

BEN LOMOND QUAKER CENTER invites you to:

## Clerking with Joy and Enthusiasm

*with Barbara Babin*

*and Jamie Newton*

August 30 - September 1, 2019



*"Business meeting is a meeting for worship, as mystical as any Quaker worship. The Spirit is present with us, leading and teaching us, and angels are hovering 'round."*

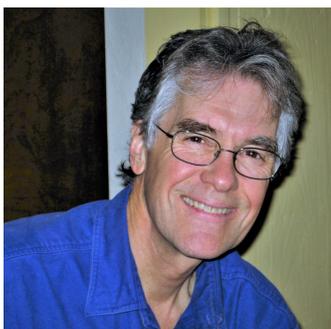
*~ Elizabeth Meyer, A Practical Mysticism*

**Clerking with Joy and Enthusiasm** is for all Friends with an interest in Quaker process, meeting for business, and deepening their connection with the Divine. It is for current and aspiring presiding clerks, recording clerks, committee clerks, and everyone else who is holding the clerks and Friends' discernment processes in the Light.

In this workshop we hope to support those currently serving as clerks and to inspire others to consider how they might take up leadership roles in their meetings and how they might lovingly support those growing into leadership roles. We will look at the real joys and challenges of clerking, providing practical strategies, resources, and tried-and-true processes that can help business meetings and committee meetings run smoothly. We will weave the practical experience of seeking unity together with the mystical experience of Quaker worship.

### ABOUT THE PROGRAM LEADERS

**Barbara Babin** has served as clerk of several meetings, quarterly, and yearly meeting committees, and has co-facilitated several clerking workshops. She has been presiding clerk of Palo Alto and Redwood Forest Meetings. With a passion for supporting spiritual growth in young people, she has accompanied teen trips to El Salvador, is an elder for the PYM Spring Youth Service-Learning Camp, and has served on various children/teen program committees.



**Jamie Newton** has been a recording clerk consistently for three decades, serving Pacific Yearly Meeting, New Mexico Regional Meeting, Palo Alto Monthly Meeting (CA), and Gila Monthly Meeting (NM). Jamie is Clerk of the Peace and Social Concerns Committee of Intermountain Yearly Meeting. He understands recording in meetings for business as an exercise in deep listening, attuned to the flow of the spirit among Friends as we find our way together. Jamie's approach to recording is guided by the fox's advice to the Little Prince: "Words are the source of misunderstanding... It is only with the heart that one can see rightly; what is essential is invisible to the eye." (Antoine de Saint-Exupéry)

**Registration for:** *Clerking with Joy and Enthusiasm* **Name(s):** \_\_\_\_\_

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

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

**Medical or ethical dietary restrictions:** \_\_\_\_\_

**Accommodation or mobility concerns:** \_\_\_\_\_

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

----- Detach Here and Return or Register Online at [www.quakercenter.org](http://www.quakercenter.org) -----

**CHECK-IN is from 3 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 12:30 PM on Sunday after breakfast, final clean-up, the closing session and worship. We no longer require a deposit with your registration. 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 may request \$50 payment for the food the cook has already purchased for you.

**A NOTE ABOUT OUR SLIDING SCALE:**

**Comprehensive rate:** The top of our scale covers all our costs. **(\$240/person).**

**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 will be refused from our programs due to lack of funds. Please call or email us to learn about our policy.

**CHILDCARE:** Quaker Center will offer at no charge *if the Directors receive at least two weeks advance notice.* We request \$25 to 50 per child over the age of 3 to cover the cost of meals.

**ACCOMMODATIONS, THINGS TO BRING, AND FOOD:** Sleeping accommodations will be in the Orchard Lodge in 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. **If you need to bring your service animal, you must call us in advance.**

**TRANSPORTATION:** For directions, please see our website, [www.quakercenter.org/directions/](http://www.quakercenter.org/directions/). If arriving by bus, let us know at least a day in advance if you need a shuttle and we will pick you up from the Main Street stop in Ben Lomond. **If you need to change your pick-up time., call the Quaker Center cell phone: 831-212-2631.**

**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

**To: Quaker Center at 1000 Hubbard Gulch Road**

**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.

## QUAKER CENTER

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