Southeastern Yearly Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends
P.O. Box 510795; Melbourne Beach, Florida 32951-0795; Mobile Phone: 321 729-0078, www.seym.org; admin@seym.org

Documents in Advance (DIA)

Fall Executive Committee Meeting, October 5, 2012
Fall Interim Business Meeting (FIBM), Saturday, October 6, 2012
to be held at the St. Petersburg Meeting House
130 19th Avenue SE, St. Petersburg, FL 33705 (wheelchair access)

Directions to Meetinghouse:

From I-275:
Exit #22 / I-175 (east past Tropicana Field) to stop light at 4th St S
Straight thru, 1 block to stop light at 3rd St S
Turn right onto 3rd St S (south past USF, marina, thrill hill) to 19th Ave S
Turn left onto 19th Ave S, 2 1/2 blocks to Meetinghouse on right

Quaker Hospitality Contact: Davida Johns 727.479.2440 or SEYMgatheringclerks@gmail.com
with: how many, which nights, special needs

SEYM Youth Committee is providing youth activities for juniors and teens.
Pre- and elementary-ages child care coordinated by parents/caretakers as need arises.

Clerk of St Petersburg Meeting: Dottie Butler, 727.647.6929

Meals:

Those requiring vegan/special diets, please bring own. Thanks.
Friday EC: Please bring your own brown bag and/or food to share. Coffee and tea provided.
Sat morning: coffee, tea and snacks
Lunch: pot luck provided by St. Petersburg Meeting
Sat night at restaurant to be decided

—Thanks
EC/IBM Clerk's Letter of Welcome:

September 12, 2012

Dear Friends:

Fall is in the air, with its quickening of energy and deepening of breath. It’s a season of forward motion, anticipation, laying of plans—a perfect time for our Yearly Meeting to gather for fellowship and preparation for the months to come.

We as a Yearly Meeting are in a time of reflection on concerns both among ourselves and in the wider world. As important as right order is for the spiritual health of our Yearly Meeting, it also invigorates our work, both suffusing our hearts and guiding our hands. We are blessed indeed to be walking in the Light of Friends’ wisdom—both the wisdom of listening presence and continuing revelation, and the wisdom deepened by past experience.

All are welcome at Interim Business Meeting. Please come with hearts and minds open, hands ready for guidance from above. Let’s prepare to move forward together in joy, faith, and gratitude.

In the Light,

Ann Jerome
SEYM Interim Business Meeting and Executive Committee Clerk

Schedule:

Friday, October 5, 7-9 PM: Executive Committee meets
Saturday, October 6, 9-12 AM: SEYM Committee meetings
1-4 PM: Fall Interim Business Meeting

AGENDA
Executive Committee

6:30 Fellowship; bring brown-bag snacks
7:00 Worship followed by EC meeting

Secretary’s report
Gainesville MM minute on membership lists
Report from Gainesville MM forum – Jean Larson
AGENDA
Fall Interim Business Meeting

8:15 Fellowship/coffee/fruit
9:00 Worship
9:30 Introduction of Clerks: YM, Phoebe Anderson; YM/IBM Assistant, Joel Cook;
Recording Co-clerks, Jan Dahm and Lisa Erazmus
Announcements from St. Petersburg Meeting
Committee Meetings

12:00 Lunch

1:00 Worship
Roll call of Meetings and Worship Groups; welcome visitors
Announcements
   Fundraising project for SEYM youth at YBM – Nancy Triscritti
Changes to agenda
EC Clerk’s report
Nominating Committee report
Finance Committee report FY 2011-2012 – Nil Wilkins
Annual financial statement 2011-2012; Treasurer’s report FY 2011-2012 – Neil Andersen
Gathering Committee report – Peter Crockett and Davida Johns
Peace and Social Concerns Committee report – Warren Hoskins
Report from Care and Community concern – Nancy Triscritti
FWCC 2016 proposal – Nancyrose Logan
Other business to come before the Meeting
Minute of appreciation
Review of minutes

3:30 Break

3:30 Presentation on Fair Food Campaign – Youth

4:30-5:00 Closing worship
**Saturday morning Committee Meeting Agendas**

Please presume that if you are on a SEYM Committee that your committee will be meeting Saturday morning 9:30 to lunch.

If you are a first time attender at FIBM, please know that your presence at any committee meeting is welcomed.

If you are exploring what committee might light your fire, please feel free to pop in and out, and to chat with a Nominating Committee member at an appropriate time.

**SEYM Officer’s Reports**

A Reminder to assist Recording Clerks:

As you prepare the reports for FIBM, we want to ensure the records of our Yearly Meeting’s business sessions are accurate. Minutes will consist of what Friends approve with a brief explanation (numbered minutes), written or electronic committee and representative reports, milestones, and other items directed by the clerk or Friends in attendance.

It would be appreciated if Friends who propose formal minutes would present such before the meeting or placement on the agenda in electronic form if at all possible. Similarly, if committee clerks, representatives, and those who report on MM activities could provide electronic versions of their reports, we would be most grateful.

If Friends have an extended minute of concern that will be presented for consideration, please e-mail us prior to the business meeting so we have the opportunity to get the items in accessible documents prior to the meeting (especially if there is no internet access where we are meeting. This would be of great help.

With deep gratitude in the Light,
Jan Dahm and Lisa Erazmus
SEYM Recording Co-clerks
ljerazmus1@verizon.net

**Standing Committee Reports**

SEYM Archives Committee Report 05/2012

At the last working session at the Smathers Library at Gainesville in March of 2011 it had become obvious that the contents of many of the boxes of records were not accurately described, so that as sorting and collation continued many papers had to be put in temporary folders until they could be placed in folders of related papers. On May 22 and 23 2012 four members of the committee (Connie Ray, Sue Day, Bill Rapp and Peter Day, and on May 24 and 25 Bill Rapp) continued the work of sorting and consolidating the files with the invaluable help and advice of the resident Archivist Florence Turcotte.

SEYM Records

We agreed to begin filing the Yearly Meeting documents by year so that the minutes of Representative Meeting (now called Winter and Fall Interim Business Meeting), Yearly Meeting, and the Executive Committee would be grouped with the relevant Documents in Advance for each calendar year. Although we recognize that the YM observes a fiscal year we agreed that the dates on the documents should take precedence to simplify filing. SEYM Directories, SEYM Newsletters, Michener and Walton Lectures, and ProNica documents are in separate files and boxes. Using this plan for the documents we began the process of consolidating overlapping groups of documents by carefully comparing copies and discarding duplicates. Since we had access to all of the boxes, and had room to work on their contents, we were able to make more accurate descriptive labels of their contents. Several boxes of papers remain to be sorted.

