



Among Friends

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of the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers)*

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Baltimore Yearly Meeting Proposed Queries on Integrity

How do we seek truth by which to live? How do we know it when we find it?

In what ways does my life speak of my beliefs and values?

In what way is my life out of harmony with truth as I know it? Why?

Integrity: Voices

Be patterns, be examples in all countries, places, islands, nations, wherever you come; that your carriage and life may preach among all sorts of people, and to them. Then you will come to walk cheerfully over the world, answering that of God in every one; whereby in them ye may be a blessing, and make the witness of God in them to bless you. Then to the Lord God you will be a sweet savour and blessing. *George Fox*

Note on the meaning of the word “cheerfully” in the above passage: Regarding the quote from George Fox, “Walk cheerfully over the world, answering to that of God in everyone”: The word “cheerfully,” in addition to the way we use it, had another meaning in 17th century England. It meant “encouragingly” (this is the way Shakespeare used it) as in our modern sense of “to cheer someone on.” If I were to paraphrase a small part of Fox’s message it might go something like this: “Always be examples of your best conduct and behavior where ever you are. Then you will come to walk through the world, encouraging others to do likewise.” This is a very different message from how cheerfully is usually understood in our time, but it is much more consistent with the rest of Fox’s writings. *Bruce Folsom, San Francisco Meeting, in Friends Bulletin, March 1994, p. 99*

Integrity: Advices

When we live with integrity, our sense of self is lit from within by the same steady Light whether we are with our family, in meeting, or at work. When we live with integrity, we do not allow fear or desire for approval to shape the face we present to the world. We may express the truth we know differently so that different people can better hear it, or we may be silent because we feel it is not the time for certain words; but we are willing to allow the Inner Light to guide us in ways consistent with the truth as we understand it. Rooted in an awareness of God’s guiding presence in all times and places, each of us finds the strength and nourishment we need to be faithful – in the Psalmist’s words, “like a tree planted by the water.”

Calendar (* indicates story in the newsletter)

July 10th – **Take a Second for Peace** walk. Meet at The Virginia Museum of Fine Arts at 9 am.

July 18th – **Meeting for Worship with a Concern for Business** until 12:30 pm.

July 24th – **John McCutcheon Concert** to benefit the Peace Education Center.*

July 25th – **Potluck** lunch at rise of meeting. Please come and bring a dish. All are welcome.

July 29th – **Summer Adult RE** organizational meeting at 7:15 pm.*

August 1st – **Jean Jones Andersen Bequest Use Committee** proposal meeting at rise of meeting.*

September 12th – **New Members Welcome** at rise of meeting.

**Child care is available each First Day starting at 9:15 am
for Bible Workbench, and 9:30 and 11:00 worship.**

News Among Us

Bill Walton died on June 11, 2010. Bill and **Althea Walton** were long-time active members of Richmond Friends Meeting who had moved to Massachusetts. Bill was a scientist who worked at the Science Museum. As a naturalist, he liked to lead hikes, helping to bring alive the science and spirituality of nature. Bill played a leading role in the development of the Clearing.

Al Watts and **Peggy O'Neill** will serve as Friends in Residence at La Maison Quaker in Congenie, France, this fall. Built in 1822, this was the first gathering place of Quakers in France, and has recently been restored as a B&B. Check out the article about La Maison Quaker in the May 2010 issue of Friends Journal, and if you are traveling to Europe, consider adding this special spot to your itinerary. Information on the website at <http://www.maison-quaker-congenies.org/>.

The **Midlothian Friends Meetinghouse** is now available for rental. They ask that you refer your friends and their organizations to www.MeetinghouseRental.com for more information and a rental application.

Ted Heck is buying a brand new house in the Oak Summit development (Blackwell neighborhood) in Manchester, expecting to close on Friday, June 25, and moving in the following day. The house is being purchased from the Better Housing Coalition with assistance from Housing Opportunities Made Equal and other sources. It is a highly energy efficient house (Earthcraft certified) with solar heated water. Ted and **Laura Goren** are very excited to be moving into this new house and new neighborhood which will also be close to both their jobs downtown!

