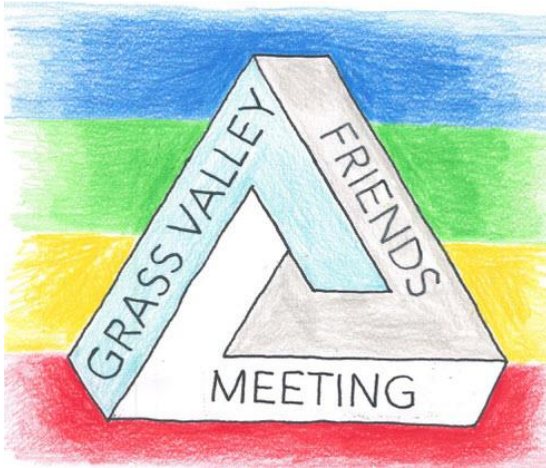


GRASS VALLEY  
FRIENDS MEETING  
*Of the Religious Society of Friends  
College Park Quarterly Meeting,  
Pacific Yearly Meeting*



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**First Days: 9:00am Singing at the Meeting House (zoom)  
10:00 am Silent Meeting for Worship (in-person and zoom)  
To receive the zoom link, [grassvalleyfriends@gmail.com](mailto:grassvalleyfriends@gmail.com).**

**Newsletter, Fifth Month, 2022**

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**ANNOUNCEMENT:**

**Grass Valley Friends Meeting: Covid Policy as of May 15, 2022:** Grass Valley Friends Meeting is now offering in-person Meeting for Worship in the Meeting House with zoom access. Our Children's Program is in-person. This Friends Meeting follows covid protocols set by Western Nevada County Public Health. We acknowledge that this policy is based on current circumstances and may change in the future. We acknowledge each person's choices in a spirit of acceptance and love.

- Masking is optional.
- Immunizations are no longer required.
- We will resume coffee hour and potluck.
- We will ask anyone who feels ill to attend Meeting using the Zoom option.
- We will provide extra serving utensils to avoid touching food.
- Folks are welcome to bring their own food to potlucks if they feel nervous about sharing.

## MEETING CALENDAR

### *First Sunday*

- Program to be announced

### *Second Sunday*

- Hybrid Silent Meeting for Worship Meeting and for Worship on the Occasion of Business

### *Third Sunday*

- **As announced**

### *Fourth Sunday*

- Spiritual Life – *Forgiveness* led by Gordon Starr

### *Fifth Sunday*

- On Fifth Sundays we hold a Family Meeting for Worship. *Children and adults gather and spend 20 minutes in storytelling, 20 minutes in singing and 20 minutes in silent worship.*

✚ 1st First Day: Bible Story and Song

✚ 2<sup>nd</sup> First Day: A Story and a Craft or Activity

✚ 3<sup>rd</sup> First Day: A Story plus Time for Silent Worship

✚ 4<sup>th</sup> First Day: A Creative, Topical Curriculum

✚ 5<sup>th</sup> First Day: Family Worship (a story, singing and silent worship)

✚ [Online Worship](#): every Wednesday evening, 7:00-7:30 pm

## HAPPENING NOW

- May 1, 2022 11:30p.m. -12:30p.m. Peter O'Rourke, the Artist (See page 7 for details.)
- May 6, 2022, 4:00 pm - 5:30p.m. George Fox 400<sup>th</sup> Birthday Celebration Planning Session (See page 8 for details.)
- May 22, 2022, 11:15a.m.: *Our relationship with the Nisenan* led by Dorothy Henderson and Judy Hamilton
- May 28, 2022, Saturday, 10:00a.m. *Memorial Service for Marguerite Blickenstaff* at the Nevada City Theatre

