

SOCM's 2009 Annual Meeting Agenda

October 24-26, 2009

FRIDAY, October 23

- 6:00- 7:00pm Arrival
7:00- 7:30pm Hors d'oeuvres
- 7:30- 8:30 SOCM 2009 Party:
Name Change & Logo Launch

SATURDAY, October 24

- 7:45- 8:45am Breakfast
- 9:00-10:30 Recruitment Welcome- Singing
- 10:30-11:30 Chapter & Committee Review/ Preview
Board Elections
- 11:30am-1:00pm Lunch (until 12:30) & Free Time
Flea Market Excursion (optional)
- 1:00-2:15 Workshop Block 1 *See Workshop options on backside of page*
- 2:15-2:30 Break
- 2:30-3:45 Workshop Block 2 *Workshops will be repeated*
- 3:45-5:45 Field Trip! Options:
Fiery Gizzard Hike
Visit old Highlander Folk School site
- 5:45-6:30pm Discussion with SOCM's Anti-Racism Transformation Team
- 6:30-7:30pm Dinner
- 7:30-9:00pm Membership Appreciation Program, Music & Dessert

SUNDAY, October 25

- 7:45-8:45am Breakfast
- 9:00-10:00 Faith Sharing Service- All Faiths Invited (optional)
- 10:00-10:15 Evaluation of the Weekend
- 10:15-10:45 Workshop Report Back and Looking Ahead:
Inspiration for moving forward
- 10:45-11:45 Group Picture, Tug of War and Games

Workshop Options

Workshops will be repeated

Finding Economic Solutions in Green-Collar Jobs

David Beaty, Amy Anderson, Chris Hill, Joe Partin, and Susan Williams is joining us from the Highlander Center

What do the climate and the economy have in common? Come find out from SOCM's Green-Collar Jobs committee. We'll discuss why green jobs are a real, lasting solution to economic hardship. Join us as we seek to understand how wealth and income are distributed in our state and in our country, and how we can be a part of the solution.

Immigration- Are you Curious?

SOCM's Anti-Racism Transformation Team and Elias Feghali from Tennessee Immigrant and Refugee Rights Coalition/TIRRC

Why are people coming to the United States and why is it such a big deal? Are they actually contributing in a meaningful way? What is all the uproar about "immigrant rights"? Join us for a thought-provoking and educational conversation.

Media Messaging and Framing

Each of these workshops, while covering a shared theme, will be slightly different.

Block 1: How do we talk to people about SOCM's new name? What does this name change mean for SOCM and how can we explain it in a way that helps people understand SOCM's mission and goals?

Block 2: Have you seen the new t-shirts that read, "Coal=Jobs +Energy"? How can SOCM combat this snappy sound bite with truth and alternative options for a more just and healthy economic and environmental future? We need language that is equally snappy and compelling. Join us as we brainstorm and learn more about how to effectively deliver our message.