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Advices and Queries for Eighth Month: Simplicity.

Life is meant to be lived from a Center, a divine Center... a life of unhurried peace and power. It is simple. It is serene. It takes no time, but it occupies all our time. Thomas R. Kelly, *Testament of Devotion*, 1941

A life centered in God will be directed toward keeping communication with God open and unencumbered. Simplicity is best achieved through a right ordering of priorities, maintaining humility of spirit, avoiding self-indulgence, resisting the accumulation of unnecessary possessions, and avoiding over-busy lives.

Elise Boulding writes in *My Part in the Quaker Adventure*, "Simplicity, beauty, and happiness go together if they are a by-product of a concern for something more important than ourselves."

- Do I center my life in an awareness of God's presence so that all things take their rightful place?
- Do I live simply, and promote the right sharing of the world's bounty?
- Do I keep my life uncluttered with things and activities, avoiding commitments beyond my strength and light?
- How do I maintain simplicity, moderation, and honesty in my speech, my manner of living, and my daily work?
- Do I recognize when I have enough?
- Is the life of our Meeting so ordered that it helps us to simplify our lives?

SUNDAY MORNING SCHEDULE

- 9:00 to 10:00 am Adult Education, New Meeting House (NMH), 1st & 3rd First Days & on 4th & 5th First Days by arrangement.
- 10:00 to 10:25 Hymn Singing at NMH.
- 10:30 to 11:30 Meeting for Worship at New Meeting House.**
- 10:30 to 11:15 First Day School for children in Old Meeting House (OMH – n.b., also now known as the "School House").
- 11:15 to 11:30 Children join adults for Meeting for Worship in NMH
- 11:30 to 11:45 Introductions and announcements

MONTHLY MEETING FOR BUSINESS is held on the second First Day of the month, following light refreshments after Meeting for Worship. There is no Business Meeting in August.

- WORSHIP SCHEDULE (in NMH):
- Meeting for Worship – each First Day at 10:30 AM.
 - Mid-Week Evening Worship – each Wednesday at 6:00 PM.
 - Mindfulness Meditation – each Thursday at 7:15 AM

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JULY

- 25 Sun 12:50 pm Adult Ed. – Reading, Lecture and Discussion Series – NMH (see note below).
- 26 Mon 3 - 6:30 pm PAFM / Urban Ministry Meal Preparation – (see note below).
- 26 Mon 7:00 pm PAFM Women's Group – NMH (see note below).
- 28 Weds 6:00 pm Midweek Meeting for Worship – NMH.**
- 29 Thurs 7:15 am Mindfulness Meditation – NMH (see note below).

AUG (Editor's note – many committees do not meet in August. Check with committee clerks to be sure.)

- 1 Sun 10:30 - 11:30 am Meeting for Worship – NMH.**
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- 4 Weds 6:00 pm Midweek Meeting for Worship – NMH.**
- 5 Thurs 7:15 am Mindfulness Meditation – NMH (see note below).
- 8 Sun 9:00 am Adult Ed. – Reading & Discussion – NMH (see note below).

- 8 Sun 9:15 am Community Service Committee Meeting – NMH.
- 8 Sun 12:15 pm W&M study series: Readings in Quaker Eldership – (see detail below).
- 9 Mon 7:00 pm PAFM Women's Group – NMH (see note below).
- 11 Weds 6:00 pm Midweek Meeting for Worship – NMH.**
- 12 Thurs 7:15 am Mindfulness Meditation – NMH (see note below).
- 12 Thurs 7:00 pm Oversight Committee meeting – Library.
- 15 Sun 9:00 am Adult Ed. – Reading & Discussion – NMH (**session cancelled today**).
- 15 Sun 10:30 - 11:30 am Meeting for Worship – NMH.**
- 15 Sun 11:45 am Collection for Ecumenical Hunger by Community Service Committee – NMH (see note below).
- 15 Sun [*Deadline for submittal of Newsletter articles - if email send to moriii@yahoo.com]*
- 15 Sun 12:15 pm W&M study series: Readings in Quaker Eldership – (see detail below).
- 18 Weds 6:00 pm Midweek Meeting for Worship – NMH.**
- 19 Thurs 7:15 am Mindfulness Meditation – NMH (see note below).
- 22 Sun 10:30 - 11:30 am Meeting for Worship – NMH.**
- 22 Sun noon Fourth First Day Provided Lunch – (see note below).
- 22 Sun 12:50 pm Adult Ed. – Reading, Lecture and Discussion Series – NMH (see note below).
- 22 Sun 7:00 pm W&M study series: Readings in Quaker Eldership – (see detail below).
- 23 Mon 3 - 6:30 pm PAFM / Urban Ministry Meal Preparation – (see note below).
- 23 Mon 7:00 pm PAFM Women's Group – NMH (see note below).
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CALENDAR EXPANSION – DETAILS

*** STANFORD QUAKER ACTIVITIES: STANFORD QUAKER ACTIVITIES: Stanford students interested in on-campus Quaker activities should contact Hannah Popick hannapopick@gmail.com , 650-644-5130.

*** ADULT EDUCATION DISCUSSION: **Reading and Discussion** led by Henry Jason each 1st, 3rd, and 5th Sunday at 9 am – NMH. We are reading Robert Barclay's Quaker "Catechism and Confession of Faith." No preparation is necessary. All are welcome. Contact Henry Jason.

