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From our Conference Moderator ~ *Linda Dibble*

The e-Bulletin has a new design! At the Anchorage 2010 Annual Meeting, delegates took time to review several possible logo changes to be applied to the e-Bulletin, *Evangel*, and our PNMC letterhead. The new logo above received the most votes and was designed by Ken Gingerich of Mennonite Church USA at no cost to us – thank you, Ken, for your generosity. Why did we change? The change is due largely in order to visibly show our alignment to MC USA. I have to say, I really like the trees!

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Aug 20, noon: DEADLINE to register for **PNMC credentialing courses** (listed below). Contact Barb Buxman ASAP if you would like to register (office@pnmc.org).

Sept 14: Mennonite Polity Course in Portland, OR; provided by PNMC.

Sept 15-16: Mennonite History I Course in Portland, OR; provided by PNMC.

Sept. 19, 4 PM: PNMHS (Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society) Fall Meeting. Hesston College and PNMHS present **Common Threads: Anabaptist and African American Songs and Stories of Suffering and Hope** at Zion Mennonite Church (Hubbard, OR).

Common Threads is an exploration of the way Anabaptist religious persecution and African American racial suffering have intersected. Both groups suffered at the hands of legitimate governments and both found hope in the midst of pain and humiliation. Hesston College faculty members Tony Brown (professional baritone and artist in residence) and John Sharp (storyteller and author) will give voice to Anabaptist martyrs and African American slaves by singing their hymns and telling their stories.

Common Threads was presented in 15 congregations and seven school settings across the Mennonite church this past year. A free-will offering will be taken and a reception will follow.

Nov 9-10: Mennonite History II Course in Portland, OR; provided by PNMC.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

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Mennonite Central Committee

Mennonite Central Committee grieves the loss of service worker **Glen D. Lapp** following an attack on his medical team in northeastern Afghanistan. Glen was a member of Community Mennonite Church in Lancaster. We call the church to prayer for Glen's loved ones, family and friends of the others who perished, staff of our partner organization in Afghanistan, the people of Afghanistan, and the people who carried out this tragic act. Glen truly showed Christ's love and compassion and the biblical call to peacemaking in serving with the Afghan people. He will be remembered.

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Mennonite Church USA

Nov 29-Dec 2: ESC Fall Meeting. MC USA is a member denomination of the Ecumenical Stewardship Center (ESC). The theme for the 2010 Leadership Seminar is "**Preaching and Teaching Christian Stewardship.**" This is designed for leaders involved in teaching others how to present stewardship concepts and ideas. The plenary speakers will give valuable insight for presenting stewardship in your ministry setting. Visit www.escleadershipseminar.com for more information.

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Sept 6 (*submissions due by 8/30*)

Sept 20 (*submissions due by 9/13*)

Oct 4 (*submissions due by 9/27*)

Oct 18 (*submissions due by 10/11*)

If you would like to contribute, please send a **brief announcement** in Spanish & English with website links to brenda@pnmc.org. Our goal is to provide a valuable resource, not an In-Box jammer. If space is tight, we may omit announcements that are not as pertinent to PNMC. Announcements will run ONE time only, unless specified otherwise. *We welcome your feedback!*

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