



Western Quarterly News

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From the coordinator

Community is an important cornerstone of our lives as Friends. We gather together in worship listening for Spirit. We gather together with the Spirit for our meetings for business. We grow in our faith and practice as we connect with Friends and others beyond our monthly meeting community. Ways of thinking about and engaging in community are the theme of our upcoming Joint Quarterly Meeting, and of Yearly Meeting's Annual Sessions—["Living with our neighbors. Growing in-to beloved community."](#) and Continuing Sessions. This edition of the newsletter includes stories, reflections, and examples of community. The first is an introduction to the testimonies from Philadelphia Yearly Meeting's *Faith and Practice*.

Quaker Testimonies

Quaker experience of the Divine affects what we do in our personal lives, what we believe and how we work for changes in the wider world. "Testimonies" are what Quakers call the ways we have found to live and act based on our beliefs. As a group, we find that listening to and following God leads to:

Equality – treating everyone, everywhere, as equally precious to God; recognizing that everyone has gifts to share.

Peace & Social Justice – seeking justice and healing for all people; taking away the causes of war in the ways we live.

Integrity – living as whole people who act on what we believe, tell the truth and do what we say we will do.

Simplicity – focusing on what is truly important and letting other things fall away.

Community – supporting one another in our faith journeys and in times of joy and sorrow; sharing with and caring for each other.

Care for the earth – valuing and respecting all of God's creation; using only our fair share of the earth's resources; working for policies that protect the planet.

Being in community with other Quakers helps us to be faithful to one another and these testimonies.

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Western Quarterly Meeting Schedule

16 October, 2023—Newark—8th Query

21 January, 2024—Hockessin—12th Query

21 April, 2024—West Grove-3rd Query

21 July, 2024—Kennett-6th Query — Joint Quarter

****Support Committee typically meets 2nd Sunday in month prior to Western Quarterly Meeting***

*****Historic Properties typically meets 3rd Sunday when there is not Western Quarterly Meeting***

5th Query—Nurturing Our Community Religious Education in the Home and Meeting

For the Meeting:

- ♦ How does our meeting prepare its members, attenders and children for worship, for the conduct of its business and for a way of life consistent with the principles of the Religious Society of Friends?
- ♦ What opportunities do we provide for all in the meeting to learn about Friends' history, practices and testimonies, the Judeo-Christian tradition, the life and teachings of Jesus, and other religious traditions?
- ♦ How does our meeting's religious education program provide experiential learning that enhances the sense of belonging to our worshiping community?

For the Individual:

- ♦ *How do I help create a home where all members of the family receive affection and understanding and where visitors are welcome?*
- ♦ *How does my manner of living enrich body, mind and spirit; enable all to learn what it means to live a life of Spirit-led commitment; and demonstrate a high regard for family, community and the integrity of creation?*
- ♦ *How do I engage with my family and others who are dear to me regarding such sensitive topics as death, faith, money, sex and drugs?*

[General Queries](#) are taken from the newest version of PYM's [Faith and Practice](#), available online.

On Community and Hope

From Francisco Burgos, Executive Director of Pendle Hill, from Pendle Hill's [News and Notes April 2023](#)

I recently had the opportunity to accompany Arizona's Half-Yearly Meeting as Friends were exploring the dynamic path of developing community through spiritual practice. It was very refreshing to gather in worship as we tried to be faithful to the Spirit, listen to and address the pressing needs of our time. I was moved by the power of a community growing deeper and stronger during our time together.

Developing community is an essential step for transformation which requires us to be open to others, with the conviction that the seed of goodness is in each heart. This can be challenging when differences of opinion, experience, or background pull us apart as we try to understand and address challenges as a community. As Quakers, we know how difficult it can be to engage in communal discernment; yet, we also experience how joyful and rewarding it is when we address our concerns and problems with unity. Deliberations of this type can create a strong sense of belonging and openness, incarnating the experience of being with the Divine – always expected and welcomed as we are. Building community in this way is what I usually refer to as the roots of hope taking action within us. These roots can grow into a hope that goes beyond our short sightedness, bringing new perspectives on how to live with integrity and solidarity as we build a better world.

I experience this hope in the potential of community in my service to Pendle Hill, as I and colleagues undertake the ministry of welcoming people, stewarding nature, creating space for learning, faithfulness, and deep transformation, and partnering with other organizations to work towards justice and peace. I know we are not alone in this sacred work of building community. I invite you to embrace hope as we continue supporting one another and as we dedicate our energy to transform and create a better world for all.



