

BEN LOMOND QUAKER CENTER invites you to:

Still Point and Moving Edge

with *Jim Anderson, Erin Eichenberger Newman,
Diego Navarro, Dan Rosenson and Kathy Runyan*

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“...what makes Quakerism a radical faith, is that it is more than one expression or concept. It is a dynamic center made up of paradoxical understandings to be held in creative tension, and always with humility and openness to the Spirit that is beyond our full understanding.”

~Marty Walton, Bill Taber, Frances Irene Taber, *Discovering the Center of Quakerism*, FJ 07/92

What makes us Quakers? An inner experience? A common history? A searching? A finding? How, in our journey toward truth, do we discover a place to stand, a way to be, a next step to take? Still Point and the Moving Edge is a five-day gathering where we will embrace and explore the tensions of our Quaker faith. We will ask: is our faith determined by where we ground ourselves or by where that grounding leads us? Is it particular specific beliefs or openness to varying faiths? Participating in spiritual community or growing through individual practice? Or is it the very tensions in our Religious Society that allow us to feel what holds us together, who we are as Friends?

In these days together we will ask ourselves what of our tradition is living or can be awakened, and what it may be time to lay aside. We will ask ourselves what in new forms and directions is fresh with possibility, and what abandons or distorts what we have found to be true. Through worship, activities, study, and small-group sharing we will investigate our practices, values, experience, heritage, and future. Quakers new and seasoned, involved and estranged, are welcome to join and seek how our lives fit into the Religious Society of Friends and how the Society fits into our lives.

ABOUT THE WORKSHOP FACILITATORS:



Dan Rosenson began regularly attending Multnomah Monthly Meeting when he moved from New Hampshire to Portland, Oregon in 2014. After working for several years as a bicycle mechanic, Dan decided to focus full-time on his interest in religion. Now a student, Dan hopes to share his enthusiasm for the world's faith traditions as an educator after completing his degree.



Diego Navarro, is a member of Santa Cruz Friends Meeting, and grew up in Claremont Friends Meeting. He benefited greatly from participating in PYM's youth programs. He has developed and conducted workshops on leadings, drawing in part from his twelve years following a leading to develop a transformative program for at-risk and under-prepared students. Diego currently serves as the presiding clerk of Pacific Yearly Meeting.



Erin Eichenberger Newman grew up an Evangelical Friend in Newberg, Oregon, attended Earlham College, then spent half a decade away from Quakers. In 2010, she went to East West College of the Healing Arts and encountered the Spirit of the Living God while practicing Craniosacral Massage with classmates. She then began attending Multnomah Monthly Meeting and now worships with unprogrammed Friends while maintaining close kinships with dear ones in the Evangelical tradition. She is a licensed massage therapist and yoga practitioner.



Jim Anderson joined the Society of Friends in 1980 while teaching in Hong Kong. He has been active among west coast Friends since that time, while teaching comparative religion at the state university in Chico. Recently he has felt called to work with Friends eager to rebuild and revitalize Quakerism—through study, restructuring, active witness, and patterns of daily living.



Kathy Runyan began attending Quaker meeting in 1995 and quickly got involved teaching First Day School and in the CPQM Children's Program. She became a member of Chico Friends Meeting in 2001. After homeschooling her children for eight years, she began working for the Woolman Semester in 2003. She and her husband, Bob, became the Co-Directors of Quaker Center in 2011 after feeling called to the work of nourishing the spiritual lives of Friends and helping to revitalize Quakerism in the west. She is now a member of Santa Cruz Meeting.

TO REGISTER for STILL POINT AND MOVING EDGE, fill out this form and send it to the address below.

Name(s) of adults and names and age(s) of children coming: _____

Mailing Address: _____

Phone: _____ E-mail: _____

I/we plan to pay \$ _____/person on the \$420 - \$560/person sliding scale. (More on this below)

Medical or ethical dietary restrictions: _____

Accommodation or mobility concerns: _____

----- Detach Here and Return -----

Check-in is from 4 PM to 6 PM. Dinner is served at 6 PM and the first program session will begin at 7:30pm. You can expect to depart by 2 PM after final cleanup and closing worship. We no longer require a deposit with your registration. We trust that you will "let your yay be yay" and come to this program if you register. If you absolutely must cancel, please do so at least two days in advance. Otherwise we will bill you for the food the cook will have already purchased.

A NOTE ABOUT OUR SLIDING SCALE:

- Comprehensive rate:** The top of our scale covers all our costs. (**\$560/person**).
- Standard rate:** We hope most people will pay at least this amount. (**\$490/person**)
- Special reduced rate:** The bottom to our scale (**\$420/person**).
- Quaker Center Annual Pass purchased by** _____ **(name of individual or meeting)**

No one is ever refused access to our programs because of lack of funds. Please call or send email for a scholarship.

CHILDCARE: will be provided by **advance arrangement with Directors** at no extra charge to parents, though we request **\$125 per child** to cover the cost of meals.

ACCOMMODATIONS, THINGS TO BRING, AND FOOD: Sleeping accommodations will be in the Orchard Lodge (semi-private rooms). **Bring a sleeping bag or sheets and blankets, pillowcase,** towel, and toiletries. Please do not wear or bring strongly scented toiletries. All meals at Quaker Center are vegetarian. We ask all participants to take turns working together on meal prep, dish crew, and cleaning at the end of the program. **Please tell us if you must leave early** so that we can make sure you get signed up for a final clean up task that can be done early.

PLEASE DO NOT BRING PETS. Only service dogs (as defined by the [Americans with Disabilities Act](#)) may accompany guests with disabilities. Please call the directors in advance if you would like to bring your service dog.

TRANSPORTATION: See our website, www.quakercenter.org/directions/ for directions. If you are **arriving by bus, let us know at least a day in advance if you need a shuttle and we will pick you up** from Ben Lomond bus stops. Call **831-212-2631** if you need to change your pick-up time.

DRIVING DISTANCES FROM:

- Los Angeles: 365 miles, 6.5 hours
- Sacramento: 150 miles, 3 hours
- San Francisco: 90 miles, 2.5 hours
- San Jose Intl Airport: 35 miles, 1 hour
- Santa Cruz, 12 miles, 30 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 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 (in front of Ace Hardware) and walk or call for a ride.

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