Western Washington Fellowship of Reconciliation
2016 Fall Retreat
Saturday November 12, 2016
9:00 am to 5:00 pm at Gwinwood Conference Center in Lacey

“Interracial and Intergenerational Movement Building: Weaving Activism into Our Lives”

A richly diverse group of people is planning this year’s program, and we hope to see you there! We are inspired by our theme, and we are a reflection of its commitment to working across racial and generational boundaries. We are committed to creating safe space within which we can have the courageous conversations necessary to create the more just, equitable, and sustainable world we all seek.

-- the 2016 planning committee

Desired outcomes for the day:

1. Create safe and supportive spaces within which we can build interracial and intergenerational bridges and relationships.
2. Develop skills for facilitating and engaging in courageous conversations with potential allies of diverse backgrounds and ages.
3. Network with other activists to identify possible opportunities for rich collaboration and solidarity across lines of race and age in our respective communities and across the region.

Tentative activity topics:

(These topics are likely, but not yet confirmed. We plan to weave our theme throughout our day’s activities.)

1. Privilege and oppression: developing awareness and understanding, and taking action.
2. Creating safe and welcoming schools by addressing issues of race, cultural heritage, and LGBTQ identity.
3. Building a diverse, interracial, and intergenerational coalition for racial, economic, and climate justice, and native sovereignty.
5. Exploring the power of social media in movement-building.

The Fellowship of Reconciliation is a 100-year-old pacifist organization founded at the beginning of World War I by activists determined to work together for peace across national boundaries rather than let their governments cause them to see each other as enemies. The FOR and its members, here in the U.S. and across the globe, have resisted war and struggled for human and civil rights; racial, economic, and climate justice; and native sovereignty.


Please join with us on Saturday November 12 for WWFOR’s 2016 Fall Retreat.

- We will provide coffee and tea, but no food. Bring your own lunch. No restaurants are nearby.
- We will post more information – and an opportunity to pre-register-- to www.wwfor.org and www.olympiafor.org
- Pre-registering early (preferably by Wednesday, November 9) will help us plan for a productive day!

Turn page over for more information.
At 9:00 am we will welcome people with coffee, tea, and social time. We’ll begin in earnest at 10:00 am.

We’ll continue (with your own brownbag lunch) until 5:00 pm. We’ll offer only coffee and tea continually throughout the day but no food.

YOU are entirely responsible for your own brownbag lunch.
(There are NO nearby restaurants.)

Pre-registration helps us better plan the day, so if possible, please pre-register by Wed. Nov. 9. But even if you can’t pre-register by Wed. Nov. 9, please come anyway!

To Pre-Register: Use the form below or print one from www.wwfor.org or www.olympiafor.org

Questions? Contact Glen Anderson at (360) 491-9093 glen@olympiafor.org

Location and directions to the old main lodge of Gwinwood Conference Center, 6015 30th Ave SE in Lacey (SE of Olympia).

From the north: Take I-5 to Exit 109. Turn right onto Martin Way, left onto College Street, left onto Lacey Boulevard, right onto Ruddell Road, left on 25th Ave SE, right on Hicks Lake Road SE, left on 30th Ave SE, right into Gwinwood and see the old main lodge straight ahead. Free parking is in front of the building and beyond it.

From the south: Take I-5 to Exit 108. Follow the long exit to College Street. Turn right onto College. Then follow the rest of the above directions.

Cost: We keep costs low and try to just barely break even. We can cover our costs if we average $15 per person, but we welcome people regardless of ability to pay. Anything from $0 on up would be just fine. Persons who can afford to give more will help offset the cost for those who have less. One way to keep the cost low is to ask each person to PLEASE BRING YOUR OWN LUNCH. We provide coffee and tea throughout the day, but no food.

THANK YOU!

Cut on this dotted line and send the bottom portion to Glen Anderson, 5015 15th Ave SE, Lacey WA 98503-2723

YES! I/we will attend WWFOR’s Fall Retreat on SATURDAY NOVEMBER 12, 2016.

Name(s):

Address: City: Zip:

Phone(s): E-mail:

- Carpooling saves gas and builds community. I need rides for ___ persons. I could provide rides for ___ persons.
- Your registration donation can help cover our costs: Please donate $15 per person if you can afford it,
- Low income folks may pay less. Some people voluntarily contribute extra so low-income folks can attend.
- Please make checks payable to “WWFOR” and earmark them “Fall Retreat.”
- I am enclosing this amount: $________ If you will pay at the door, please check here: [___]

- Please fill out this form and mail it to Glen Anderson, 5015 15th Ave SE, Lacey WA 98503-2723.
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