Joint Concord/Western Quarterly Meeting Virtual on Zoom/In-Person at London Grove Meeting July 16, 2023

- 8:45-9:30 am Sign in and Social Time
 9:30 – 10:30 Joint Worship (childcare available) Children & Youth Program
 11:00 – 12:00 Program with Christie Duncan-Tessmer
 11:00 – 12:00 Children & Youth Program (Youth encouraged to participate in Adult program)
 12:15 pm Lunch
 1:30-3:00pm Western Quarterly Meeting for Worship with attention to Business



Belonging is the Beginning

Exploring community and engaging the wider world

A presentation by PYM General Secretary

Christie Duncan-Tessmer



The people who belong to a community shape it and the way a community is shaped signals to people they belong. How do our Quaker practices, in our meetings and our outreach, create experiences of inclusion and belonging for those already among us and those seeking a spiritual home? Christie Duncan-Tessmer, PYM General Secretary, will lead us through an exploration and reflection of how our practices speak through and outside our meetings. Her interactive, intergenerational program will help us to collectively imagine our meetings as inviting and engaging in new ways.

Children and Youth Program at 9:45: Join London Grove member, Kim Brosnan-Myers and her two assistants for a program of songs and cooperative games that emphasize the theme of Beloved Community. At 11 AM, PYM staff members continue with the same theme with the younger youth. Older youth are asked to join in the adult program which will be intergenerational. It is appreciated if parents who are bringing children to please register at the link below to help program leaders anticipate the different age ranges of those young people attending.



For more info, email concordquarter@pym.org

Or Deb Wood at coordinator@westernquarterquakers.org

Event website: <https://concordquarter.org/nextqm-pastqm/2023/joint-concord-western-qm-meetg>

London Grove Meeting is located at 500 W Street Rd, Kennett Square, PA 19348

Zoom Link— <https://us02web.zoom.us/j/89274173199>

A [Power of Goodness](#) story:

Planting Trees to Heal the Earth

By Janet Sabina and Marnie Clark, set in Kenya

Illustration by Carol Drysdale, age 13.

[To read the full version of this story, click here](#)

In Kenya, as people crowd onto the land they cut trees for farmland and firewood. Without tree roots, heavy rains wash the soil away. Deserts appear where forests used to be.

Wangari Maathai wanted to improve the life of Kenya's people. She was told all the way through school that she would be a leader with the responsibility to help her people. This was not an easy job. She decided to help by planting LOTS of trees.

She got 6,000 free seedlings, but the people she found to plant them didn't have the tools or money to get to the work done. And it was too dry to water them. All but two of the 6,000 seedlings died. This didn't work. Wangari realized she couldn't do the work alone, so she started a committee of women. They got important leaders to plant trees in Kenya's capital to honor Kenyan heroes. But they didn't water the trees, and all of them died. This didn't work.

So then the committee set a goal of planting millions of trees on public land and having people living nearby care for them. The forestry department liked the plan and agreed to provide free seedlings. But in the end they couldn't afford it, so this didn't work either.

Wangari thought: Why not train women to start tree nurseries? Then they could earn money by supplying the trees. Finally, something worked!

Women learned to gather seeds from

nearby trees, start seedlings, and take care of them. They learned to run their own small businesses. Their work was called the Green Belt Movement, and it was wonderful.

Soon people were planting native trees to make windbreaks, hold moisture in the soil, and produce firewood. All this was wonderful too. News of their successes spread, and meetings were held explaining the importance of trees. People across Kenya wrote asking for trees to plant and forming committees. The Green Belt people provided tools, water tanks, and training to people who took care of trees.

Some people planted seedlings with enthusiasm, but then got tired of caring for them and many seedlings died. So the Green Belt people offered to send money for each tree *still alive* six months after planting. This solution worked.

People brought in new kinds of trees that grew faster and could be cut and sold sooner than native Kenyan trees. But trees cut down so soon don't stop soil erosion. Also, Kenyan trees provide animal fodder, fruits, honey, and herbal medicines that the imported trees did not. The Green Belt people taught others about the benefits of native Kenyan trees.

Wangari's work has made a huge difference: over 1,500 tree nurseries began and over 10 million native trees were planted, mostly in

Green Belts near schools. More than a million schoolchildren have helped care for trees.