We identified some gaps in the YM documents. There appear to be no minutes for the years 1981, 1983 and 1985–6.
Monthly Meeting and Worship Group Records

The Monthly Meeting collections are varied and include business meeting and committee minutes, newsletters, correspondence, photographs, news clippings, floppy discs, CDs and tape cassettes. They include MMs with largely complete records and other MMs and WGs with few, or markedly incomplete records. There are also MMs and WGs for which there are no records at the Smathers Library. We thought it would be useful to identify those with incomplete records and the major gaps in their collections since it is possible that some can be filled. We list them below. We also list the MMs and WGs with no records in the Smathers Library recognizing that they may store their archives themselves, or deposit them in other collections of Quaker documents, and that some may have no formal minutes. It would help the committee to know of these arrangements so that we are better able to answer questions about the history and records of Friends in SEYM.

Gaps in Monthly Meeting records:

- Clearwater - Minutes for November 1980 - December 1992
- Fort Myers - Minutes for 2005
- Gainesville – Minutes for April 1985 - December 2000

Meetings for which there are no minutes deposited in the Smathers Library:

- (Augusta)*
- Charleston
- Fort Lauderdale
- (Daytona Beach)*
- Golden Isle WG
- Halifax
- Lake Wales WG
- Managua WG
- Miami
- Orange City WG (Deland)
- Ocala
- Orlando
- Savannah
- Space Coast
- St Petersburg
- Tallahassee
- Tampa
- Treasure Coast WG
- (Venice)*
- Winterpark

* MM or WG that has been laid down.

We remind all MMs and WGs of the importance of their records and keeping them safe for posterity. We also emphasize the lasting value of acid–free paper records. Although most records are now produced in digital form these formats become obsolete. For example we have two computer disks which we are no longer able to read.

For general guidance on meeting records we recommend the Handbook on Records, Their Creation, Maintenance, and Preservation in the Meeting (1996) produced by the Baltimore YM Committee on Records available from Quaker Books, or on line at http://trilogy.brynmawr.edu/speccoll/bym/Handbook%20on%20Records3.htm
SEYM Committee on Earthcare

From Barbara Letsch, Clerk
Warren Hoskins has agreed to take up our agenda as Mary Jo, Jack, & I will not be able to attend. No one else on the committee was able to step in. Since we have overlap with P&SC, we will have their input. Unfortunately, QEW’s Annual Gathering is the same weekend as FIBM. ...

Peace & Light,
Barb

SEYM Earthcare Committee Minutes
April 5, 2012

In attendance: Rod Zwirner, Mary Jo Klingel, Andrea Walsh, Warren Hoskins, Steve Kinney, Al Geiger, and Barbara Letsch

The meeting opened with a period of silent worship.

1. The Minutes from Winter Interim Business Meeting were read and accepted.
2. The proposed Minute on Nuclear Energy was reviewed and is to be brought to the plenary during Yearly Meeting sessions with hoped for approval.
3. Mary Jo presented the QEW report including:
   QEW is funding a scholarship for a Young Adult Friends Conference on Ministry, Earthcare, and Social Action at Pendle Hill in June. Mary Jo will be bringing this to the attention of Friends during our sessions, encouraging Young Friends that may be interested in attending.
   Miami MM’s native garden project funded in part by QEW’s Mini Grant program.
   Update on QEW’s work at the United Nation.
4. The Earthcare Committee’s work on incorporating “Green Light” into our Yearly Meeting:
   We are presenting a workshop today on Transition Towns.
   We have posted and published “10 Things You Can Do For The Environment” at YM and in the SEYM Journal.
5. The committee discussed and approved having Steve Kinney set up a website for the Earthcare Committee that will be a link on the SEYM website. Steve will handle the technical aspects. The committee approved using $40.00 from our budget for this purpose. Barbara will coordinate the process with Steve.
6. The committee agreed to take up issues around water in Florida. There was not time at this meeting for a decision as to what aspect of water concerns we would focus on. The concern will be taken up at our next meeting.

The meeting ended in a period of silent worship.

Toward peace with the Earth,
Barbara Letsch
Clerk, Earthcare Committee

SEYM Earthcare
Agenda: October 6, 2012

1. YM Minutes to be read and corrections as needed. Approved SEYM Minute on Nuclear Energy.
2. Mary Jo Klingel brings forward a YM planting project that has two aspects: Native plantings at the LEC and planting crepe myrtles around the labyrinth as we have in the past. Mary Jo has preliminary approval from the LEC and the YM planning committee pending approval of this program from the Earthcare Committee. We would ask the Youths to do the planting along with interested adults. Mary Jo & Barbara will apply for funding from QEW Mini Grants program to cover the cost of the native plants.
3. The committee approved focusing our attention on water issues in Florida. We continue with the process of discernment on how we are to proceed with your input and the committees’ leadings.
4. Are Friends led to have a Minute on Climate Change?
5. The Earthcare Committee will finalize our planning on workshop/s at YM during WIBM.

New/other:

We thank Warren and the Peace & Social Concerns Committee for bringing our report and agenda forward at FIBM.

Barbara Letsch, clerk
SEYM Earthcare Committee

**Introduction to the SEYM Nuclear Minute**

We express our gratitude to those Friends who have diligently researched nuclear energy and shared their wisdom in various formats including Quaker Earthcare Witness and Friends Journal. Their willingness to do the hard work of research and their quest for truth helps us all in our discernment. Nevertheless, research is based on present moment knowledge. Especially with nuclear energy, it is an unreliable predictor of future safety. If that is the case, what resources do we have?

As Friends, we have our Testimonies. In this Minute we seek the Light concerning nuclear energy within the framework of our Friends Testimonies.

**SEYM Minute on Nuclear Energy**

We bring this Minute of Concern from the SEYM Earthcare Committee to Southeastern Yearly Meeting, seeking unity in opposition to further development of nuclear energy or building of nuclear power plants. In considering the Testimonies in opposition to nuclear power, we recognize that these Testimonies interweave, affect, and support one another.

The Testimony of Integrity calls us to respect and protect all of God’s creation, to seek balance as participants in the miracle of life. Integrity also leads us to consideration of the Testimony of Equality in that all people have a need for affordable and clean energy that supports their health and well being.

