Saturday** allow attenders to explore the theme and other topics. See pages 5 and 6.

Worship Sharing Queries: 10:45 to 11:45 Friday & Saturday:

# Friday

- 1. What forms of art, media & communication help you connect more deeply with others? Are there some forms that make you feel less connected?
- 2. In your online communications are you presenting yourself with integrity as to who you are & who you may want to become?
- 3. In what ways have my Quaker values shaped the way I connect, communicate and find community?
- 4. What is my most meaningful community? Why?

### Saturday

- 1. How do we open & Keep fairness of access to communication for all people?
- 2. Do we communicate in a spirit of worship and community building when conducting business?
- 3. What forms of communication serve to grow your meeting?
- 4. How can we as Quakers influence the way people in our community or wider world connect?

# Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business

Thursday afternoon; Friday, Saturday, & Sunday mornings in Canon Lounge

Each session begins with silent, expectant worship. Before beginning our work each day we take a roll call of meetings present, introduce ourselves, and review the day's agenda.

During these meetings, recognizing that we are all in a single community desiring unity around the conclusions of our discussions and that no one Friend is in possession of complete knowledge, we come to Meeting with kindness in our hearts, expecting to be surprised by the solutions that appear. To facilitate our process, we endeavor to state our concerns just once, trusting that through deep listening, Friends will hear us. In turn, we strive to listen actively and carefully to others so that we can discern the sense of the meeting. Anyone at any time may call for silence to help us with our discernment.

The many things we do include:

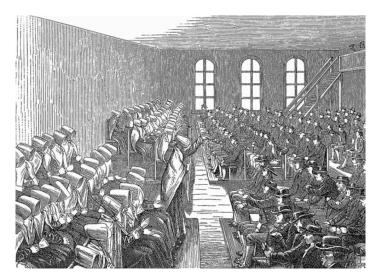
- Approve nominations for SAYMA's officers and committees.
- Consider next year's budget (10/1/18 through 9/30/19).
- Hear reports from committees, invited guests, and WQO representatives.
- Labor with concerns that have arisen over the past year.
- Hear epistles from JYM, SAYF, YAF, and Yearly Meeting.

### A Note on Reports:

Documents needed for business will be posted on the SAYMA website (<u>www.sayma.org</u>) beginning June 5. If you download those you want to reference, you'll save SAYMA the expense of printing paper copies. You can also access the internet in Canon Lounge.

Paper copies will be available for those without internet access and binders will have copies for your perusal both at the back of Canon Lounge and downstairs in Gladfelter near the registration desk.

Please indicate on your registration form if you would like paper copies to be available at Warren Wilson. As a part of our concern for the environment, and as good stewards of YM funds, we will make only a few more copies than requested in advance. Copies of the Final Program will be available for all registered participants.



### Why you need to register early

Warren Wilson requires two weeks' notification of how many rooms we'll be using and how many meals we'll be eating. That's why we must receive registrations before June 1.

Please register by May 14 and avoid the \$30 late fee. This is a postmark or email timestamp deadline. After June 10, no advance registration is possible. Adults can sign up On-site. Registrations for children (including SAYFers) must be received no later than May 30 because of the need to arrange for adult volunteers.

Friends who register after May 24 may find that their requested accommodations, including single rooms, are not available. If you must have A/C, a single room, accessible housing, or have other special requests, you must register by June 2. After that date, requests are first come, first serve. You will be notified if we cannot accommodate you.

The last day we can process a registration is June 10. After May 24, please get in touch with Liz Dykes before sending your registration by calling her at 865-272-9621 or emailing her at Saymaoffice@gmail.com

### New this year: Payment by credit card!

SAYMA will accept credit card payments for registration IN ADVANCE ONLY. No credit cards will be accepted at onsite registration: you'll need a check or cash.

You may mail or email your registration form and in the box marked payment enclosed, write "CC." Once your registration is processed, an invoice will be sent to you through PayPal for payment. You will have the option of paying all or half of your fees. Payment will be due May 14 or within five days, whichever is later. In other words, even if you register on April 16, you don't have to pay the deposit until May 14. However, if you fail to pay your deposit by May 14, you may be subject to a late fee. Note that you do not have to have a PayPal account to pay your invoice.

