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Earth Care and Stewardship

by Carol Mohler

Faith and Practice

Responding to that of God in the Creation

"All natural resources are God's gifts, to be held and used by us as a sacred trust. Our growing knowledge of ecological processes teaches us that abuse of this trust threatens not only our own health and welfare, but the integrity of the earth itself. Economic power made possible by the exploitation of God's natural gifts dominates much of our political and economic system. We work to counter the effects of this abuse on our politics and environment, since we know that acting responsibly in the wise, careful use of the earth for the benefit of all creation will bring us into harmony not only with the world beyond humanity, but with the creator."

Social Justice Committee (SJC) Concern

This spring SJC addressed stewardship of the earth and how our Meeting could contribute to the effort. SJC knows that earth care, sustainability, and global warming are concerns of many in our community and beyond. Yet a focus by our committee can help others in Meeting and be of value in the overall effort. The concern and effort may be too large given the other work of SJC, so SJC recognizes that a separate committee may need to be established at some point. However, in the meantime we will continue to address earth care and stewardship. To this end, we had four speakers from different groups present their perspective and share information about efforts occurring locally and in the wider Quaker community.

TC Local

Simon St. Laurent directed us to Tompkins County Local (TCLocal, www.tclocal.org) and Jon Bosak who told us how we all will sooner or later be forced

to accommodate to plummeting cheap oil and the impact that will have on us locally. Obviously, to cushion the impact of the certain loss of cheap oil, it is preferable to quickly reduce the use of non-renewable energy resources and to hasten to increase the development of clean renewable energy sources. Regardless, people will have to change patterns of energy consumption. TCLocal's eventual goal is to create an emergency plan for relocalizing the production and distribution of essential goods and services. Jon spoke of preparing now to develop local resources such as in transportation, employment, heating, water distribution, and local food production.

Sylvester Johnson

Margaret McCasland recommended that we invite Sylvester Johnson to talk about the effects of global warming and actions that we can take that would make a difference. Sylvester works in association with the Museum of the Earth.

Sylvester talked about the relationship between CO2 and global temperature that has trended up for the last 30 years. For the last decade it's been accelerating beyond any known possible natural cause. The effect of global warming is already creating harm for the earth and life on earth, and particularly so for those least able to accommodate to the changes.

Leading climate scientists have stated that the more severe repercussions from warming could be avoided by making an 80% reduction from the heat-trapping emissions of 1990 by 2050. Sylvester gave us information about several steps that we can take to reduce our CO2 budget.

Steps We Can Take

- Make sure the seals on the refrigerator, freezer and oven doors are tight
- Replace older appliances with energy

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Announcements

Do you have something for the August newsletter?

Please get all information you'd like to have included in the July newsletter either to Bronwyn Mohlke, by the method of your choice, no later than Thursday, July 19, or to Larry Clarkberg no later than Sunday, July 29. (Bronwyn: 277-4183 / bjm9@cornell.edu / 52 Gray Road, Ithaca, NY 14850 // Larry Clarkberg: 277-9364 / larry@elucid8design.com / 150 Giles Street, Ithaca, NY 14850)

Singing before Meeting for Worship

Friends, although Melody will be away at times this summer, all interested in singing before meeting for worship are encouraged to gather starting at 10:00. The Hector meetinghouse has wonderful acoustics, and it's a great way to prepare for meeting for worship. Many copies of *Worship in Song - A Friends Hymnal* are kept in the foyer of the meetinghouse.

Midweek Meeting for Worship at the Burt House / Wednesdays 7:15

Midweek meeting for Worship takes place at the Burt House on Wednesdays from 7:15 to 8:15 pm with half an hour of worship followed by discussion. All are welcome to attend.

Peace Potluck at Perry City Meetinghouse / Saturday, July 7

The Perry City Friends (Quakers) invite you to a "peace potluck" on the first Saturday of each month. Everyone is welcome to share thoughts, feelings, and actions in a safe haven as we explore paths to peace together.