Wangari received a \$10,000 award for her work. People waited to hear how she would use it. She gave it to form new tree nurseries and Green Belt committees across Africa. Wangari cares for everyone and our precious Earth, and has experienced the extraordinary goodness and capabilities of ordinary people.



“We are responsible for the world that we’ve inherited, and the world that we pass down.” — Reverend Naomi Washington-Leapheart

At the start of the year, the [Mayor’s Commission on Faith-based and Interfaith Affairs](#) invited members of Philadelphia-area faith communities to spend four days examining the intersection between theology and systems of white supremacy alongside reparations and truth telling. Under the leadership of Reverend Naomi Washington Leapheart, Director for Faith-Based and Interfaith Affairs for the city of Philadelphia, and the Commission’s ongoing “Rise Up for Reparations” campaign, inaugurated in June 2022, the January program was part of ongoing work to build a culture of reparations in the city – and one where faith leaders are at the front of the movement. 87 participants gathered for the intensive course, including several PYM meetings. *See PYM News for [the full article](#) and resource list.*

[Minute of Love for the Ugandan LGBTQAI Community](#)

Given continued persecution, and the recent formalizing of such to the point of execution by the Ugandan government, as Friends we would like to affirm our love for members of the Ugandan LGBTQAI Community whose lives speak boldly to us. As individuals, support them as you may feel led. May they feel our abounding love as we hold their witness in the light.

Chester Monthly Meeting, June 13, 2023

Nudged by Love

From Francisco Burgos, Executive Director of Pendle Hill, from Pendle Hill’s [News and Notes](#) June 2023

One of the most beautiful and transformative experiences that is constant in my life at Pendle Hill is the accompaniment of a community that dares to be hopeful in the face of any challenge. This is a community that remains faithful to the movement of the Spirit, despite physical distance and many uncertainties in our lives. I have seen love in action as many of us in the Pendle Hill community face the loss of loved ones, encounter health issues, struggle in our personal journey with the Divine, or respond to pressing financial needs. It is clear to me that this ‘holy experiment’ is a plain call to reimagine what is possible with love and the courage to realize it.

I cannot count the many occasions when I found myself nudged by love where I started with a closed-off-ness, not recognizing the fertile ground for mutual accompaniment and transformation.

I also confess to you that there have been times in which fear has prevented me from embracing and welcoming the gentle but clear divine invitation to hold space for solidarity, care, compassion, and justice. In these times, I have tried to keep Paul’s words to the Roman community in mind: “For I am convinced that neither death nor life, neither angels nor demons, neither the present nor the future, nor any powers, neither height nor depth, nor anything else in all creation, will be able to separate us from the love of God.” (Romans 8: 38-39 NIV). Even when we fail to answer the call to divine love, we still have the opportunity to recognize the love that surrounds and connects us all.

I have no doubt that the nudges of love have been part of your life as well. Think for a moment about your relationships, your faith community, your callings; the person that, without many words, is fully present in your life. Think about the many gestures of kindness, support, and care that you receive. We can hold these beautiful experiences in our hearts as a sacrament of what is possible with love. Opening ourselves to be nudged by love and to explore its possibilities is what we strive to do at Pendle Hill as we create space for community, deep transformation, learning, and faithfulness. I am convinced that our small Quaker retreat center is a living laboratory for personal and social change, especially when we witness how difficult it is for certain communities to be open to diversity or how slowly we have advanced in our steps toward peace and justice. I hold the conviction in my heart that love is the way forward and that opening ourselves to the nudges of love is an integral step on the path to recognizing the divine presence in everything.

In the Light, Francisco

Western Quarterly Meeting Minutes 2023-04-16 1:00 pm via Zoom

Present: Bob Frye (LG), Margaret Walton, Stan Glowiak (C), me, Pownall Jones (NG), Mark Myers (LG), Mary Sproat (NG), Shelley Hastings (N), Dave Nuttall (WQ), Ariana Langford (N), Terry Engeman (KD), Kim Brosnan-Myers (LG) REGRETS - Dick Logan (H)

We opened with a period of worship during which we shared responses to the 2nd Query, Deepening our Faith through Meeting for Business.