If you choose to pay half, you will receive a reminder to pay the balance on or before June 11. You may also choose to pay at Warren Wilson, cash or check only.

### If your plans change:

You may cancel your registration and receive a full 100% refund – but *only* if we hear from you by Friday <u>June 1</u> at the latest.

Cancelling after we give the count to the college means that SAYMA has to pay for your meals and the rooms even though you won't be there. However, if helping SAYMA pay for these expenses causes you financial hardship, you may request up to a 75% refund.

# **Requesting a Scholarship**

Think of finding the funds to come to yearly meeting in three places: your own resources, your meeting, and SAYMA.

Getting financial assistance for Yearly Meeting starts with your monthly meeting because they know you best. So ask the clerk of your meeting or the clerk of your Ministry & Nurture committee as soon as possible so they can work with you in a timely way.

Your meeting may be able to fully meet your needs, but if not, once SAYMA receives notice or a check from your monthly meeting it will contribute whatever amount you still need. SAYMA scholarships are available to cover yearly meeting fees: registration, rooms, meals, and campus use. SAYMA scholarships do not cover travel costs or the cost of the late fee.

#### Workshops meet on Friday & Saturday afternoons from 1:15 to 3 p.m. Note that workshops with *MOVE* after their title involve some level of activity **Choose one Friday workshop – #1 through 11:**

#### #1 Caring for Moral Injury in our Communities

#### Kindra Bradley, Spring Friends

Moral injury is a wound to the soul found among military combat veterans, first responders and others. Discuss how it occurs, why it is so devastating, and the healing process. Lecture + discussion. (*primarily adults but teens accepted*)

#### #2 Communicating about Climate justice from a Spiritual Foundation

#### Geeta Jyothi McGahey, Celo

We will explore our personal and spiritual basis for concerns about climate disruption/eco-justice, then practice communicating these stories to foster that care in others. From this foundation, we will look at individual, meeting, community, and political responses, and attempt talking about them in ways that promote action and transformation. Lecture/discussion/Worship sharing/Hands on (*Adults + teens*)

#### #3 Communication with Conscience, Internet with Integrity

Aaron Ruscetta, Atlanta Friends Meeting

The rapid global adoption of digital communications has had far reaching impacts on society and our daily lives. Examining the principles and communities that created the free & open internet, we'll consider how our technology choices can respect and reflect our Quaker values, and influence societal evolution within the digital revolution. Presentation/Discussion/Sharing (*Adults, teens*)

#### #4 Doing Democracy: Stages of Social Movement Success

#### Jim Barton, Swannanoa Valley & Asheville Meeting attender

People know about the stages of grieving, or of children's development, but what about social movements? This workshop gives people a grounding for practical hope by describing the stages of growth for social movements, based on the work of the late Quaker activist Bill Moyer. Lecture/Discussion (*Adults but teens accepted*)

#### #5 How To Have More Productive Conversations About Race

#### Chuck Claxton and Steve Hunt, Celo

Why are conversations about race often uncomfortable and unproductive? A bi-racial team draws on stories and research to identify road blocks, e. g., implicit associations, the unintentional use of microaggressions, etc., and provides strategies for improved communications between Black people and White people. Connections are made to fundamental Quaker principles. (*Adults, but teens accepted*)

#### #6 Newsletters Today

#### Carol Ciscel, Memphis Friends Meeting

What can publishing a newsletter do for your meeting? What defines success? What does it take to make that happen? Memphis has published a newsletter every month since December 1993. Let's share experiences with the written word. Is it even relevant in this online world? Lecture/Discussion (*Adults*)

#### # 7 Quaker Worship Reimagined: Opening Ourselves To Community

#### Hank Fay, Berea

We will a) identify the core components of Quaker Worship and Community; b) explore why the current implementation of Quaker Worship shuts out most people; and c) use the fruits of our exploration to outline a form of Quaker Worship that opens us to those we currently shut out. Questioning/Role playing/ Devil's Advocate (*primarily adults, but teens accepted*)