Wade and **Elizabeth Smith** are in London visiting daughter Karen and granddaughter Abigail for the month of July.

Dylan Kolhoff will be having spinal surgery for scoliosis July 9 at MCV. His recovery is expected to include some pain and to take 4-6 weeks. If all goes well with the surgery and recovery, he will begin attending William & Mary as a Murray Scholar in the fall.

Andrew Kolhoff has recently begun a new business venture buying, selling and repairing used computers. If you need a new computer or computer repair, please contact him.

Bible Workbench

BIBLE WORKBENCH sessions, held in the Community Room from 9:30 to 10:30 each first-day morning, will continue in June. Through our texts, we will explore some of the discrepancies and new layered meanings between theory and practice--both in scripture and in our own lives. No previous biblical study or expertise is needed, and copies of the passages will be provided. For those who like to read them in advance, the texts for July are:

July 4: Luke 10: 1-11, 16-20 -- appointments, harvests, laborers . . .

July 11: Luke 10: 25-37 -- heart, soul, strength, mind . . .

July 18: Luke 10: 38-42 -- " . . . thou art careful and troubled about many things . . ."

July 25: Luke 11: 1-13 -- "Teach us to pray."



From Care & Counsel

The Care and Counsel Committee has small amount of scholarship funds available for attendance at Baltimore Yearly Meeting Annual Meeting, Friends General Conference and the RFM Fall retreat.

From Peace & Social Concerns: Southside Child Development Center—an outreach organization we support

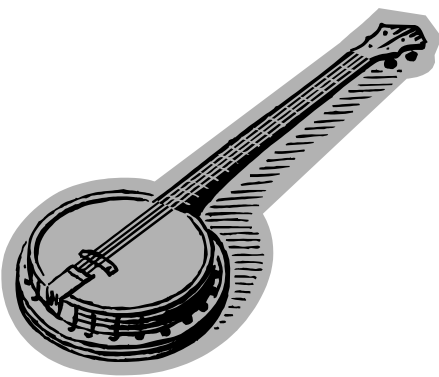
Southside Child Development Center was founded in 1930 and is celebrating its 80th year serving the children of the Richmond Metropolitan area. Its mission is to commit to provide affordable childcare services and preschool education for children of working class families. It provides early childhood education and preparation for kindergarten and has a school-age program and summer camp for children 2-1/2 to 12 years of age. It is a United Way Agency and its parents pay on a sliding scale. Ninety percent of SCDC's families live below the poverty level, earning less than \$22,000 annually.

To help its families SCDC provides health screenings, twice yearly developmental assessments to identify special needs early and link children with appropriate resources, and daily, USDA-certified meals. When parents' lives are challenged by unexpected crises, SCDC's staff provides needed support and help for them to connect with intervention services. These children represent the future of our community and it is important that we contribute to a facility that is preparing them to become good citizens.

John McCutcheon to Play in Richmond Saturday, July 24—Susan Greenbaum will also perform

Internationally acclaimed folksinger John McCutcheon and Richmond favorite Susan Greenbaum will perform a benefit concert in celebration of the Richmond Peace Education Center's 30th anniversary on Saturday evening, July 24. The show will be held at 7 p.m., at the VCU Singleton Center for the Performing Arts, 922 Park Ave. Susan Greenbaum will open the concert for featured performer John McCutcheon. Proceeds from the show benefit the programs of the Richmond Peace Education Center.

Tickets for the concert cost \$20 for adults, \$10 for students, and a maximum of \$50 per family. To purchase or reserve tickets, visit www.rpec.org, email tickets@rpec.org, or call the offices of the Richmond Peace Education Center at 232-1002. Tickets will also be available at the door.



