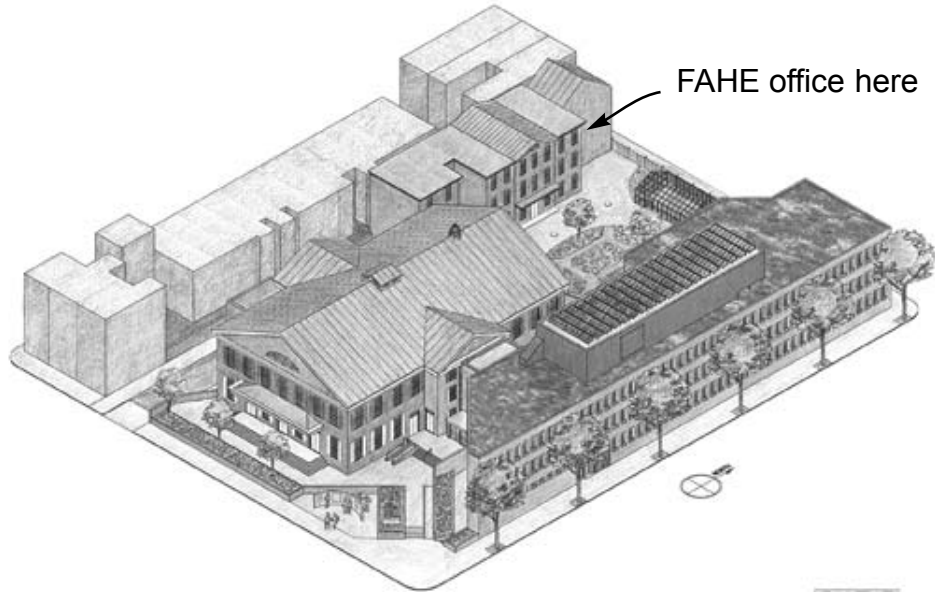
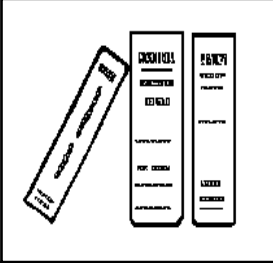


# From the FAHE Office



Friends Center in Philadelphia after renovation work



# Friends Association for Higher Education NEWSLETTER

Greetings from Friends Center in Philadelphia, where the FAHE office is housed.

It's not often that our office building is a focus of our attention. Right now, however, some exciting changes are underway in our physical location.

Friends Center (as shown in the architectural drawing above), is a campus consisting of three parts. The FAHE office is on the third floor of a building built in 1855 to house a primary and secondary Friends School - which still operates today in another part of the city. The school moved in 1936, and after housing a children's activity center during the 1940's, the building began housing various Friends' organizations.

Some of you may remember when the FAHE office moved to Philadelphia from North Carolina in 1998. The move was prompted by the retirement of Jeanette Wilson from her work on behalf of our organization. Jonathan Collett, then serving on the executive committee, identified the opportunity, which has allowed us to take advantage of the shared resources available here.

The other two parts of this complex are the Meetinghouse built in 1856, which continues to house an active Monthly Meeting; and the office complex built in 1974, when several Friends organizations joined to build an office building where resources (such as internet and telephone services) and community (such as mid-week Meetings for Worship) could be shared.

Since 1974, no major renovation work has been done to the office complex. It needs work on its heating and cooling system, roof, and other basic

systems. The planning for these needs has led to plans for a major renovation project which may lead to the building becoming **the first LEED Platinum retrofit in the world.** (LEED is a rating system for sustainable design.) Being a model sustainable building moves the project from renovation to social witness. This project could influence architects and builders in the city and region in addition to making a difference environmentally. In fact, the architectural plans have already been submitted for consideration in a national contest.

In addition to being a social witness, this "Greening and Sustaining" project will be a long-term economy for our operations. The green elements are projected to pay for themselves over 10-15 years in savings on the cost of energy and water. FAHE's office rent is based on a proportionate share (by the amount of space occupied) of the expenses of running the building. So, energy savings will benefit our long-term finances as well.

In compiling this newsletter, I asked our institutional members to share 'green' initiatives taking place on their campuses. News from those who responded begins on page 3.