Adult Education Programs in August:

*** **Nurturance, Accompaniment, Discernment: Eldering in the 21st century.** Worship & Ministry committee is convening a summer study series on eldering, in the peculiarly Quaker meaning of responsible and tender teaching and encouragement in the art of being a Friend. There will be 3 sessions on Sundays in August (note that the first 2 are immediately after meeting for worship and the 3rd is in the evening):

August 8, 12:15 pm: Readings in Quaker Eldership - Worship & Ministry has assembled a book of readings on the difficult practice of eldering. Some readings deal with the historic practice of recording elders and the consequence of enforced conformity; others focus on eldering as a teachable skill that we all could learn. In our reading, we will come to see that eldering as it should be practiced is a form of accompaniment - like the elder who travels with a released Friend ministering under a concern, anyone who offers advice to another about their words or conduct takes on an obligation to be loving as well as truthful, a companion on a spiritual journey as well as guide and teacher. A few Friends have volunteered to read selected articles and will share their thoughts, others are welcome to do the same.

August 15, 12:15 pm: Practice in eldering and being elderd - This is an opportunity to bring examples of both poor and good experiences, examining the effectiveness of different ways of offering and accepting advice. Have you had such an experience? In addition to sharing real experiences both as a whole group and privately to a partner, several Friends will act in semi-scripted role-playing: taking turns being the "elderer" and "elderee". Eldering, of course, is not just a form of criticism, but this is what most people conceive it to be - maybe role-playing will change our preconceptions. The outcome of this session should be an understanding of "best practices" - listening to each other, recognizing gifts for teaching, and accepting our inability to achieve perfection.

August 22, 7:00 pm: Internalizing the Elder - A still more difficult aspect of eldering is to elder one's self - to internalize the mentor and guide so that one can winnow the kernel of truth from the chaff of ego and "notion" without need of an external elder. We will explore this stage of eldership through further readings and worship-sharing on queries drawn from these readings, sharing our thoughts on how eldering can strengthen our individual and corporate worship and spiritual lives.

We hope to repeat the series in October and November, for those who are away during the summer. For information and copies of readings, contact Eric Sabelman, W&M clerk <esabelman@aol.com> 650-322-2455. Readings are available on CD as well as in print.

Aug 22, 12:50 pm following lunch in the OMH: **Nou Degaje: Making It in Rural and Urban Haiti.** Randy Mont-Reynaud. Randy Mont-Reynaud reports on post earthquake Haiti, after 5 weeks in homes, tents and boxes in the slums of the city and countryside. A study of factory workers, mountain folk and markets in Greater Metropolitan Port au Prince was conducted by a

team of rural Haitians (for whom the city was "another country") and Dr. Mont-Reynaud. This is "Anthropology from the Inside Out," conducted by and for Haitians, a comparative ethnography of making a livelihood in the mountains and in a factory, and on the street. We asked: "What are feelings about industrial development, wages, and working conditions?" We got: praise for the United States, thumbs down for Haitian government(s) and some surprising responses.

Photos and a short video will help tell the tales.

*** PAFM WOMEN'S GROUP: Meets the second and fourth Monday in the Library at the New Meeting House 7-9 pm. The group chooses different topics, readings, or spiritual exercises as the starting point for our discussions but no prior reading is required to join and enjoy the discussion. To be added to the distribution list for this group, please send an email to kmcclellx@comcast.net.

*** COLLECTION FOR ECUMENICAL HUNGER PROGRAM (EHP): Community Service Committee collects a monthly offering of cash donations to be given to the EHP after the rise of Meeting each third First Day – at the front door. EHP provides emergency food, clothing, case management, household essentials, and resource referrals to families in need in East Palo Alto, Menlo Park, and Palo Alto.

*** HOMELESS MEALS - OPPORTUNITY FOR COMM-UNITY SERVICE - August 23 is our scheduled day to prepare the food and serve it to the Homeless at the First Methodist Church in Palo Alto as part of the Urban Ministry meal program. Contact Marie Simirenko for more information - 650-961-1724.

*** THURSDAY MORNING MINDFULNESS MEDITATION: The Thursday morning meditation group meets in the New Meeting House, which is opened by 7:15 am; the practice time goes from 7:30 am to 8:30 am. All are welcome, including those new to meditation or experienced. Susan Murphy and Linea Stewart share the facilitation of the meditation group. Susan and Linea will draw on their backgrounds in both Buddhist meditation and Christian contemplative practices. For more information and a schedule of the practices, contact Susan Murphy, at somurphy@earthlink.net

*** WEDNESDAY WORSHIP/SHARING OR DISCUSSION GROUP: Every Wednesday following the Meeting for Worship from 7-8:30. This time is available for any individual in the Meeting community to propose a topic for sharing or discussion. Those wishing to convene a group should first contact Worship & Ministry Committee, which will help with advance preparations. Eric Sabelman is clerk of W&M <esabelman@aol.com>, 650-322-2455.

*** FOURTH FIRST-DAY PROVIDED LUNCH: PAFM provides a lunch on **fourth** First Day. This allows Friends an opportunity to get to know each other better. Friends, attenders, visitors, and newcomers are all welcome.