John McCutcheon is a world renowned musician and composer. His songs and stories have been making audiences of all ages laugh, cry, and think for almost forty years. McCutcheon is an extraordinary musician, accompanying himself on guitar, banjo, piano, autoharp, fiddle and even the nyckelharpa, a Swedish hurdy-gurdy. His hammered dulcimer playing is among the many highlights of a John McCutcheon show.

McCutcheon's career began in the mid 1970s. He has recorded more than thirty albums and has been nominated for six Grammy awards. In addition, McCutcheon is the author of children's books and essays, and a long-time activist for peace and social justice. McCutcheon's

most recent release is entitled *Sermon on the Mound*, which tells stories and draws lessons from America's national pastime.

This year, the Peace Center is delighted to welcome Richmond's own Susan Greenbaum as John's opening act. Susan graduated from Harvard University, worked as a corporate executive for several years, and chucked it all to follow her dream of being a singer-songwriter. She has independently released four CDs. Susan won the Smithsonian Songwriting Competition in October, 2009, and recently won the Celebrity Maestro contest sponsored by the Richmond Symphony. Susan says she feels very lucky to love what she does and share that love and music with anyone who will listen.

This year marks the 30th anniversary of the Richmond Peace Education Center. Initiated in 1980, the center has been a leading voice for nonviolence in the Richmond community for three decades. For more information, contact RPEC at www.rpec.org, or 232-1002, or rpec@rpec.org,

Graduating Seniors Celebrated at June Reception

On June 6th, 2010, we celebrated the achievements of these graduating seniors in Richmond Friends Meeting. Their statements follow:

Daniel Gonet

I will graduate from Patrick Henry High School in Ashland. During my years at PHHS I have been very involved in music, which probably doesn't come as a surprise to anyone who knows me. I was a part of the school Wind Ensemble for four years, all of them as first chair flute. I was also in the marching band all four years, and my senior year I was captain. Additionally, my senior year I joined the jazz band. School musicals are a big deal at PH and I played in the pit orchestra or worked crew; this was a lot of fun and I enjoyed being friends with all the fantastic music and theatre kids. The best musical experiences I've had so far were when I made all-state band my junior and senior years, as well as attending the Governor's School for Arts and Humanities last summer.



Outside of school, music was again my primary interest. I was in the Greater Richmond Youth Wind Ensemble, the Greater Richmond High School Jazz Band, and The Richmond Symphony Youth Orchestra. I've enjoyed playing the fiddle, too and now I'm working to learn the saxophone. I'll be attending VCU in the fall; I was accepted as a jazz flute major. Learning to play the piano is also a requirement, so I think my summer plans are mostly to work hard on learning these new instruments so that I'm ready when school starts. I'm really excited to begin my musical studies at VCU; I've been looking forward to this for years.

My family and I have been involved with meditation for my whole life. Joining the Quaker meeting was a good way to combine meditation with other beliefs I have such as vegetarianism and not engaging in any violence. I hope these beliefs will continue to influence my life always.

Hannah Gropper

I attended Maggie L. Walker Governor's School for my freshman-junior years, and then moved to Sandy Spring Friends School in Olney MD for my senior year. The change to a Quaker-minded school atmosphere was a very healthy and productive move for me.

I have been heavily involved in the BYM Young Friends program since sophomore year. This group had the biggest influence in helping shape me as an independent and thriving individual. Young Friends was the best. I cannot recommend it strongly enough for any interested high schoolers.

Next year I will be participating (hopefully) in the AmeriCorps program Public Allies whose goal is to yield strong leaders and support the non-profit sector.

Dylan Kolhoff

Dylan will be graduating after four delightful years at Maggie L. Walker Governor's School. This summer, he plans to travel to China to volunteer and learn the language before going to William & Mary as a Murray Scholar in the fall.