## HAPPENING LATER

- June 11, 2022, Saturday, 1:00p.m. *Deborah Aufdenspring's Memorial* Hybrid, additional details forthcoming
- June 12, 2022, Sunday, 2:30p.m. – 4:30p.m. InterFaith Nevada County *Community Singing for Peace* (See page 10 for details)
- June 18, 2022, Saturday, 11:00a.m. Trabucco Ranch, *Julia Reynolds Memorial Service*, additional details to follow.
- June 26, 2022, 11:15a.m.: *The Doctrine of Discovery* led by Dianne Marshall
- July 3-9, 2022, Friends General Conference, Radford University, Radford, VA
- July 16, 2022, Saturday: **Bob Barnes Memorial Service**
- **July 22-27, 2022, Pacific Yearly Meeting Annual Session 2022.** A decision will be made at RepCom whether it will be all online or there will be an in-person component. Theme: *Beloved Community: What Does It Mean to Belong: to Ourselves, to Each Other, to the Earth?*
- **October, 2022:** Bicentennial Celebration of the Quakers in Congenies, France (details to follow)

## **MINUTES & RECORD: Meeting for Worship on the Occasion of Business, May 15, 2022**

We met in a hybrid meeting on Zoom and in person.

**Present:** Dean Olson(co-clerk), Amy Cooke, Chamba Cooke, Gordon Starr, Mary Starr, Judy Hamilton, Dianne Marshall, Cheryl Hendrikson, Olivia Cowen

The Meeting opened with silent worship.

### **Clerks' Remarks and Query**

#### *What are we grateful for?*

- Grateful to be part of this meeting, thanks to Zoom, and for the ministry today.
- An embarrassment of riches - home, financial security, health, healthy family, meeting, supportive friends
- The sunshine, the warmth
- Grateful that - in the face of the enormity of our work to heal the world - the things we do work toward the solution
- Grateful for a new neighborhood, surrounded by community
- Health, this community
- Grateful for the community of Quakers all over the world
- Filled with gratitude for the connections of this place, no place I'd rather be in heaven.

### **Action Items and Seasoning:**

- The nominating slate will be brought back at the Fifth Month Meeting for Business.
- The mask and vaccine mandates for Meeting will continue to be explored and feedback gathered, to be brought back to the Fifth Month Meeting for Business.

**COMMITTEE REPORTS** (see reports appended, committee clerk is noted in bold)

**NOMINATING:** Doug Hamm, Patricia Phillips, Karen Olson, Don McCormick and Pat Phillips

**MINUTE 2022.05.01: Grass Valley Friends Meeting approves the 2022-23 Nominating Slate as attached to these minutes.**

The committee brings forward the following names to season until Sixth Month:

- Doug Hamm for Pacific Yearly Meeting representative
- Doug Hamm for College Park Quarterly Meeting representative
- Reed Hamilton and Sharon Davisson for the Spirit and Witness Committee.
- Dean Olson for mail clerk.

**STEWARDSHIP:** **Mary Starr**, Gordon Starr, Reed Hamilton, Pat Phillips, Doug Hamm, Fosten Wilson (Treasurer, Ex-officio) Dianne Marshall (ex officio as Librarian and Newsletter Editor), Hailey Wilson, Reed Hamilton

Gordon Starr gave the report. The Treasurer reported that \$1459.00 came in over the last month. It was noted that monthly donations on Tithely are very helpful as those help us regulate our income.

**SPIRIT & WITNESS:** Gordon Starr, Judy Hamilton, Gordon Bishop, Dorothy Henderson, Dean and Karen Olson (ex-officio Co Clerks), **Judy Hamilton**

Judy Hamilton gave the report, attached.

The Naming Committee brought forth the following names for Nominating, with terms:

Dorothy Henderson (fulfilling Pat Phillips term): 2022-2023

Sharon Davisson, continuing: 2021-2023

Judy Hamilton and Gordon Starr: 2022-2024

These names will now season until the 6th month Meeting for Business.

**Minute 2022.05.02: Grass Valley Friends Meeting accepts the recommendations for an updated Covid policy. We acknowledge that this policy is based on current circumstances and may change in the future. We acknowledge each person's choices in a spirit of acceptance and love.**

- **Masking is optional**
- **Immunizations are no longer required**
- **We will resume coffee hour and potluck**
- **We will ask anyone who feels ill to attend Meeting via the Zoom option.**
- **We will provide extra serving utensils to avoid touching food.**
- **Folks are welcome to continue masking or bring their own food to potlucks, if they feel nervous about sharing.**

**WELCOME:** Karen Olson, **Kathy McCreery**, ex officio Website/Facebook Coordinator (Amy Cooke), ex officio Zoom coordinator (Hailey Wilson and Stuart Smith), ex officio Email Coordinator (Judy Hamilton), Don McCormick, Pat Phillips.

