



MIDCOAST MONTHLY MEETING
OF THE RELIGIOUS SOCIETY OF FRIENDS
Damariscotta, Maine
NEWSLETTER

Peace cannot be kept by force, it can only be achieved by understanding.

—Albert Einstein

April

Thursday	April 3	6 p.m.	Maine AFSC Peace and Justice Committee
Sunday	April 6		Food Pantry Day
Tuesday	April 8	4:30 pm.	Peace & Social Concerns Committee
Friday	April 11	9 a.m.	Finance Committee
Saturday	April 12	9 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.	* Silent Retreat
Sunday	April 13	8:30 a.m.	Book Discussion Group
Monday	April 14	5 p.m.	Ministry and Counsel Committee
Friday	April 18	1:30 to 3:00 pm	* Outdoor Good Friday program at the DRA
Friday	April 18	6:00 p.m.	Potluck Supper Meeting for Business. NOTE: change to summer schedule
Monday	April 21	asap	Deadline for May <i>Newsletter</i>
Saturday	April 26	all day	All Maine Meeting at China Lake (Vassalboro and Falmouth Quarterly Meetings)
Sunday	April 27	8:30 a.m.	Book Discussion Group
~Weekly, ongoing~			
Tuesdays		7 pm.	* "Peacemakers" meetings,
~Advance Notice~			
Sunday	May 4	11:30 a.m.	* Workday after Meeting for Worship—raindate 5/5
Saturday	May 10	10 a.m.-3 p.m.	FCMPP, Waterville
		9:00 a.m. -3:30 p.m.	* AFSC in Maine on recruiting for peace
Sunday	May 25	11:30 a.m.	* Plant sale and potluck lunch
Sat.-Sat.	6/28 to 7/5		Friends General Conference, Johnstown, PA
Sat.-Thurs.	August 2-7		New England Yearly Meeting Sessions

* Look inside for more information regarding these items

~ Calendar events are held at the meetinghouse, unless otherwise noted ~

Sunday Meeting for Worship is held at the meetinghouse, 77 Belvedere Road, Damariscotta, 10:00 a.m. Meetinghouse phone: 207-563-3757. Directions: Take US Route 1 to Damariscotta and turn onto Belvedere Road (left if coming from the south, right if coming from the north. The Miles Home Health Care building is on the corner.) The meetinghouse is the second building on the right, 2/10 mile from the corner

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The Entirely Unofficial **MONTHLY MEETING NOTES**, 3rd month of 2003

based on draft minutes by Rob Patterson

Finance Committee

The Finance Committee will be meeting on April 11 to begin preparing the budget for the new fiscal year. Committee clerks with budget requests should contact a member of the committee prior to that date.

Education Committee

Sarah Ewing reported that First Day School is still reading *Thee Hannah*. More teachers are needed, and volunteers are encouraged to come forward.

Landscape Committee

Pat Spock reported that the committee will be seeking extra money in the next budget to cover the cost of some screening trees to place along our property line. These will be a capital expense. Another \$200 is needed in this fiscal year, due to the fact that a quote for a job has been revised upward. Some discussion ensued as to the mechanics of obtaining these funds. Bill Spock assured Friends that there is an appropriate fund set up for such unexpected costs and that obtaining the money is a simple process.

It was suggested that an annual plant sale could be opened to the general public and become a revenue source for the meeting. Another Friend suggested that it be kept within the Meeting for the time being and consider the possibility of going public another year. The date for the sale was set for May 25 after Meeting for Worship.

Meetinghouse Committee

Steve Gorry reported his findings on Bio-Fuel (formerly referred to as Bio-Diesel). Our present oil supplier reportedly will still do all necessary maintenance on our heating plant, even if no longer supplying oil. The

New Directory Nearly Ready

An updated directory is ready for proofing, and copies are on the credenza for your examination. **PLEASE CHECK YOUR ENTRY**, and any others that may catch your eye, for accuracy and completeness. Make corrections directly on the copies and they will be incorporated into the final version. Thank you all in advance for your help.

Query #3

Meeting Business

Are Meetings for Business held in a spirit of worship and prayerful search for the way of Truth?

Are all members encouraged to use their talents in the service of the Meeting? Do you undertake your proper share of the work and financial support of the Meeting?