Beyond academics, Dylan loves reading, traveling, playing tennis, debating constitutional law, and completely owning everyone with his spider-like legs at Wink. Dylan has come to Richmond Friends Meeting occasionally yet persistently for most of his life, and this has been a great place for him to grow both spiritually and otherwise - through working in the nursery, RE, and Young Friends. He has had many good times with the fun, creative, and incredibly supportive cast of Quakers at Meeting, and he will miss them dearly as he moves on to college and beyond.

Charlie Shobe

Charlie has spent most of his 18 years exploring outside -- his first word. He particularly enjoyed going to Shiloh Quaker Camp and Teen Adventure for the backpacking and free exploration (along with many intangibles) and still has many friends he made there. He co-authors an environmental blog, <http://www.theborrowedworld.org/>

This summer he's been accepted into the Bank of America Student Leaders program, in which the bank pays the salaries of young people who want to learn about how nonprofits work. In this capacity, he will work full time for the Richmond YMCA. Then it's off to William and Mary, where his studies may include, but won't be limited to, geology and/or other environmental sciences, along with political science.



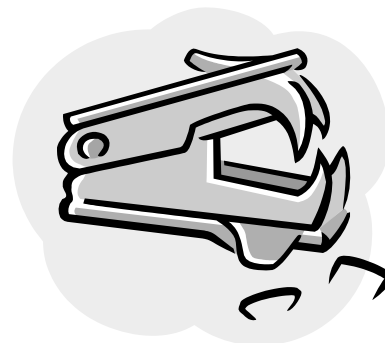
RE Birthdays in Seventh Month (July)

Maria Marinelli (16)	7/18
Stephen Moliterno (15)	7/27
Erin Bragg (14)	7/30

Newsletter Goes Stapleless!

The newsletter is being mailed this month without any staple. This is due to post office bulk mailing regulations. We apologize for any inconvenience. The committee is considering alternatives to using the post office bulk mailing facility due to restrictions and problems with service. We also think it is desirable to decrease the amount of money that is budgeted for the printing and mailing of the newsletter (\$2,000 per year). One way to do both is to have more members sign up to receive the newsletter through email.

If you want to receive the newsletter electronically, please send an email to newsletter@richmondfriends.org. Please give your name in the message, if it is not apparent from your email address. At the same time, please notify Laura Goren by email and indicate that you would like to be removed from the postal mailing list. Please give your name in the message to Laura also, if it is not apparent from your email address. The committee is considering how to best use our resources and maintain contact with our community. If you have suggestions about this, contact the clerk of the Newsletter Mailing Committee, Julie Honnold.



Summer Adult Religious Education Opportunity

Ministry and Worship is sponsoring an adult religious education opportunity for the summer, Deepening Worship. In a series of four small group meetings, we will be discussing the Pendle Hill pamphlet, "Four Doors to Meeting for Worship" by William Taber. Reading and discussion will center around individual spiritual practices which prepare us for Meeting, the transition into the Meeting room, Meeting for Worship and then going back into the outside world. It is our vision that these discussions may enrich what each of us brings to corporate worship and thus deepen the experience.

An organizational meeting will take place on Tuesday, June 29th at 7:15 in the Community room of the Meeting House. At that time, we will break into small groups, discuss possible formats for discussion and worship and distribute the pamphlets. Groups will be meeting for four sessions in whatever time frame fits the group. Pamphlets will be available for borrow or purchase-but you must reserve one. Please let Denna Joy know if you have not done so already. If you cannot come to the organizational meeting but would like to participate, email Denna as well.