London Grove Monthly Meeting

Responses highlighted a sense that Meeting for Business is a solemn responsibility placed on every member and an important point of connection among us. At times there is contention, and clerks handle these issues in various ways to come to a sense of the Meeting. Balancing the entire community as well as the individual members is a difficult task. Prayerful consideration elevates Quaker Meeting for Business from other types of meetings. Membership is the core of faith and several spoke of a desire for more members to attend Business Meeting.

Mill Creek Monthly Meeting

We don't rush into decisions during Meeting for Business, and we encourage everyone to share. We are respectful of different opinions. We hold a called meeting or hold over an issue when extra time is needed so we are unhurried to reach the sense of the meeting.

In regards to our inaction: We struggle with this. We believe we could do more, but we are a small group and the needs of the world are so great. And many feel burdened by the demands on our time. There is also information overload. One member said she feels called to give time to the aged, and the Friends' Home. We need to discern our leadings and to share them with the Meeting.

Newark Monthly Meeting

A Friend says that he finds it surprisingly easy to reach consensus with our group. However, he continues, he's deeply appreciative of the Quaker method of decision making.

Another Friend remarked that the query, "Do we recognize that we speak through our inaction as well as our action?" is one we should think of always. She added that in some cases taking no action is just as bad as taking the wrong action. "This part of the query strikes me too, as an individual and as a meeting," agreed another Friend.

In answer to part "a" which asks, "Is our meeting for business held in worship in which we seek divine guidance?" a Friend remarked "I look forward to our business meetings. They are full of laughter and joy, and when we bring bag lunches, it is not a distraction, but it helps us relax."

In answer to part "b:" "How do we sustain prayerful consideration of all aspects of an issue...?" Our recent meeting to discuss the state of the meeting was an attempt to approach the difficult question of: "how do we move into the future?" We approached this question with much tenderness, and in a prayerful way.

A Friend is deeply concerned about the earthquakes in Turkey and Syria. She noted that our meeting promptly took action with contributions to help the earthquake victims, shortly after doing the same for people affected by the war in Ukraine. Another Friend believes that we've been good at making these financial contributions.

A Friend visiting from Kenya shared that at her general meeting at home, "for things we don't see eye to eye on, we wait and see if we can reach a decision later during the meeting. If not, we will hold it over to the next meeting, and pray over it. We don't rush the decision."

New Garden - Our Meeting for Business is held in much the same way as Meeting for Worship. Again, we are prepared for the spirit to lead us when it comes to making decisions, keeping an open mind & a willingness to change our own opinion after hearing all options. Some of our members have described the word "wisdom" as "common sense". We consistently remind each other that "inaction is an action".

Updates from MMs

West Grove - program on Mason Dixon line with 50 people Open New West Grove for summer meeting - 11th of June, 2023. Time to be shared soon.

Newark/London Britain - We held sunrise worship at 8:30a, at London Britain Meetinghouse and invited Mill Creek Meeting as guests for worship. We then had breakfast and worship at Newark Center for Creative Learning, our other home. A new to us Friend, Pasquale is attending while doing her graduate studies at University of Delaware.

Mill Creek - appreciated the invitation from Newark and enjoyed joining for worship, fellowship, and the egg hunt. We have also written letter of response to Lancaster MM on Christian nationalism, and is drafting a letter to their local representation on the rise of Christian nationalism and the threat it presents to democracy. There were 26 this morning at Mill Creek for breakfast, a program, and worship. We all enjoyed hosting and connecting to wider fellowship with Friends.

Centre - is revising its handbook. This morning discussion included discernment on pronouns and which ones would be most inclusive. We opted for using thee/thou/thy. Today's other handbook topic was marriage.

Kennett - this morning the meeting approved joining Kennett Square borough's program in support of "No Mow May." They will apply for approval from town for exemption from

the grass less than 6 inches requirement. Longer grass in May should help promote healthy habitats for early pollinators.

London Grove - We invited families at West Chester Friends School to join at Easter. We held a non-competitive Easter egg hunt. We had 11 children, and 2 new families one of whom came to Mill Creek earlier today for quarterly meeting. We are working on a minute supporting Lancaster Monthly Meeting's statement with respect to Christian nationalism.

New Garden - Western Quarter received a state of the meeting report from New Garden. It is attached as a point of information for Friends. No action is needed.

Treasurer Report/Update on finances

Western Quarter treasurer, Ariana Langford gave the attached report. Highlights were that the 2023 fiscal year is 75% complete. Balances for the William Jackson Education Fund and John Woolman Traveling Ministers Fund were shared. Also noted was a \$1,000 grant from PhYM for technology and/or outreach which was supplemented with a \$200 grant from New Garden Monthly Meeting.

