

Ben Lomond Quaker Center *invites your meeting to send 2 members to...*



**A Complimentary  
Quaker Centering Consultation  
Facilitated by  
Kathy and Bob Runyan  
October 20 - 22, 2017**

*“It is the central root of obedience alone which can give to outward activity any value or beauty. This is the ancient Quaker principle, and unless we hold firmly to it both in thought and in action our Society will assuredly become as salt that has lost its savour.”*

*~ Caroline Stephen, Light Arising: Thoughts on the Central Radiance, 1908*

**Quaker Center invites all PYM, NPYM, and IMYM meetings to select 2 members to attend a Consultation of representatives from monthly meetings throughout the west who will share:**

- Activities Friends are currently offering in our meetings.
- Obstacles and struggles we face among western Friends.
- Ideas for overcoming these obstacles.
- How the connections made during the consultation can support interactions within and between meetings in the west.
- Ways that Quaker Center programs, including “Quaker Center on the Road” could better enrich the Life of meetings.

Quaker Center will not charge a program fee and we encourage meetings to defray the travel costs of the Friends who are designated to come on behalf of the meeting. We ask that meetings discern the choice of delegates carefully, rather than asking for volunteers. **The work of the Consultation is best suited for seasoned Friends who are eager to enrich and deepen the Quaker Life of the meeting.**

**About the program facilitators:**

*Kathy and Bob Runyan have served in many ways in local and regional Quaker meetings since 1995. They were on staff for the Woolman Semester School at Sierra Friends Center, and have served as Co-Directors of Quaker Center since March of 2011.*

*The Runyan's conversations among Friends about Quakerism and the Life and Power of its past have resulted in deeply shared concerns about its present and future. Kathy and Bob feel led to share the work of helping to rekindle the fire of Quakerism that was experienced and lived out by the original Friends. They are seeking ways we can work together to create a new Quaker movement and a richer, more vital community of Friends.*



**TO REGISTER** for the **Quaker Centering Consultation**, fill this out and send it to the address below, OR register online at [www.quakercenter.org/register/](http://www.quakercenter.org/register/)

Name(s) of attendees: \_\_\_\_\_ and age(s) of children coming: \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_ E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

**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 be depart by 2 PM on Sunday after closing worship. We trust that you will "let your yay be yay" and you'll participate in this program if you register. If you absolutely must cancel, please do so at least two days in advance. Otherwise we will request a \$50 payment for the food the cook has already purchased for you.

**CHILDCARE:** will be provided **by advance arrangement with Directors** at no extra charge to parents, though we request **\$50 per child** to cover the cost of meals.

**ACCOMMODATIONS, THINGS TO BRING, AND FOOD:** Sleeping accommodations will be in the Orchard and Redwood Lodges (semi-private rooms). **Bring a sleeping bag or sheets, 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 trained to perform a specific task to palliate the disability of the dog's handler may accompany guests. Please call Quaker Center in advance if you would like to bring your service dog.

**TRANSPORTATION:** See our website, [www.quakercenter.org/directions/](http://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, 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 for a ride.

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