Meeting agreed to authorize Steve to order bio-fuel for the next year to see how it works out. Due to the properties of the fuel (which coagulates in cold weather), the actual proportion of bio to petroleum will vary depending on the season. The Meeting thanked Steve for his good work in researching the bio-fuel option.

In further discussions of meetinghouse energy use, it was decided that the Meeting will sign a two-year contract with Interfaith Power & Light for electricity. The additional cost of this "green" power is about 2 cents per kilowatt.

Library

Deb Haviland reported that the new bookshelves will cost about \$65.00 more than originally budgeted. The meetinghouse furnishings account has a reserve of about \$2,000, from which the additional monies can come. Some new books have been ordered.

Ministry & Counsel

Jean Crawford, the clerk of the committee for 2003, reported that clearness committees have been established for people seeking new memberships and one transferring a membership.

A draft of the State of Society report for 2002 was distributed to the Meeting, and it was decided that we would review it individually and discuss its approval at our next Monthly Meeting. Thanks go to Ernie Foust for his fine work on this.

Peace & Social Concerns

Holly Baldwin reported that the recent Middle Eastern dinner exceeded its goal, raising \$3606.50—more than the cost of a full scholarship to the Seeds of Peace Camp. The event was a joint effort by the Meeting together with the Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship and Beth Israel Congregation (Bath), and was held at Second Congregational Church, which donated the use of their facilities, plus \$100.

In other committee activity, Andy Burt will be attending a Woolman Hill conference entitled "New England Friends in Unity with Nature." The Meeting was asked to add its name and support of \$100.00 to an ad campaign the Maine Council of Churches is coordinating, called "Win Without War." This was approved.

The Peacemakers project, conceived by Logan Perkins as a gathering of people who object to the war, has grown into a community-wide event with regular meetings at the meetinghouse every Tuesday evening at 7 p.m.

Gretchen Hull's bridge initiative now has its own Web site, www.peacebridges.org.

The committee is compiling an e-mail list of those wishing to be kept informed of ongoing and upcoming projects.

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Recruiting for Peace:

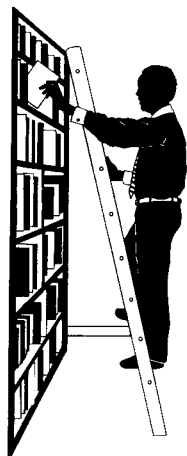
Adopting Schools and Organizing Tools for
Alternatives to Military Service
Ernie Foust and Larry Dansinger

When: May 10, 9:00 a.m. -3:30 p.m.

Where: Mediation and Facilitation Resources, 11 King St., Augusta, Maine

Most of us know that the various branches of the military conduct intense campaigns in the schools to entice graduating seniors into the military. The inducements are varied and many young people, uncertain about their future and without definite plans for college or a job, are vulnerable to making a commitment not in their best interest. The Adopt a School Program is designed to meet the need for providing information to these young people that would in many instances not be available to them. We hope to have two or three or more people from each meeting and other interested people attend this program. At the end of the day you will know how the military recruits, how to get into the schools and your rights in that regard. You will know the resources available (speakers, literature), and you will have heard Kevin Ramirez from CCCO (Central Committee for Conscientious Objectors), who speaks with authority on this subject. In short you will be able to speak with confidence to young people on alternatives to being caught up in the military.

This program has been organized by the Maine AFSC Peace and Justice committee.



Library Committee

Library Updates

by Nancy Nyberg

We are ordering books now in this year's budget. Put your suggestions in the box on the piano.

Bring in any books you want to donate for us to consider adding to our collection. Please check your shelves at home any books borrowed from the Meeting library. Among the missing is *When Things Fall Apart* by Pema Chodrom.

It is helpful if everyone follows the same procedures when using the library:

- When borrowing a book, sign the card in the back of the book with the date and your phone number and put it in the card box.
- When returning a book, put it in the return box for reshelving, rather than reshelving it yourself.

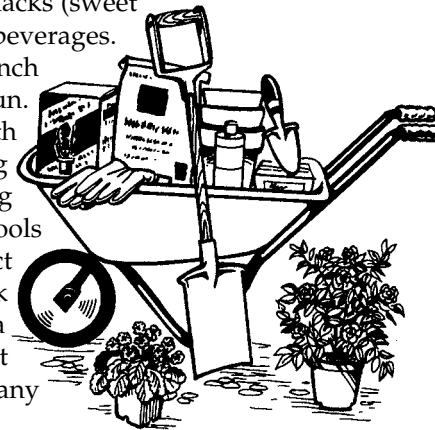
The committee is in the process of reorganizing and expanding the library. If you have any questions or recommendations, talk to Deb Haviland, Barb Foust, Louisa Gray, or Nancy Nyberg.

