

PNMC e-BULLETIN

providing bi-monthly communication for Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference



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A Note from our Conference Treasurer ~ Ed Miller

The PNMC fiscal year ended January 31. On January 23, the Board of Directors approved the 2010 budget. Following is a summary of the 2009 budget, actual income and expenses, and the 2010 budget:

	2009 Budget	2009 Actual	2010 Budget
Member Church Contributions	\$147,926	\$148,678	\$137,741
Other Income	49,661	30,002	22,020
Total Income	\$197,587	\$178,680	\$159,761
Total Expenses	\$198,900	\$164,866	\$166,487
Income versus Expense	\$ -1,313	\$ 13,814	\$ -6,726

To view full financial reports with comments: <http://pnmc.org/Teams/Finance/Reports>

The *Evangel* Newsletter will resume publication this coming April. If you have items you would like to submit, please send them to brenda@pnmc.org by **March 12**. Thankyou!

March 15: Please return **PNMC Gift Discernment Sheets** to irisdh@pnmc.org before today!

PNMC Annual Conference: June 24-27, 2010

Have you made your travel plans for **Anchorage 2010**? Join PNMC members in Alaska this summer for our annual meeting. For more info, visit:

[http://www.pnmc.org/Meetings/Annual Meetings/Anchorage 2010](http://www.pnmc.org/Meetings/Annual%20Meetings/Anchorage%2010)

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

listed chronologically

March 14, 2:30 pm: *Writing Against the Old Lie: Mennonite Objectors and the Great War* at Albany Mennonite Church. Sponsored by Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society, featuring speaker [Melanie Springer Mock](#), author of [Writing Peace, The Unheard Voices of Great War Mennonite Objectors](#). For more info, contact Ray Kauffman, PNMC Historian (kmanrt@msn.com; 541/926-5046).

March 19, 6:30 pm: *Drift Creek Camp Fundraiser Dinner* at Zion Mennonite Church. Keynote speaker, Luke Gascho, director of Goshen College's Merry Lea Environmental Center, will present his perspective on creation as God's gift of love and how special locations such as Drift Creek impact our lives spiritually. For details & reservations, visit www.driftcreek.org. Proceeds will go towards much needed capital improvements at Drift Creek Camp.

May 8: *4th Annual World Relief Festival* at College Church of the Nazarene (Nampa, ID) planned by **Idaho Mennonite Churches**. Proceeds will benefit MCC. Donations accepted through April 1st. Check www.idahomrs.org for a complete listing of needed items or contact Rick Bollman (rlbmenno@hotmail.com; 208/378-8109).

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically

Mennonite Central Committee

This summer there will be an opportunity for two youth to: 1) serve in their own communities; 2) study in California for two weeks; 3) receive \$1,500. For details, call Bob Buxman (503-502-5402) or visit <http://westcoast.mcc.org/programs/summer>.

Relief kits, comforters, meat and more en route to Haiti

Wonder what MCC has been doing with the money you have been sending for Haiti? This story describes how MCC is bringing practical material relief:
mcc.org/stories/news/mcc%E2%80%99s-relief-kits-comforters-meat-and-more-en-route-haiti

Mennonite Church USA

July 4-9, 2011: *Mennonite Church USA Convention* in Pittsburgh, PA. *Bridges to (the) Cross* theme is based on 2 Cor 5:16-20. **March 30:** deadline for submitting seminar proposals. For details: www.mennoniteusa.org/convention

VIA, *a new resource to help your church introduce people to the Jesus way of life.*

We live in a society where more and more people know little or nothing about the Christian faith. Many adults did not grow up attending church, or they might come from other faith traditions. What happens when they come to your church, wanting to learn more about being a follower of Jesus? How can you help them learn about the basics of the Christian faith?

Through **Via**, you and your church can invite people toward one of life's most important commitments—a commitment to the Jesus way of life. Available in both English & Spanish. Visit <http://www.faithandliferesources.org/titles/via/> for more information.

Mennonite Disaster Service (MDS) celebrated 60 years of service at their annual All-Unit meeting in February. For more info, visit <http://mds.mennonite.net/home/>.

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Mennonite Mission Network ~ Youth Venture Program

Get ready for a new adventure and be part of what God is doing around the world. If you are 14-22 yrs old and interested in serving and learning alongside other young adults, consider Youth Venture. YV gives you a chance to try new things, meet new people, and learn about a new culture through the eyes of a local church or host community. This summer, you can travel with teams and a leader to locations like Bolivia, Botswana, France, southern California, Montreal and others. For details, visit www.Service.MennoniteMission.net; e-mail ArloaB@MennoniteMission.net.

Mennonite Women ~ Sister-Care Seminars

How am I called to care? What resources can the church provide; when do we seek care outside the church? How can women more effectively minister to needs of other women? How do we set boundaries? Sessions include worship, Bible study, skills training and interactive activities. Participants will receive a manual of resources that can be shared with others.

2010 Pacific Northwest Seminar Dates:

Friday evening; Saturday morning & afternoon

October 8-9: Evergreen Heights Mennonite Church (Caldwell, ID)

October 15-16: Salem Mennonite Church (Salem, OR)

October 22-23: Menno Mennonite (Ritzville, WA)

Provided by Mennonite Women USA and hosted by Pacific Northwest Conference Mennonite Women.

The PNMC e-BULLETIN will be **distributed the 1st & 3rd Monday of each month**. If you would like to contribute, please send a **brief announcement** in Spanish & English with website links to brenda@pnmc.org **by the 2nd & 4th Monday of each month**. 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 conference. Announcements will run ONE time only, unless specified otherwise. *We welcome your feedback!*