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College Meeting for Worship

Beyond Joy '02, a Peace & Conflict Studies/Philosophy double major, will lead College meeting for Worship on April 21st. Pearl Mueller '02, a Peace & Conflict Studies/Spanish double major, will lead the worship on Sunday, April 28th. All are welcome. For further information, contact the Friends Center, ext. 2326.

Triad Hillel Upcoming Events

EXODUS: see the award-winning film again, **Sunday, April 14, 1:30 pm**, Dana Auditorium at Guilford College. Tickets are \$8 in advance, \$5 at the door. Contact the Greensboro Jewish Federation at 852-5433 to buy a ticket.

YOM HAATZMAUT: celebrate 52 years of Israeli independence on **Sunday, April 14, 7 pm**, Frank Science Center at Guilford College with a Yom Haatzmaut seder and party. Free Israeli food (and lots of it), Israeli music, ice cream, fun, activities, and more. **DON'T MISS THIS!**

Goat Lady Dairy

By Rebecca Muller

I awoke to a voice shouting, "Daffodil hasn't kidded yet" and the sound of milk machines being switched on. It seemed like a strange dream, but as I pinched my arm, I realized that there really were 6 goats getting milked in front of me! This was my first morning at the Goat Lady Dairy Farm.

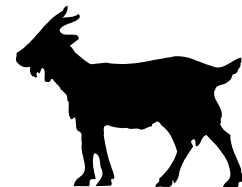
I had arrived the afternoon before, and after a lunch of goat cheese pizza, I helped Amy, the intern at the Goat Lady Dairy farm who hopes to learn how to start her own farm, to wash out the old milk bottles given to the baby goats. The farm is owned by brother and sister team Ginny and Steve Tate, and Steve's wife Lee. At 5:30, it was time to feed the baby goats, and we were each able to hold one of the newborns while we bottle-fed them with cow's milk. The newborns had shirts put on them to insulate them against the cold, since they had not yet been able to do that naturally.

As dusk drew near, we helped with small chores like sweeping the porch and helping to herd the baby goats back into the pens. We prepared our own dinners at nightfall with goat cheese fresh from the farm – flavors included horseradish, peppercorn, plain, and Ginny's special blend, among others. There were four Guilford students working on the farm at any given time, and although it was a tough job, we managed to eat our fair share of the various flavor combinations!

Work on the farm was not limited to helping with the goats and goat feeding, however. In preparation for

lunch, we also helped Ginny and Steve's mother with the gardening. I am now able to put mint leaves in a different classification from general weeds! Before working at the farm, I had heard that there might be a possibility that we could help to deliver a baby goat. I wondered how frequent the births were, and reminded myself that this might not be likely to happen. To my surprise, there was not only one, but at least four baby goats delivered during a period of only a few days! I helped with the shaving of the goats to prepare them for birth, and all volunteers took turns helping to feed the newborn "kids" their first bottle.

Having been raised in Miami, I had not had many opportunities to help work on a goat farm! The only goats I was familiar with as a child were those I saw at the county fair. This was both an educational and rewarding experience. Although I have a long way to go before I know enough to do the kinds of jobs we did on the farm single-handedly, I will never be able to take for granted the amount of work it takes to keep up with that number of goats. I think many others who have worked on the farm will agree that it will be hard to eat goat cheese the same way again!



BEN PINK DANDELION TO LECTURE AT GUILFORD

British Quaker sociologist Ben Pink Dandelion will present public lectures at Guilford College Tuesday, April 16, and Wednesday, April 17.

Dandelion will present a talk on how early Quaker spirituality informs today's approach to tragedy April 16, and he will discuss themes from his upcoming book, *The Creation of Quaker Theology*, April 17. Both events will be at 7:30 p.m. in Founders Gallery. In addition to these two presentations, there will be a 4:00 p.m. Tea and Discussion in the Hut on Tuesday.

Dandelion is based in England and works as associate director for the Centre for Quaker Studies at the University of Sunderland,

as a lecturer in the Department of Theology at the University of Birmingham, and as a tutor in post-graduate studies at Woodbrooke College.

He edits the journal *Quaker Studies* and convenes the Quaker Studies Research Association. His particular focus is the sociology of contemporary Quakerism.

Dandelion has written *A Sociological Analysis of the Theology of Quakers: The Silent Revolution; Heaven on Earth: Quakers and the Second Coming* (with Douglas Gwyn and Timothy Peat); and *God The Trickster?*

He earned a bachelor of arts in combined humanities and a doctorate in sociology of religion from Brighton University.

For more information, contact Deborah Shaw by calling 316-2326 or e-mailing dshaw@guilford.edu.

Schedule of Events:

Tuesday April 16th

- ◆ 4:00 pm Tea and Discussion (Hut)
- ◆ 7:30 pm Talk on early Quaker spirituality and today's approach to tragedy (Founders Gallery)

Wednesday April 17th

- ◆ 7:30 pm Talk on *The Creation of Quaker Theology* (Gallery)

Editor of Friends Bulletin to Visit

Anthony Manousos, editor of the journal of Western Friends, *Friends Bulletin*, will be on campus April 25. Author of a forthcoming book on the history of Quaker development on the "left coast," Anthony is especially interested in the impact of Howard and Anna Brinton on Friends in the liberal, unprogrammed tradition.