#### #8 SAYF 101 / Become SAYF's Biggest FAN!

#### Lucas Meyer-Lee, Atlanta Friends Meeting

In this workshop, real-life SAYFers will bridge the energy and passion within the teen program to the wider community. We hope to build an understanding for older Quakers of what exactly the SAYF program is while getting them excited about and ready to engage with us Quaker teens! Lecture/ Discussion/ Worship sharing (*Adults, teens*)

#### #9 Singing Sharing

#### Charles Schade, Charleston

Music is the universal language. People everywhere communicate by sharing songs. Using a format we have tested in Charleston meeting patterned on worship sharing, we will sing hymns that have particular meaning in our lives and share how each song has influenced our spiritual growth. Singing (Adults, teens)

#### #10 White Supremacy & Quakerism

#### Claire Hannapel, Atlanta Monthly Meeting

This workshop offers an entry point into the conversation about racial identity and how white supremacy shows up in our Quaker Meetings, wherever we may be on the journey toward increased awareness, action and racial healing. Lecture/Discussion/Worship sharing (*Primarily Adults, but teens accepted*)

### Friday workshops Continued

#### #11 "The Nordic vision and how it worked out"

#### George Lakey, Central Philadelphia (Pa.) Meeting

In the 1920s and '30s Sweden and Norway were lands of gross injustice. Their political polarization was more extreme than ours is today, with both Nazis and totalitarian Communists actively organizing. Swedes and Norwegians adopted a vision of a just society and implemented it. What happened?" (*Primarily Adults, but teens accepted*)

#### Choose one Saturday workshop #12 through 21:

#### #12 Confidence and Conviction in Peace: A Movement of Love and Conscience

#### Friends Peace Teams -Nadine Hoover

We outlawed slavery and wars of conquest. We protected human rights and dignity. Now let's make public-sanctioned violence illegal and create cultures of peace through a movement of love and conscience, liberation from prejudice and privilege and discernment based on consensus of conscience not opinion. Engage in activities and reflection. (*Adults, teens*)

#### #13 Despite State and Storm: Solidarity and Disaster Relief in Puerto Rico

#### Susan Wilton, Berea

A report back and discussion on the autonomous mutual aid efforts present in post-Maria Puerto Rico, and how the strategies there can be applied to create stronger communities everywhere. Lecture/ Discussion (*primarily adults but teens accepted*)

#### #14 Encountering the Divine in Nature: Songs and Worship Sharing

Guy Larry Osborne and Diane Krause, West Knoxville Friends Meeting This is a time of climate crisis and despair; of great natural beauty and opportunity for positive action. Workshop leaders will play original songs and provide lyrics and selected readings. Participants will be invited to share spirit-led experiences, reflections, and action ideas in the manner of Friends' worship sharing. Worship sharing/ songs, readings (*primarily adults but teens accepted*)

#### #15 Extending our Influence as Friends

Alicia McBride, Sandy Spring (BYM), representing FCNL

Join FCNL's communications director Alicia McBride for hands-on experience on drawing on your passion for change to influence your community and elected officials. We'll focus on how powerful writing in public forums – whether speaking to Friends or widely in a letter to the editor – can extend your influence. Lecture/ Discussion/Hands on (*Adults, teens accepted*)

#### #16 Intergenerational Games – MOVE

SAYF with JYM

The name says it all. Outside, weather permitting (Everybody)

#### #17 Listening with the Heart

#### Annie Black and Leith Patton, Cookeville Monthly Meeting

In Cookeville Friends Meeting we include the phrase "listen with the heart, not just the head" in our discussion guidelines. This past summer we actually talked about what this means. We will invite you to share your own experiences and to hear others experiences of a different kind of listening. Mostly Discussion (Adults, teens)

#### #18 Sanctuary Everywhere: Bystander Intervention Training

#### Jacob Flowers, American Friends Service Committee

Explore "do's and don'ts" of bystander intervention and how to respond effectively, taking the lead from the harassed person. Learn how to intervene, and how to teach and train others.