Please join us on Saturday, July 7 at the Perry City Meeting House on Route 227 in Perry City. Dish to pass at 5:30; discussion 7:00 - 9:00. Come to either or both.

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business / Sunday, July 8

Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business will be held after the rise of Meeting for Worship on July 8. All are encouraged to attend. Please come with an open mind and a listening heart, mindful of our Meeting as a loving community and business conducted under a spirit of worship. Childcare is available upon request.

Second Sunday Celebration Circle / Sunday, July 8

Second Sunday Celebration Circle: An engaging and uplifting Interfaith celebration that weaves together prayer, meditation, singing, and simple participatory ritual from many traditions. A program of the Common Heart Interfaith Fellowship, led by Rev. Jody Kessler at 7:00 on the second Sunday of every month.

Adults and teens welcome. Our celebrations take place at the Henry St. John Building, 301 S. Geneva St., Ithaca, suite 103. Enter the building through the playground side ramp entrance. We are downstairs, first door on the left. The building is wheelchair accessible, and there is plenty of free parking.

This month's theme:

Gathering the Sparks: Jewish Kabbalah on Tikkun Olam (Healing the World)

In the Jewish mystical teachings of the Kabbalah, there's a creation story that describes how the light of the Divine was poured into ten vessels. But these vessels couldn't contain this powerful, infinite influx of Divine Light, and so they shattered, scattering the sparks of God's light everywhere. It is believed that every form on earth, human and nonhuman, living and non-living, contains these fragments of God's light, these sparks of holiness. It is the job of humanity to discover these sparks and raise them back up, to offer them back up to God, so they can be used to repair the vessels. This process of rectification is known as Tikkun Olam, or repairing of the world, and it occurs through our spiritual conduct, acts of love, compassion, and service.

Guest speaker Vally Kovary will introduce these teachings to us and invite us to examine how we can each personally participate in Tikkun Olam. Along with singing (led by Jody) and Kabbalah-based meditation, we will symbolically gather the sparks in a beautiful candlelighting ceremony.

Vally Kovary has studied Kabbalah with the Ithaca Jewish Kabbalah Study Group for almost 10 years. She has served as executive director of Cornell Hillel, and is a member of the Ithaca Area United Jewish Community's Board of Directors.

From the Peace Witness Committee / Tuesday, July 10

Peace Witness Committee meets on the second Tuesday of the month at the Burt House, 7:30 PM. All are welcome to join us on July 10. Help us find ways to live and share Friends' Peace Testimony.

Greensburg, Kansas Tornado

On May 4, 2007 Greensburg, Kansas was devastated by a tornado that traveled rapidly through the area, destroying much of the area and killing ten people. Barclay College, a small Quaker college in nearby Haviland, and the Haviland Friends Church both became involved in relief work, trying to help those families and individuals who lost their homes, farms and worldly belongings. The Peace Witness Committee and the Social Justice Committee each donated \$50 from their discretionary funds, and Ithaca Friends added to that. A total of \$390 is being sent to these two Quaker entities. It is hard to imagine what it is like to lose everything in the course of an hour. It is hoped that the help of neighbors, friends and volunteers, and many modest contributions, will help the people of Greensburg rebuild their lives and community.

Meeting for Healing / Tuesday, July 24

HIEROGLYPHIC STAIRWAY

It's 3:23 in the morning and I'm awake because my great great grandchildren won't let me sleep.

My great great grandchildren ask me in dreams,

"What did you do while the planet was plundered?"

What did you do when the earth was unraveling?

Surely you did something when the seasons started failing?

As the mammals, reptiles, birds were all dying?

Did you fill the streets with protest when democracy was stolen?

What did you do once you knew?"

I'm riding home on the Colma train, I've got the voice of the Milky Way in my dreams.

I'm the boundary of time soul, encountering soul and tongues of fire.