A special table is set aside for newcomers to meet with Friends and find out more about Quakerism and about our Meeting, its members and activities, as well as an opportunity for us to know you better.. A member of Oversight will be at the table and all newcomers are welcome - as are any Friends who might be inclined to join the gathering. The term "newcomers" includes those who have recently begun attending, as well as those who feel "new" to the Meeting, regardless of how long they have been attending.

*** Friends are reminded that there are those among us who have allergies, often severe. We must avoid certain food products especially in the School House because of the allergies of children attending Friends Nursery School. Some among us are also allergic to artificial fragrances (perfumes, colognes, after-shaves).

NEWS OF PEOPLE AND EVENTS

FIRST DAY SCHOOL: FDS is always looking for second adult helpers each First-day. We do have lead teachers with planned curricula through 6th month. However, it is good practice to have a second adult. This is a great way to get to know the kids a little better and to support FDS and all you need to do is be present from 10:25-11:15 in the schoolhouse and help the lead teacher. To sign up please contact Tom Farley, clerk, <farley@spont.com> 650-366-1818.

CHILDCARE DURING MEETING FOR BUSINESS: During monthly Meeting for Worship on the Occasion of Business, childcare will be provided for all age children from 12:15 to 1:45 pm in the Old Meeting House. The regular staff for the preschool program, Jadranka Tanovic and Sangeta Tamang, will provide the childcare. Advance sign-up is not required, but children should be in the program by 12:30. (If no children show up, the staff will leave at 12:45.)

PACIFIC YEARLY MEETING CALL TO ANNUAL SESSION: ENGAGING ONE ANOTHER IN THE SPIRIT. July 26-31, 2010. Claremont McKenna College, Claremont, California. Come with joy and anticipation to the 64th Annual Session of Pacific Yearly Meeting. The theme, Engaging One Another in the Spirit, invites us to deepen our awareness of God and each other.

OPPORTUNITY FOR MEETING SERVICE: Our Meeting has volunteered to work on one Monday each month from 3 to 6:30pm to help Palo Alto Urban Ministry prepare an evening meal. First Methodist Church - Hamilton & Webster Aves. Contact Marie Simirenko or sign up on the bulletin board.

RIDES TO/FROM MEETING: Oversight will keep a list of people seeking rides and a list of people who are willing to offer rides to and/or from Meeting on either a regular or occasional basis. Contact anyone on the committee if you or someone you would like to be on either list.

NEEDS, OFFERINGS, OPPORTUNITIES, & ENTHUSIASMS

AFSC News: Peace and Justice. Despite media focus on a small number of violent incidents, AFSC staff and volunteers played a central role in organizing a predominantly peaceful response to the verdict handed down in the Johannes Meserle case. 800 to 1,000 citizens of Oakland made their views known in a peaceful and orderly manner.

The San Francisco office of AFSC is very happy to bring Tony Coleman back on staff. It was hard to let him go in the recent retrenchment. Tony specializes in working with youth of color on police accountability – work that is so crucial at this time. Thanks to the generosity of supporters, funds were found to bring him back for a year.

Central Valley Follow-up.

You may remember some time ago I mentioned a book called “Latino Immigrant Civic and Political Participation”, published by the Woodrow Wilson International Center for Scholars. It was written by Myrna Martinez Nateras, Director of the Fresno AFSC Pan Valley Institute Office, and Eduardo Stanley and was very well received.

It was so well received that there is to be a major round-table discussion on this issue in the Central Valley, involving immigrant communities, politicians and staff from all 3 of the Central Valley Offices.

Pacific Yearly Meeting. If you are going to PYM keep an eye on your program. Shan Cretin, newly appointed General Secretary of AFSC, and Laura Magnani, Director of Pacific Mountain Region will be presenting a Special Interest Group, titled “Supporting Friends’ Organizations”.

OPPORTUNITY FOR SERVICE: Many years ago a Quaker woman and a Methodist minister started an organization called Prisoner Visitation and Support. The idea is to provide a friend and a contact with the outside world for prisoners in federal prisons who are far away from family and friends and don't get visits from anyone. The closest federal prison for us is the Women's facility in Dublin. They need more people to be visitors. If you might be interested in being a visitor, please contact me, Arden Pierce by phone at 650-494-1631 or e-mail at ardenhram@aol.com. I was a visitor for about ten years and found it to be an interesting and rewarding experience. PVS also has a lot of information on the Internet. Type in Prisoner Visitation and Support in the Google search box or go to www.prisonervisitation.org. ArdenThe Peninsula Peace and Justice Center: The Center's Calendar is at: <http://www.peaceandjustice.org>

HELP CENTRAL AMERICAN REFUGEES WHILE YOU HELP YOURSELF: Reliable, hard-working men and women need jobs while they rebuild their lives. SBSC has a Job Hotline (650) 494-8340. Workers can do: child care • elder care • gardening • window washing • moving • professional painting • cleaning of homes and offices • errands • carpentry • roof repair • gutter cleaning. (650) 494-8340.

BOOKS FOR STANFORD STUDENT GROUP: The group has a couple feet of shelf space in the Religious Groups Library of the Old Union at Stanford, and would love add your favorite Quaker book to the shelf. Here is a list of books we have already received. This list is currently very short, but will be updated as more books are donated.: http://spreadsheets.google.com/pub?key=pEJ3Q-pGqgEnf_0LgUUVLGA

HAITI UPDATE: Randy Mont-Reynaud has just returned from Haiti. This was her 10th annual visit to the roadless community, Mon Bouton, in the mountains above Laogone. While she was there, she sent reports from the field, shown in quotes. Her visit for If Pigs Could Fly was very productive!