Assistance is needed in the budget process for fiscal year 2024. It would be great for someone to help with a first draft, convene meetings, and clerk the process. Bob Frye volunteered to draft a budget to preview with the treasurer, before meeting with monthly meeting treasurers and support committee. Friends expressed their appreciation for Ariana's work and Bob's offer.

The clerk then called to order the **annual meeting of Western Quarter Inc.** President, secretary, treasurer, Business of quarter 4 public business meetings WT, KS, C/SC in march, today include all dates - property reports

London Britain - was received from Mike McDowell and read by Shelley Hastings. She shared that the London Britain Meetinghouse fund balance is \$136,715.91

Pennsgrove - was received from and given by Bob Frye. No change in committee members; costs up - lawn care, insurance; have a few renewal projects for interior and exterior work contractors lined up; have less next year, due to work on these projects; Friends Fiduciary (as have many markets) has taken a loss, so do expect

Parkersville report - was received from and given by Mary Sproat. There was a burial this year. Loose shingles were repaired. The neighborhood put up no trespassing signs as young kids were going through the property. The signs were taken down. The committee was quite happy for the signs to go back up.

Formerly close meeting WQ Inc, and returned to the business of Western Quarter.

Committee Updates

Nominating Committee is seeking friends to serve as treasurer and assistant clerk. We recently learned that our recording clerk, tonya thames taylor has served more than her two terms. We have had some conversations with a potential assistant clerk and will soon be moving forward with that. We are reaching out to two possible treasurers. We have also had some initial discussion in the committee about hiring a part time treasurer. We would be

helped in our work to know friends' thoughts on this: do we hire a part time treasurer?

We already pay for bookkeeping; it does not seem right to also pay for a treasurer. It is not appropriate for an officer of the QM to be paid. Many present shared these views.

If friends have suggestions for any of these roles, please be in contact with members of Nominating: Shelley Hastings, Wayne Thompson, Karen Halstead, Margaret Walton or the coordinator. *Historic Properties* sent a Burial Ground Survey. We have received completed surveys from Newark, Fallowfield, Mill Creek, London Grove, and New Garden.

Several of us are attending sessions in Quaker Emily's Life Cycle of Meeting's series. Topics include restructuring, merging and laying down meetings, and selling meeting properties.

It's important to be clear when laying down or changing the status of a meeting to be clear about monies. There are still some confused by Centre's changed status from meeting to worship group to meeting.

The separation and mergers from the split may be informative about processes and details to tend to.

Aging Concerns last sessions discussed the importance of inter-generational events and perhaps connecting with Friends Home. Kim Brosnan-Myers offered to contact Christine McDonald about possible activities together.

Education Grants were approved for three children of a London Grove Meeting family.

Concord Quarter Climate Action Working Group and Ecojustice Collaborative shared an epistle with Western Quarter in advance of its bein

Coordinator's Report

Field Trip to Harriet Tubman Museum in Cambridge would cost at least \$100/person. There are two dates available soon in May. If we could not fill the bus, we would have to charge more/person.

Friends suggested going in the fall so we could have more time to get commitments and then cancel a bus and museum reservation if we did not get enough people. The coordinator will continue to work on this.

g shared at Annual Sessions. Friends asked that the letter be shared with monthly meeting clerks. It was also noted that the closing quotation is from Stephen Grellet and not William Penn.

We closed with a period of worship.

Respectfully submitted, Deb Wood, coordinator

Minutes Support Committee of Western Quarterly Meeting

The Support Committee of Western Quarterly Meeting was held via Zoom on **Sixth mo. 11, 2023** with Clerk Margaret Walton presiding.

Present were Bob Frye, (London Grove), Stan Glowiak (Centre), Richard Logan (Hockessin), Judy Hinds (Kendal), Ariana Langford (Newark), Karen Halstead and Nancy Pratt

(New Garden), and Mary Sproat (West Grove). Regrets were received from Shelley Hastings of Newark and David Nuttall.

The Meeting opened with a period of Worship.

Updates from Meetings: West Grove - New West Grove meetinghouse was scheduled to be open this afternoon for an Open House but termites were discovered so Friends chose not to enter.