**CHILDREN'S PROGRAM:** Karen Olson, Judy Hamilton, **Dorothy Henderson**, Gordon Bishop, Anita McCormick, Doug Hamm, Don McCormick

## **OFFICER REPORTS**

- **TREASURER** *see Stewardship Report*
- **SFC REPRESENTATIVE:** Summer Camp is coming! Chris Benfield is no longer the Maintenance Supervisor and this position is currently open.
- **INTERFAITH NEVADA COUNTY:** Interfaith Nevada County is planning on a Community Sing for Peace on June 12th 2:30 - 4:30, Union Square on Mill Street.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

- Marguerite Blickenstaff's Memorial: at the Nevada Theater, May 28th at 10 am.
- Deborah Aufdenspring's Memorial: June 11, 1 pm, Hybrid, additional details forthcoming.
- Julia Reynolds memorial will be at 11 a.m. on June 18th at Trabucco Ranch
- Bob Barns' memorial will be held on July 16, 2022. It will be held on Zoom. Additional details will be forthcoming.
- If you use Facebook, follow the Grass Valley Friends Meeting page, or join the Facebook Grass Valley Friends Meeting group. If you share a post from the page, your friends will see it! It helps our visibility. Follow this [link](#).

- Paul Hartsough is recovering from a serious stroke. Hold him in your heart. He is home now but can not communicate well. For updates, search for his name at “[www.caringbridge.org](http://www.caringbridge.org)”.
- Chamba Cooke, who is currently one of the amis-residents at the Centre Quaker Congenies in France, invited us to the Bicentennial Celebration of the Quakers in Congenies, France at the end of October.
  - Nancy Anderson needs support with Tristan on Mondays 4pm - 8 pm. Please contact her if you can help.
  - If you use Facebook, follow the Grass Valley Friends Meeting page, or join the Facebook Grass Valley Friends Meeting group. If you share a post from the page, your friends will see it! It helps our visibility. Follow this [link](#).
  - It’s easy to give to Grass Valley Friends Meeting! Go to [gvfriends.org](http://gvfriends.org) and click on the Give button. This takes you to a secure site for donations. Please consider making your contribution monthly. Your contribution covers our Pacific Yearly Meeting dues and ensures that our activities as a Meeting are sustained. Thank you. Please note: Tithely now allows the user to change the dollar of their gift without making a new donation request.
  - Sierra Friends Center has volunteer opportunities available. See [www.woolman.org](http://www.woolman.org).

### **ACTION ITEMS & ITEMS SEASONING**

- Nominating Committee Slate, 2022-2023
- Additions to the 2022-23 Meeting Slate
  - Doug Hamm for Pacific Yearly Meeting representative
  - Doug Hamm for College Park Quarterly Meeting representative
  - Reed Hamilton and Sharon Davisson for the Spirit and Witness Committee.
  - Dean Olson for mail clerk.

### **READING OF THE RECORD AND MINUTES**

The record and the minutes were read, corrected and approved.

If you are giving a report to GVFM, please send the actual report to the recording clerk at [grassvalleyfriends@gmail.com](mailto:grassvalleyfriends@gmail.com) THE FRIDAY BEFORE MEETING FOR BUSINESS.

GVFM Newsletter Reminder: Please have items into Diane Marshall by Tuesday at 10 am.

The Meeting closed with silent worship.

Respectfully recorded by Amy Cooke, recording clerk.

### **APPENDICES:**

1. Spirit and Witness Report
2. Children’s Program Report
3. Welcome Committee Report: Report on a Quaker Organization: FWCC
4. Stewardship Committee Report
5. Nominating Committee: SLATE
6. Treasurer’s Report

## **PROPOSED GVFM SLATE FOR 2022-2023, effective July 1, 2022**

### COMMITTEES:

Stewardship: Mary Starr (clerk), Pat Phillips, Reed Hamilton, Gordon Starr, Doug Hamm. Dianne Marshall (ex-officio, Newsletter editor), Fosten Wilson (ex-officio, Treasurer), Don McCormick (ex-officio, Librarian).