“Remind us never to forget: when there is food --- and a means of cooking - then folks eat. Real simple. Countryside folks are badly malnourished --- after the earthquake cut them off from Port au Prince -- no food aid until the one and only helicopter drop in early June. Each family got two coffee cans (a local unit of measure, called a "gwo mamit") of rice, a bither of beans, some flour and oil.”

The latrine -- done! Begun by the community, and finished with the help of four volunteers from Palo Alto who came with Randy!

Notes on the Rebuilding of Church and School: Randy gave the measurements, photos and cost estimates of \$15,000 U.S. for rebuilding the school /church. “It is expensive to carry materials up here, especially the cement / sand. Also, it would take someone very committed to oversee the work. There is a community participation component in the estimate, planning so it would not fall down so easily.”

WATER: The earthquake destroyed the stream which supplied the only running water. A civil engineer took a closer look at the water situation. A pump is needed, which would help forty households. It is difficult but not impossible, he said, which if Randy read things right means it would cost more than \$5000. Much of that would, of course, pay workers.

The women of Mon Bouton have been offered five treadle sewing machines (total cost \$625), and there are two already there. Using sample dresses and photos of embroidery, the women already produced a few dresses for Randy to show us. “Machines will be schlepped in usual manner - on Motos and teams of porters carrying across the river and up to Mon Bouton. Gran's house will be the center.”

More contact with the outside is needed, which requires electricity - they have a new battery, but need a solar panel to charge it without using costly gas at \$5 per gallon. More funds are needed for this basic work. If Pigs Could Fly has just received a matching grant of \$400.00 to match 2 for 1, that is for every dollar of the matching grant, two dollars would be need to match it, which would raise a grand total of \$1200.00. All donations are tax deductible since donations to If Pigs Could Fly are tax-deductible and its website is: <http://www.ifpigscouldflyhaiti.org/>

To Submit Newsletter Items: See the Schedule on page 2 for the deadline for the next issue. You may *e-mail* Newsletter submissions to newsletter@pafm.org or moriii@yahoo.com If you wish to receive the newsletter by email - or wish to discontinue - please visit <http://lists.pafm.org/listinfo.cgi/newsletter-pafm.org>. [Ed.'s note: If you sign up to receive the Newsletter by email, make sure to put the following address in your email address book: moriii@yahoo.com. The NL is sent out from that address. Some email "Spam" filters may reject such a message if the sender address is unknown.]

If you have an e-mail address, please join our Meeting's e-mail discussion list. To subscribe - visit <https://mailman.stanford.edu/mailman/listinfo/pafriends>. To post a message to all on the list, send the message to pafriends@lists.stanford.edu. If you have any questions, contact Jerry McBride jmcbriedemail@yahoo.com 964-2869.

Corrections to the Directory

Dear friends, We no longer print full corrections in the newsletter, only the names of those whose information has changed. The full corrections will be posted in the office or you can get the information from Arden at ardenhiram@aol.com.

- Tara NcHenry has a new phone number.
- Remove Lisa Edsall-Giglio.
- David Hale and Laura Torres have a new address
- Jonathan Dickinson and Marianne Bacon have a new address
- Remove Kate McClellan's home phone number. She is using her cell phone

Palo Alto Friends Meeting Meeting for Business Seventh Month 11, 2010

Clerk, Diane Pasta, opened the meeting with a period of worship at 12:15 pm

7/11/10 Attachment 1	24 Friends were in attendance: list attached. Clerk Diane Pasta read the advices and Queries on Reaching Out <ul style="list-style-type: none"> o FGC has taken over the publishing of the third edition of Palo Alto's <i>Earthcare for Children</i> and the editor wants to market it beyond Friends. This is a kind of outreach. Some monthly meetings have outreach committees who pay attention to first time attenders. When we support attendance at broader Quaker events such as summer camp, retreats, conferences, and yearly meeting it is also outreach. o We never know when we are planting seeds. Suddenly the granddaughter of your tutor shows up. o A friend of ours has asked us twice about our faith and practice with genuine curiosity, but we haven't said "See you there Sunday at 10:30!" o A woman who comes to Thursday morning meditation mentioned giving up on her church. I could invite her here
7/11/10 Minute #1	<u>Minutes from Sixth month were approved.</u> We accepted the agenda.
7/11/10 Minute #2 Attach, #2	Nominating Committee Report: Brian Vura-Weis Brian reviewed the report presented to us last month. There were some additions and changes that will not be considered until September. We considered the value of listing those who volunteer to do the hospitality work as "committee members." The current practice offers recognition to those who are just getting their feet wet in meeting responsibilities. No change was made. <u>The nominations brought forward last month were approved for service to our meeting</u> the list is attached including the additions to be considered at our next meeting for business.