Spring(!) Work Day May 4

Our spring work day will be held this year on May 4, after the rise of Meeting, rain date Monday, May 5. We welcome all participants. Our fall work day was a huge success, with 23 participants, and thanks to the number of willing workers, it was all done in two hours. The list of spring tasks is a little bit longer, so we will be happy to see many volunteers on that day. We will have some snacks (sweet and savory) and beverages.

Bring a basic lunch and join in the fun.

It really is fun with everyone working together. Bring favorite garden tools and maybe insect repellent. Black flies can be a scourge. Contact Pat Spock with any questions.



Plant Sale and Potluck!!

A great way to expand your plant inventory and benefit the Meeting. The Meeting will hold a plant sale on May 25, at the rise of Meeting. We encourage all members and attenders to pot up their surplus plants three to four weeks before that date and bring them to the meetinghouse for inclusion in this sale. Funds raised will help to maintain the meetinghouse grounds. A date for delivery of plants prior to the sale will be announced. There will be a potluck lunch after perusing the plants. Put it on your calendar and keep alert for further details.

Earth Stations: A Way of the Cross

By Andy Burt

The Maine Council of Churches will present a special outdoor Good Friday program at the Damariscotta River Association on April 18 from 1:30 to 3:00 pm. The program will be led by an interdenominational team of religious leaders from the Midcoast area. The Midcoast Friends meetinghouse will provide a back-up venue in the event of inclement weather.

Join us as we journey in prayer, with words from the world's astronauts, poetry, music, and song, to bring us into a spirit of solemn reflection on behalf of the wounded Earth and our role in its healing.

The powerful ritual was developed by Maine Episcopal laywoman Kay Gill, who attends Quaker Meeting in Winthrop and provides spiritual direction at Living Water Spiritual Center in Winslow. The program is free and open to the public.

Resist thinking this is all there is...

Realize that for every on-going war and religious outrage and environmental devastation and bogus Iraqi attack plan, there are a thousand counterbalancing acts of staggering generosity and humanity and art and beauty happening all over the world, right now, on a breath-taking scale, from flower box to cathedral.

Resist the temptation to drown in fatalism, to shake your head and sigh and just throw in the karmic towel.

Realize that this is the perfect moment to change the energy of the world, to step right up and crank your personal volume; right when it all seems dark and bitter and offensive and acrimonious and conflicted and bilious....there's your opening.

Remember magic. And, finally, believe you are part of a groundswell, a resistance, a seemingly small but actually very, very large impending karmic overhaul, a great shift, the beginning of something important and potent and unstoppable.

—Mark Morford, published in the March 2003 issue of *The Sun* magazine and contributed by Jacqui Lee



Meetinghouse Vigil

by Carmen Lavertu

The meetinghouse will be open for ourselves and for the public from 9 a.m. to 9 p.m., seven days a week, for the duration of the war. The Peace and Social Concerns committee is responsible, but all Friends are invited to assist in maintaining these hours. We feel it is important for a member of the Meeting to be there at all times, so that the vigil can be unbroken and to greet community people who may come.

I was there Monday afternoon so that Nancy Booth could have some hours at home—she was the only person signed up that day. It was after a busy weekend and right after I had a tooth pulled, and I would have rather stayed home. But I found the four hours I spent in the meetinghouse by myself a most healing and quieting time. I look forward to several more such times this week, and I encourage everyone to sign up for his or her own personal time. It will be a service to the Meeting and a special time of peace and silence for yourself.

A Spring Silent Retreat

By Jean Crawford and Deborah Haviland

On Saturday, April 12, 2003, there will be a Silent Retreat at the meetinghouse from 9 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. This is an opportunity to be in community with Friends and to welcome in the spring season.

The day will begin with worship at 9. At noon Friends will gather for a silent, brown bag lunch, and at 3 p.m., if Friends wish, they may gather together to conclude the day with worship-sharing. In between these scheduled times, participants spend their time reading, writing, walking, drawing, doing quiet handwork, meditating, napping, or just sitting in silence. A silent retreat offers an occasion for rest, recollection, or seeking, and for gaining perspective and replenishing energy.