Proposal for the Use of the Jean Jones Andersen Bequest To Support Adult Spiritual Education

1. A Joint Committee should be formed to consider written applications for financial support from both the Jean Jones Andersen Fund and the Mary Hulburt Fund. This five-person committee should include a representative chosen by Ministry and Worship, Care and Counsel, Financial Stewardship, and Religious Education. A fifth, at-large member of meeting should be appointed by the Clerk of Meeting.
2. Applications for funds should be submitted on April 1st for activities in the fall and on October 1st for activities in the spring.
3. Applications may be submitted by committees of Meeting and by individuals.
4. Priorities for selection will be as follows:
 - a. Materials for Bible Workbench (no application required).
 - b. Activities that promote adult spiritual education for the whole meeting. Expenses would include funds for speakers, teachers, and materials.
 - c. Study by individuals at the School of the Spirit, Pendle Hill, BYM Spiritual Formation, and other Quaker-based learning opportunities. Priority should be given applications that include how the individual will share their learning with the Meeting community, applications that include matching funds from the individual or other funding sources, and applications that include more than one person attending the same activity with plans to share with the whole Meeting.
5. The amount of the fund that will be awarded annually will be determined in the following manner. First, \$20,000 of the fund shall be preserved in a permanent endowment that will grow over time. Second, for the next ten years, one tenth of the remainder of the fund shall be available to be awarded annually. All interest that is earned on the whole fund shall be reinvested in the endowment. After ten years, the funds size will be the original \$20,000 endowment plus all interest earned over that ten-year period.

The Bequest Use Committee welcomes comments and suggestions for improving this draft proposal prior to its being presented to Meeting for Business in September. Email communications are encouraged. Please send your ideas to jeans.bequest@gmail.com.

In addition, there will be an open meeting to receive input immediately following Meeting for Worship on August 1st. Finally, you are encouraged to offer your comments to the members of the Bequest Use Committee: T.J. Armstrong, Diane Bowden, Howard Garner, Bette Gilchrist, Steve Humphrey and Rita Willett.

Cedar Creek Quaker Meeting House Historic Marker

At Meeting for Business on June 20th, Clerk Margaret Edds read an invitation from the National Stanley Family Association, inviting Friends to the dedication of a Highway Marker in Hanover County near the site of the former Cedar Creek Meeting House. A dedication was scheduled to be held Saturday, June 26th at 2 PM, and several from Richmond Friends Meeting planned to attend at this writing, including Betsy Brinson, Mary Fran Hughes-McIntyre, and Sally Gudas.

Cedar Creek Quaker Meeting has a vibrant shared history with Richmond Friends. In a future newsletter, we hope to share excerpts from a timeline about Cedar Creek Meeting prepared by Bill Hughes-McIntyre. One of the very active members of Cedar Creek Meeting was Nathaniel Crenshaw, father of John Crenshaw who was active in Richmond Friends Meeting as were his descendants. You may also wish to read more about Cedar Creek Meeting, the Stanley family, and the Crenshaws in Jay Worrall's *The Friendly Virginians*, including especially a brief story about John Stanley who refused to serve in the Revolutionary War and was persecuted.



If you are interested in seeing the marker, here are directions: Take I-95 to Ashland Exit 92B, and travel west on Route 54 for approximately 10 miles to intersection with State Road 803, Quaker Church Road. Please note you will cross Scotchtown Road more than a mile before reaching Quaker Church Road.

The site of the Meeting House itself is about ½ mile down Quaker Church Road and there is also a sign designating this.

We appreciate so much that the Stanley family's sponsorship has helped make this marker possible. The National Stanley Family Association (NSFA) was organized in Damascus, Ohio, in 1989 to perpetuate the genealogical legacy of THOMAS STANLEY (1) and his three sons of record, Thomas, Jr., James, and John.

Below is the text of the marker:

CEDAR CREEK QUAKER MEETING HOUSE

English immigrant Thomas Stanley, born about 1670, championed the right to religious freedom early in the 1700s. Stanley gave nearby land for a Quaker meetinghouse, school, and cemetery. Until the 19th century, the Religious Society of Friends (Quakers) convened here for worship. Here in 1767, Quakers spoke out strongly against enslavement of blacks, which resulted in a 1772 resolution prohibiting the purchase and hiring of slaves by Quakers. By 1779, they had recommended freeing all slaves and approximately 200 were freed as a result. In 1875, the meeting was disbanded because of westward Quaker migration. The building burned in 1904.

