



Restorative Resources presents  
First Annual  
CALIFORNIA JUVENILE  
RESTORATIVE JUSTICE CONFERENCE  
May 4, 2007  
Evening Reception, May 3  
Hyatt Vineyard Creek Hotel & Spa  
170 Railroad Street  
Santa Rosa, CA 95401

Welcome to the First Annual Restorative Resource's *California Juvenile Restorative Justice Conference*. We are offering a statewide, daylong forum devoted to exploring effective juvenile justice practices in the state of California. The goal of the conference is to look at the application of restorative justice principles with California attorneys, judges, law enforcement professionals, mediators, social workers, and community members. This conference is our first step in educating and motivating California communities to gain a greater understanding of restorative justice practice and its timely role within juvenile justice. It is our hope that you will take time to join us in our commitment to creating and supporting juvenile justice practices throughout the state of California.

Sincerely,

Jessalyn Nash  
Executive Director, Restorative Resources

Judge Mark Tansil  
Superior Court Judge, Juvenile Division

## CONFERENCE OBJECTIVES

Participants will be able to:

- Understand the Key Principles and Practices of Restorative Justice
- Recognize the need for restorative justice
- Discuss emerging approaches, state and nation-wide to restorative justice principles
- Identify how restorative justice programs may be brought into California's juvenile justice and educational communities
- Present significant data in support of restorative justice reducing juvenile crime

7 hours CE credit (LCSW/MFT; MCLE) fee is \$25. Payment to be made to Sonoma State University.

**Evening Reception-May 3,2007**

**6:00–8:00 PM**      *An Evening with the Presenters – May 3*

## **Conference Program – May 4**

*The conference program has three areas of emphasis: justice, education, and community. There is an optional presentation at 8:00 am on the basic principles and practices of Restorative Justice.*

**7:00 AM**                      **Continental Breakfast and Registration**

**8:00**                              ***What Is This Thing Called Restorative Justice?***

Jessalyn Nash and Kip Lowe

A “nuts and bolts” presentation on the basic principles and practices of Restorative Justice

**9:00**                              ***Welcome and Opening Remarks***

Judge Mark Tansil, Jessalyn Nash & Audrey Fancy

***Keynote: Seeking Justice in a New Way***

Howard Zehr

**10-11:00**                      **SESSION I: PRINCIPLES OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE**

**Justice**                              ***Experiences with RJ: The Benefits and Challenges***

A dialog with Howard Zehr

**Education**                              ***Making Things Right: RJ in the Classroom, Models and Strategies developed by Ron and his wife, Roxanne, an 8<sup>th</sup> Grade Teacher & Bridging Between Systems in Sonoma County***

Ron Claassen, Carl Wong, Ph.D, Tom Joynt

**Community**                              ***Breaking the Criminal Cycle and Restoring Community***

Allan MacRae, Jeff Weaver

**11:00**                              **Morning Break**

**11:15**                              **SESSION II: PRACTICAL APPLICATIONS OF RESTORATIVE JUSTICE**

**Justice**                              ***Making RJ Work in Your Community: Part I***

An Interactive Discussion

Judge Mark Tansil, Judge Arnold Rosenfield, Chief Jeff Weaver,

Joseph Spaeth, Sheriff Bill Cogbill, Phillip Kader, Jennifer

Bishop-Jenkins & Bill Jenkins

Howard Zehr- Moderator

**Education**                              ***Restorative Justice: An Intervention Technique for Education***

Part I: Gangs and Violence

Rev. Anthony Ortiz

Part II: Drugs and Alcohol

Rodney Skager, Chuck Reis

**Community**                              ***Case Studies in Restorative Justice: A Word from the Stakeholders***

Discussion of three specific cases with principals from each:  
vehicular manslaughter, school shooting, vandalism  
Jessalyn Nash, Wendy Evans & Meredith Helton  
Specific Case Stakeholders

12:30

**Awards Luncheon**  
*Transforming a Juvenile Justice System: A 20 Year  
Perspective from Skeptics to Success*  
Allan MacRae