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**THE PURPOSE** of the Friends Association for Higher Education is to strengthen the Quaker mission in higher education. FAHE is devoted to:

\* Facilitating interaction and fellowship among all who share Friends' ideals of higher education;

\* Discerning the unity of spirituality, intellectual rigor, and social justice;

\* Sharing the scholarly research in the service of Friends' values; and

\* Providing resources and encouragement to Friends-connected institutions of higher education in understanding and applying Friends' values.

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**What are the proposed green elements?**

\* Geo-thermal heating and cooling--eliminating fossil fuel consumption and carbon emissions and lowering operating costs.

\* Living roof (vegetation growing on the roof) to reduce stormwater runoff, cool the building in the summer, insulate it in the winter, and contribute to healthy air quality in the city.

\* A closed-loop system that captures rainwater and circulates it back to be used to flush toilets--saving water and sewer fees and helping to reduce the 36 times annually when Center City sewage overflows into the Schuylkill River.

\* Redesign of the interior of the office building for natural light, fresh air, and to improve the working environment and reduce energy used for lighting.

\* High performance windows to increase daylight and provide better insulation.

\* High efficiency lighting and photovoltaic solar panels to reduce the purchase of electricity.

\* Eco-machine (Living Machine) garden and greenhouse for sewage processing.

\* Building materials with high-recycled content to reduce waste and extraction of raw materials. Low emissions paints. Recycling of construction waste.

More information about this project can be found at <http://www.friendscenter-corp.org/bp-index.htm>.

**Try your possessions to  
 see if the seeds of war  
 be found in them. -  
 John Woolman**

**Pendle Hill Appoints Interim Director**

The Pendle Hill Trustees are pleased to announce the appointment of Kenneth Jacobsen as Interim Executive Director, effective January 1, 2006. Known to many Friends through his service as Head of Olney Friends School, Ken Jacobsen has worked closely with his wife, Katharine Jacobsen, in financial management, retreat leadership and teaching in several Quaker organizations. Also an accomplished carpenter, Ken Jacobsen is looking forward to living on campus and participating fully in community life at Pendle Hill. Mary Ellen Chijioke, clerk of the Trustees, announced the appointment on October 22 to an enthusiastic response from Pendle Hill's General Board.

Ken Jacobsen will succeed Steve Baumgartner, who completed five years of service as Pendle Hill's Director on August 31. In a letter to Steve Baumgartner approved by the Board of Trustees and the General Board, clerks Wilmer Stratton and Mary Ellen Chijioke wrote: "Your commitment to peace and social justice was evident in all of your work. Under your leadership, the Pendle Hill boards, staff and students have become more racially diverse." The Boards also thanked Steve Baumgartner for reaffirming the centrality of worship in the life of the Pendle Hill community.

Barbara Parsons will continue to serve as Acting Executive Director of Pendle Hill through the end of December. The General Board minuted its deep gratitude to Barbara Parsons for her service during this critical period, noting, "We have heard nothing but high praise for her calm and effective leadership. We thank her for her care in addressing the staffing needs and for her understanding of the financial stresses facing Pendle Hill." The Board also expressed appreciation to the staff "who are extending themselves so heavily" during this transition period.

# Green News

## FROM OUR COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND ADULT LEARNING CENTERS



Malone College hosted the Stark County Park District's sixth annual Wildlife Conference, "Wild Stark County!" on Thursday, September 29 from 8:30 a.m. to 3:00 p.m. The conference was held in Mitchell Hall and Timken Science Hall academic buildings, located on Malone's campus at 515 25th Street NW in Canton, Ohio. The conference was a free, one-day event that afforded teachers, professionals, nature enthusiasts, and high school and college students the opportunity to learn more about the wildlife in Northeastern Ohio. Partnering with Malone College and the Stark County Park District were Mount Union College, Quail Hollow State Park, Akron Zoo, and the Stark County Educational Service Center. Dr. Chris Carmichael, Assistant Professor of Biology and Coordinator of the Zoo Biology Program at Malone College, delivered the keynote address on his ongoing research with the Eastern Massasauga, an endangered rattlesnake in Ohio. Additionally, Dr. Carmichael and his zoo biology students led guided tours of Malone's serpentarium to teach people about the conservation status of reptiles, and their behavioral ecology, physiology, and unique adaptations that have allowed them to be successful and formidable predators. Current research projects involving the reptiles at Malone were also highlighted during the tour. The tour was given with the lights out and flashlights in hand, and many living "props" throughout the room to fully engage, intrigue, and excite the participants.