In her book *Listening Spirituality*, Patricia Loring describes a retreat as “an occasion to ‘waste time with God’ as you might with a dear friend, child, lover or spouse, with no need for an agenda other than simple trust that whatever arises will be worth it for the sake of the company alone.”

The following guidelines are offered so all participants have a common understanding:

Feel free to make eye contact with other participants. Although the retreat is silent and people will be doing different things during the day, a sense of community and fellowship with others is part of the experience.

By gathering at noon around a single table in the social room to eat lunch, we will again have an opportunity to feel a sense of fellowship and community. (A bell will be rung to indicate the time.) Bring what you want to eat and anything cold you want to drink. There will be hot water for coffee and tea.

The doors to both the meeting room and the social room are kept open throughout the day, so people will be able to move back and forth easily and to have a greater sense of space and openness.

Bring books to share, if you wish. A table in the social room will be designated as a gathering point for books to share.

If you must leave early or wish to go for a walk, please indicate that on a sheet of paper that will be placed on the credenza. If you leave without noting, Friends may worry.

Bring what you will need for comfort, such as a small pillow or blanket.

If you think you will come, please add your name to the sign-up sheet on the bulletin board. This is not required, but it is nice to contemplate who will be part of our community that day. For more information, call Jean Crawford (236-4176) or Deb Haviland (354-8714).

Visit

www.midcoastfriendsmeeting.org

Mideast Dinner A Great Success

Thanks to Everyone Involved!!!
by Andy Burt

The Middle Eastern dinner and program organized by the Meeting and three other congregations successfully raised \$3606.55, just over our \$3500 goal for a scholarship for the Seeds of Peace Camp. Thanks especially to Gretchen Noyes-Hull, my co-chair from the Meeting, who created tickets and helped with planning, food preparation, and clean-up. We had a wonderful crew of kitchen help and wait staff including Nancy Booth, Deb Haviland, Pat Spock, Sylvia Tavares, Logan Perkins, and Katie Tremblay, and other Chewonki helpers. Deb Haviland's daughter, granddaughter, and friends were also part of our kitchen/serving crew. Some Friends, including Claire Darrow, Deb Haviland, Patience Thomas, Kit Pfeiffer, Viki Diamond, and a group from Chewonki prepared a few dishes ahead, while a kitchen crew worked on Friday afternoon and Saturday on some of the main dishes. Viki did a wonderful job with music during the program.

Our thanks to the First Day Schoolers, who, along with children from Beth Israel Congregation in Bath, created wonderful placemats for the occasion. Betsy Wells, from the synagogue, created the centerpieces. Second Congregational Church (Newcastle) donated the use of their facilities, including their kitchen, and also gave \$100 to the cause. The Midcoast Unitarian Universalist Fellowship was very involved, participating on the planning committee, donating food, and working in the kitchen. They also arranged to get garden seeds from Johnny's, which were sold at the event. Their Sunday School children decorated the seed packets.

In the afterglow of our success, some of us are talking about doing this again next year, if the congregations decide to move forward with it. It was an opportunity to showcase a Maine program for peace that is making a real difference, helping to lessen violence in the world. In addition to raising awareness among Midcoast residents, the project brought 4 Midcoast congregations closer together and raised money to support a program we believe is helping to further world peace. We heard very positive feedback from everyone who attended that night, so it seems that a similar event next year would be a sell-out once again!

Meeting Exploration of Goals and Direction

Eleven members of the Meeting met Sunday, 3/9/03, after a bag lunch, to continue the "Where we are and where we are going" discussion that started on January 12. Due to space limitations, we have not reproduced the minutes here. The complete minutes of that meeting are posted on our Web site at www.mid-coastfriendsmeeting.org/goals303.htm



Andy Burt (above) and some of her team of kitchen helpers (below), preparing the Mideast meal. Photos by Kit Pfeiffer.



Words of a Peace Activist

Our power does not come from ignorance.
We are scared,
of Al Queda, Saddam, of Bush and Powell,
Of anthrax, tear-gas, dirty-bombs, hijackings,
bean bag guns, mace, pepper spray, FBI, NYPD
and fundamentalism in all its forms.
People here have had family crushed by falling stone,
and whether the cause is jet fuel or symtex laser-guided
from 30,000 feet
doesn't seem to matter much.