I have teams of scientists feeding me data daily and pleading.

I immediately turn it into poetry.

I want just this consciousness reached by people in range of secret frequencies contained in my speech.

I am the desirous earth, equidistant to the underworld and the flesh of the stars.

I am everything already lost.

The moment the universe turns transparent and all the light shoots through the cosmos.

I use words to instigate silence.

I'm a hieroglyphic stairway in a buried Mayan city suddenly exposed by a hurricane.

A satellite circling earth finding dinosaur bones in the Gobi desert.

I am telescopes that see back in time.

I am the precession of the equinoxes, the magnetism of the spiraling sea.

I'm riding home on the Colma train with the voice of the Milky Way in my dreams.

I am myths where violets blossom from blood like dying and rising gods.

It's 3:23 in the morning and I can't sleep because my great great grandchildren ask me in dreams

"What did you do while the earth was unraveling?"

I want just this consciousness reached by people in range of secret frequencies contained in my speech.

—Drew Dellinger

A Meeting for Healing is held at 7:15 on the fourth Tuesday of every month at Melody Johnson and Dick Crepeau's house (112 Mount Pleasant Road, Ithaca). This month it will be on July 24. All are welcome to attend. If you have a concern but cannot attend, let Melody know, and you will be held in the Light. For directions, or more information, please call Melody at 272-8755.

Sacred Song and Poetry Circle / Saturday, July 28th, 7:30 PM

Common Heart Interfaith Fellowship and Jody Kessler bring you a participatory evening of sacred song, circle dance, and inspirational poetry from many spiritual traditions.

This evening will be an opportunity to deepen into connecting with Spirit through song, interspersed with poetry, sacred circle dances, and stillness. All are invited to lead songs and share poems, or just come to sing and listen. Any genre or style is welcome, from hymns to hip-hop, ancient chants to sixties folk songs. Bring whatever uplifts and inspires you. Refreshments will be served afterwards. This event is not geared toward young children, but older kids and teens are welcome.

Our celebrations take place at Henry St. John Building (see more details in the announcement about the Second Sunday Celebration Circle). For more information, call 227-5683 or visit www.commonheart.org

Kitchen Cupboard / Tuesday, July 31 and Wednesday, August 1

Friends, it's true! We have the opportunity to help at Kitchen Cupboard two days in row. Not only do Friends help out the first Wednesday of every month, but also on fifth Tuesdays, when they occur. We won't be helping on July 4, which is the first Wednesday in July, but they do need our help on Tuesday, July 31 and the following day, as it's the first Wednesday in August. Have you thought about lending a hand, but haven't yet taken the opportunity? Here's the perfect time to get involved. For more information, please call Ginny Gartlein (272-3471).

Program Committee says to Save the Date of September 30

Save the Date! Our Meeting's Annual Fall Picnic will be on Sunday September 30, 2007 at the rise of Meeting until 4:00 pm. The picnic will once again be at Taughannock Falls State Park in the Central Pavillion. Stay tuned for more details!

CALM / looking for Friends who will be with kids on Sunday mornings

CALM is seeking adults who would be willing to supervise the children from 10:45 when they leave worship until the end of worship. Corrine will be there to keep the littlest ones occupied, and often parents stay outside with the children, but we need to have one adult each week who will be in charge of supervising the children. There is a list circulating at Meeting for Worship, but you can also get in touch with Marilyn Ray. Someone from CALM will call you during the week before your volunteer day to remind you. CALM Members:

Marilyn Ray <MLR17@cornell.edu>, Clerk, "Kathy Beissner" <beissner@ithaca.edu>, "Marcie Finlay" <marciefinlay@hotmail.com>, "Melanie-Claire Mallison" <mallison@cnf.cornell.edu>, "Ellie Rosenberg" <erosenbe@icsd.k12.ny.us>, "Michael Trotti" <mtrotti@ithaca.edu>

Directory Changes

Please send any corrections or additions to the 2007 directory to Steve and Bronwyn Mohlke, 52 Gray Road, Ithaca, NY 14850 / 277-4183 / <bjm9@cornell.edu>

Corrections:

Caroline Pineo has moved. She's living with Darlene Barrows and her new address is:

332 Harford Road., Brooktondale, NY, 14817

Her phone is 351-6168 (It's a cell phone with uncertain reception so leave a message.)