The Testimony of Simplicity challenges our belief that we can live in a world of increasing growth and consumption and offers instead the simple necessity and pleasures of air, land, and water that are clean and protected.

We now consider the Testimony of Community. We acknowledge that nuclear power has demonstrated that accidents can decimate communities and keep the land uninhabitable for human and nonhuman life for long periods of time.

The Peace Testimony asks us to be clear that nuclear energy has been used for non-peaceful purposes, for building weapons, and for creating waste that must be stored many thousands of years. We call ourselves a people of peace. We ask how we can call ourselves a people of peace while supporting, even with our silence, an industry of destruction and death. In the words of Archbishop Emeritus Desmond Tutu, “To visit death upon current and future generations from radiation is unforgivable” (Physicians for Social Responsibility web site, January 2012).

We face, as Friends, the capacity of nuclear energy for mass destruction of human and nonhuman life. Our commitment to that of God in all life leads us to oppose further development and use of nuclear energy.
YBM Gathering Committee Draft Agenda

(in alphabetical order)

Budget
Evaluations from 2012
Ideas for 2013
Schedule / Timing of Events
Workshops
Youth Program
2014 Gathering Theme / Speaker

Peace and Light,
Peter Crockett and Davida Johns
SEYM Gathering Co-Clerks
727.403.4626 and 727.479.2440
SEYMgatheringclerks@gmail.com

SEYM Nominating

SEYM Nominating Committee Report for Fall Interim Business Meeting
October 6, 2012
St. Petersburg Monthly Meeting
Documents in Advance

Simplicity clears the springs of life and permits
wholesome mirth and gladness to bubble up; it
cleans the windows of life and lets joy radiate.
– Philadelphia Yearly Meeting,
Faith and Practice, 1955

Loving greetings, Friends, from the SEYM Nominating Committee,

May we experience together the joy of worship, friendship and renewal in the Source/God/Christ/Love during
our time in St. Petersburg. Thank you, St. Pete Meeting for welcoming us and providing a sacred space for us to
continue the work and play of our Yearly Meeting.

Present members of the Nominating Committee are: Susan Taylor, clerk (Tallahassee MM), Gary Arthur
(Gainesville MM) and Martha Morris (Orlando MM).

The Committee is in need of a fourth member to fill the unexpired term of Dustin Lemke, ending after Yearly
Meeting sessions in 2013. The Naming Committee will find this member. The Naming Committee is appointed
annually by the Executive Committee (EC) clerk and is approved by EC.

We continue to be grateful for the opportunity to serve all of us, who are SEYM. We count on everyone in our
SEYM community to assist us by bringing names of Friends forward for our discernment as we seek to fill open
positions with Friends whose gifts fill the needs of our Yearly Meeting. We thank Friends who have already given
us suggestions and have come forward to serve.
The Nominating Committee will bring the following names forward for discernment and approval at Fall Interim Business Meeting because of the time sensitivity of filling the positions:

Half Yearly Meeting Clerk
1. The SEYM Nominating Committee recommends that Dustin Lemke (Tampa Monthly Meeting) be approved as Clerk of Half Yearly Meeting, for the term 2012-2015

ProNica Board
2. The SEYM Nominating Committee recommends that Lyn Cope, who had stepped down from the ProNica Board, be reinstated as a ProNica Board member to complete her term, ending after Yearly Meeting sessions, 2013.

In April, 2012, the ProNica Board approved a minute to increase the size of the ProNica Board from 5 to 7. The majority of Board members must be named by SEYM. One of the 2 new members must be named by SEYM.

3. The SEYM Nominating Committee recommends that Johannes Werner (Sarasota MM) be approved to serve on the ProNica Board as the new member named by SEYM, for the term 2012-2015.

Friends Peace Teams
4. Cecilia Yocum’s renewed term on Friends Peace Teams for 2012-2015 was mistakenly omitted from the final Nominating Committee report at our Yearly Meeting sessions, 2012 and must be approved. The Nominating Committee recommends that Cecilia Yocum (Tampa MM) be approved for a renewal of her term on Friends Peace Teams, for the term 2012-2015.

5. Quaker United Nations Office- QUNO
The SEYM Nominating Committee recommends that Chuck Deneen (Orlando MM) be approved as a representative to QUNO for the term 2012-2015.

The Nominating Committee is in discernment for a second representative.

6. Trustees
Herb Haigh has asked to lay down his membership on the Trustees. The Nominating Committee is deeply grateful for the many years Herb, with good humor, broad knowledge, sensitivity and profound commitment, has both clerked and been a member of the Trustees. His deep concern for SEYM, the youth of SEYM and Quakerism in general were and are, an inspiration. His leadership helped our Yearly Meeting grow in many ways.

The Committee is in discernment for two more trustees, one to fill Herb’s unexpired term, which ends in 2013.

7. There are many other positions to fill for terms that end in 2013.
   - Both Assistant Recording Clerks
   - Clerk, Finance Committee
   - Treasurer
   - All 6 members of the Archives Committee, including the Clerk
   - 4 on Committee for Earthcare
   - Clerk, Faith and Practice Committee
   - 4 on Worship and Ministry Committee
   - 7 on Peace and Social Concerns, including Clerk
   - 1 on Yearly Meeting Gathering Committee
   - 2 on Youth Committee
   - 2 for American Friends Service Committee (AFSC) Corporation
   - American Friends Service Committee (AFSC)/SE Region representative
• 1 FCNL/William Penn House representative
• 1 FWCC Section of the Americas representative
• Quaker Earthcare Witness representative
• Contact person for Florida Impact

The Nominating Committee would again like to clarify that Friends who are so led, may have their names brought forward for renewed membership on a committee they have served on for 2 or more terms, if after discernment, they are not led to serve in some other capacity within Southeastern Yearly Meeting. It is not mandatory to lay down membership on a committee after two terms. It simply provides an opportunity to see if other doors may be opening.