Welcoming: Kathy McCreery (clerk), Don McCormick, Pat Phillips, Karen Olson. Hailey Wilson (ex-officio, zoom coordinator), Amy Cooke (ex-officio, Website and Facebook coordinator), Judy Hamilton (ex-officio, email coordinator),

Spirit/Witness: Gordon Bishop, Amy Cooke, Dorothy Henderson. Dean & Karen Olson (ex-officio, co-clerks)

Children's Program: Dorothy Henderson (clerk), Gordon Bishop, Doug Hamm, Judy Hamilton, Dean Olson, Karen Olson, Reed Hamilton, Don McCormick, Anita McCormick.

**For the former category of representatives please see organizational restructuring at the bottom of this document.**

- Co-Clerks: Dean and Karen Olson
- Recording Clerk: Amy Cooke
- Newsletter Editor: Dianne Marshall
- Newsletter Distributor: Pat Phillips
- Email Coordinator: Judy Hamilton
- Treasurer: Fosten Wilson
- Zoom Coordinator: Hailey Wilson
- Website/Facebook Coordinator: Amy Cooke
- Librarian: Don McCormick
- Recorder: Stuart Smith
- Directory Clerk: Nancy Anderson
- Mail Clerk: Dean Olson
- Interfaith Nevada County: Dianne Marshall
- Sierra Friends Center Rep: Pat Phillips
- PYM rep: Don McCormick
- CPQM rep: Doug Hamm

Please note: Most organizations no longer have representatives from GVFM. They are held in two committees, Welcome and Spirit and Witness.. To refresh everyone's memory, here is a description of the system that has been in operation since July, 2021.

Welcome Committee holds the "connect with Quakers" organizations: Ben Lomond Quaker Center (BLQC), College Park Quarterly Meeting (CPQM), Friends General Conference (FGC), Friends World Committee on Consultation (FWCC), Pacific Yearly Meeting (Pac YM), and Sierra Friends Center (SFC).

Spirit and Witness holds the "Faith and Practice" organizations: American Friends Service Committee (AFSC), Friends Committee for Legislation (FCNL/FCL-CA), Interfaith of Nevada County, Quaker United Nations Organization (QUNO), and Right Sharing of World Resources (RSWR) The Nisenan have been added to Spirit and Witness.

Each month, a member of one of the two committees prepares a report on one of their committee's organizations based on the queries below. The committees alternate months, with odd months going to one committee and even months the other one. That gives many people the opportunity to "discover" Quaker organizations, and to hear from different people so that we all get to hear from each other. The reports are structured around the following queries:

What is this organization's mission statement?

What are their current activities or plans?

What is exciting?

Are there any concerns?

How can Friends get involved if they feel inspired?

Is anyone in our meeting particularly involved? How?

Four organizations continue to have a representative (PYM, CPQM, SFC, and Interfaith) who will report to the meeting as needed. However, these organizations will also be included in the once-a-year report to business meeting from either Welcome (PYM, CPQM, SFC) or Spirit and Witness (Interfaith).

The following organizations are officially omitted from the Nominating Slate of Representatives:

- American Friends Service Committee - AFSC
- Ben Lomond Quaker Center - BLQC
- Friends Committee for National Legislation - FCNL
- Friends Committee for Legislation, CA -FCL-CA
- Friends General Conference - FGC
- Friends World Committee for Consultation - FWCC
- Quaker United Nations Organization - QUNO
- Right Sharing of World Resources - RSWR

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FRIENDS, Your monthly contributions add greatly to GVFWM to have sufficient funds year round. **Click on button below.**



- **Note: This button will take you to a secure site.** It's easy to give to Grass Valley Friends Meeting! Click on the Give button above or go to [gvfriends.org](http://gvfriends.org) and click on the "GIVE" button. This takes you to a secure site for donations. Your monthly contribution covers our Pacific Yearly Meeting dues and ensures that our activities as a Meeting are sustained. *Tithely* now allows the user to change the dollar of their gift without making a new donation request Thank you.
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## **ADVISES AND QUERIES – FIFTH MONTH: Harmony with Creation**