If you decide to go to see the Cedar Creek Meeting House marker and site, you may also wish to drive by Shrubbery Hill - the historic home and farm of 19th century Friend Nathaniel Crenshaw, on Route 33 near the intersection of Route 33 and Scotchtown Road. This home is occupied by its current owners.

**Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business
Sixth Month/June 20, 2010
Richmond Friends Meeting**

Meeting for worship with attention to business began at 11 a.m. with an introduction by clerk Margaret Edds and welcome to the 32 Friends in attendance. Sam Rugg from Ministry and Worship held Meeting in the Light from the facing bench. Kathryn Beaton read the opening queries from Baltimore Yearly Meeting on personal spiritual life. Following Meeting, Patty Spadafore identified herself as a first-time MWB attendee.

Ministry and Worship: Denna Joy announced a 4-part summer adult education program focusing on deepening the worship experience. The series will use the pamphlet “Four Doors to Meeting for Worship” by William Taber. Anyone interested in participating should contact Denna. An organizational meeting will be held Tuesday, June 29 at 7:15 p.m. at the Meetinghouse to determine dates for assembling.

Denna also reported that the ad hoc committee chaired by Howard Garner and charged with recommending the next steps in use of the Jean Jones Andersen bequest has met once, has a second meeting scheduled, and will be designing ways for community input. Meanwhile, Jean James is coordinating with Jean’s children the preparation of her home for sale; their hope is to have it ready to go on the market by the end of July. Anyone interested in assisting with related tasks should contact Jean James by email.

Spring Retreat Committee: Diana Westbrook reported that the committee met to debrief from the “We Are the World” retreat on May 29-30 and expresses deep gratitude to all who contributed to the event. More than 70 adults and 20 children attended; the workshops and activities were very successful, and income exceeded expenses. The committee realized that an evaluation form would be a good addition to future events; if you have comments on the spring retreat, please share them with any of the committee members: Diana Westbrook, Lynda Perry, Mary Fran Hughes-McIntyre, Peggy O’Neill and Janett Forte.

Religious Education: all were reminded that the RE classes would be at Mary Munford today for the end of the school year picnic; parents were reminded

to pick their children up at the school at the rise of Meeting.

Fifth Month MWB Minutes: were approved with one correction—the “after-Meeting coffee” was held May 2, not May 1.

Peace and Social Concerns Committee: Marcia Dickinson reported that the committee recommends approval of a minute expressing our support of equal rights under the law for sexual minorities, especially given the recent decision by the McDonnell administration to rescind a non-discrimination executive order signed by former Gov. Tim Kaine, as well as actions by Attorney General Ken Cuccinelli challenging the anti-discrimination policies of Virginia colleges. The Equality Minute draft follows:

Richmond (VA) Monthly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends upholds the centuries-old Quaker belief that there is that of God in everyone and therefore opposes all forms of discrimination, including that based on sexual orientation or gender identity. Discrimination must never be allowed to deprive any person of their political, economic or social rights.

We urge all State Legislators and the Governor to pass and sign into law a bill affirming that no person receiving or seeking employment or education by the Commonwealth of Virginia shall be discriminated against by Commonwealth employees or education administrators on the basis of sexual orientation or gender identity, in consonance with the Fourteenth Amendment to the Constitution of the United States, “No state shall. . .deny to any person within its jurisdiction the equal protection of the laws.”

Meeting approved the minute with the provision that Peace and Social Concerns incorporate several edits (following in bold) recommended during discussion: sexual orientation, gender identity, or gender expression; delete the pronoun in the phrase any person of their; and consider how to break the second paragraph into two sentences.

The final version of the minute will be sent to Baltimore Yearly Meeting, all Virginia meetings, all Virginia legislators, the media, the Human Rights campaign in Washington, DC, and religious organizations, including the Virginia Council of Churches and the Virginia Interfaith Center for Public Policy. Friends are urged to visit with their

legislators and use the minute to advocate for legislative changes that improve equality for all. The committee was thanked for its work on this minute.