#### #19 Speaking of the Ineffable

#### Kathleen Mavournin, West Knoxville Friends Meeting

We seldom talk about what we experience in worship. It seems impossible to put it into words. We will attempt, tenderly, to do this, moving from silence into deep worship sharing and, finally, to a short discussion of how we might encourage such sharing in our meetings. Introduction/ Worship/ Worship Sharing/ Discussion (*Adults, teens*)

#### #20 White and Quaker: On the Path and in the Ditch

#### Steve Livingston and Gita Larson, Asheville Monthly Meeting

What does it mean to be white and Quaker? How does our whiteness hinder our work on racism? Reflect together on our individual journeys and our meetings' experiences as we explore these questions. Although the focus of the workshop is on white Friends, we welcome participation by Friends of Color. Presentation/ Experimental/ Worship (*Adults*)

#### #21 "Building community inspired by vision"

#### George Lakey, Central Philadelphia (Pa.) Meeting

Earth Quaker Action Team (EQAT) has been experimenting with building the beloved community through nonviolent campaigning for a vision that combines economic, racial, and climate justice. Some lessons are now emerging that can be useful to Friends everywhere.

# Packing:

Dorm rooms are bare. You will need to bring with you:

- sheets, blankets, and pillows for each bed
  - these may be rented from the college, but you need to do that with your registration -- \$20/linen packet
  - Bring a mattress pad if you want one; there are no pads in the linen packets.
- towels and toiletries
- hair dryer, coat hangers, reading lamp
- sweaters or sweat shirts (The room where we meet is often cold)
- rain gear and umbrella
- maybe your own coffee mug, water bottle, and cloth napkins
- an Ethernet cable as back up for the Wi-Fi which can be spotty

### Getting to campus:

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-26 to I-240 East 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 Hwy 70 heading east.
- Go 1.5 miles.
- Turn left at the stoplight just beyond the Shell Station onto Warren Wilson Road.
- Go 1.5 miles past a church, some houses, through a field, across a small stream, and up the hill to the campus.

The north entrance is the third on the right. Turn into campus and drive past Kittredge Theater and Bryson Gym, then turn right into the small parking lot by the pedestrian bridge. Gladfelter is just a few more steps down the hill. Stairs take you to registration on the lower level. To avoid the stairs continue round the side of the building and cross the lawn.

**Arriving late?** The Registrar will be waiting up for you. Make sure you call her if you run late or your plans change. She does not want to wait up for a "No Show". Her personal cell phone is 931-261-0010.

Pet Policy: Please do not bring pets to Warren Wilson College. However, service animals are allowed.

### Parking:

Long term parking is behind Kittredge Theater and across the street at the Aquatic Center. Handicapped accessible spaces are scattered through-out campus; ask for a placard at check-in if you have a handicap license plate.

DO NOT PARK in spaces reserved for Faculty. DO NOT PARK in front of Sunderland dorm except for unloading and loading.

A Golf Cart shuttle is available to the Kitteridge lot if needed.



### Filling out the Registration Form

Provide information about each person in your party. Include contact information for your family: the name of the person filling out the form, address, phone, and email. Then tell us who is coming; if they want JYM (under 12), SAYF (12 to 18), or YAF (18 to ~35); include workshop choices and whether they want worship sharing. For each person under 18 years old, include the name, age, and school grade. We don't pay for meals for children under age 5. List emergency contact information for each person, adult and children, coming to YM. (Warren Wilson requirement)

Next tell us when each of you will come. Yearly Meeting begins with opening worship at 1 p.m. on Thursday but the dorm rooms are also available on Wednesday night for those who need to come early. However, the cafeteria may not be open until lunch on Thursday.

There are 4 Dorm choices:

**GEN** – general dorm (handicap accessible if requested)

**SAYF** – teen program (see specific info on page 15)

**YAF** – Young Adult Friends (see info on page 16)

SSO – Simple Supper Option provides a unique opportunity during yearly meeting to experience family/community in a relaxed atmosphere just off the beaten path. On Friday and Saturday night we collectively prepare and enjoy eating together in a setting where conversations can actually be heard

Registering early improves your chances to receive the accommodations you requested.

Sleep space indicates whether you want a private room for one person or whether you will share a room. Children under 12 sleep in their parent's room – on the floor if there are two parents present, in the second bed if just one parent is present <u>and</u> has also purchased a private room. There is no extra charge for the child. (For more information on Junior Yearly Meeting for children see page 16.)