*It would go a long way to caution and direct people in their use of the world, that they were better studied and knowing in the Creation of it. For how could [they] find the confidence to abuse it, while they should see the Great Creator stare them in the face, in all and every part thereof?*

William Penn, *some fruits of solitude*, 1693

God is revealed in all Creation. We humans belong to the whole interdependent community of life on earth. Rejoice in the beauty, complexity, and mystery of creation, with gratitude to be part of its unfolding. Take time to learn how this community of life is organized and how it interacts. Live according to principles of right relationship and right action within this larger whole.

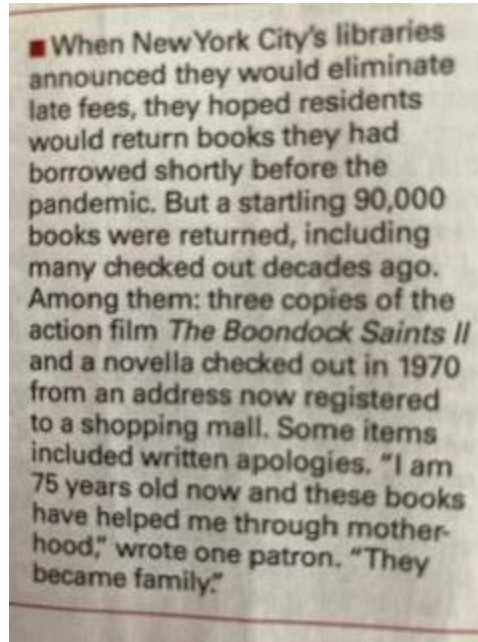
Be aware of the influence humans have on the health and viability of life on earth. Call attention to what fosters or harms earth's exquisite beauty, balances and interdependencies. Guided by Spirit, work to translate this understanding into ways of living that reflect our responsibility to one another, to the greater community of life, and to future generations.

In what ways do I express gratitude for the wondrous expressions of life on Earth?

- Do I consider the damage I might do to the Earth's vulnerable systems in choices I make of what I do, what I buy, and how I spend my time?
- *In our witness for the global environment, are we careful to consider justice and the well-being of the world's poorest people?*
- *Does our way of life threaten the viability of life on Earth?*



## Library as Family



■ When New York City's libraries announced they would eliminate late fees, they hoped residents would return books they had borrowed shortly before the pandemic. But a startling 90,000 books were returned, including many checked out decades ago. Among them: three copies of the action film *The Boondock Saints II* and a novella checked out in 1970 from an address now registered to a shopping mall. Some items included written apologies. "I am 75 years old now and these books have helped me through motherhood," wrote one patron. "They became family."

## The Peace Testimony and Ukraine April 1, 2022, By [Bryan Garman](#)

The Russian invasion of Ukraine has shaken us all. Innocent civilians have been killed, suffering has worsened, negotiations have failed. Governments around the globe are condemning this depraved military maneuver and are collaborating to defuse it in ways that seemed impossible only a week ago. We hold the citizens of Ukraine and all victims of war in the Light....

There can be, and in the case of stopping fascism there were, multiple truths. The peace testimony provides a moral touchstone and calls us to act according to the leadings of our conscience. It enables us to recognize that faith must be tested in real time and on rugged terrain where change accelerates toward unforgiving and potentially irreversible circumstances. The testimony's archaic language calls us to do our best to arrest time and wrestle with eternity, so that we might discern truth with discipline, so that we might act to save the best of humanity for the future. This way of being in the world is not infallible, but it may well offer us the best chance we know to seek peace, to pause so that we can see the divine even in our enemies, and to weigh competing truths. [More](#)

# Community Singing for Peace

**PURPOSE:** To share through song, messages of love, respect, peace, and appreciation for all of God's children. To celebrate what our faiths share.



