

Iowa Yearly Meeting of Friends (C)

MIDYEAR MEETING

2017

Dates: March 25 & 26, 2017

Topic: **"Quakers and Quaker Schools**
With Drew Smith, Friends Council on Education

Place: Bear Creek Meetinghouse, near Earlham, Iowa
(1 mile north and 1/4 east of Interstate 80, Earlham
exit 104)

SCHEDULE

March 25 (Saturday)

- 9:00 Registration and Overnight assignments
- Refreshments- You may bring non-sugar snacks
- 10:30 Meeting for Worship
- 11:30 Bear Creek Friends welcome you
- Announcements
- 11:45 Lunch
- 1:30 Session 1 **Quakers & Quaker Schools-A
Rearrangement for the 21st Century**
- 3:30 Interim Committee
- Peace and Social Concerns Committee
- Other Interest Groups
- 5:30 Supper
- 7:30 Session 2 **Charting Our Course Together**
- 9:00 After evening Meeting- singing (bring your instruments)

March 26 (Sunday)

- 7:30 Breakfast
- 9:00 Session 3 **Quaker Renewal & Growth**
- 10:30 Meeting for Worship
- 12:00 Lunch

So that all may attend, no fees have been established. We encourage donations to help offset costs. Friends wishing to help with meals are invited to bring fruit.

Friends are reminded that use of fragrances should be avoided.

Emergency Telephone for the weekend is 515-447-6156

Contact for Junior Yearly Meeting/Young Friends Midyearclerk
D. J. Newlin 515-276-5673, bracien@gmail.com

Child Care (infant-school age) will be provided as needed. Please register ahead by March 11.

It is helpful if children bring books and toys to share.

The Junior Yearly Meeting Committee will be planning activities for elementary and junior high school age young Friends. Bring appropriate clothes for outdoor activities. High School and college age young Friends Marchill attend the scheduled sessions.

The AFSC Program Committees of our Yearly Meeting will again sponsor a craft, white elephant, and food sale. This is a fund raiser that depends on bringing and spending for its success!

Donations to support Midyear Meeting may be made to "Midyear Meeting" and sent to Osa Bricker, 510 W. Court Ave. , Box 64, Winterset IA 50273

RESERVATIONS FORM

RETURN TO:

Jackie Leckband 19186 Bear Creek Road Earlham IA 50072

Email: newharmony@earthlink.net

If reservations have not been mailed by March 18 you may telephone Jackie at 515-758-2232 or email at the above address. Advance registration helps planning.

Name(s) _____

Address _____

Adults ___ Young People ___ Ages _____

We will be present for _____ meals. Vegetarian yes ___

Sat noon ___ Sat eve ___ Sunday morn ___ Sunday noon ___

A vegetarian option will be offered at each meal. Those with other dietary needs are welcome to bring their own food. A small cooler and microwave will be available.

Please arrange hospitality: () in Earlham () in Des Moines

We will make our own arrangements:() Camping () Motel*

Area Motels and cabins are on page 4.

Some Lodging options for Midyear Meeting*

AmericInn Lodge and Suites
Stuart, Iowa 515-523-9000

America's Best Value Inn and Suites
(formerly Super 8)
Stuart, Iowa 515-523-2888

Stuart Motor Lodge
Stuart, Iowa 515-523-1935

Countryside Inn
De Soto, Iowa 515-834-9140

Edgetowner Motel
DeSoto, Iowa 515-834-2641

Cobblestone Inn and suites
Winterset, Iowa 515-462-4889

Super 8 motel
Winterset, Iowa 1-800-454-3213

If Friends require financial assistance to stay in a motel, the Midyear Planning Committee may be able to help.

Drew Smith attended Earlham College, where he received a bachelor's degree in History. In addition, he has completed graduate work in Educational Leadership at the University of Pennsylvania. Drew's professional experience in Quaker education has spanned almost 25 years primarily at Friends School Mullica Hill, where he served as a middle school teacher, director of admissions, middle school principal, associate head of school, and head of school for nine years. Prior to joining Friends Council as Executive Director this past July, Drew served as CEO and Principal of the Russell Byers Charter School in Philadelphia from 2010 through June 2014. Drew is a former trustee at both Westtown School and Moorestown Friends School. In addition, he was a founding board member of Friends Mutual Health Group; has served as a board member of the Association of Delaware Valley Independent Schools (ADVIS), as the clerk of the Cadbury Foundation, and is a member of the Philadelphia Yearly Meeting Committee on Friends Education. Drew is a member of Haddonfield Monthly Meeting in New Jersey.