

Seventh Day
2 Eighth Month 2002
9:30 a.m.

Y2002-39 Seated at the table as our time of worship began were Lamar Matthew (York), Young Friends Julian Brennan, Deanna Boyd (Baltimore, Stony Run), and Clerk of Young Friends Rachel Stacy (Gunpowder), Gail Gann (Baltimore, Stony Run), Reading Clerk, and Ronald Mattson (Baltimore, Stony Run), Recording Clerk.

Gail Gann read excerpts from Hopewell Centre's Spiritual State of the Meeting Report. "Our worship shifts us back into the flow of love, reminding us to integrate our secular lives with Divine purpose...."

Y2002-40 Ramona Buck of Patapsco Preparative Meeting was present and introduced. A Minute was read from Sandy Spring Monthly Meeting indicating its belief that there is a readiness within Patapsco Preparative Meeting to now become a Monthly Meeting. (See **I2002-26**) Loud approval was given. We are happy to embrace this group as our newest Monthly Meeting. Patapsco Monthly Meeting's Clerk, Cherri Morgan, was introduced. Note was taken of the fact that they already have a square of muslin to produce a contribution for the skirt at the Clerk's table.



Y2002-41 Trudy Rogers (Seneca Valley), Clerk of the Manual of Procedure Committee, brought forth, for a second reading, six proposed changes to the *Manual of Procedure*.

1. PEACE AND SOCIAL CONCERNS COMMITTEE

At the recommendation of the Trustees and the Peace and Social Concerns Committee, Representative Meeting approved laying down the Fund for Conscience Subcommittee and transferring the balance in the Fund to the Fund for Education and Training. It is recommended that the last two paragraphs of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee description be deleted.

A Fund for Conscience was established by Baltimore Yearly Meeting in 1986. The purpose of the Fund is to support those members and regular attenders of Meetings within Baltimore Yearly Meeting who may be punished or denied government assistance in areas including, but not limited to, education because of a decision of conscience, such as not to register for Selective Service, not to pay taxes for military purposes, or to participate non-violently in a peace and justice protest.