8. Corrections to the SEYM 2012-2013 Directory:

• Half Yearly Meeting Committee
  Shauna Coolican, Registrar (Palm Beach MM)- 2015
  Martha Morris, Food Coordinator (Orlando MM)- 2015
  Ann Sundberg, Youth Committee Clerk (Sarasota MM)-2014

• Peace and Social Concerns Committee
  Michael Canney (Gainesville)- 2014
  Shawna Doran (Gainesville)- 2013

• Youth Committee
  Joe Guy (Savannah MM)- 2015
  Josh Rumschlag (St. Petersburg MM)- 2014

• American Friends Service Committee (AFSC)/ SE Region
  Andrew Jason (Miami MM)- 2013

• Friends General Conference (FGC) Central Committee
  Ed Lesnick- 2015

• Friends World Committee for Consultation-Section of the Americas
  Lyn Cope- 2013

Reported by Susan Taylor, Clerk, SEYM Nominating Committee
For the SEYM Nominating Committee

SEYM Peace and Social Concerns

For Agenda items, from Peace & Social Concerns:

1) Any SEYM youth agenda item re: support for farmworkers

2) The Miami Minute in support of SEYM youth’s concern for farmworkers and support for CIW’s campaign (‘a penny more a pound for picked tomatoes’) [Minute sent to Lyn & everyone separately]

3) The mass incarceration concern brought forward at Yearly Meeting and since by Cathy Gaskill and Orlando Friends Meeting:

4) A request from Peace & Social Concerns for status of discernment and action re: SEYM disentangling from Bank of America.
Other issues of concern:
-More SEYM website presence on issues and problems of US and Florida laws, policies & practices desired
-Encourage SEYM Friends to read & study the book, THE NEW JIM CROW
-Education & info-gathering from monthly meetings, with focus on Florida and local legislators
-Bring out role of ALEC in legislating private for-profit prisons
-Develop for Labor Day youth program in Miami a short presentation for thought of lobbying education
-At SEYM Gathering, have a workshop session

(Peace & Social Concerns Clerk’s note—having a concise statement on how Quaker testimonies stand against policies of mass incarceration and against new “Jim Crow” practices could be prepared for a basis for a preliminary SEYM Minute, for adoption at the Fall Interim Business Meeting, leading to an SEYM Minute and Statement of Concern for the next Gathering.)

Peacefully,

9/09/12 Minute of Miami Friends Meeting [in the records of Miami Friends Meeting this may be assigned a reference number]

Miami Friends Meeting gratefully acknowledges the leading of SEYM youth to take up the social concern of the conditions of life of Florida farmworkers, as explained to our Peace and Social Concerns Committee and to Friends who were present at 9:30 a.m. 9/02/2012 at our meeting house.

Committee members, Friends and attenders signed a letter to Publix that day, asking Publix to support the agreement between farmers and workers worked out by the Coalition of Immokalee Workers (the penny-a-pound-more agreement, with commitments to standards of health and sanitation and to fair compensation for other work). A copy of this letter will be added to our records.

Miami Friends Meeting submits this concern to SEYM for actions as led by SEYM youth, in consultation with SEYM Peace & Social Concerns.

Thank you.
—Warren
SEYM Worship & Ministry

The infinite emptiness of the human heart is first experienced as terror. When we are content to wait, it is transformed into an eager emptiness waiting to be filled. Paradoxically, this formlessness needs an outer structure in which to rest if it is to be used creatively. Mere formlessness points to a destructive nihilism. The mystery is, at it were, a jewel that needs a setting.

—Journey into Christ, Alan W. Jones (1977, p.21)

This 'setting' is needed by those experiencing the call to the spiritual journey. The stories I heard suggested specific needs for (1) celebrating the joy, (2) listening that goes to deep spiritual levels, (3) containing intense energy, and (4) supporting those in crisis.

—Dancing With God Through The Storm—Mysticism and Mental Illness, Jennifer Elam, Pendle Hill Pamphlet 344, p. 41

Dear SEYM Friends,

Please, feel welcome to join SEYM Worship & Ministry Committee's business meeting on the morning of Saturday, October 6, 2012, in Saint Petersburg MM. Come sit in the meeting for the entire time or some portion thereof—checking out the different Committee meetings as you wish to see which might spark your interest (or, in Quaker jargon: speak to your condition). Especially, if you are a member of your meeting's Worship & Ministry Committee or have an interest in such matters, you are welcome and encouraged to visit the W&M Com. meeting and join the discernment.

At the Fall Interim Business Meeting, Worship & Ministry Com. will focus on two areas. One is a speaker for the 2014 Michener Lecture, given at Orlando Meeting House the Sunday of Martin Luther King Weekend (the day after Winter Interim Business Meeting there). Please, share with Nancy Triscritti, Wendy Clarissa Geiger, or anyone on this Committee, the names of any Friends you feel have a message for us and so could deliver a Michener Lecture. The second area of focus will be inter-visitation among SEYM meetings and worship groups.

Please, see W&M Com.’s report in the DIA for the 2012 SEYM Annual Gathering for a description of the Com.’s numerous activities for 2012. Two members of the Com., Nancy Rose Logan of Sarasota and Jerry Knutson of Orlando/Richmond/Pittsburgh, participated in the Spring 2012 FWCC-organized World Conference of Friends, held in Kenya. Lyn Cope of Space Coast and Eduardo Diaz of Miami, also, participated in the World Conference of Friends. (Lyn’s ministry of photography captured the Conference and area beautifully, for Friends to understand for years to come, in the common African greeting translated into English: “I see you!” - WCG)

The SEYM Pendle Hill Scholarship for the 2012-2013 school year is being given to Elaine Martin, clerk of Jacksonville Meeting. Friend Elaine plans to participate in the clerking workshop led by clerking legend, Arthur Larrabee, in November 2012. The SEYM Pendle Hill Scholarship is around $100/yr., no longer covering the cost of a week’s sojourn or a workshop for an SEYMer at Pendle Hill, the Quaker study, conference, and contemplation center near Philadelphia, PA. Suggestions are welcome for discerning way forward regarding financing SEYMers’ spiritual edification opportunities.

In the Light of Christ’s Heart, gentle blessings and safe journeys,

Nancy Triscritti & Wendy Clarissa Geiger, co-clerks, SEYM W&M Com.
NT: (813) 374-2731; WCG: (904) 764-1722
SEYM Care and Community Report

Karen Stewart from Durham Monthly Meeting in North Carolina has been contacted and asked if she is open to joining us at the Gathering to offer training in Compassionate Listening. She has expressed enthusiasm at the idea of spending five days with our SEYM community. However, she still has to get final dates on a previous commitment before she can finalize with us. Additionally we have to receive financial approval from the finance committee. A request has been made for a total of one thousand dollars to cover her flight, room and board, and a two hundred dollar honorarium.

Draft guidelines have been developed. If all works for Karen to be with us I would ask that she review these guidelines and make suggestions.

We are working with Nominating Committee to identify Friends who feel led to participate with this Care and Community group. We are hoping to have Friends from throughout the SEYM area as participants.