New York Yearly Meeting Sessions / Silver Bay, NY / July 22-28, 2007

<http://nyym.org/silverbay07/>

Dear Friends:

As we enter our 312th Session of New York Yearly Meeting, we continue our journey with God at our center. Our epistle last year noted the Kenyan call and response, "God is good--All the time; All the time--God is good." We affirmed, "The Blessed Community is here--All the time; All the time--the Blessed Community is here." As we engage in communal conversation and discernment this week, I hold a vision of wholeness with love and prayer. That vision will be made manifest by the engagement of all our yearly meeting, so I offer a heartfelt and grateful welcome for your presence and participation as a blessed community.

Our theme and focus for all to explore is "Stewardship...Our

Earth, Our Mind, Our Soul.”

Find the rest of the letter from Ernestine Buscemi, clerk of New York Yearly Meeting, and all the Summer Sessions information at the web site, <http://nyym.org/silverbay07/>. In addition, IMM should have received a batch of Summer Sessions brochures for those who cannot get online. Find those on the side table after Meeting for Worship. Silver Bay campus fills quickly so register soon! This year's speakers are:

Héctor Aristizábal was born in Medellín, Colombia, a city plagued by violence from the drug trade and from the country's decades-long civil war. He recalls, "I buried most of the kids with whom I played soccer." He assumed his own life would be short too, but his life changed when he obtained a scholarship to Antioquia University in Medellín. In 1982, Aristizábal and his younger brother were arrested and tortured. Aristizábal's brother was sent to prison, but Aristizábal was eventually released. He continued to work as a human-rights activist, psychologist, and actor until 1989, when he fled to the U.S. He works as a therapist with torture survivors, gang members, prisoners, AIDS patients, and low-income immigrant families. He is also a cofounder of the Colombia Peace Project, the Colombian Children's Peace Fund, and the Los Angeles Center for Theater of the Oppressed.

Louis Cox & Ruah Swennerfelt, are a husband and wife team, members of Burlington Friends Meeting, New England YM. They play major roles in the national organization Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW). Louis is QEW publications coordinator and Ruah serves as QEW general secretary. Louis and Ruah live in rural Vermont, in their solar-electric, hand-built home where they try to live in harmony with the land.

Roland Kreager is the general secretary of Right Sharing of World Resources. He is a member of Community Friends Meeting in Cincinnati, and Ohio Valley / Wilmington YMs. He began work with Right Sharing in May 1993 and has seen RSWR through its final years as a program of Friends World Committee for Consultation, into and through its years as an independent organization.

Melanie-Claire Mallison

Happy to answer any questions!

Mallison@cnf.cornell.edu

607-272-1108

Note: If you are going to NYYM sessions at Silver Bay and you would like to request financial assistance your registration and registration fee should be in the NYYM office by July 3.

Powell House / Upcoming Events

Powell House is the conference and retreat center of New York Yearly Meeting - Religious Society of Friends. Their mission is to foster the spiritual growth of Friends and others and to strengthen the application of Friends' testimonies in the world.

It is a quiet, peaceful place conducive to reflection and spiritual growth. Programs and facilities are structured to foster community development and strengthen group identity.

Please contact Powell House at 518-794-8811 or go on the web at <http://www.powellhouse.org> for more information or to register for any conference. Child care is available with three weeks advance notice.