**PENDLE HILL**

Both as an institution and as a community, Pendle Hill has long been committed to the restoration of the environment and to living in tune with the natural world.

Through our community organic garden, a thorough recycling program, the geo-thermal heating and cooling system in the Barn and Chace, we try to lower our impact on the landscape around us and to model living lightly on the earth.

It isn't always easy! How do you gently discourage a woodchuck from devouring the lettuce patch? How do you hospitably and kindly make comfortable a guest who is used to sleeping in a room heated to 80 degrees? What do you do with the enormous piles of plastic produced by 80 people, even when they eat organic, vegetarian food? Where is the line between keeping an area well lit for safety and turning off the lights to save a little fossil fuel?

So we discover that this is a process, not an instant solution. Guided by the beauty and fragility of our campus, we keep at it, learn from our mistakes and often surprise ourselves about how far we can go. If anyone wants to know particulars about our efforts in environmental sanity, please contact David Dobbins, the Coordinator of Buildings, Lloyd Guindon, the Coordinator of Grounds, or Carol Sciarra, Head Cook and Director of Operations. All are knowledgeable and eager to teach.



**FRIENDS  
UNIVERSITY**

During construction of the new Green Residence Hall facility, a pond was created that also serves as a storm-water catch vessel. Instead of making the pond strictly utilitarian, Friends has landscaped the pond, added koi fish donated by a board member and added a water fountain. A couple of generations of ducks have made the pond their home and students enjoy studying by the pond and feeding the fish. Without the pond, rain runoff would go down storm water drains.

Ninety percent of Friends University's buildings use well water to remove heat from the university's air conditioning units. Approximately 400 gallons of water a minute are needed during peak cooling times. Previously, the water was sent down the storm-sewer drains. During the past eight months, Friends has implemented a system where the water is re-injected into the groundwater for re-use.



*Paul's Pond is named after Friends University's long-time physical plant director. In addition to its aesthetic value, it serves as a storm-water catch vessel.*



In the past year Guilford College has taken a number of steps towards environmental responsibility. Facilities and Campus Services in conjunction with the Environmental Studies Program are responsible for many of these exciting changes. One project, the installation of a bioretention cell for storm water treatment, has brought members of the Guilford College and the wider community together. The bioretention cell was funded by a Campus

Ecology Fellowship from National Wildlife Federation, Facilities and Environmental Studies. The project was complete with the expertise of the North Carolina Cooperative Extension.

This project involves treating storm water runoff from a new apartment building on campus. The water is funneled from the building's downspouts into the cell where it undergoes treatment through a variety of biological processes. The water, after filtering through the cell, exits into an on-campus stream. The bioretention cell both removes pollutants from the storm water and reduces the water's velocity as it enters the stream; thus reducing erosion and pollutant loads in the waterway. The construction of a bioretention cell on campus encourages communication between Facilities and academic departments, provides a research site for science classes, and 'greens' Guilford College's campus.

Other projects happening on campus this semester:

- Installation of three waterfree urinals in Founders Hall
- Battery recycling campaign led by students
- Energy conservation campaign in a student residence hall utilizing social marketing
- Workshops and lectures by great environmental advocates such as Julia Butterfly Hill and Thomas Berry
- Eco-documentaries created by students on topics like environmental education, biodiesel and hurricane Katrina

By Laura Wigand '05

# Green News

## FROM OUR COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND ADULT LEARNING CENTERS

### LEED™ Green Building Rating System - Explained

LEED™ is a point-based rating system; 69 points can be earned for building attributes considered environmentally beneficial.

These attributes are grouped in six topic areas with associated goals:

**Site Development:** minimize storm water run-off, encourage car pooling and bicycling, increase urban density and green space

**Water Efficiency:** eliminate site irrigation, reduce water consumption, minimize or treat wastewater

**Energy Efficiency:** reduce building energy consumption, use renewable energy, eliminate ozone-depleting chemicals

**Material Selection:** minimize construction waste, re-use existing building façade, use recycled and salvaged materials, use renewable construction materials and design and build more durable buildings

**Indoor Environmental Quality:** incorporate daylighting, use low off-emitting materials, provide operable windows and occupant control of work space, improve delivery of ventilation air

**Innovation in Design:** use a LEED Accredited Professional, greatly exceed the requirements of a credit, incorporate innovative environmental features not covered in other areas.