It is recommended that this group be under the care of Worship and Ministry.

ALL KIDS FREE!
HELP US MAKE THIS A REALITY FOR 2013

DONATIONS WELCOME!
THANKS
THE GATHERING COMMITTEE

Ellie is setting up a table for goods and a donation box.
Nancy Triscritti is donating “my new product sets of 8 fabric napkins to support children coming to the Gathering at no cost to the family.”

All monies received go directly to SEYM Youth for free meals.

SEYM Youth Committee

We had a fantastic & inspiring weekend in Miami!

The youth committee reports that the SEYM will bring their concern about migrant worker rights and the Fair Food Campaign to the SEYM community. (See attached report). All 7 of the juniors and teens who drove down to Miami said they would like to come to St Pete on Oct 6th to reprise the presentation they made to Miami P&SC about this issue. We will be coordinating with you and Warren Hoskins/SEYM P&SC to bring this issue forward and teach the youth about Quaker process. Youth committee is also going to set up a workshop for the youth on advocacy skills sometime during the day at FIBM.

—Ann Sundberg

Karen Putney and Cece Yocum are offering a 2-hour advocacy workshop with the juniors/teens at FIBM. Then the youth will present the Fair Food Campaign to business meeting.
Visit To Immokalee
On August 31, 2012 the SEYM youth group visited the Coalition of Immokalee Workers. We were able to learn firsthand about the conditions of farmworkers. We were informed about the harsh conditions they have to endure. These include no access to breaks, bathrooms and water while working, physical and verbal abuse, sexual harassment and extreme working times. The workers must carry a 32 pound bucket of tomatoes to empty into a moving truck. For each of these buckets farm workers get 50 cents while grocery stores like Publix can sell the same 32 pounds of tomatoes for $100.

SEYM Junior/Teen Service Project
On September 1, 2012, after waking up at 6am on a Saturday morning, SEYM middle and high schoolers participated in a service project at Verde Gardens in Homestead, FL. The farm works with the Homestead Homeless Complex to give low income families access to locally grown organic produce. We prepared beds for planting, wheelbarrowing loads of compost and spreading it in mulch trenches. The extreme heat, the weight of the compost filled wheelbarrows and the general nature of farming made the work extremely challenging. Although we only worked for two hours, the difficulty of the experience was eye-opening for all of us in the youth program. This was an extremely good accompaniment to our trip to Immokalee, as it gave us an extremely small taste of the challenges farm workers face.

Immersion visit at Coalition of Immokalee Workers coordinated by Interfaith Action of SW Florida and facilitated by the Student Farmworker Alliance.

Service project at Verde Garden coordinated by Miami Friends Meeting & Mario Yanez, director of Earth Learning collaborative.

CAMPAIGN FOR FAIR FOOD In the past 10 years, the Coalition of Immokalee Workers have been successful in getting Taco Bell, McDonalds, Burger King and major food service providers on board with the Fair Food Campaign. However the largest grocery store chains are still holding out.

QUIAKER PROCESS Juniors & Teens wrote a letter to Publix asking them to join the Fair Food Campaign. They brought their concern to Miami Friends Peace & Social Concerns Committee who supported their leading. 32 members/attenders at Miami Meeting signed their letter.

ADVOCACY The SEYM youth group delivered their letter to a local Publix in Coral Gables. Next stop is SEYM’s Fall Interim Business Meeting at St Petersburg Meeting on October 6, 2012 to seek broader support for this cause in the Quaker community.

Would someone in your Meeting like to join our youth program? Contact Ann Sundberg, SEYM youth committee.
SEYM Youth are invited to travel with their families to the cabins at Wekiwa Springs!

Quaker values: Community & Stewardship

Quaker families from all over Southeastern Yearly Meeting will gather at the cabins of Wekiwa Springs State Park for a weekend of intergenerational camaraderie. Half Yearly Meeting begins Thursday November 22 with Thanksgiving supper. But if you have family plans on Thanksgiving, come on Friday morning when the youth programming begins.

This year’s theme is “Orienting our Lives with Nature.” Activities include Project Wild games, canoeing and Wilderness Explorer activities. On Friday evening we will have a Living Newspaper. On Saturday, youth will prepare dinner followed by an evening of board games.

Youth Program Schedule
Friday 9:00am - Noon, 7-9pm
Saturday 9:00am-Noon, 4-9pm
Sunday camp clean up 9:30-11am

Youth program run by CAP (Child Abuse Prevention) certified workers. Parental supervision when youth program is not in session.

Information & Registration for HYM will be posted on the SEYM website October 1, 2012. www.seym.org

Please register for HYM by November 12, 2012

Questions about Youth Events? Contact Ann Sundberg annsundberg@verizon.net (941) 358-9851
$8,500 Raised for Acahualinca Women’s Center. Director of the Acahualinca Women’s Center, Maria Elena Bonilla, returned from her visit to SEYM Gathering last spring to discover that the Spanish aid agency that provided their salaries had withdrawn all support from Central America. ProNica responded by launching a three-part appeal to bridge the gap while they applied to other large agencies: Facebook, Newsletter and to SEYM Monthly Meetings. The call was answered from all corners in the amount of $8,500! It was enough to cover seven salaries for two months, plus provide a vasectomy for the one man on the waiting list and numerous life-saving pap smears!

Casa Materna Ambulance. ProNica’s project partner, Casa Materna raised the $45,000 for a desperately needed new ambulance. This maternity house combats maternal and infant mortality in Nicaragua by housing expectant mothers with high-risk pregnancies. In addition to allowing rural mothers to be near a regional hospital equipped to deal with complications, they provide prenatal and postnatal care and education. ProNica supports the Casa Materna by providing post-operative medications and tubal ligations for women wishing to limit the size of their families.

Adios Lillian Hall. Bienvenidos Laura Hopps. After 14 years of fully putting her heart into ProNica’s mission and work, Lillian moved to Colombia where she is helping people displaced by decades of conflict. She spent a month training her replacement, Laura Hopps, selected from a pool of 50 applicants, a dozen of whom were interviewed. Laura graduated from George School, the same Quaker boarding school where Lillian’s son Trevor graduated. Laura has experience with community development and delegations in Nicaragua. She also holds a Master of Divinity degree from Harvard in Buddhism, and she considers herself a Buddhist Quaker. Welcome Laura!

OtherShifts in the ProNica Family. The role of clerking was split into two parts, and Kathy Hersh joins Pam Haigh to co-clerk the ProNica Committee. Doug McCown completed his second three-year term on the Board. Kaye Edwards from Haverford College joins the Board. One additional Board member will be appointed at FIBM.