1:30

*Restorative Justice, An Activist Perspective*  
Mike Farrell

2:00

**State Awards in Restorative Justice**  
*Including the Dennis Maloney Lifetime Achievement Award*

2:30

**Afternoon Break**

2:45

**SESSION III: VICTIMS' RIGHTS**

Justice

*Making Restorative Justice Work in Your Community: Part II*  
An Interactive Discussion  
Howard Zehr- Moderator

Education

*Victim's Rights in the Schools*  
A national perspective of Restorative Justice impact on bullying,  
harassment and victims of violence. A hazing case study.  
Jennifer Bishop-Jenkins, Jessalyn Nash, Claudia Rosatti

Community

*Restoring Safety to the Community: A Victim's Perspective*  
Bill Jenkins

4:15

**Conference Wrap-Up, Closing Remarks**  
*Highlights of Restorative Justice*  
New experiences and innovations in California; a review of  
experience with Restorative Justice in the state.  
Judge Mark Tansil and Ca. Community Justice Project members

4:45

**Book Signing:**  
Mike Farrell, Bill Jenkins, Alan MacRae, Rod Skager, Howard  
Zehr



Mike Farrell



Howard Zehr



Alan MacRae

## Faculty

**Howard Zehr**, world recognized pioneer in the Restorative Justice Movement, Professor of Sociology and Restorative Justice at Eastern Mennonite University in Harrisonburg, Virginia, co-director of the Center for Justice and Peacebuilding, author of *The Little Book of Restorative Justice* and *Changing Lenses: A New Focus for Crime and Justice*.

**Allan MacRae**, internationally known for his program success with Restorative Justice in New Zealand's juvenile system, co-author of *The Little Book of Family Group Conferences*, has for the last twelve months, been the Coordinators' National Operations Manager for New Zealand, overseeing Family Group Conferences for Youth Justice and Care and Protection.

**Mike Farrell**, known for M\*A\*S\*H, TV series, documentaries. Activist for human rights. 1996: Valentine Davies Award (Writers Guild of America.) 3-yr term on the Ca.Comm. on Judicial Performance, 2002 1st VP of Screen Actors Guild, 2004: Donald Wright Award (Ca. Attorneys for Criminal Justice.)

**Mark Tansil**, Judge, Superior Court of California, Juvenile Div. He was elected to the municipal court in 1986 and the superior court in 1996. He has served as presiding judge in both courts and as a supervising judge in criminal court, family court, and juvenile court. RJ in high profile vehicular manslaughter cases.

**Arnold Rosenfield**, Judge, Superior Court since 1985, 1999 selected California's Juvenile Court Judge of the Year. California Judicial Council Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee. He has taught Juvenile Law and RJ at Empire Law School, Sonoma State Univ. and California Judicial College.

**Audrey Fancy**, Senior Attorney, Administrative Office of the Courts, Center for Families, Children and the Courts; Juvenile Delinquency Court Assessment Project, the Probation Services Task Force, and the California Community Justice Project, Victim Offender Reconciliation Project (VORP)

**Jessalyn Nash, M.A.**, Executive Director of Restorative Resources, world recognized for her pioneering work in restorative justice and use of family group conferences. A member of the California Community Justice Committee, she teaches Restorative Justice at Sonoma State University and at national and international conferences.

**Carl Wong, Ed.D.**, Sonoma County Superintendent of Schools, 1<sup>st</sup> generation Chinese-American, he has served in many positions in California schools including high school teacher, guidance counselor, ROP coordinator, continuation school principal, high school principal and Superintendent of Petaluma Schools.

**Rev. Anthony Ortiz**, ex-gang member, ordained minister, recipient of the 2004 California Peace Prize Award. Rev. Ortiz has used his firsthand knowledge of gang life for more than 25 years to end the cycle of violence against youth. Founder of Breakout Prison Outreach—later renamed California Youth Outreach.

**Jennifer Bishop-Jenkins**, Nationally recognized educator and activist on victim's rights. An award-winning teacher, she has trained other teachers from all over the nation and has authored an article for a national Human Rights Education publication.