DROP IN PAINTING PARTY

Liseli Haines 8/1/2007-8/5/2007

Come for all 5 days or just for a day during our third annual painting party at Powell House. We have plenty of painting to be done inside and out - and you know we'll have fun doing it. We ask that you plan to paint a minimum of four hours per day. After that you can work for conference credit, for fun or both.

Mandatory afternoon ice cream breaks are part of our tradition. And the rest of the food will be good too. Bring a topic to discuss while we paint, or in the evening after a swim. If you are under 18 years old, either bring an adult sponsor or plan to go home each night. Cost: \$15 registration fee
No childcare available; Coordinated by Liseli Haines, PoHo
Property Manager; liseli@powellhouse.org (518) 794-8811 ext. 14

EASTERN COOPERATIVE RECREATION SCHOOL

8/7/2007-8/11/2007

This is a great opportunity to learn and practice lots of experiential techniques and games that have been a main stay of the PoHo youth program for generations. Sign up at the Eastern Cooperative wards this work? In the beginning stages of doing this work yourself or in your Meeting? Come, see, hear, and experience. Experience Spiritual Healing for yourself, share the experience with others.

During the weekend there will be time for healing sessions, time for asking questions and learning techniques. If you're already involved in this practice, this is an opportunity to connect with other Friends doing this work, sharing ideas and learnings with one another. Sue McLaren from Philadelphia YM, Rosalind Zuses from Baltimore YM, Buffy Curtis from New England YM and Ann Davidson from New York YM will be here to help ground the weekend and have fun.

This is a unique opportunity for a relaxing and healing weekend, open to anyone who wishes to experience and understand more fully, what Spiritual Healing is, and is not.

Cost: \$180 adults, \$90 for ages 13-22, \$45 infants-12, & \$90 commuters

ALTERNATIVES TO VIOLENCE PROJECT - BASIC - INTERGENERATIONAL 8/17/2007-8/19/2007

AVP Basic Conflict Resolution Workshop in the ACC Level I-Basic Intergenerational August 17-19, 2007 Workshop topics to include: • Affirmation: Identify your positive strengths and the strengths in others; manage fear and anger by learning to transform the conflict; empower yourself by empowering others • Communication: Find your voice, enhance spontaneous self-expression • Cooperation: Develop effective assertiveness while learning to agree to disagree • Community: Build community with an appreciation for diversity • Conflict Resolution: Learn to respond to conflict creatively On occasion called the quintessential Quaker mission/outreach program, the Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) has touched hearts, souls and minds around the world leading to effective and positive personal change. Based on the recognition that there exists a Transforming Power which we have all experienced and to which we all have access, AVP incorporates values of respect, self-worth, and recognition that there is goodness in everyone, as well as the teaching of important interpersonal skills in a fun yet challenging workshop experience. This is the first of three workshops. It will conclude by 3:30 pm on Sunday. Special Cost: \$90 adults, \$45 for infants-22, \$45 commuters; Childcare with 3 weeks notice

ALTERNATIVES TO VIOLENCE PROJECT - ADVANCED - INTERGENERATIONAL 8/24/2007-8/26/2007

AVP Advanced Conflict Resolution Workshop Level II - Advanced Intergenerational August 24-26, 2007 Using skills and approaches learned in the Level I workshop, participants choose an issue or source of conflict in their lives to which they will apply creative means for peaceful resolution. The Advanced workshop allows for an intense look at specific roots of violence and how these can be overcome. On occasion called the quintessential

Quaker mission/outreach program, the Alternatives to Violence Project (AVP) has touched hearts, souls and minds around the world leading to effective and positive personal change. The program has been used with impressive results in prisons, war zones and locations where violence is too often taken as a way of life. Based on the recognition that there exists a Transforming Power which we have all experienced and to which we all have access, AVP incorporates values of respect, self-worth, and recognition that there is goodness in everyone, as well as the teaching of important interpersonal skills in a fun yet challenging workshop experience. Advanced workshops do not shirk profoundly difficult topics related to violence, understanding that honest examination of hard issues can be painful yet necessary for resolution to occur. This is the second of three workshops. The third level "Training of Facilitators" allows participants to continue with leadership in AVP as part of a facilitator team. Special Cost: \$90 adults, \$45 for infants-22, \$45 commuters; Childcare with 3 weeks notice.