Palm Beach Monthly Meeting to Host ProNica in November. ProNica has been moving Board meetings around SEYM. In addition to the home office in St. Petersburg, we have had meetings and fundraising events with Friends in Gainesville, Miami and Sarasota. We greatly look forward to being with Palm Beach Friends on November 10th. Please contact the St. Petersburg office if your meeting would like to host next!

—Melisa Ajabshir, Executive Director, 727-821-2428
GAINESVILLE FRIENDS MEETING  
702 NW 38 Street  
Gainesville FL 32607  

August 13, 2012

Ann Jerome  
Clerk, SEYM Executive Committee  
8470 Caraway Court  
Orlando FL 32819-4350

Dear Ann Jerome,

At our business meeting yesterday we approved:

2012.8.26: Gainesville Friends Meeting recommends that SEYM require Monthly Meetings to submit their membership lists by January 31, and that at the annual gathering the Finance Committee present the SEYM budget along with the apportionments based on those membership lists.

We did this because we approve our budget by June 1, the beginning of our fiscal year, so that we are always approving this before we receive the apportionments from SEYM, so we are approving our budget without enough information.

Also, if Friends at the SEYM gathering can know more clearly how the SEYM budget affects the monthly meeting budget, we think this would increase information and be helpful.

We hope this can be considered at the October IBM.

In the Light,

Laura Winefordner  
acting recording clerk
USEFUL INFORMATION of examples from SEYM's QuickBooks Pro bookkeeping application as kept by the office. Especially informative is the following report entitled Income/Expenses by Class; “class” being a QBP term for fund-accounting as defined on pages 20-21. The Balance Sheet for Fiscal Year to date, pages 22-23, provides an overview of all our efforts at fundraising and the benefits derived from investing in our future for our ANNUAL funds NOW, and for following years’ budgets as well!

—Lyn Cope, Administrative Secretary

Southeastern Yearly Meeting
Income/Expenses by Class
June 1 through September 16, 2012

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Gathering...</th>
<th>General F...</th>
<th>Half Yearl...</th>
<th>Michener...</th>
<th>Publications</th>
<th>Trustee’s...</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Income 2000 — Income</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2001 — Donations</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2002 — Individual Donations</td>
<td>150.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>150.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2003 — Meeting Donations</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2013 — Meeting Donations, Unaffiliated</td>
<td>50.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2023 — Meeting Donations, WG wo a...</td>
<td>112.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2003 — Meeting Donations - Other</td>
<td>22,454.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>22,454.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 2003 — Meeting Donations</td>
<td>22,616.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>22,616.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2006 — In-kind Donation</td>
<td>150.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>150.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2104 — Youth for Event Expenses</td>
<td>25.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2105 — Gathering Youth, to Trustees</td>
<td>14,398.04</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>14,398.04</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 2001 — Donations</td>
<td>22,941.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>14,398.04</td>
<td>37,339.04</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2200 — Investment Earnings</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2203 — Savings Account Interest</td>
<td>3.46</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>3.46</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2205 — Dividends FFC Gathering Youth</td>
<td>1,144.17</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,144.17</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2206 — Capital Gain(Loss) Gath. Youth</td>
<td>1,525.55</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,525.55</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2210 — Dividends FFC Michener Fund</td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2211 — Capital Gain(Loss) Michener</td>
<td>483.24</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>483.24</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2215 — Dividends FFC Bertsche OuTr...</td>
<td>835.09</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>835.09</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2216 — Capital Gain(Loss) BertscheOT...</td>
<td>1,113.46</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,113.46</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2220 — Dividends-FFC Sec, Salary Fund</td>
<td>2,587.82</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>2,587.82</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2221 — Capital Gain(Loss) Sec.'sSal Fd</td>
<td>848.26</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>848.26</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2225 — Dividends FFC Unrestricted</td>
<td>1,132.27</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,132.27</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2226 — Capital Gain(Loss) Unrestricted</td>
<td>739.92</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>739.92</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2230 — Dividends FFC Walton Fund</td>
<td>986.56</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>986.56</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2231 — Capital Gain(Loss) Walton</td>
<td>1,940.86</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,940.86</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2250 — Interest FGC Meetinghouse F...</td>
<td>450.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>450.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2255 — Dividends, Domini Fund</td>
<td>1,144.17</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,144.17</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2256 — Capital Gain(Loss) Domini</td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2280 — Dividends FFC SEYM Publicati...</td>
<td>248.31</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>248.31</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2281 — Capital Gain(loss) SEYM Publish</td>
<td>331.09</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>331.09</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 2200 — Investment Earnings</td>
<td>3.46</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>3.46</td>
<td>12,800.91</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2316 — GuideOne Insurance Dividends</td>
<td>44.99</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>44.99</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2380 — Postage/shipping reimbursement</td>
<td>17.50</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>17.50</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2600 — Sales</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>126.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2680 — Publication Sales</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>126.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 2600 — Sales</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>126.00</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 2000 — Income</td>
<td>22,989.45</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>722.90</td>
<td>27,198.95</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2700 — Transfer in FROM other classes</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2804 — from Trustee's Funds</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2805 — for Gathering Youth</td>
<td>1,144.17</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,144.17</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2810 — for Michener Lecture</td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td>-207.94</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2815 — for BertscheOutreach Travel</td>
<td>835.09</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>835.09</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2820 — for Secretary's Salary</td>
<td>1,940.86</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,940.86</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2830 — for Walton Lecture/Gathering</td>
<td>739.92</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>739.92</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 2804 — from Trustee's Funds</td>
<td>1,884.09</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,884.09</td>
<td>-207.94</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 2700 — Transfer in FROM other clas...</td>
<td>1,884.09</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,884.09</td>
<td>-207.94</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Lyn Cope, Administrative Secretary
## Southeastern Yearly Meeting
### Income/Expenses by Class
June 1 through September 16, 2012