Sponsored by InterFaith Nevada County

**June 12, 2022  
2:30p.m. – 4:30p.m.  
151 Union Square Stairway,  
Mill Street, Grass Valley**



**Join us for two hours of song offered up by  
Taylor Carey, The Loft Community Choir, Sierra Sufi Circle, JB Eckl - Baha'i  
Community,  
Grass Valley Male Voice Choir**

We may use this gathering as an opportunity to raise funds for Ukrainian refugees and others in conflict situations around the world.

## **QUNO (Quaker United Nations Organization)**



By Shera Banbury

The **Quaker United Nations Office (QUNO)** is a non-governmental organization representing the [Religious Society of Friends \(Quakers\)](#) at the [United Nations](#) in [Geneva](#) and [New York City](#). Parent bodies of QUNO are the [Friends World Committee for Consultation \(FWCC\)](#),<sup>[1]</sup> [American Friends Service Committee](#)<sup>[2]</sup> and [Quaker Peace and Social Witness](#).<sup>[3]</sup> FWCC holds [consultative status](#) with the [United Nations Economic and Social Council](#),<sup>[4]</sup> and the Quaker UN Offices in New York and Geneva operate on behalf of Friends worldwide through this status. The offices work closely on issues of Human Rights and refugees, peace and disarmament, human impacts of climate change, as well as peacebuilding and the prevention of violent conflict.<sup>[5]</sup>

In June 2013, Andrew Tomlinson and Jonathan Woolley, Directors of the New York and Geneva offices, were listed jointly by Action On Armed Violence, as one of the 100 most influential global actors in armed violence reduction.<sup>[6]</sup>

Sarah Clarke is the current director of the New York office and [Nozizwe Madlala-Routledge](#) is the current director of the Geneva office.<sup>[7]</sup> <sup>[8]</sup> Past directors of the offices have included: David Atwood,<sup>[9]</sup> [Sydney Bailey](#),<sup>[10]</sup> Stephen Collett,<sup>[11]</sup> and Philip and Lois Jessup.<sup>[11]</sup>

- [QUNO delivers interventions at the 56th session of the IPCC](#)
- [QUNO Geneva speaks at “Building the Bridge: Virtual Launch Event for UNIDIR’s Arms-Related Risk Analysis Toolkit”](#)
- [QUNO Geneva invites applications for Program Assistantships](#)



[Right Sharing of World Resources 2<sup>nd</sup> Quarterly Newsletter](#)

## **Nurturing the Seed**

On my recent trip to Africa to make a film for Right Sharing I came to understand this: the grants we give to women are seeds that they nurture, grow, and share. The women of the Kassai and Sengbe villages in the Northern Province of Sierra Leone showed me how God’s love flows through acts of generosity.

This group of women applied for a Right Sharing grant in 2018, when the chief of their village was a woman. They used the funds to seed a rice field. They told me right at the beginning when they planted the rice they had an incredible harvest. From their overflow they took 7 bushels of rice seeds and gifted them to a neighboring group of women, so they could plant that rice and start their farming. That group did it, and they in turn gifted it to another group. At the end of the cycle of gifting, over 60 women were positively impacted. When we arrived at the villages, the women were all wearing matching outfits to show their pride and unity.

They took us on a short hike to their rice fields to show us how they harvest. The gifts we're given by God, either materially or spiritually, are not for holding onto.

We're all sharing our gifts and doing our part – our gifts only become valuable when we pass them along. Samson Ababu and Pauline Musinga, Field Representatives in Kenya, say in their trainings: “This is Seed money – you are planting it, harvesting it, sharing it and helping it grow.” The seeds of love are grown by our women partners and from their overflow passed on in their communities and families. When you give from your overflow, the outcomes are more far-reaching than you can know.

My visit with our partners in Sierra Leone and Kenya helped me understand our partners' deep commitment to continuing generosity. The seeds are for planting, and the overflow is for sharing. With abundant gratitude  
Jackie

## THE UNDERGROUND RAILROAD PAINTING



The Underground Railroad painting (1893) was painted by Charles Webber. It shows abolitionists helping slaves escape to Canada. The abolitionists are Levi Coffin, Catherine Coffin and Hannah Haydock; the other abolitionists and the slaves are unnamed. The scene takes place at Levi Coffin's farm outside Cincinnati in mid-winter. The work was first exhibited at the Chicago World's Fair and created a sensation. Inspired by the painting, Wilbur Henry Siebert wrote *The Underground Railroad from Slavery to Freedom*, the earliest scholarly book on the subject. The painting is in oil. It hangs now in the Cincinnati Art Museum.