Kendal- Next Saturday Kendal will be on the Ecological Landscape Tour of Concord Quarter in cooperation with the Natural Areas Conservancy. At Kennett Meeting, Dr. Cheryl Gooch will give a lecture as part of Kennett Square's Juneteenth celebration. The discussion group will be discussing Lancaster Monthly Meeting's minute on Christian Nationalism.

Karen - New Garden is still there!

Bob - Children's Day was celebrated at London Grove today as they now have 8-12 children each week. The climate group is assessing solar panels for the Meetinghouse. They are considering Lancaster Monthly Meeting's minute on Christian Nationalism & women's reproductive health.

Bob also noted that the Pennsgrove Meetinghouse exterior was painted and floor work was done inside.

Hockessin - Dick Logan noted that Friends enjoyed a picnic today. The disposition of the house next door by turning it into an inexpensive short-term rental has been taking Meeting's attention; a representative from PhYM has aided the discussion. It is a quiet Meeting, causing some to leave.

Stan - Much time has been spent updating the Meeting handbook. There will be another concert in the graveyard in August. Descendants of a founding family visited today from the Midwest and were greeted warmly.

Ariana - Newark is now meeting at London Britain at 10:30AM.

Frances Beer's ashes were interred with a memorial service.

The 8/13 Art Show will include a celebration for Ruth Thompson, who attended London Grove today after celebrating her 104th birthday earlier this month.

"Liberty and Freedom at People's Hall" on 6/23 from 6-8PM will feature music, poetry, and historical re-enactors to illustrate its history.

Bookkeeper Update: Ariana reported that the former bookkeeper ended their service to non-profits. The only proposal that the Quarter received was for more than double the current payment. As a result, Deb and new Treasurer Karen Conlan will work together on bookkeeping. Karen is pleased with this proposal.

Budget - Bob reviewed the proposed budget for fiscal year 2024. Most Meetings will send the same covenant as this year. Friends Fiduciary Corp. expects a small increase for next year. Staff budget increased to \$33,577, with a 6% increase to Deb because

she helps with bookkeeping. Bookkeeping has therefore been removed from the budget. The deficit is estimated to be only \$2800. Members of Support Committee approved the budget, so the budget will be presented to the Quarterly Meeting business meeting next month. Thanks were expressed to Bob for his work.

Nominating Committee - Karen Conlan of London Grove Meeting has agreed to become Western Quarter Treasurer. Also, Mary Sproat of West Grove agreed to record Support Committee meetings. Deb will continue to record Quarterly Meeting sessions but the Committee is still trying to find relief for Deb.

Historic Properties - The Committee is now working on burial grounds - most have responded to the survey. As several are not sure about location of deeds, Dave Nuttall will work with Friends Historical Library to determine their location. The Committee is scheduled to meet next First Day. Several attended the program on life cycle of meetings.

Should there be discussion on meetings of concern?

Support Committee time and frequency? - The same Friends attend Support Committee and Western Quarter business meeting. Therefore, has this committee served its time? Dick pointed out that the history of this committee was reviewed, showing that it started because the work of the Quarter was not getting done. Perhaps this committee work needs to be streamlined to make time more valuable for those who participate. For a while, each meeting sent representatives. But partly because of a lack of streamlining we have lost participants. Please continue to consider this.

The Western Quarter committees are not working as they have in the past. Are we mission driven rather than business driven?

Harriet Tubman field trip - Deb suggested the dates of 9/30 or 10/28. A registration sheet will be at Quarter to determine the feasibility before reserving a bus, which will cost \$1400-1800 for the 9/30 date.

Friends Home Capital Campaign - The Western Quarter Friends Home (Friends Home in Kennett) has initiated a capital campaign for the building of an elevator tower because of the small size of the current elevator. They expect to break ground before all of the money is raised. Bob proposed donating \$1000 toward the campaign, and urging monthly meetings to give as well. Ariana proposed \$2000. Hockessin has already agreed to make donations over a period of 3 years. Quarter may do the same, as a budget item for future years. Monthly meetings will be notified and it will be brought up at Quarter.

Meeting closed with appreciation for the work of Friends and a period of worship.

Margaret I. Walton, Clerk

Mary M. Sproat, Recording Clerk

To read past Minutes of Western Quarter, and the Minutes from the WQM Support Committee Meetings, please visit our Business Resources page online: <http://westernquarterquakers.org/business-meeting-info/>