No Business Meeting Minutes This Month

Friends, there was no Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business in June, and that's why there are no minutes in this newsletter.

Earth Care and Stewardship continued from page 1

star appliances

- Place a vapor barrier on the dirt floor in the basement crawl
- Plug all entertainment equipment into a power strip to make it convenient to switch them all off at once, to prevent keeping built-in transformers warm 24/7. Otherwise, 40% of the electricity used to power home electronics may be consumed while the products are turned off.
- Substitute compact fluorescent for incandescent bulbs saves over 2/3 of lighting energy
- Use cold water laundry detergent allows laundry to be washed without heating the water, saving 90% of energy, with less damage to clothing.
- Turn the water heater down to 120°F.
- Hybrid vehicles store energy during braking to use less fuel.

Keep Your Car in Shape

- Fix a car that is noticeably out of tune to improve gas mileage by about 4%.
- Repair a faulty oxygen sensor to improve fuel economy.
- Replace a clogged air filter to significantly improve gas mileage.
- Keep tires inflated to the recommended pressure and use the recommended grade of motor oil to improve fuel economy by up to 5%.
- Plan and combine trips for greater fuel efficiency
- For more tips and more information about gasoline pricing, visit www.fueleconomy.gov.

Drive More Efficiently

- Aggressive driving (speeding and rapid acceleration and braking) can lower your gas mileage by as much as 33% at highway speeds and 5% around town.
- Observe the speed limit—each 5 miles per hour (mph) you drive over 60 mph can reduce your fuel economy by 10%.
- Avoid idling—idling gets 0 miles per gallon!
- Most important...Share rides whenever possible or use public transportation.

There are many more ways to reduce CO2 emissions (see www.climatehealth.org) and in the future SJC hopes to highlight some ways that meeting members and attenders are reducing their CO2 budgets.

Hollister Knowlton QEW

SJC invited Hollister Knowlton to visit our meeting to find out more about what the wider Quaker community is doing about global warming and sustainability. The wider community is doing a lot through Quaker Earthcare Witness (QEW)! See fcun.quakerearthcare.org. Hollister brought a wealth of information with her about QEW and its work, including a curriculum for Earthcare Witness for children. Bronwyn Mohlke brought this back to the Children and the Life of the Meeting (CALM) Committee for review. QEW's premise is that the global crisis of ecological sustainability is at root a spiritual crisis that requires a transformation in heart and consciousness in our fundamental relationship with the rest of creation. Hollister would like to know if anyone would like 3 free issues of QEW's "BeFriending Creation". If you would like to receive these issues or would like to see other materials from QEW, please let Carol Mohler know at cmkmohler@frontiernet.net.

Quaker Institute for the Future (QIF) – Moral Economy

Robert Howell of New Zealand is traveling around the US with David Millar of Montreal to meet with Quaker Meetings about the book that he and other members of QIF are writing on a moral economy. See www.quakerinstitute.org. Robert is not the economist of the group, but was explaining the intent and some background of the writing of the book. A lively discussion was held on the topic of how to promote policies that are scientifically sound and will promote wise use of limited resources and will be complied with by everyone. The book will be published within the next year. One of the biggest difficulties in achieving a change in behavior and resource usage is that people base economic decisions on what is available and obvious now, not what will be available and obvious in the future.

Children's Sustainability and Commitment to Take Steps

At the Ithaca Festival, the Meeting children with Larry Clarkberg were in the sustainability tent. They displayed a model of a village they had constructed called "Sustainville". Those visiting their display were asked to write down what they would do to help reduce CO2. It is known that writing down the commitment helped at least one individual follow through with the promised action. It was reported that the written commitment helped to fortify the will to carry out the intention (not driving in excess of 55 mph) in spite of the constant pressure to do what everyone else was doing (drive 65 mph).