Levi Coffin, a Friend, was known as the “President of the Underground Railroad” and assisted over 3000 slaves to escape. Catherine Coffin and Hannah Haydock, also Friends, were active in the Underground Railroad, too.

The Underground Railroad painting is a stirring, epic work. Charles Webber, a friend of the Coffins, also participated in the Underground Railroad. Fascinatingly, the man holding the horses' reins resembles a self-portrait of Webber. He may have painted himself into the picture.

Gary Sandman

For more information about Quaker art and artists, please visit [garysandmanartist.com](http://garysandmanartist.com).

## Quakers and Boarding Schools for Indigenous Children in the U.S.

Decolonizing Quakers  
<https://www.decolonizingquakers.org/>

Quakers founded and operated at least 30 day schools and boarding schools on Indigenous nations' lands beginning as early as 1796. After 1819, when the "Indian Civilization Act" was passed by Congress, some received federal funds. Collaboration with the federal government after 1869, with the launching of President Grant's "Peace Policy."

The Peace Policy was initiated in the wake of the Civil War, when the federal government faced continuing wars to drive away or "contain" Native peoples. President Grant's plan, strongly supported by Quakers and other Christian bodies, was to assimilate Native peoples into the ways of White settlers, by instructing their children to leave traditional ways behind.

From the 1870s to the 1960s, the federal government ran a system of on and off-reservation boarding schools, designed to permanently separate Indigenous children from their families, their tribal nations, their faith, their culture, and their Indigenous identity. Most of these schools are now closed; some are under tribal management, and a few are still operated by the federal government. [Click here to read about:](#)

- How the Plan Worked Out
- Confronting the Truth
- Resources for Information and Action
- [Review Minutes and Statements of Support](#) from Quaker Yearly and Monthly Meetings and from faith partners
- [Learn more](#) about Native American Boarding Schools and the role of churches – including Quakers – in the plans and implementation of these schools.
- [Here are the basics about the legislation](#): Summary, text, and links to co-sponsor lists. Are your Senators and Representatives listed as co-sponsors?
- [Actions you can take](#) to support healing from the Boarding School Era.

### Additional Resources provided by



Toward Right Relationship  
with Native Peoples

- [Indian Country Today](#) article by Kalle Benallie. The full text of the report is posted [here](#).

Please contact us if you would like to schedule these online slide presentations:

- ***"The Indian Boarding Schools and Multigenerational Trauma,"*** by TRR co-director Jerilyn DeCoteau (Turtle Mountain Chippewa). Jerilyn is past president of the board of directors of the National Native American Boarding School Healing Coalition.
- ***"The Quaker Indigenous Boarding Schools: Facing our History and Ourselves"***, by TRR co-director Paula Palmer.
- ***"Roots of Injustice, Seeds of Change: Toward Right Relationship with Native Peoples."*** This online workshop situates the Indigenous boarding schools in the context of centuries of colonization and assimilation policies carried out by the federal government and the churches. [Register here](#) for upcoming workshops on May 21 or July 10.

## Poem Found on the Internet

Written during WW2, on the wall of a cellar, by a Jew in the Cologne concentration camp.

“I believe in the sun  
even when it is not shining  
And I believe in love,  
even when there’s no one there.  
And I believe in God,  
even when he is silent.  
I believe through any trial,  
there is always a way  
But sometimes in this suffering  
and hopeless despair  
My heart cries for shelter,  
to know someone’s there  
But a voice rises within me, saying hold on  
my child, I’ll give you strength,  
I’ll give you hope. Just stay a little while.  
I believe in the sun  
even when it is not shining  
And I believe in love  
even when there’s no one there  
But I believe in God  
even when he is silent  
I believe through any trial  
there is always a way.  
May there someday be sunshine  
May there someday be happiness  
May there someday be love  
May there someday be peace....”

– Unknown



# Grass Valley Friends Meeting (GVFM) Contact Information (7-1-21)

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