SAYFers have breakfast in the SAYF dorm, so they sign up for cafeteria meals only at lunch and dinner. Children under 12 eat their meals in the cafeteria and we need to know which ones, but these meals are subsidized by SAYMA.

Each attender 12 and over pays a \$55 fee which covers SAYMA's direct costs for yearly meeting. Each family (Adults, YAFs and SAYFers in the same household) pays a maximum of three fees. Families with different addresses (Grandparents with grandchildren over 12, for instance) should register on different forms.

The last section of the registration form shows you how to add up your fees. It also gives you an opportunity to request a scholarship or, if you are so led, to donate to the scholarship fund to help others.

Please note that meal times at Warren Wilson are firm and end promptly. If you are not sure that you will arrive in time for lunch or supper on the day you register, consider that you can pay cash at the door or eat on the way, as timing dictates. We cannot refund fees for meals missed due to late arrival.

**NOTE**: The SAYMA Bookstore will not sell books for individuals or organizations, nor take consignment orders. Organizations and Friends with books or items to sell may request display space (see inside back cover under **Set up a WQO Display**) and are responsible for the security of their items.

Southern Appalachian Young Friends (**SAYF**) is a program for teens age 12 (who have finished 6<sup>th</sup> grade) through age 18 (or until graduating high school). SAYF meets several times through-out the year as well as at Yearly Meeting. Middle schoolers have some activities separate from the older SAYFers and SAYFers are always welcome in SAYMA workshops and plenaries as well as the talent show and Saturday dance.

# **Registering for SAYF at SAYMA**

If parents or guardians are coming to yearly meeting, SAYFers can be included on their family's registration form. SAYFers who are registering by themselves may prefer using the interactive form on the SAYMA website as it will guide you to the right choices for SAYF.

SAYFers <u>must</u> register for yearly meeting by **May 24** (see page 5). After May 24, contact Liz Dykes (865-272-9621) to see if space is available.

For sleep space choose bed in shared room.

- 1. Sign up and pay for lunch and dinner, but not breakfast. All SAYFers have a free *breakfast* every morning in the SAYF dorm, but buy *lunch and dinner* in the cafeteria.
- 2. If you want to attend a workshop let us know which ones by number when you register. (Middle Schoolers have a SAYF workshop on Friday that they don't need to register for.)
- 3. SAYFers pay a registration fee and a campus use fee just like the adults.

Additional SAYF at SAYMA forms . . .

- 4. SAYFers must arrange for a Sponsor parent or adult Friend who will be on campus throughout the yearly meeting. The Sponsor & their Young Friend(s) must attend a brief orientation meeting, and the Sponsor will be responsible for their Young Friend whenever they are not involved in mandatory SAYF activities.
- Visit the SAYF web site, <a href="http://awesomesayfers.org/sayma.shtml">http://awesomesayfers.org/sayma.shtml</a>, for SAYF specific Registration Information. The additional Sponsor, SAYF Registration and Medical Release forms required on arrival for SAYF at SAYMA are available for download there. For questions or concerns, please contact the SAYF Admin. Assistant, Autumn Woodward, at (828) 333-7315 or via email to <AwesomeSAYFers@gmail.com</a>.

Arriving at Warren Wilson . . .

- 6. Be sure to bring the additional SAYF-at-SAYMA forms with you, completed and signed, when you come to Warren Wilson for the Yearly Meeting SAYF retreat...
- 7. First check in with the SAYMA registrar on the lower level of Gladfelter to get your name tag. The name tag shows meals you paid for and any workshop choices you made.
- 8. The SAYF dorm (Vining C) opens for check in at 6 pm on Thursday. Parents and sponsors have responsibility for SAYFers until they check in at Vining C.
- 9. The main sponsor orientation meeting will be held at 10:00pm Thursday, June 15, in the Gladfelter Cannon Lounge. All SAYFers and Sponsors should attend

### Young Adult Friends (YAF)

SAYMA Young Adult Friends are a community of peers who meet for fellowship and fun at yearly meeting. Many are graduates of SAYF, but all young adults are welcome. YAFs work together to nurture mutual needs and concerns within the open, safe, and sacred space of the Quaker community at Yearly Meeting.