LEED™ has four performance ratings:

26 to 32 points: Certified

33 to 38 points: Silver

39 to 51 points: Gold



### *Swarthmore College Science Center Wins 'Green Design' Award*

Swarthmore College's new science center has received LEED certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. LEED - leadership in energy and environmental design - is a voluntary set of national standards for developing high-performance, sustainable buildings.

"Thanks to the substantial input we received from students and faculty, we were committed to producing a sustainable building from the earliest planning stages of this project," Director of Planning and Construction Janet Semler said. "Maintaining stewardship of the land and creating opportunities in science education to interpret how the building interacts with the environment is consistent with the College's mission to be socially responsible."

The \$74-million science center, which was completed last year, is the first building on campus whose planning and design included consideration of the project's environmental implications. Its sustainable design features include:

- " local stone and wood products as celebrated architectural details;
- " the use of daylight maximized in social and teaching spaces;
- " large butterfly roofs that collect storm water for irrigation and mitigate erosion impact on Crum Creek; and
- " fritted glass in curtain walls that reduces solar gain and helps to alleviate bird impacts.

The center consists of 160,000 square feet of space, 80,000 of which is new construction. Improvements include more laboratory space for students and faculty members, flexible offices and classrooms, state-of-the-art lecture halls, and labs designed for paperless note-taking. Safety is also a major component of the center's design, which includes much-needed improvements to laboratory air-quality and ventilation. The project was designed by Helfand Architecture in association with Einhorn Yaffee Prescott Architecture and Engineering P.C. Construction management was provided by Skanska USA Building Inc.

This major renovation and expansion of the College's science facilities is the result of an extensive, long-range planning process, completed in 1999, that identified dramatic improvements to the science facilities on campus as the College's most pressing institutional need. It is one of the centerpieces of the College's \$230 million campaign, dubbed "The Meaning of Swarthmore" and launched publicly in September 2001.



### *Building "Green"*

George Fox University's new 120-bed apartment-style residence hall for third- and fourth-year students will feature "green" strategies such as natural ventilation and thermal mass cooling, daylighting and sunshading, stormwater runoff mitigation and water-efficient landscaping with native, drought-resistant vegetation.

### *Return to the Wild*

George Fox University is in the midst of a long-term project to restore the Hess Creek Canyon in the middle of its Newberg, Oregon, campus to its natural state. Invasive species of plants are being removed and replaced with ferns, Trilliums, Erythronium, Elderberry, shooting star, flags and other native plantings. Photos of the canyon can be viewed at [http://www.georgefox.edu/offices/plant\\_services/projects/hess\\_creek.html](http://www.georgefox.edu/offices/plant_services/projects/hess_creek.html)

## FROM OUR COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND ADULT LEARNING CENTERS



### Barclay College

Herb Frazier was named President of Barclay College, effective July 1, 2005. Herb came into the presidency with 21 years of experience at Barclay as a student, member of the staff, and member of the administration.

Herb moved Haviland as a sophomore in high school and attended Haviland Friends Academy from 1943-46. He returned 21 years later when he was named the Academic Dean from 1967-75. He left Barclay (formerly Friends Bible College) to teach in the public school in Hugoton and Greensburg, Kansas from 1975-78. He again felt the call back to Barclay and served as Director of Admissions from 1978-84. After 10 more years in the public school system in Haviland from 1984-94, Herb went to work in the Mid-America Yearly Meeting office in Wichita from 1996-2001. In 2001, Herb once again returned to Barclay as Director of Development, the position he has held until his recent call to the presidency.

Herb brings an incredible amount of knowledge and insight to Barclay through his experiences within the church, the yearly meeting, and the public school system. He has a faithfulness and a passion matched by few people and is excited about this opportunity to serve the Lord as President of Barclay College.

In his words, Herb stated, "I am honored to be asked to serve as president of Barclay College. It is a challenging responsibility, but with the Lord's help I look forward to a good year of bringing stability to the college. I covet your prayers."