<p>7/11/10 Minute #3</p>	<p>Treasurer’s Report: Bill Bauriedel Bill gave us a sixth month financial report. There are no particular surprises. This is normally a slow income period while expenses continue at a normal pace. Our reserves have therefore declined. We talked about the increased costs to yearly meeting to pay for the new Youth Program Coordinator. We have paid half of the annual request so far and have been asked to send the rest that we intend before the yearly meeting’s fiscal year ends in September. Ours doesn’t end until the calendar year. After clarifying some of the confusion, <u>we approved the recommendation that we pay the second \$2,000 of our 2010 budgeted share of the Youth Program Coordinator assessment before September 30, 2010.</u> Meeting asked the treasurer and representative to communicate to PYM that we are sending this \$2000 for the fiscal year ending September 30 and clarify that we plan to send support for the program for 2010-2011 in early 2011.</p>
<p>7/11/10 Minute #4</p>	<p>Oversight Committee: Talley Kenyon The recommendation having been brought to us last month, and there being no stops, <u>we approved the recording of Ed Boling’s membership in our meeting.</u> New member gift books for Kate McClellan and Catherine Vanderwaart were circulated for welcoming signatures. Oversight is considering a change in name. After hearing the committee’s concern read out loud from the newsletter, we took some time to speak out of worship to the idea.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Oversight as the name for this committee function is not so deeply entrenched or long held as the linguistic notion that “he/him/his” could include both sexes. We have made that change with an increased sense of inclusion. ○ I like Caring Committee. Oversight is ambiguous. Does it look over or overlook? ○ Care is only part of the job. There is also Outreach. ○ In the sociology of language we learn that the word is not the thing, only a tool for communication. We try to demilitarize our language. Yet I see a value in continuing terminology, questioning if this is acquiescing to the political correctness of the day.
<p>7/11/10 Minute #5</p>	<p>El Salvador Committee: Trudy Reagan She reported that the committee is firming up plans for service learning trips in 2011 for teens and adults. She asked that the meeting accept the role of fiscal agents for this project. Seeing as we have done this before, we were able to approve the request immediately. <u>Palo Alto Friends Meeting will serve as fiscal agent for the El Salvador Project’s service learning trips in 2011.</u></p> <p>Buildings and Grounds Committee When a group asks to use our facilities for an extended period of time we are asked to approve that use. An Artist’s Way group is requesting use of the schoolhouse on Thursdays from 5 – 7 pm. There is no schedule conflict. The liaisons will be from the Adult Education Committee, currently, George Mills.</p> <p>Clerk’s report: Diane Pasta Diane Pasta gave her last Clerk’s report on the disposition of concerns and unfinished business. Membership in PIA [Peninsula Interfaith Action] has been raised as a concern. There is not a strong leading yet to join, but the matter has been referred to Community Service Committee. If Pigs Could Fly, the Haiti Project of Randy Mont-Reynaud, is a concern that</p>

	<p>resonates with many members of the meeting, but Peace and Social Action, lacking unity, has withdrawn its request for funds for the project.</p> <p>We received a thank you letter from Ecumenical Hunger Project for our monthly donation collection.</p> <p>The clerk read an epistle from the Monteverde, Costa Rica, Friends meeting. They are not part of a Yearly Meeting so they send an annual epistle to meetings with whom they have had contact. The epistle was warmly received.</p>
	<p>Concerns from the Meeting.</p> <ul style="list-style-type: none"> ○ Hospitality committee recognizes the participation of newer members. We should keep it as a committee. ○ I feel hopeful about the work being done by the Youth Program Coordinator. She was at FGC taking a workshop on conflict resolution. ○ Peace and Social Action Committee notes that AFSC is working in Port au Prince, Haiti while Mon Bouton is in the country. There seems to be some collaboration in creating an apparel manufacturing brand—Choose Haiti— They’ve hauled treadle sewing machines up the mountain! People are describing the current situation as “Darfur plus rain.” The spring at Mon Bouton dried up after the quake and drinking water is scarce. They have an estimate of over \$5,000 to install a pump to bring up ground water. Donations will be gratefully received. ○ Appreciation for the work of our retiring clerk was expressed. She responded that the presiding is when she feels the Spirit working through her and through all of us. The other part of clerking is just work. She thanked all who help. ○ A committee for Outreach, might also be called Advancement. however Advancement is sometimes code for fundraising.

Meeting closed in appreciative silence at 2:25.

In the Spirit:

Sandy Farley, recording clerk,

Diane Pasta, presiding clerk

Attachments to Minutes of July 11 Meeting for Business:

Attachment 1. Financial Reports

1.1 Income and Expense – Jan to Jun 2010

Palo Alto Friends Meeting 2010 Income and Expense - Period Ending 06/30/2010

	Jan - Jun 10	Budget	% of Budget
Income			
MEETING INCOME			
Meeting Contributions	2,974.00	42,500.00	7.00%
Use of Meetinghouse	1,265.00	3,000.00	42.17%
Interest Income	1,151.61	2,000.00	57.58%
Retreat Income	2,126.00	4,000.00	53.15%
Teen Retreat Income	560		
Total MEETING INCOME	8,076.61	51,500.00	15.68%
FUND INCOME			
Sharing Fund Income	600		
El Salvador Contributions	4,820.00		
Total FUND INCOME	5,420.00		
Total Income	13,496.61	51,500.00	26.21%
Expense			