Tell everyone in Maine, we've had our taste of war.
And fear and anger, even justified, are not reasons to fight.
Tell them I am angry that people who would dare to call themselves followers
of Christ,
harbor fear and greed and hate so deep,
that they would take the life of another human being,
even when they have a choice.

We will be 400,000 or 500,000 maybe 1 million strong.
Though you will hear that we are few.
Behind us are the billions who have hope and faith,
those that know that peace is always harder,
but that the bravest fight to lay down their arms.

I ask for your prayers because I am scared about tomorrow.
Because I am not sure when people who no longer respect the lives of Iraqis,
will stop respecting the lives of Americans.
Because our courts have said that we are breaking the law,
and to them I might just be another child in Baghdad.

But carry this thought with you:
Though scared I will stand up.
We are not a whisper,
and you are not alone.

Peace and love,
Noah Workman

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The Advices

In meetings for business, and in all duties connected with them, seek again the leadings of the Light; let our utterances be brief and without repetition. Let us keep from obstinacy and from harshness of tone or manner and admit the possibility of being in error. In all the affairs of the Meeting community, let us proceed in a peaceable spirit, with forbearance and warm affection for each other.

Woolman Hill Workshop: "Jesus, the First Quaker"

by Diane Kirkman

I recently attended a Woolman Hill workshop entitled "Jesus, the First Quaker," prompted, I think, by feeling somewhat alone as a Quaker Christian. (Although outspoken on issues of peace and justice, we Quakers tend to be circumspect on issues of faith, leaving some of us—well, me, at any rate—wondering where we stand in our worship community.) I was seeking companionship and found it in a small group of fellow seekers.

Under Jonathan Vogel-Borne's enthusiastic guidance, we spoke about our spiritual journeys, used *lectio divina* to explore the story of the disciples on the road to Emmaus, and tried to answer for ourselves Jesus' question, "Who do you say I am?" Jonathan reviewed Quaker history for us, winding up the weekend with George Fox's understanding of the Book of Revelation and "The Lamb's War." We also squeezed in singing, study, worship, walks on the lovely grounds, conversation, a bit of yoga, an abundance of good food, and probably too much caffeine and too little sleep.

The weekend renewed my awareness of the need to ground my prayer life in Scripture study, religious reading, and shared faith. It refreshed me with the company of like-minded seekers. And it reminded me that if I will but listen more carefully to "the living Christ within"—and to all of you—I will know that I am not alone.

For more information on programs at Woolman Hill, visit <www.woolmanhill.org>.



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Planning Meeting

The March 9th planning meeting facilitated by Bill Spock was discussed. Eleven people attended that meeting. Only the "goals" aspect of planning was discussed, and notes from the meeting were distributed. There was some discussion of where we go from here. It was generally felt that energy for the process was not abundant at the present time, and that the notes will be published in the newsletter (the entire minutes of that meeting posted on the Web site under the "Concerns" button) and the subject of planning will remain on the agenda for future meetings.

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Next Monthly Meeting: FRIDAY, April 18th at 7 p.m. at the meetinghouse. A potluck supper will begin at 6 p.m. NOTE CHANGE TO SUMMER MEETING SCHEDULE.

A Minute on the War in Iraq

In a Meeting for Business on March 16, 2003, Midcoast Meeting of the Religious Society of Friends in Damariscotta, Maine, approved the following letter for distribution.

At this time of impending war, to be launched by our government against the Middle East nation of Iraq, we wish to address our president, representatives in Congress, families, friends, and neighbors in our communities. For many months, we have professed our deeply held beliefs that war and violence cause irreparable harm and do not solve conflicts in the short term or over time. We have "studied" war by listening to our government leaders, and we have carefully measured their pronouncements and actions in view of our faith in the power of love to overcome hate and fear.

We believe that Iraq can be disarmed by UNMOVIC under the direction of the United Nations Security Council, and we firmly disagree that the world can be made safe with the military invasion, conquest, and occupation of Iraq by our government.

We believe that a safer world will be achieved and maintained only through the negotiation of different interests and the cultivation of friendships and cooperation with other nations. Military force is a dangerous and fatal tool; it must be avoided.

We abhor the devastation of war: children will be killed, the soil that communities depend on for nourishment will be contaminated, and the water poisoned. Homes and shops and schools and hospitals will be destroyed, dams and roads ruined, and monuments and traces of ancient civilizations obliterated. A quick war may remove a ruthless government, but it will surely kill many children; few of our brave soldiers may die, but many of those who survive will be haunted for the rest of their life by memories of battlefield chaos, destruction, and death.

