

# “THERE IS A SPECIAL ENERGY HERE”

an interview with Geoff Fitch, Pacific Integral



## COMMENT FROM ANOTHER MEETING PLANNER

*Gene Kidder has booked extended group retreats at Harmony Hill facilities for many years. Here's what he said about his group's retreat this summer:*

“I am still walking the flowered labyrinth in my heart! Our retreat this year did unquestionably exceed by a great distance the depth and quality of anything we have experienced before. The blend of your vision, creativity and design for Harmony Hill had a powerful direct and subtle impact on the outcome—I have absolutely no question about this.”

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*Pacific Integral has been renting Harmony Hill facilities this year for “Generating Transformational Change in Human Systems,” a series of professional training retreats. The program continues into 2006.*

### ***Tell us something about Pacific Integral.***

We serve two distinct populations. First, we work with individuals to facilitate transformative change in the organizations or systems in which they work. Second, we work with leaders and organizations to create improvements in the results they produce, while developing the skills and capacities of their people and organizations.

We specifically seek to touch the planet beyond our borders. Our projects have ranged from working with executives at local community hospitals, to developing transformative leadership programs through the UN for African leaders battling the AIDS epidemic. Our overriding motivation is to increase capacity for integral leadership in the world.

### ***What in particular caught your interest in bringing your group to Harmony Hill?***

It was a combination of the beauty and spirit of the place. We all felt deeply inspired by the staff's passion and vision for Harmony Hill, and also sensed we were on similar paths. The values and consciousness present at Harmony Hill were important to us as the space we work in greatly supports the deep work we do with people.

### ***Who's participating in your retreats here?***

They come from as close as Seattle and as far away as South Africa, from a variety of backgrounds and disciplines. Many are seeking to be consultants, some work in the public sector. Many are mid-career or want to increase the impact or fulfillment in the work they are doing.

### ***In what ways has meeting at the Hill supported your meeting purposes?***

Harmony Hill has been a wonderful place to be. First, the physical space and location is breathtakingly beautiful and special. Although there has been construction while we have been there, that has not detracted from our experience and the new building is really gorgeous. The staff at Harmony Hill provide outstanding care and support. You can't really describe it without seeing and feeling the place, but there is a special energy here that is healing and very supportive.

I'd highly recommend Harmony Hill to any business looking for a retreat environment for a program. We are expecting to have a long term relationship with the Hill and grow as you do.