### Bryn Mawr

*Bryn Mawr-Haverford education minors and mentors meet in Taylor*

An art teacher at a suburban elementary school and a high-school English teacher at a Philadelphia charter school are likely to have different perspectives on common problems, according to Senior Lecturer in Education Alice Lesnick, but it's rare that educators from such disparate settings get a chance to exchange ideas. The Bryn Mawr-Haverford Education Program created that opportunity recently when eleven Philadelphia-area educators representing a variety of schools and specialties met at

Bryn Mawr to discuss mentored learning with seventeen students in educational studies.

"We discussed definitions of mentorship, the practice of apprentice-based learning and how to forge partnerships between colleges and practicing educators in the community," Lesnick says.

The teachers who attended the session are all mentors to students who are undertaking field placements as part of the senior seminar required of all educational-studies minors. Lesnick describes their diverse placements: "The course is designed to meet the needs of students who have a range of interests, from classroom teaching to administration to educational policy."

One Bryn Mawr student is exploring arts-based educational approaches with Philadelphia Young Playwrights, Lesnick says. Another is shadowing the principal of Overbrook Elementary School, watching her mentor in action in interchanges with students, faculty, staff and parents. Lesnick is especially pleased by one student's placement at Philadelphia Futures, a non-profit that helps prepare promising public-school students for college.

### Earlham COLLEGE

*Earlham's John Iverson Named 2005 Indiana Professor of the Year*

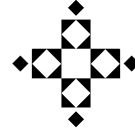
The Carnegie Foundation for the Advancement of Teaching has named Earlham College Professor of Biology John Iverson its 2005 Indiana Professor of the Year.

One of the world's leading herpetologists, specializing in the study of turtles and iguanas and their respective ecologies, Iverson was recognized formally for his "extraordinary dedication to undergraduate teaching" during ceremonies in Washington, D.C., on November 17.

With his selection for 2005 Iverson becomes Earlham's second statewide Professor of the Year honoree, following Professor of English Paul Lacey, who earned the distinction in 1992. Iverson and his wife, Sheila, recently executed a conservation easement on 70 acres of native Indiana ravine forest the couple purchased southwest of campus. The tract is adjacent to Wildman Woods, Earlham-owned property that previously was "land-locked" by surrounding parcels controlled by parties not associated with the College. The easement not only promises the Iversons' land will never be devel-

oped, but also that students will have continued access to Wildman Woods for generations to come.

"John has single-handedly assured Earlham students will forever have wild places near to campus in which to study," says Provost Clark. "He is truly a teacher and scholar with unusual reach and influ-



### EARLHAM SCHOOL of RELIGION

ence."

The fall semester saw 36 new students admitted to Earlham School of Religion, including those enrolling for Access online programs, occasional intensive classes and the regular fall semester.

Jim Higginbotham joined faculty as Assistant Professor of Pastoral Care and Counseling for the Fall 2005 semester. He hails from Indianapolis, is a Ph.D. candidate at Vanderbilt University, and comes out of the Church of Christ tradition. Alum Jeff Crim, a recorded minister of the Indiana Yearly Meeting, came aboard as part-time Computing Services Specialist and Lana Belcher, ESR Ministry of Writing program student also joined the staff part-time as the Assistant for Communications and Media Relations.

The entire Earlham community recently mourned the loss of Emily Cooper in late August. Emily was the wife of Wil Cooper, ESR's first dean, and creator of the beautiful Lion and Lamb quilt that hangs in the ESR Gathering area.

Earlham School of Religion faculty and staff will travel to Honduras January 13-23, 2006, for a cultural immersion into the Spanish language and bridge building with Central American Friends.

The annual Ministry of Writing Colloquium on October 21-22 featured Diane Glancy and Lauren Winner. The conference theme centered on the integration of life and faith.

ESR will be filling a half-time faculty position for the Ministry of Writing program, with teaching duties to commence in the fall of 2006. For more information, contact Lonnie Valentine at ESR, 800-432-1377, or [valenlo@earlham.edu](mailto:valenlo@earlham.edu).

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### FRIENDS UNIVERSITY

#### *Nobel-Prize Winner Comes Home to Friends*

World economics and Kansas economics are irrevocably intertwined. 2002 Nobel Prize winner and former Friends University student Vernon Smith explained how in his lecture on "Globalization & Kansas".

