

Charlottesville Friends will hold their annual Bean Supper, Saturday, October 19, 4-7 pm. They will also serve vegetable soup with the trimmings plus pies and cakes. A free-will offering will aid those in need at Christmas time. Also, Charlottesville Friends has 26 black choir robes and 12 brownish gold robes to give away. If your meeting is interested, contact pastor David Deem at 317-586-1967.

Hinkle Creek Friends will host the vocal group, "The Kramers," in concert on Friday, October 11, 6:30 pm, (www.thekramers.com). This family group tours throughout the Midwest and ministers through various other venues. You are warmly welcomed to attend these services.

Jericho Friends is having their annual bazaar, "Simple Gifts Bazaar" on October 12, 10 am—2 pm. A donation lunch of soup and cobblers will be served from 11 am—1 pm. There will be various vendors present and a General Store with lots of goodies. Live demonstrations will be given, and there will be children's activities. Jericho Friends hope to see you there!

Knightstown Friends had a great day on September 22. The church was full for Homecoming Sunday. Special music was provided by Robin Richey, Marilyn Wicker, and Susie Lewis. Knightstown accompanist Cheryl Johnson invited her accapela group "WRAPsody" to add even more musical praise to God. A surprise treat featured all previous members and current members of the men's choir to assemble for songs. Voices filled the meetinghouse with hymn requests and many wonderful memories. After worship, people stayed for group pictures and for fellowship over lunch.

Wabash Friends Counseling Center invites you to their 21st Annual Live Life to the Fullest: Personal Growth Conference, October 26, 8:30 am—4:15 pm. This remains the

largest one-day self-help conference in Indiana with several hundred attending. Dr. Gary Oliver will be the principal speaker at the Honeywell Center in downtown Wabash. A total of 30 self-help workshops will be given, led by 24 professional counselors and educators. Registration fees are \$30 by Oct 12, \$40 after Oct 12, and \$50 at the door on Oct 26. Fees for students are \$15 before Oct 12 and \$25 after that date. To register, visit wabashfriendscounseling.com.

Carlos Moran, pastor of Iglesia Amigos, was asked to give a workshop/talk on the IYM Reconfiguration at the Hispanic Friends Church North America Conference which will take place October 10-13 at Yorba Linda Friends in California. The theme of the conference is: Friends Living in an Increasingly Corrupted and Immoral Society.

IYM is presenting a Treasurers' Workshop to be held October 26 at Anderson First Friends, 9:30-1:30. The cost is only \$15 per meeting (lunch included for one or 15—what a deal). The topic will be "Being a Good Trustee of God's Many-Sided Grace" (I Peter 4:10). Speakers are Steve and Marlene Pedigo, Brian Edwards and others. An enrollment form is on our website at www.iym.org. Click the right side calendar strip on October 26 for the form. This workshop is for treasurers and finance committee people. For more information, contact Carol Wright at 206 S 850 E, Greenfield, IN 46140 or carol@iym.org.

A Reminder to Meetings!

Don't forget to return your survey from the Peace & Christian Social Concerns Committee. Please present this matter to your October monthly meeting and communicate the results of your brief congregational survey to the yearly meeting office by November 1.

Volunteers are needed as IYM hosts the June 11-15, 2014, FUM Triennial at Indiana Wesleyan University. Email or call the IYM office if you can help.

Quaker Haven will hold a Scrapbook Retreat, October 10-13. Contact their office for more information at 574-834-4193 or info@quakerhaven.com.

White's has developed a new ministry for teenage girls who need help before their lives are permanently damaged, **Compass Rose Academy**. Following is a partial testimony from Cheyenne Ritchie, a member of the Academy. *While I was at Compass Rose, I turned my life around completely. . . I learned a lot of skills to deal with everyday complications, and I found a lot of self-worth. I found my true identity instead of the crazy bipolar girl who self-harmed daily. Without the help from the CRA staff, friends and family, I don't even want to imagine where I would be right now. . .*

The Office Secretary position for the IYM office is now being shared by Rowena Holliday and Betty Ison. Normally Betty staffs the office on Mondays and Tuesdays while Rowena is here on Wednesdays and Thursdays. The office is no longer open on Fridays. We are thankful for the dedicated service of these two wonderful ladies!

Most of our churches are keeping current in paying their yearly meeting assessments and 18 have paid 100% of their assessments for the year in advance! In spite of the loss of revenue caused by reconfiguration, cash flow is being maintained and we are "keeping up" due to God's provision and the faithful stewardship of IYM Friends Churches pulling together!

Good Morning,

A Leadership Journal report shared that third and fourth-graders at Wheaton (IL) Christian Grammar School were asked to complete the following sentence: "By faith I know that God is..." A boy named Brandon completed the sentence this way: "*providingful*, because he dropped manna for Moses and the people, and he gave my dad a job."

During my lifetime, and especially during the last two years, I've been especially aware of God's provision. I personally found our recent Reconfiguration process to be spiritually and

emotionally taxing, but as IYM was working through its issues, I regularly experienced an email or phone call or personal visit from someone telling me that they were praying for me. I would not have survived without the provision of that daily "manna."

Our yearly meeting now faces the financial challenge of maintaining our valued programs with considerably less income, but again, God is providing. Some unexpected cash and the faithful stewardship of our meetings are keeping us afloat currently, but something else is happening that feels like manna from heaven to me. It be-

gan at yearly meeting sessions when \$18,000 was spontaneously promised to help cover future financial shortfalls. Since then a steady stream of unexpected income from individuals has been received by the IYM office.

Of the money promised at yearly meeting, \$9,000 has already been received and an additional \$3,300 has come in over and above that. We have received unexpected contributions in seven of the nine weeks since yearly meeting sessions. I agree with Brandon, "I know that God is *providingful*!"

—Doug Shoemaker

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IYM Upcoming Calendar

10/9 *Triennial Host Committee Conference Call, 4 pm*
10/12 *Financial Work Group, IYM office, 9:30 am*
10/16 *Marion Area Pastors, Maple Run Friends, 9:30 am*
10/17 *Van Wert Area Pastors, Van Wert First Friends, 10:30 am*
10/26 *Treasurers/Finance Committee Workshop, Anderson First, 9:30*
10/28 *Program Committee, IYM office, 6:30 pm*
10/29 *IYM Trustees, IYM office 6:30 pm*

Fall Impact for junior high and senior high youth
November 1-3, Quaker Haven Camp
Contact Aaron Hughs for more details.
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October is "Pastor Appreciation Month."
IYM gives thanks for our wonderful pastors!