MEETING EXPENDITURES

MEETING OPERATIONS

Operations	1,107.72	2,000.00	55.39%
Maintenance/repairs (ongoing)	3,907.50	7,700.00	50.75%
Newsletter	880.62	2,400.00	36.69%
First Day School			
First Day School Exp	1,456.32		
Payroll Expenses	120.68		
First Day School - Other	0	3,150.00	0.00%
Total First Day School	1,577.00	3,150.00	50.06%
Hospitality	832.67	2,150.00	38.73%
Library	56.16	200	28.08%
Adult Education	0	400	0.00%
Insurance/Taxes/Legal	3,248.85	4,500.00	72.20%
Telephone	218.19	500	43.64%
Nursery School	0	100	0.00%
Retreat	1,881.10	4,000.00	47.03%
Information Technology	0	350	0.00%
Teen Retreat	278.34		
Dues/Subscriptions	3,990.00	6,500.00	61.39%
PYM Youth Program Coordinator	2,000.00	4,000.00	50.00%
Total MEETING OPERATIONS	19,978.15	37,950.00	52.64%

OUTREACH

Quaker Org. Donations	0	10,300.00	0.00%
Peace & Social Action Donations	0	1,500.00	0.00%
Community Service Donations	0	1,250.00	0.00%
Unity With Nature Donations	0	500	0.00%
Total OUTREACH	0	13,550.00	0.00%

Total MEETING EXPENDITURES 19,978.15 51,500.00 38.79%

TRANSFERS INTO FUNDS

4510 Σ Sharing Fund Transfers	600		
4520 Σ El Salvador Transfers	4,820.00		
Total TRANSFERS INTO FUNDS	5,420.00		

Total Expense 25,398.15 51,500.00 49.32%
 Net Income -11,901.54 0 100.00%

1.2 Balance Sheet: March 31, 2010

	31-Mar-10	31-Dec-09	\$ Change
ASSETS			
Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Wells Fargo Checking	9809.63	30415.5	-20605.87
Wells Fargo Savings	2516.22	15014.82	-12498.6
Friends Meeting House Fund	57500	57500	0
Friends Fiduciary Fund	89008.54	89605.61	-597.07
Sierra Friends Center Note	4500	4500	0
Total Checking/Savings	163334.39	197035.93	-33701.54
Other Current Assets			
CURRENT ASSETS			

SHARING FUND			
Sharing Fund Checking - Wells	19845.61	19942.88	-97.27
Sharing Fund Outstanding Loans	809.42	809.42	0
Sharing Fund Philadelphia FMh	15000	15000	0
Total SHARING FUND	35655.03	35752.3	-97.27
Total CURRENT ASSETS	35655.03	35752.3	-97.27
Total Other Current Assets	35655.03	35752.3	-97.27
Total Current Assets	198989.42	232788.23	-33798.81
TOTAL ASSETS	198989.42	232788.23	-33798.81
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payroll Liabilities	89.4	459.56	-370.16
Total CURRENT LIABILITIES	89.4	459.56	-370.16
Total Other Current Liabilities	89.4	459.56	-370.16
Total Current Liabilities	89.4	459.56	-370.16
Long Term Liabilities			
RESTRICTED			
RESTRICTED BY ACTION OF PAFM			
Sharing Fund	35655.03	35752.3	-97.27
Major Maintenance Reserve	49319.75	53099.5	-3779.75
Special Needs	1061	1061	0
Worship & Ministry	0	490.63	-490.63
Stanford Student Group	500	500	0
Total RESTRICTED BY ACTION OF PAFM	86535.78	90903.43	-4367.65
RESTRICTED BY DONOR			
Education Fund	1994.2	2209.2	-215
Forsythe Memorial Building Fund	11661.09	11661.09	0
Memorial Fund for Concerns	153	153	0
Environmental Education	1857.84	1857.84	0
El Salvador Projects	17776.95	42694.63	-24917.68
Haiti Project	0	116	-116
Book Support Fund	399	399	0
Total RESTRICTED BY DONOR	33842.08	59090.76	-25248.68
Total RESTRICTED	120377.86	149994.19	-29616.33
Total Long Term Liabilities	120377.86	149994.19	-29616.33
Total Liabilities	120467.26	150453.75	-29986.49
Equity			
Opening Bal Equity	82834.48	77130.47	5704.01
Fiduciary Fund Gain/Loss	4200.45	-202.48	4402.93
Retained Earnings	-297.52	0	-297.52
Net Income	-8215.25	5406.49	-13621.74
Total Equity	78522.16	82334.48	-3812.32
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	198989.42	232788.23	-33798.81