The children of Meeting are dedicating their summer camp this year to earth care. It seems that the children are taking the lead in sustainability and caring for the earth. The children offer one of the strongest incentives for good stewardship of the earth! We look forward to hearing about EarthCare Camp.

More to Follow

SJC welcomes feedback and participation from everyone in Meeting. We'll be sharing with you what we learn and hope that you will share with us as well. The theme for New York Yearly Meeting this Year is Stewardship, and SJC looks forward to the strength that may be gained for the effort and to new light that may be shed on the questions this concern raises.

How can our meeting prepare ourselves and strengthen our connections to sustain us now and after peak oil?

What steps will we take in our Meeting to reduce our CO2 footprint?

How can we support each other in our earth care efforts?

How can we remain present to the impacts of our actions on the future?

What examples will we be of caring for the earth to our children and others?

July 2007 Calendar

Weekly Events:

Every Tuesday 9-9:20pm Worship in your own home

Every Wednesday 7:15 pm Midweek Meeting for worship at the Burt House ***

Every Thursday 4:30 pm Peace vigil from 4:30 to 5:30 PM at the bottom of East State Street

July 1 Sun 10:00 am Singing at the Hector meetinghouse

10:30 am Meeting for Worship for all ages, Hector meetinghouse

10:45 am Children are welcome to go out back for kids' activities

July 7 Sat 5:30 pm Peace potluck at the Perry City Meetinghouse, followed by a discussion. This month we have invited dads to discuss how fatherhood has formed and led their peacemaking. ***

July 8 Sun 10:00 am Singing at the Hector meetinghouse

10:30 am Meeting for Worship for all ages, Hector meetinghouse

10:45 am Children are welcome to go out back for kids' activities

Rise of Mtg Meeting for Worship with Attention to Business. Bring a sandwich and a half, if you're so inclined, to share with those who may have forgotten. Child care provided on request.

7:00 pm Celebration Circle / An interfaith worship service led by Jody Kessler. This month's theme is "Gathering the Sparks: Jewish Kabbalah on Tikkun Olam (Healing the World)" ***

July 10 Tues 7:30 pm Peace Witness committee meeting at the Burt House. All interested are very welcome to attend.

July 15 Sun 10:00 am Singing at the Hector meetinghouse

10:30 am Meeting for Worship for all ages, Hector meetinghouse

10:45 am Children are welcome to go out back for kids' activities

July 22 Sun 10:00 am Singing at the Hector meetinghouse

10:30 am Meeting for Worship for all ages, Hector meetinghouse

10:45 am Children are welcome to go out back for kids' activities

Rise of Mtg Light brunch. Please bring finger foods to share.

July 24 Tues 7:15 pm Meeting for Healing at the home of Melody and Dick ***

July 29 Sun 10:00 am Singing at the Hector meetinghouse. August newsletter due date. Please contact Larry Clarkberg if you have anything to be included in the August newsletter (see contact information on first page).

10:30 am Meeting for Worship for all ages, Hector meetinghouse

10:45 am Children are welcome to go out back for kids' activities

July 31 Tues 1:15 – 3pm Kitchen Cupboard. Call Ginny Gartlein for information (272-3471). Please remember - Kitchen Cupboard desperately needs brown paper bags.

Aug 1 Wed 1:15 – 3pm Kitchen Cupboard. Call Ginny Gartlein for information (272-3471). No – it's not a typo that there are two Kitchen Cupboard dates back to back. See details in the announcements section.

*** = more details will be found in the announcement section of the newsletter

Images of Quaker Camp 2007: Earthcare



Our annual hike to Six-Mile Creek was a blast.



We fired our clay creations in an open pit.



We constructed enclosed ecological systems and terrariums.