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Gathering...</th>
<th>General F...</th>
<th>Half Yearl...</th>
<th>Michener...</th>
<th>Publications</th>
<th>Trustee's...</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Total Income</td>
<td>1,884.09</td>
<td>25,765.40</td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td>722.90</td>
<td>26,991.01</td>
<td>55,725.83</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Gross Profit</td>
<td>1,884.09</td>
<td>25,765.40</td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td>722.90</td>
<td>26,991.01</td>
<td>55,725.83</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Expense</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2999 — Expenses</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3000 — Operating Costs</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3080 — Duplication</td>
<td>2,081.87</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>2,081.87</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3100 — Insurance</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>341.15</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>341.15</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3108 — Liability Insurance</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 3100 — Insurance</td>
<td>341.15</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>341.15</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3200 — Office Supplies</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>56.91</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3270 — Payroll Expenses</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>11,144.28</td>
<td></td>
<td>11,144.28</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3271 — Employee insurance/medical</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,548.20</td>
<td></td>
<td>1,548.20</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3380 — Postage/Shipping</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>192.39</td>
<td></td>
<td>192.39</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3500 — Professional Fees</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3526 — Accounting</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>60.00</td>
<td></td>
<td>60.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 3500 — Professional Fees</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>60.00</td>
<td></td>
<td>60.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3640 — Rent</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3643 — warehouse</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>323.70</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>323.70</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 3640 — Rent</td>
<td>323.70</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>323.70</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3816 — Software</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>51.50</td>
<td>51.50</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3840 — Telephone &amp; Inet access</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>411.80</td>
<td></td>
<td>411.80</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3900 — Website</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3841 — Rent/fee .com off-site storage</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>100.00</td>
<td></td>
<td>100.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 3900 — Website</td>
<td>100.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>100.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 3000 — Operating Costs</td>
<td>16,260.30</td>
<td>51.50</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>16,311.80</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7000 — Operating Costs Programs</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7500 — Site Fees (Food &amp; Lodging)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7533 — Site Deposits</td>
<td>3,000.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>3,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 7500 — Site Fees (Food &amp; Lodging)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>3,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7575 — Site Fees/facility rental</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>400.00</td>
<td></td>
<td>400.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7900 — Youth Programs budgeted</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>885.67</td>
<td></td>
<td>885.67</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 7000 — Operating Costs Programs</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>885.67</td>
<td>400.00</td>
<td>4,285.67</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8000 — Representative Travel</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8160 — Annual Representative</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>167.00</td>
<td></td>
<td>167.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 8000 — Representative Travel</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>167.00</td>
<td></td>
<td>167.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 2999 — Expenses</td>
<td>3,000.00</td>
<td>17,312.97</td>
<td>400.00</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>20,764.47</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9000 — Transfer OUT TO other classes</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9005 for Gathering Youth</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,144.17</td>
<td>1,144.17</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9210 for Michener Lecture</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9215 for BertscheOutreachTravel</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>835.09</td>
<td>835.09</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9220 for Sec’s Salary</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>1,940.86</td>
<td>1,940.86</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9230 for Walton Lecture/Gathering</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>739.92</td>
<td>739.92</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 9000 — Transfer OUT TO other classes</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>5,022.47</td>
<td>5,022.47</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

### Total

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Class</th>
<th>Gathering...</th>
<th>General F...</th>
<th>Half Yearl...</th>
<th>Michener...</th>
<th>Publications</th>
<th>Trustee's...</th>
<th>TOTAL</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Total Expense</td>
<td>3,000.00</td>
<td>17,312.97</td>
<td>400.00</td>
<td>51.50</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td>25,786.94</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Net Income</td>
<td>-1,115.91</td>
<td>8,452.43</td>
<td>-400.00</td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td>671.40</td>
<td></td>
<td>29,938.89</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
**Financial History and Report** to EC and FIBM from Admin Secretary Lyn Cope

Wikipedia:

*Fund accounting is an accounting system emphasizing accountability rather than profitability, used by non-profit organizations and governments. In this system, a fund is a self-balancing set of accounts, segregated for specific purposes in accordance with laws and regulations or special restrictions and limitations.*

At YBM Gathering 2012, several Friends expressed confusion and concern over SEYM’s seemingly truncated financial reporting. The office was approached as were several others who, being diligent Friends, set out to figure out how better to create reports that inform without boredom the state of SEYM finances! Then one-by-one, the diligent were informed that this is the role of the Finance/budget committee and treasurer. Since the Finance Committee’s concerns and job description have always been the general-fund budget income and expenses, and knowing that the treasurer’s annual report on the state-of-finances for the Yearly Meeting is due at FIBM, I thought my contribution as bookkeeper-with-an-overview might be to provide a couple pie charts!

**Here is the scoop:**

Prior to 2000, SEYM bookkeeping evolved from single-entry ledger to fund-accounting as recommended by the Trustees and recommended by FGC. When treasurer Liz Jensen who had commenced setting up Quicken for the general fund died, former secretary Annie McPherson agreed to receive, deposit, and write checks. SEYM paid an accounting firm $3000 annually for reports that combined the independent event-driven fund-accounting from the Trustees, Michener, Walton/Gathering, and HYM committees, the treasurer’s Quicken accounting, and ProNica’s ledger accounts.

In 2001-2002 the accountants informed SEYM that rates would be doubling due to SEYM’s lack of double-entry bookkeeping. For a minimum estimate of 3K, the accounting firm offered to set up a double-entry bookkeeping system. That was sufficient to drive me to take a QuickBooksPro course and for Caroline Lanker, Clerk of Finance, to dig out her husband’s accounting books!

We queried Trustees, committee clerks, meeting treasurers and friends/Friends who were accountants. It was recommended by SEYMers that we keep the ‘fund-accounting’ in the manner of Friends so that the committees retained autonomy with accountability for event income and expenses. With the help of SEYM Clerk Dan Vaughn, ProNica became ProNica, Inc. and filed for its own non-profit 501c3.

Caroline and I set up QuickBooksPro double entry bookkeeping using the ‘class’/fund accounting to continue the independent fund-accounting reports that Friends wished to use and that we use today. This, Friends, is why the DIA often includes committee financial reports for each event!

Just as Friends come and go, the knowledge passes for decisions made and implemented. New Friends, new clerks, and new meeting treasurers are eager to question process and to incorporate their experiences. SEYM enthusiastically welcomes new energy hoping that new Friends will take the time to learn the scope before tackling major changes in bookkeeping.