**Ron Claassen**, M.A., M.Div., D.Min., Director of the Center for Peacemaking and Conflict Studies at Fresno Pacific University; founder and former director of the Fresno County Victim Offender Reconciliation Program and the Annual Restorative Justice Conference; co-author of "Making Things Right."

**Sheriff-Coroner Bill Cogbill**, a 30-year veteran of Law Enforcement, since 2003, Sheriff-Coroner for the County of Sonoma. A graduate of the Federal Bureau of Investigation National Academy and the Law Enforcement Executive Development School.

**Wendy Evans, MFT**, Restorative Conference Coordinator and Program Services Manager at Restorative Resources, serves on the Sonoma County Juvenile Justice Commission.

**Meredith Helton**, Juvenile Probation Division Director, Sonoma County Probation Department. She has served 15 years in Sonoma County Law Enforcement, as a Correctional Officer, Facility Training Officer, Probation Officer and now as a Division Director administering Juvenile Probation Services, including Probation, Diversion, and Early Intervention programs.

**Bill Jenkins**, Nationally recognized author of “*What Do You Do When the Police Leave*” and victim’s rights activist. He has been an instructor for the Virginia Institute for Forensic Science and Medicine and other government agencies, training officials who work with victims of crime.

**Tom Joynt**, educational liaison for the Superior Court, works with social workers, probation staff and the attorneys serving youth in the courts. He has been involved with student discipline and alternatives to suspension and expulsion including restorative justice for the past decade.

**Phillip Kader**, Director of Juvenile Probation in Fresno County; member of the Administrative Office of the Courts Community Justice Project and the Delinquency Court Assessment Working Group; co-author of the Fresno Framework on Restorative Justice.

**Kevin “Kip” Lowe**, Criminal Justice Consultant, Chief of Victim and Survivor Services (Ret.), Ca. Dept. of Corrections and Rehabilitation, criminal justice faculty of California State University Sacramento.

**Chuck Reis**, Director of UpFront programs and the Oakland High School Student Assistance Program, he has explored the nature of the relationship between drugs, the individual, and society for 37 years, the last 9 at Oakland High School. He embraces and practices the principals of restorative practices for a more humane and harmonious relationship the juvenile justice system

**Claudia Rosatti**, Superintendent of Cloverdale Unified School District in Sonoma County. She has spent 34 years working in the schools (ADA 1,500) in various capacities, including teacher and principal. Cloverdale has one of the first school partnerships with Restorative Resources.

**Rodney Skager, Ph.D.**, Professor Emeritus in the Graduate School of Education and Information Studies at UCLA and author of *Beyond Zero Tolerance: A Reality-Based Guide to Drug Education and Student Assistance*. He is active in bringing restorative justice into education as an alternative to suspension and expulsion.

**Joseph Spaeth**, Public Defender, Marin County; past president of the California Public Defender's Association; served on the Family and Juvenile Law Advisory Committee to the California Judicial Council for over 10 years.

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Sonoma County, California

## REGISTRATION FORM

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Hyatt Hotel room rates for May 3<sup>rd</sup> are: \$150 per night for Single or Double occupancy \$175 for Triple occupancy \$200 for Quadruple

As of March 1, please contact the Hyatt Vineyard Creek Hotel and Spa at 1-800-233-1234 and mention "**Restorative Resources' Event**".

Hyatt Vineyard Creek, 170 Railroad Avenue, Santa Rosa, CA 95401

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**Note:** The registration fee includes a Reception on Thursday evening, continental breakfast, and the lunch banquet.

Early Registration Fee (by April 5, 2007)      \$ 125.00      If postmarked after April 5, the registration fee is \$ 150.00

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For more information you may contact us at: 707-823-8080 or at [rrinfo@sonic.net](mailto:rrinfo@sonic.net)

**Early registration** is strongly recommended. Space is limited and registrations will be accepted on a first-come, first-serve basis. **Registration cancellations** must be given at least 10-business days prior to the session in order to qualify for a refund. A \$25.00 administrative fee will be applied to all refunds. Persons canceling after the 10 days and no-shows are responsible for the entire registration fee and are not eligible for refunds.

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