1.3 Balance Sheet June 30, 2010

	30-Jun-10	31-Mar-10	\$ Change
ASSETS			

Current Assets			
Checking/Savings			
Wells Fargo Checking	9701.17	9809.63	-108.46
Wells Fargo Savings	2016.43	2516.22	-499.79
Friends Meeting House Fund	57500	57500	0
Friends Fiduciary Fund	79008.54	89008.54	-10000
Sierra Friends Center Note	4500	4500	0
			-
Total Checking/Savings	152726.14	163334.39	10608.25
Other Current Assets			
CURRENT ASSETS			
SHARING FUND			
Sharing Fund Checking - Wells	19355.61	19845.61	-490
Sharing Fund Outstanding Loans	1189.42	809.42	380
Sharing Fund Philadelphia FMh	15000	15000	0
Total SHARING FUND	35545.03	35655.03	-110
Total CURRENT ASSETS	35545.03	35655.03	-110
Total Other Current Assets	35545.03	35655.03	-110
			-
Total Current Assets	188271.17	198989.42	10718.25
			-
TOTAL ASSETS	188271.17	198989.42	10718.25
LIABILITIES & EQUITY			
Liabilities			
Current Liabilities			
Other Current Liabilities			
CURRENT LIABILITIES			
Payroll Liabilities	241.36	89.4	151.96
Total CURRENT LIABILITIES	241.36	89.4	151.96
Total Other Current Liabilities	241.36	89.4	151.96
Total Current Liabilities	241.36	89.4	151.96
Long Term Liabilities			
RESTRICTED			
RESTRICTED BY ACTION OF PAFM			
Sharing Fund	35545.03	35655.03	-110
Major Maintenance Reserve	49319.75	49319.75	0
Special Needs	1061	1061	0
Stanford Student Group	500	500	0
Total RESTRICTED BY ACTION OF PAFM	86425.78	86535.78	-110
RESTRICTED BY DONOR			
Education Fund	1399.2	1994.2	-595
Forsythe Memorial Building Fund	11661.09	11661.09	0
Memorial Fund for Concerns	153	153	0
Environmental Education	1857.84	1857.84	0
El Salvador Projects	11298.03	17776.95	-6478.92
Book Support Fund	399	399	0
Total RESTRICTED BY DONOR	26768.16	33842.08	-7073.92
Total RESTRICTED	113193.94	120377.86	-7183.92
Total Long Term Liabilities	113193.94	120377.86	-7183.92
Total Liabilities	113435.3	120467.26	-7031.96

Equity			
Opening Bal Equity	82834.48	82834.48	0
Fiduciary Fund Gain/Loss	4200.45	4200.45	0
Retained Earnings	-297.52	-297.52	0
Net Income	-11901.54	-8215.25	-3686.29
Total Equity	74835.87	78522.16	-3686.29
			-
TOTAL LIABILITIES & EQUITY	188271.17	198989.42	10718.25

1.4 Funds Activity Report

**Palo Alto Friends Meeting
Fund Activity Report
From 1/1/2010 to 6/30/2010**

Funds Restricted by Action of PAFM	Start	Additions	Reductions	End	
Sharing Fund - Outstanding Loans	809.42	380.00		1,189.42	
Sharing Fund - Checking account	19,942.88	600.00	1,187.27	19,355.61	
Sharing Fund - Investments	15,000.00			15,000.00	35,545.03
Major Maintenance Reserve	53,099.50		3,779.75	49,319.75	
Special Needs	1,061.00			1,061.00	
Worship and Ministry	490.63		490.63	0.00	
Stanford Student Group	500.00			500.00	

Total Meeting Restricted Funds	90,903.43			86,425.78	

Funds Restricted by Donor					
Education Fund	2,209.20		810.00	1,399.20	
Forsythe Memorial Building Fund	11,661.09			11,661.09	
Memorial Fund for Concerns	153.00			153.00	
Environmental Education	1,857.84			1,857.84	
El Salvador Projects	42,694.63	4,820.00	36,216.60	11,298.03	
Haiti Project	116.00		116.00	0.00	
Book Support Fund	399.00			399.00	

Total Donor Restricted Funds	59,090.76			26,768.16	

Total All Funds	149,994.19			113,193.94	

PAFM Nominating Committee Report, July 11, 2010

Updated 7/18/10

For additional corrections or additions, contact Mary Klein
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Officers			
George	Mills	Co-Clerk	Approved
Eric	Sabelman	Co-Clerk	Approved
Talley	Kenyan	Associate Clerk	Approved
Sylvia	Walker	Correspondence Clerk	Approved
Sandy	Farley	Recording Clerk	Approved
Bill	Bauriedel	Treasurer	Approved
Forest	Preston	Assistant Treasurer	Approved
Kate	McClellan	Calendar Clerk	Approved
Paul	Seaver	Historian	Approved

Representatives and Liaisons			
Allan	Kamas	AFSC	Approved
Ray	Rischpater	Ben Lomond	Approved
Tom	Farley	CPQM	Approved
Diane	Duerr- Levine	FCL-CA	Approved
Janet	Hale	FCNL	Approved
Bill	Bauriedel	Friends House, Moscow	Approved
Stratton	Jaquette	Friends House, Santa Rosa	Approved
Tom	Farley	Friends Nursery School	Approved
tbd	tbd	InnVision	Community Service assigns
Susan	Murphy	Peninsula Clergy Network	Approved
Hubert	Morel- Seytoux	PYM	Approved
Meg	Given	Santa Clara Council of Churches	Approved
Craig	Rodine	Sierra Friends Center	Approved
tbd	tbd	Rep - South Bay Covenant	El Salvador Committee assigns
Talley	Kenyon	Stanford Students Liaison	Approved
Barbara	Malone	Teen Group Co-Liaison	Approved
Who?		Teen Group co-Liaison	Need one

Adult Education

1	Diane	Pasta	Clerk, Apprvd 1st rdg done
2	Claire	Arnold	
3	Kotoko	Sax	
4	Daniel	Steinbock	

Building & Grounds

	Who to clerk?		Committee to choose clerk
1	Julie	Anderson	Approved
2	Bart	Burstein	Approved
3	Ed	Hale	Approved
4	Kate	McClellan	Approved
5	Lynn	Mitchell	Approved
6	Holly	Singh	Approved
7	Tom	Farley	Ex off, FNS, 1st rdg done