**The fund-accounting set up in SEYM’s bookkeeping system includes:**

1. The Trustees’ Investment Funds ( overseen by Trustees),
2. General Fund ( overseen by Finance Committee with budget approved at Yearly Business Meeting),
3. Michener Lecture ( overseen by Worship and Ministry Committee),
4. Half Yearly Meeting ( overseen by HYM Committee),
5. YBM-Gathering & Walton Lecture ( overseen by YBM-Gathering Committee),
6. Triennial Travel ( overseen by Assistant Clerk),
7. Friends Peace Teams ( overseen by Finance Committee),
8. Sufferings ( overseen by Finance Committee),
9. Publications ( overseen by the secretary for publications).
Bear in mind:

- The **only income** that SEYM receives comes from meeting apportionments, registration fees, dividends/interest from Trustees’ investment funds, individual donations, in-kind donations, and publication sales.
- **Programs cost more than their registration fees.**
- The General Fund transfers money for events into fund-accounting for the event as approved at Yearly Business Meeting.
- Income from Trustee Funds is transferred into general-fund and event-fund accounting as approved by the trustees and yearly business meeting.

Seemingly complicating reports is the fact that money is fluid in fund-accounting. For example, money earned as dividends will show up in the Trustees’ fund-account both as income and expense because it gets transferred to another fund-account (travel, lectures, youth, sec. salary, etc.). Then same money shows up as income in another fund-account and is sometimes restricted for particular line-item expense such as travel, sec. salary, youth, lecturer’s expenses, etc.

Over the years, various fund-account reports from QBP have been published in DIAs. Intent to save paper, prevent boredom, and a desire to emphasize “Spirit” rather than monies has apparently been unsatisfactory for a few financially concerned individuals. I cheer you on as do, I am sure, the Finance Committee and Treasurer! Being more educated allows us to dwell on what matters most: providing programs, education, and support for Spirit.
Southeastern Yearly Meeting
Balance Sheet FY to date
As of September 16, 2012

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>ASSETS</th>
<th></th>
<th>Sep 16, '12</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>ASSETS</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Current Assets</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Checking/Savings</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0501 — Checking Account BOA</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>511 — Checking - Gen'l Fund - General</td>
<td>20,173.64</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>560 — Checking-GF-Triennial Travel</td>
<td>-999.95</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>566 — Checking-GF-Sufferings</td>
<td>170.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>610 — Checking-SA-Michener</td>
<td>362.43</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>630 — Checking-SA-YM Gathering</td>
<td>-1,115.91</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>650 — Checking-SA-HYM</td>
<td>-352.50</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>680 — Checking-SA-Publications</td>
<td>8,537.89</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>700 — Checking-Trustees</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>750 — Checking -FGC Meetinghouse ...</td>
<td>1,350.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>700 — Checking-Trustees - Other</td>
<td>-259.85</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total 700 — Checking-Trustees</strong></td>
<td>1,090.15</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>0501 — Checking Account BOA - Other</td>
<td>150.10</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total 0501 — Checking Account BOA</strong></td>
<td>28,015.85</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>903 — Savings BOA</td>
<td>20,797.66</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Checking/Savings</strong></td>
<td>48,813.51</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Accounts Receivable</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1100 — Accounts Receivable</td>
<td>19.08</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Accounts Receivable</strong></td>
<td>19.08</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Other Current Assets</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1120 — Inventory Asset</td>
<td>7.32</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1180 — FFC SEYM Publications Investm...</td>
<td>11,168.61</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1200 — Trustee Investments</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1205 — FFC Gathering Youth Fund</td>
<td>75,491.61</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1210 — FFC Michener</td>
<td>16,236.24</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1215 — FFC BertscheOutreachTravel F...</td>
<td>37,560.63</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1220 — FFC Secretary's Salary Fund</td>
<td>87,295.57</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1225 — FFC Unrestricted</td>
<td>39,002.41</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1230 — FFC Walton Fund</td>
<td>33,279.98</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1250 — FGC Meetinghouse Fund</td>
<td>22,050.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1255 — Domini Fund</td>
<td>22,783.25</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total 1200 — Trustee Investments</strong></td>
<td>333,699.69</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Other Current Assets</strong></td>
<td>344,875.62</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Current Assets</strong></td>
<td>393,708.21</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>TOTAL ASSETS</strong></td>
<td>393,708.21</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</th>
<th></th>
<th></th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td><strong>Liabilities</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Current Liabilities</strong></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1300 — Expected/prepaid expenses</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1383 — Prepaid Mtg. Donations</td>
<td>2,000.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1384 — Youth Donation FY next</td>
<td>977.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1385 — YAQ Donation FY next</td>
<td>100.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total 1300 — Expected/prepaid expenses</strong></td>
<td>3,077.00</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1370 — Payroll Liabilities</td>
<td>714.58</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Other Current Liabilities</strong></td>
<td>3,791.58</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Current Liabilities</strong></td>
<td>3,791.58</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td><strong>Total Liabilities</strong></td>
<td>3,791.58</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Southeastern Yearly Meeting  
Balance Sheet FY to date  
As of September 16, 2012  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Amount</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1400 — Trustees Funds Equity</td>
<td>224,581.86</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1500 — Operational Equity/ Net Assets</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1511 — General Fund Net Assets</td>
<td>23,910.21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1560 — Triennial Travel Net Assets</td>
<td>4,849.80</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1580 — Publications Net Assets</td>
<td>10,032.03</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total 1500 — Operational Equity/ Net Ass...</td>
<td>38,792.04</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1700 — Retained Earnings</td>
<td>96,435.09</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1800 — Opening Bal Net Assets</td>
<td>168.75</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Net Income</td>
<td>29,938.89</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Total Equity</td>
<td>389,916.63</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>TOTAL LIABILITIES &amp; EQUITY</td>
<td>393,708.21</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
Contents

Directions to Meeting House/Hospitality . . . 1
Clerk’s Welcome and Schedule ............... 2

Agenda ........................................... 2-3

Sat. Committee Meeting invitations ....... 4
Reminder to Assist Recording Clerks ....... 4

Standing Committee Reports ............. 4-15
  Archives Committee .................... 4-5
  Committee on Earthcare ............... 6-7
  Gathering Committee Agenda ........ 8
  Nominating Committee Report ....... 8-10
  Peace and Social Concerns ......... 10-11
  Worship and Ministry ............... 12
  Care & Community/Gathering Committee
    Fund Raiser for Youth ........... 13
  Youth Committee ..................... 13
  Quaker Youth Report ............... 14
  Youth Program flier ................ 15

Quaker Org. Reports ...................... 16
  ProNica Report ......................... 16

Operational Reports ..................... 17-23
  Proposed Minute from Gainesville ... 17

Useful Information: QuickBooks Pro
  Income/Expenses by Class .......... 18-19
  History and reasoning for QBP .... 20-21
  Balance Sheet FY-0916 ............. 22-23

FIBM 2011 at Sarasota Meeting House

— lynCope