While the machinery and strategy of war are powerful and ready, the systems for removing the scourge of weapons of mass destruction and of peaceably disarming tyrannical governments are difficult to create. Conflicts of interest, divergent ways of understanding the world, and the imbalances of power must be earnestly and intensively negotiated. We cannot act unilaterally in order to secure long-lasting security against terrorism and other threats.

We must seek not victory, but peace. Our nation must turn away from war, to be a model for peace and democracy. We must redirect our national energy and resources from military might to respectful diplomatic engagement.

Carmen Lavertu, clerk

Put Your Faith to Work and Plug into Green Power

By Andy Burt

Maine Interfaith Power & Light (MeIPL) launched two "green" products in late January. Already, more than 450 households have signed up for the green power produced by Maine biomass plants and small hydro-electric facilities. Additionally, in just two months, the group has sold over 300 "green certificates" or "green tags" that support research and development of wind and solar power in the Northwest.

On March 17, Governor Baldacci announced that the State of Maine will transfer some of its small accounts, including the Blaine House, to the green power supply, as the state simultaneously does energy conservation measures in those same buildings. This means that the state's premium cost will be no more for green electricity when combined with the savings realized through conservation. Interface Fabrics, a large Maine company, announced at the same time that it will buy enough green tags to offset 10% of its electricity use in Maine and Massachusetts.

Dick Harris and Andy Burt are board members of Maine Interfaith Power & Light and would be happy to provide information and forms for Friends to sign up to have their homes supplied with green power electricity or to purchase green tags. For more information about the products and registration forms, Friends may visit the MeIPL website at www.meipl.org.

Along with driving a fuel-efficient car, buying green electricity is the most important step you can take to reduce greenhouse gases, decrease the U.S. dependence on oil, and insure that future generations will live more healthfully and happily on the earth.

Peacemakers Unite!!!

Want to help build a world where love and peace are everyday life?

Want to feel a sense of solidarity and community in opposing war?

Want to take non-violent direct action against war?

JOIN US!!!

**For reflection, sharing, and planning
Be the change you wish to see in the world
Tuesdays, 7 p.m. • At the meetinghouse**

Currently we are planning a town-hall format meeting to be led by clergy of all faiths and a teach-in at Lincoln Academy, and more! For information, contact Holly Baldwin, 644-1014, hollyb@riseup.net, or Logan Perkins, logan@planet-save.com

Letter from Ackworth

March 18, 2003

Dear Damariscotta Friends,

This letter has been in the writing for the past month, and I guess tonight is the last chance to write it before war breaks out.

I am much cheered by the news from you all and your continual efforts to prevent the war. Today a cutting [newspaper clipping] arrived from Rosie with Carmen's letter to the Senators about militarism, and I cheered you on. Here we are plunged alternately from grim despair to a grim determination to stand up and be counted, whatever happens. I have never in all my life experienced anything like the march in London on 15 February. There were over a million people that day in London protesting against the war—four times as many as there are soldiers at this moment in the Gulf. Everyone was talking as though we all knew each other and there was indeed a sense of kinship. I was already in London, but Jill and my son, Tom, were traveling down from Leeds by bus and arrived two hours late because of the congestion. By that time the march had been moving for one and a half hours, but the end was still in the same place, as more and more joined in. We shuffled about a mile and a half in three hours and arrived at the rally just as it was dispersing. We missed all the speeches!

I was most impressed by the good humour and the determination of the people there. It was a truly peaceful demonstration, and despite those huge numbers, there were only three arrests, less than usual in central London on a Saturday afternoon. I have been very struck by the depth of discussion and the participation by people of all classes and races. It was particularly good to have our Muslim neighbours out there and very visible.

Although it may look as if we have 'lost,' I would like to think that something quite remarkable has happened in jolting us Brits into passionate discussions—not just about the rights and wrongs of this particular war, but in forcing the debate into wider issues of world justice. Suddenly, every decision we make has a global impact. So at this late stage we are getting clear statements about the future of Iraq (all Parliament wanted to discuss today). I wonder how much of this would have happened without the passionate involvement of people all over the world thinking things through for themselves. If this is true, then we are already participating in the building of a new peace.

My love to you all. You have a very special place in my heart.

Anna Needham

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