During a presentation in the Hut as part of the QLSP "festival week," he will share research not only on why Western Friends should be called "Brintonite" rather than "Beanite," but also intriguing information about Howard Brinton's years as a professor and administrator at Guilford College during the turbulent presidency and

aftermath of Thomas Newlin.

Anthony's presentation will follow the 4:00 pm, Thursday, April 25 senior project of Erik Edgerton in the Hut. The conversation will continue over supper in the cafeteria. Call the Campus Ministry Office at 316-2445 for further information.

Concordance Caper!

Joan Mansfield and Nadav Havivi came out "top dog" on the last caper. They named Genesis 42 as the source for the story that inspired the "little Egypt" allusion for Southern Illinois and the university's mascot, the Saluki.

A coincidence of pop

music and tragedy in the Middle East inspires this issue's caper: shortly before the current war broke out, I happened to hear on a local radio station the 80s standard, "The End of the Innocence," with its prescient line, "We're turning ploughshares into swords."

That phrase turns on its head the familiar passage about "beating swords into ploughshares and spears into pruning hooks," but the song's phrasing also occurs in the Bible.

Call the Campus Ministry Office at 316-2445 if you can spear the correct answer.

From the Back Bench...

The Hut got new windows this week, courtesy of the Lilly Grant, whose Guilford Initiative seeks to strengthen campus religious life.

Windows!!!!???

Well, unless one is into ascetic spiritual disciplines of mortifying the flesh, it was hard to focus on inner growth in the campus ministry center's formerly frigid interior. The Hut's old windows allowed enough cold air in that students not sitting close to the fireplace risked having their digits drop off.

Along with gratitude and warm fingers, the new windows give me an excuse to reflect on a favorite memory from my first teaching experience. I was leading a lesson on "Windows for the Crown Prince" with my English class at the Ramallah Friends School in 1970. In the excerpt we were reading from Elizabeth Gray Vining's memoir of tutoring Japan's heir to the Chrysanthemum Throne after W. W. II, the focus was on teaching democratic principles to the young prince. Vining had chosen to share those values by describing William Penn's "Holy Experiment" in Pennsylvania – the Quaker Proprietor's Frames of Government, his laws providing religious liberty, liberal views of human rights, and political freedoms.

Impressed, my students, de-

nied most of those freedoms by the foreign policy of the US (in their estimation), blurted out, "Wouldn't it be great if the US had a Quaker president!"

I hated breaking the news to them that Richard M. Nixon was, in fact, a birthright member of East Whittier Friends Church!

It was one of the few times I was able to reveal much of anything new to my students. But they offered a window onto a world completely new to me. Living in an Arab culture, under military occupation, and influenced by religious traditions different from mine, my students taught me volumes. I was the Crown Prince to their Elizabeth Gray Vining.

Here I'll make an even bigger leap than going from replacement windows to teaching in the Middle East: the news that Kent Chabotar will be Guilford's 8th president. His coming to campus will offer a variety of new windows through which to view Guilford. Some for us; some for him!

As someone who has not attended or taught at a Friends school before, Kent will come with a different experience of higher education. Although Bowdoin, Harvard, Syracuse, Berkeley, and St. Francis – some of his previous educational

stops – bear some similarities to Guilford's liberal arts

focus, the cultures have significant differences. The new president's experience will challenge us to be open to new ways of approaching things – and articulating with integrity those things different at Guilford and essential to our central values.

Kent is Roman Catholic, and that will provide another set of windows on the world. While many aspects of spirituality are common across denominational lines, there are also significant differences between Quakerism and Catholicism. It could be a dynamic challenge for many of us to see the world of religiously affiliated higher education through the eyes of one nurtured in a different religious tradition. Our new president, likewise, may well find Quakerism to provide exciting new insights and personal disciplines.

In any case, the windows of Guilford's administrative house are about to be changed. We can see it as a "pane," or as a gift of a new outlook on the world. I hope it is the latter.

- Max Carter



Summer and Other Opportunities!

During the recent visit by Art and Peggy Gish, they encouraged Guilford students to consider the 4th summer workcamp at their intentional Christian community in Ohio, New Covenant Fellowship. From July 6-20, participants will explore faith and community, learn about simple living and nonviolent direct action, and share in the organic

farm's garlic harvest, gardening, and worship.

There is no charge. For further information, check the flyer in the Hut or call Art Gish at 740-592-4605. You could call Peggy, but she is off to Hebron for work with the Christian Peacemaker Teams!

Check out the flyers and magazines at the Hut for other op-

portunities: internships at William Penn House in D.C.; Ben Lomond Center in Santa Cruz, CA; Quaker summer camps all over the place; summer conferences at Pendle Hill!

CELEBRATION DAYS

Coming Soon...