Community Service

1	Jeanette	Appleget	Clerk, Apprvd
2	Cara	Arcuni	Approved
3	Harumi	Befu	Approved
4	Kei	Befu	Approved
5	Craig	Rodine	Approved
6	Marie	Simirenko	Approved

El Salvador

1	Trudy	Reagan	Clerk, Apprvd
2	Barbara	Babin	New
3	Bill	Bauriedel	Approved
4	Paul	Engstrom	Approved
5	Hulda	Muaka	Approved
6	Jamie	Newton	Approved
7	Marion	Newton	Approved
8	Mary Pat	O'Connell	Approved

Finance

1	Stratton	Jaquette	Clerk, Apprvd
2	Bill	Bauriedel	Approved
		Morel-Seytoux	Approved
3	Hubert	Morel-Seytoux	
4	Forest	Preston	Approved
5	Nick	Selby	Approved
6	Dottie	Vura-Weis	Approved

First Day School

1	Janet	Murphy	Clerk, Apprvd
2	Peter	Arnold	Approved
3	Tom	Farley	Approved
4	Barbara	Malone	Approved
5	Dennis	Walker	Approved

Harvest Festival

1	Amy	Fox	Co-clerk, approved
			Co-clerk, approved
2	Catherine	Vanderwaart	Approved
3	Cara	Arcuni	Approved
4	Diana	Egly	Approved
5	Megan	Stokes-Holt	Approved
6	Robin	Severns	Approved
7	Brian	Vura-Weis	Approved
8	Sandy	Farley	Approved
9	Tom	Farley	1st rdg done

Hospitality

1	Dennis	Walker	Clerk, apprvd
			Scheduler, approved
2	Claire	Arnold	
		Baranski-Walker	Approved
3	Donna	Baranski-Walker	Approved
4	Ed	Boling	Approved
4.5	Nancy	Brink (1/2)	Approved
5	Sandra	Drake (1/2)	Approved
6	Katie	Dunlap	Approved
6.5	John	Edmark (1/2)	1st rdg done
7.5	Henry	Jason	Approved
8	Allan	Kamas (1/2)	Approved
8.5	Linda	Kamas (1/2)	1st rdg done
9	Mary	Klein (1/2)	Approved
10	Janet	Murphy	Approved
11	Megan	Stokes-Holt	1st rdg done
11.5	Jennifer	Summit (1/2)	1st rdg done
sub	Carol	Chatfield	Approved
sub	Talley	Kenyon	Approved
sub	Sylvia	Walker	Approved

Hotel de Zink			
1	Mary Pat	O'Connell	2012, Clerk, approved
2	Bart	Burstein	2011, apprvd
3	Barry	Hayes	2011, apprvd
4	Nick	Selby	2011, apprvd
5	Sandy	Farley	2012, 1st rdg done
6	Kate	McClellan	2012 1st rdg done

Oversight			
1	Chula	Morel-Seytoux	2012, Clerk, approved
2	Forest	Preston	2011, apprvd
3	Judith	Bush	2012, apprvd
4	Susan	Murphy	2013, apprvd
5	Arden	Pierce	2011, new
6	who?		2013, need one

IT			
1	Bart	Burstein	Clerk, apprvd
2	Mary Pat	O'Connell	
3	Daniel	Steinbock	

Peace & Social Action			
1	Carin	Pacifico	Clerk, apprvd
		Baranski-Walker	Approved
2	Donna		
3	Sandra	Drake	Approved
4	Diana	Egly	Approved
5	Paul	Engstrom	Approved
6	Janet	Hale	Approved
7	Ulysses (Uly)	Hui	Approved
8	Kotoko	Sax	Approved

Library			
1	Ray	Rischpater	Clerk, apprvd
2	Judith	Bush	Approved
3	Barry	Hayes	Approved
4	Richard	Willits	Approved
5	Michelle	Yee	Approved

Unity with Nature			
1	Steve	Harris	Convener, 1st rdg done
2	Bob	Chatfield	1st rdg done
3	Mari	Pearman	1st rdg done

Music Coordinators			
1	Lynn	Mitchell	1st rdg done
2	Susan	Murphy	1st rdg done

Visiting			
1	George	Heaton	Clerk, apprvd
2	Sita	De Leeuw	Approved
3	Mary Lou	Moses	Approved
4	Sylvia	Walker	Approved

Newsletter / Directory			
1	Forest	Preston	Clerk, 1st rdg done
2			Directory, approved
	Peter	Arnold	
3	Dwight	Clark	Approved
4	Arden	Pierce	Approved

Worship & Ministry			
	Who to clerk?		Committee to choose
1	Meg	Given	2011, apprvd
2	Hulda	Muaka	2011, apprvd
3	Carol	Chatfield	2012, apprvd
4	Marie	Simirenko	2012, apprvd
5	Brian	Vura-Weis	2013, 1st rdg done
6	Who?		2013, need one

Nominating			
1	Mary	Klein	Co-Clerk, approved
2	Jennifer	Summit	Co-Clerk, approved
3	Nick	Selby	Approved
4	Robin	Severns	Approved