The former Wichitan, who has authored or co-authored more than 250 articles and books on capital theory, finance, natural resource economics, and experimental economics, grew up not far outside the shadow of the Friends University clock tower. He attended Friends during his freshman year - which he says "was crucial in teaching me how to learn and in launching me into the world of ideas." Smith credits Friends for providing the academic catalyst needed to overcome his "dismal high-school academic record," enabling him to pass the entrance exam at the prestigious and rigorous Caltech.

"My attitude at Friends University was 180 degrees opposite to my approach in high school," says Smith. "Friends made up for my high-school failure to learn and prepared me, not only for Caltech, but for life." He went on to receive his bachelor's degree in electrical engineering from Caltech, his master's from the University of Kansas, and his Ph.D. in economics from Harvard. He is presently a professor of economics and law at George Mason University and for the past three summers has served as the Visiting Rasmuson Chair in Economics at the University of Alaska, Anchorage, focusing on natural resource issues and experimental economics.



#### *Taking a step of faith*

Sarah Thomas Baldwin joins George Fox as the new campus pastor. Baldwin, formerly adjunct professor of Christian ministries at Asbury College in Wilmore, KY, and director of campus and guest relations at Asbury Theological Seminary,

envisions helping George Fox students experience the university as a lifegiving place, where wholeness and holiness are modeled.

"I am a pastor at the core of who I am," she says. "At every angle, I have had tremendous opportunity to live into that call - in leadership, speaking, committee work, visioning. All have prepared me for the next step. I sense a stirring of God to be about new things for the kingdom, and I believe campus ministry lies at the center of this direction."



#### *AIDS Quilt Comes to Founders*

Ten blocks of panels of the AIDS Memorial Quilt will be on display in Founders Great Hall from November 29 through December 1 as part of Haverford's activities commemorating World AIDS day (December 1). Viewing hours are from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. and 7:30 p.m. to 9:30 p.m.

The AIDS Memorial Quilt is considered the largest ongoing community arts project in the world, with more than 44,000 squares - each memorializing those lost to AIDS. Sewn together by friends and families, the quilt is a moving and visual testament to the reality of the illness. Last time the quilt was shown in its entirety, in 1996, it covered the National Mall in Washington, D.C. It has now become so large that it is only displayed in sections. (Brian Richichi '06)



#### *Turkey Bowl 2005*

The Malone College Ukraine service-learning team hosted its first-ever Turkey Bowl flag "football" game with a twist, Monday, November 21, 4-6 p.m. at Malone's track field (practice soccer field behind Haviland Hall and adjacent to PGB residence halls).

The twist? The teams used poultry rather than pigskin--- playing with a (partially) frozen turkey!

All proceeds benefit the 2006 Ukraine service-learning trip to Simferopol, Ukraine, where Malone students and staff members will work with children in several orphanages in an area scourged with drug abuse, AIDS, and gang violence.



### PENDLE HILL

Our fall term opened September 30, when we welcomed 25 resident students to the campus. They come from all over the country and the world. Included among them are nine "Spirit-Centered Service Scholars," who gift us with their energetic help with Pendle Hill's meals, hospitality and housekeeping. Three of those scholars are working in the Chester Program, mentoring and be-friending young people in that city. Students from many cultures and with many different interests make living here fun!

The Henry J. Cadbury scholarship recipient this year is Jennifer Ratcliffe, from Durham, North Carolina, who is working on a project concerning the relationship between the environment and Quaker testimonies. The Kenneth L. Carroll scholarship recipient is Vivienne Hawkins, from Philadelphia, researching the role of the Spirit in the governance of non-profit organizations. We have two Minnie Jane Artists in Residence this year: Beth Cahape of Port Townsend, Washington, is a writer and W. Francis Elling of Topeka, Kansas, is a potter. Friends are reminded that these three scholarships, each carrying full tuition for the academic year, are available for the 2006-7 program. We welcome inquiries at [admissions@pendlehill.org](mailto:admissions@pendlehill.org). Applications are expected in January and February and awards are made in the spring.

Pendle Hill continues to publish its pamphlets on a regular basis. We are especially proud of the latest - [A Very Good Week Behind Bars](#) - by Janeal Turnbull Ravndal, a long-time Pendle Hill community member. This account of her week in Philadelphia's Federal Detention Center as a result of her act of resistance during the March 2003 protests against the war in Iraq is intensely personal and vivid, reflecting both Janeal's deep reflective nature and her gentle humor.