April 13-14 Within the Buddhist tradition these days mark the **Saka calendar's New Year's Day** (Bikarami Samvat 2059 begins), which is a religious and cultural celebration for Sinhalese, Indians, Burmese, Kampuchians, Laotians and Thais.

April 13 In Hinduism, **Vaisakhi** marks the first day of the solar year, and is an agricultural festival celebrating the harvest. Important in North India, it is named after the month Vaisakh.

April 13-14 Within the Sikh tradition **Vaisakhi** has special importance. On this day in 1699, Guru Gobind Singh, the tenth Guru, created the Khalsa Panth, the Brotherhood of the Pure. Khalsa brothers are given the name Singh (lion), and sisters are named Kaur (princess).

April 21 – May 2 **Ridvan** commemorates 12 days that Baha'u'llah spent in the garden of Ridvan during his exile in Baghdad and when he proclaimed himself as the one announced by the Bab. On the first, ninth and twelfth days of Ridvan work is suspended within the Baha'i tradition.

April 21 On this day Hindus celebrate the birthday of Rama, the seventh incarnation of the God Vishnu. On **Ramanavami**, Hindus read the Ramayana, a Hindu epic, which tells the story of Rama, during the previous eight days.

April 22 **Earth Day**

April 25 On this day adherents of Jainism celebrate **Mahavira-jayanti**, the birth of Lord Mahavira (Great hero), the 24th Tirthankara.

Ongoing Groups and Activities

Daily: 8:05 – 8:20 a.m., **Unprogrammed worship** in the manner of Friends, the Hut.

Monday: 3:30 p.m. **Jewish Learning Session**, the Hut;
5:00 p.m. **Peace Vigil**, courthouse downtown;
6:00 p.m. **AI Anon Meeting**, the Hut.

Tuesday: 12 noon – 1:00 p.m., **Community Prayer and Worship**, the Hut (join students and staff in brief readings, prayer, and other spiritual exercises as the Spirit leads);
6:00 p.m. **GCRO Meeting**, the Hut;
9:00 p.m. **Hillel meeting**, the Hut.

Wednesday: 5:30 p.m. **Midweek Meeting for Worship**, the Hut (unprogrammed worship in the manner of Friends);
6:00 p.m. **Buddhist Meditation Group**, the Hut;
6:00 p.m. **Supper and Worship at St. Mary's House**, Episcopal Campus Ministry;
7:00 p.m. **Pagan Mysticism Group**, the Hut.;
8:30 p.m. **Quaker Concerns**, the Hut.

Thursday: 7:00 p.m. **Res. Deliverance Ministries Bible Study**, Moon Room;
8:00 p.m. **Prayer with Guilford Christian Fellowship**, Founders second floor.

Friday: 12:45 p.m. **Group Investigating God**, Contact Erich Welch (x3854) for location;
12 noon – 1:00 p.m., **Community Prayer and Worship**, Moon Room.

Saturday: 10:00 am Women's small group **Bible Study**, Apt. 721.

Sunday: 8:00 a.m. **Res. Deliverance Ministries Disciple Class**, Moon Room;
9:00 a.m. **Resurrection Deliverance Ministries Service**, Moon Room;
11:00 a.m. **Rhema Triumphant Ministries**, Moon Room;
1:00 p.m. **College Meeting for Worship**, Moon Room;
3:00 p.m. **Senegalese Community Worship**, Moon Room;
5:00 p.m. **Group Investigating God** with Dianne Johnson, Apt. 721.

QLSP Festival Week! (April 21-27)

Seniors in the Quaker Leadership Scholars Program (QLSP) will be presenting their senior projects during a "festival week," April 21 – 27. The full schedule is not yet finalized, but some of the highlights follow:

Monday, April 22

Time TBA Kim and Susan Carlyle of Friends EcoWitness.

Wednesday, April 24

2:15 pm Priscilla Ewen, "Quaker Views of Atonement." Hut.

5:00 pm Sue Hebner, "A Storytelling Workshop." Hut.

Thursday, April 25

1:00 pm Beyond Joy, "Quakers and William James." Hut.

4:00 pm Erik Edgerton on Quakers and business; visiting Friend Anthony Manoussos on the influence of Howard and Anna Brinton on Western Friends. Hut.

7:30 pm Kate McNeely and Greg Ray, presenting an original one-man play on the early life of Levi Coffin. TBA.

Friday, April 26

12:00 noon Molly Sword and Eva Shaw, "Integrating Quakerism into Guilford's First Year Program." Hut.

1:00 pm Coleman Watts, an original video presentation of a Thomas Kelly essay. Hut.

4:00 pm Campus historical tour focusing on the Underground Railroad. Beginning at the Hut.

7:30 pm GCRO "Fun Night," with a showing of the film "Friendly Persuasion." Hut.

Other presentations will be by Christina Repoley (Quakers, feminism, and Latin America), Bryson McKinney (Quakers and entrepreneurship), and Stuart Ringwalt (Quakers and camping). Call Max Carter at 316-2445 for information.