

BEN LOMOND QUAKER CENTER invites you to:

**Partners in Healing:
Racial Dynamics Among Friends**

*Sponsored by the Racial Justice
Subcommittee of Pacific Yearly Meeting
Resourced by Seven Generations Consulting*

April 20-22, 2012



"Be patterns, be examples in all countries, places, islands, nations, wherever you come; that your life and conduct may preach among all sorts of people, and to them. Then you will come to walk cheerfully over the world, answering that of God in every one.

~George Fox

With our roots in the rich muck of the history of race in our culture, this workshop will nurture the growth of a beautiful lotus flower of understanding. As we come together to explore and heal racial divisions within the Religious Society of Friends, we will lay the groundwork for furthering the diversity of our meetings, and deepening our corporate spiritual life.

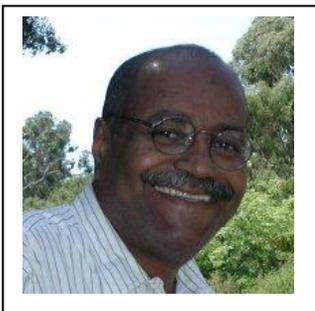
The weekend will be an opportunity for Friends to celebrate our own ethnic identities and traditions, and to work interactively across racial and ethnic differences. The intention is to make it accessible to adults and teens and to allow time for small group, large group, and individual work.

This weekend is ideal for Friends who share a concern for how to be a more inclusive, hospitable community for people of all backgrounds. We are especially hoping to have strong participation from youth within the Yearly Meeting.

If you will be arriving in time for dinner on Friday night, please bring food to share from your own family tradition, whether you are African American, Italian, Jewish... We also recommend bringing a journal for your own use.

Please register early using the form on the back or register online at <http://www.quakercenter.org/programs/register/>
We must have a minimum number of **20 people registered by April 10th** to go forward with the workshop.

ABOUT THE LEADERS



The weekend will be resourced by Seven Generations Consulting which has been doing multi cultural trainings and facilitation since 1998, often with faith communities. Their principles are based on the First Nation's understanding of "being mindful of those who have come before and those yet to come." Patricia St. Onge, a Unitarian Universalist minister is of Six Nations and Quebecois descent and is a mother and grandmother. Wilson Riles served as Regional Director of the AFSC in San Francisco for 10 years. They are also bringing a younger staff person, who specializes in working with youth.



Name(s): _____ Program Title: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail _____

I/we plan to pay \$ _____/person on the \$160-\$240/person sliding scale. (More information below)

Medical or ethical dietary needs: _____

Accommodation needs: _____

Check here to receive Quaker Center announcements solely by e-mail.

----- Detach Here and Return or Register Online at www.quakercenter.org -----

We no longer require a deposit with your registration. We trust that you will "let your yay be yay" and join us for this program if you register. If you absolutely must cancel, please do so in ample time to save Quaker Center any loss with regard to food costs or having to turn away another participant if the program fills.

A NOTE ABOUT OUR SLIDING SCALE

- Comprehensive rate:** The top of our scale covers all our costs. (**\$240/person**). Some participants choose to support Quaker Center's work by paying this rate or more.
- Standard rate:** We hope most people will pay at least this amount. (**\$200/person**)
- Special reduced rate:** The bottom to our scale (**\$160/person**). No one is ever refused access to our programs because of lack of funds. Scholarship support is available; please ask if you are in need.

- ✓ **Schedule:** Registration begins at 4:00 p.m. The program begins with dinner at 6:00 PM and concludes about 2:30 PM on Sunday after brunch, final cleanup, and worship. The weekend's schedule will include time for relaxation, reflection and exploration of Quaker Center's hiking trails and serene Redwood forest.
- ✓ **Accommodations and food:** Sleeping accommodations will be in the Orchard Lodge (semi-private rooms). Bring a sleeping bag or sheets and blankets, pillowcase, towel, soap, flashlight, and slippers. No pets please except for service animals. Inexpensive housing may be arranged the night before or after the program; linens may be rented for a modest fee. All meals at Quaker Center are vegetarian. Please tell us in advance about medical or ethical dietary restrictions. Participants share in meal prep and clean up as well as with final clean up chores on Sunday.
- ✓ **Refund Policy:** Payments made prior to the program will be refunded if you cancel more than one week before the program. For cancelations made within a week of the start date, we will refund all but the amount for the food that is already purchased.
- ✓ **Transportation:** See our website, <http://www.quakercenter.org/directions/> for directions. If you are arriving on public transportation let us know and we will provide a shuttle from Ben Lomond or Scotts Valley.

DRIVING DISTANCES FROM:

- Los Angeles: 365 miles, 6.5 hours
- Sacramento: 150 miles, 2 hours, 45 minutes
- San Francisco: 90 miles, 2 hrs and 15 minutes
- San Jose Intl Airport: 35 miles, 50 minutes
- Santa Cruz, 12 miles, 25 minutes

PUBLIC TRANSIT:

- **Amtrak:** Take the train to the San Jose Diridon Station
- **From the San Jose Diridon Station:** Take the 17 Express bus to the Cavallaro Transit Station in Scotts Valley.
- **From the Scotts Valley or Santa Cruz:** Take the 35 or 35A bus to Ben Lomond.
- **In Ben Lomond:** Get off at Highway 9 and Main Street and walk or call 831-332-4398 for a ride.

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