Pendle Hill is looking forward to its first "contemplative term" this winter, a time of reflection and quiet searching for the deepest meaning in our lives. Cold weather and long nights drive us into our own fertile ground. Our mutual support and companionship in this solitary searching is priceless. We invite you to join us.

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## FROM OUR COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES ...

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### Million Dollar Gift Supports Swarthmore's New Islamic Studies Program

With a \$1 million commitment from alumnus Bruce Jay Gould, Swarthmore College has received a significant addition to the long-term funding for its new program in Islamic Studies, one of three central curricular initiatives in the College's current fund-raising campaign.

Gould, a Philadelphia resident and member of the Class of 1954, is providing the funds to establish the Bruce Jay Gould Endowment for Islamic Studies, which will serve as the cornerstone of an eventual \$5 million endowment for the program. The new endowment will be used to support courses and other activities related to Islam in such departments as religion, political science, history, and sociology/anthropology.

"The creation of a fully realized Islamic Studies program at Swarthmore is essential to the College's preparation of thinkers and leaders able to build bridges of mutual respect and common purpose across one of the most critical of the world's divides," Swarthmore President Alfred H. Bloom said. "With Bruce Gould's generous gift, we are significantly closer to realizing that vision."

Swarthmore initially planned to wait for funding from the capital campaign before launching Islamic Studies but decided to move more quickly with provisional funding following the September 11, 2001, attacks. The College has since established two tenure-track positions in Islamic Studies. One is occupied by Farha Ghannam, a cultural anthropologist. A national search is underway to fill the other professorship.

In addition, the College has begun placing a small number of students at the University of Damascus in Syria for an intensive semester-long program in Arabic language instruction. Two students studied there last year under the auspices of Swarthmore's semester-abroad program, and three are in Damascus this semester.



### 14th President Formally Installed

With visiting civic and community dignitaries, delegates from over 60 colleges and universities nationwide, and Whittier College and Law School community members in attendance, Dr. Sharon D. Herzberger was formally installed as president of Whittier College in a traditional ceremony in Harris Amphitheater. Dr. Herzberger's inaugural remarks are available online. Practically overnight Wilmington College has become a "beacon" in the world of Quakers and those interested in Friends' values, vision and history.



The Meriam R. Hare Quaker Heritage Center opened September 25 as a facility dedicated to "educating present and future generations of diverse audiences about the historic and living traditions and concerns of the Religious Society of Friends." Christine Hadley Snyder, using descriptions popular in Quakerism, said to accomplish this the Center will look back to those Friends who were patterns and examples whose lives did indeed preach.

It will also look for living Friends who are continuing that tradition, of being faithful, seeking the truth and acting on their concerns.

"We will seek to answer that of God in everyone who comes here, awakening their curiosity, and their spirit, to an awareness of the rich local history and the stories of Friends who have been called to faithful service," added Snyder, chair of WC's Board of Trustees.

"Our hope is not only to inform and educate, but to empower and inspire."

Snyder, a prominent local Quaker, has been a leader of the Quaker Heritage Center project from conception through construction to completion.

She shared the story of how the concept for the Center started as a plan by several area persons simply seeking to raise awareness of the local Quaker heritage.

"We made great plans but came up against the issues of funding, staffing and a location for the Quaker exhibit," Snyder added.

Then, in early 2003, former Wilmington College Trustee Meriam R. Hare (1984-96) died. Her estate plans designated that some \$3.5 million go toward the construction of a Quaker Heritage Center at the College.

Hare specified that the facility at WC "preserve and present to future generations the Quaker heritage."

Concurrent with the revealing of Hare's estate plans, the College was planning and raising funds for the renovation and expansion of the former Boyd Auditorium into a modern fine arts facility. The architects were sent back to the drawing board to integrate the Quaker Heritage Center into what became the Oscar F. Boyd Cultural Arts Center project.

The Quaker Heritage Center features 1,261 square feet of display areas in the museum/gallery, two offices, a reading room and a traditional Quaker meeting house.

## OUR OTHER COLLEGES, UNIVERSITIES AND ADULT LEARNING CENTERS



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