

Associated Committee of Friends on Indian Affairs

In October of 2008 an ACFIA Meeting was held in Plainfield, IN at which time business was concluded under the old executive committee. The last 3 Centers previously under the umbrella of ACFIA are now partnering with individual yearly meetings. In this partnering the Yearly Meetings assist the Centers in vision, labor, finances, property management, and encouragement. This new energy is helping to rejuvenate the Centers' work and vision. Hominy is now with Great Plains YM & FUM. As stated in the Hominy Friends website (www.hominyfriends.org) Carol Revard is the first Osage to ever serve as clerk of the Great Plains Yearly Meeting. I have not received any information as to the future of Wyandotte and Council House.

Friends are urged to continue laboring with the MOWA Choctaw Center as it partners with NCYM, FUM, the Kickapoo Friends Center as it partners with Mid America YM, EFC, and Mesquakie Friends Center under the care of Iowa YM. The continued support of ALL yearly meetings to the Centers is critical to allow them to continue to function under their new leadership. Financial support for Choctaw and Mesquakie should be sent to their respective Yearly Meetings. Financial support for Kickapoo should be sent to the Kickapoo Friends Center.

Any funds that ACFIA receives at P.O. Box 2326, Richmond, IN 47375-2326 that are not designated to a particular Center, will be equally divided among them. ACFIA will continue it's not for profit status to handle any matters that may arise.

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