Clearing Oversight Committee: Don Miller reported that the Clearing Lodge addition is substantially completed. Landscaping is being restored and a new gas stove will soon be installed. Don also responded to questions raised at May MWB about the coordination of roofing projects at the Clearing Lodge. In short, as the roof was being constructed on the new Lodge addition, the committee realized that where the new roof tied into the original roof, a section of original roof could be replaced at a savings of \$1000. The replacement of the remainder of the original roof will be addressed at a later time when finances permit.

Marjorie Bertolino, for the Clearing Usage and Promotion Committee, reported that a silent retreat will be held at the Clearing on June 26 from 10 a.m. to 3 p.m.; attendees should bring their own lunch and are encouraged to carpool.

Financial Stewardship: Monica Shaw, clerk of Financial Stewardship, brought forward a request from the committee to increase its annual budget by \$600 to cover expenses related to Genevieve Oei's attendance at Baltimore Yearly Meeting Financial Stewardship committee meetings the remainder of this year. She clarified that Genevieve's service to BYM is voluntary and pre-dated her involvement in RFM's Financial Stewardship committee, and that in her dual role, Genevieve is a helpful liaison and communicates critical information back to our Meeting.

A discussion followed about the general need for a travel fund that would enable others to be supported in their voluntary work with Quaker organizations. Margaret advised that she would poll committees to determine the number of Friends who currently voluntarily serve other Quaker organizations and would benefit from a travel fund. Meeting then approved the recommended expense but asked Financial Stewardship to research and report back at next month's MWB whether the contingency fund (or some other source) might be used for this particular expense, in lieu of an increase in the annual operating budget.

Newsletter Mailing Committee: Julie Honnold reported that due to changes in postal service regulations, the printed monthly newsletter will no

longer be stapled. The committee is investigating other printing and mailing alternatives that are economical and practical. At the same time, a coordinated effort is underway to cull and update our database to eliminate wasteful expense. Instructions are in the newsletter for anyone who wishes to receive the newsletter electronically.

Nominating Committee: Carolyn Moul brought forward the nomination of Lynda Perry to the Care and Counsel committee; Meeting approved this addition.

Clerk's Business: Margaret announced that a Virginia state highway historic marker marking the original site of the Cedar Creek Meeting, near Route 54 west of Ashland, will be dedicated on Saturday, June 26 at 2 p.m. Sally Gudas clarified that the marker location is likely to be west of Patrick Henry High School and just across the South Anna River, for those interested in attending or desiring to see the marker after it is installed.

Margaret also announced the passing of long-time RFM member Bill Walton on June 11. Bill and his wife Althea had moved several years ago to Massachusetts; Bill was instrumental in many of the early developments at the Clearing.

Other Announcements

Rita Willett announced that a conversation begun at Spring Retreat on Quaker spirituality and addiction issues will continue on Thursday, June 24 at 7 p.m. at the Meetinghouse. All are welcomed.

Carolyn Moul on behalf of the Hospitality Committee reminded everyone that monthly potluck is next First Day, June 27.

Kelly Kennedy DiPasquale from Care and Counsel announced that Christy Woody is at Southside Regional Medical Center and is not responding well to treatment for a kidney infection.

Susan Singer reported on Andrew Kolhoff's growing expertise in rebuilding and repairing computers; son Dylan Kolhoff will undergo spinal surgery on July 9th at MCV; it is a complicated surgery and Susan asks that we hold her family in the Light.

Following a brief silence, Meeting for Business ended at 12:30 p.m.

Margaret Edds, Clerk

Randee Humphrey, Recording Clerk

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9:30 and 11 am Every First Day
Singing
10:35-10:55 am 1st First Day
**Meeting for Worship with
Concern for Business (MWB)**
3rd First Day
Religious Education:
11:20 am First Day School
Pot Luck Lunch:
4th First Day, at rise of meeting

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