YAF invites any Friend to join them in their worship and in their business meetings and they lead a worship sharing for everyone on Saturday afternoon. The schedule will be published in the yearly meeting program handed out at check-in in June. In the meantime, if you want to room together with other YAFs, just let us know on the registration form by choosing the YAF dorm.



### **Children at Yearly Meeting**

Kids are free. Registration fees and meals are subsidized for young Friends until they are eligible for SAYF. They are also allowed to stay with their adults for no additional room charge.

#### **Junior Yearly Meeting**

Bring your children, grandchildren, cousins, and other young Friends, from rising 1<sup>st</sup> through rising 6<sup>th</sup> graders, to Junior Yearly Meeting!

Junior Yearly Meeting is big fun for young Friends. Games; crafts; farm tours; storytelling; music; nature; bubbles; swimming; laughter; community building; Quaker history and practice; cooking; sharing talents with the wider community; and reflecting on this year's theme with the wider community.

#### Playcare at Yearly Meeting

We offer Playcare at SAYMA – a supportive and contained environment where children ages 2-5 explore, play, and are nurtured by loving adults.

#### **Babysitting at Yearly Meeting**

Babysitting for children under 2 years old. Caring volunteers who comply with the SAYMA child safety policy will be available by pre-arrangement for babysitting for up to 2-hour periods during adult programming at SAYMA.

#### Working with Children and Teen Programs

Both JYM and SAYF need volunteer support during yearly meeting. If you are interested in volunteering, please let us know on your registration form. This gives us time to get in touch with you about your interests and to complete any child safety requirements.

For more information about any of these programs, or about qualifications of adults who work with the children, contact Jennifer Dickie at 404-313-8770 or JYM@sayma.org

You may also want to . . .

# Browse the books for sale and for exchange

Books from Friends General Conference (FGC) bookstore will be available for browsing and purchase on the lower level of Gladfelter.

Cash or checks are the preferred payment method. Credit cards (for the first time) will be accepted, but credit card users will be charged a small user fee at the time of purchase. The user fee will be the processing fee that SAYMA is charged.

Bring used books to place on the free-exchange table. Quaker themes are especially appreciated by Friends.

# Look for our WQO Guests at Yearly Meeting

This year we have invited guests from Friends Peace Teams FCNL – Friends Committee on National Legislation Quaker House FGC – Friends General Conference

# Set up a WQO Display

To set up a display for a Wider Quaker Organization, or to sell your own books, contact Bob Welsh at <u>bobwel2@charter.net</u> to reserve table space. (Please, though, no arts and crafts.)

# Plan ahead for getting around campus

The campus is hilly; we rent an electric golf cart which shuttles on call between the Sunderland dorm and Gladfelter as well as the other buildings we use. You can request a shuttle to the parking lot behind Kitteridge, as well.

There is a much more level path between Gladfelter and Jensen if you bear right on the road and go past the Log Cabin. It brings you to the elevator on the lower level of Jensen. Look for the Log Cabin on the map in the final program when you check in.

# And please, remember your key deposit

The college keeps careful control of room keys. You will need to leave a \$5 deposit in cash for each key issued to you. It is helpful to have exact change.

		Friday	Saturday	Sunday
	7am		Early Morning Worship	
	8am	Breakfast	Breakfast	Breakfast
	9am	Meeting	Meeting	
10am		For Business	For Business	Meeting For Business
noon	11am	Worship Sharing	Worship Sharing	Closing Worship
noon 1pm 2pm	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch	Lunch
	Opening Worship	Workshops	Workshops	
3pm	Meeting	Extra	YAF-led	
4pm	For Business	Activities	Worship Sharing	
5pm - 6pm - 7pm _ 8pm	Dinner	Dinner	Dinner	
	Evening Worship	Evening Worship & Remembrance	Talent Show &	
	Plenary	Plenary	Dance	
9pm	Chat & Chew	Chat & Chew	Chat & Chew	

Simplified Schedule of SAYMA Yearly Meeting

# Area Map of Asheville and Swannanoa + Exit 55 Route to Warren Wilson College

