

e-Bulletin

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PNMC BOARD OF DIRECTORS

The PNMC Board of Directors met in mid-September and reaffirmed the goals that were established in early 2011. The board will continue to make lay leadership development a priority and welcomes ideas that will assist lay leaders in their congregations. The following objectives will continue to be valued: communication; mutual respect & support; promoting a youth gathering; financial capabilities; provide/promote service opportunities; and to nurture congregational/PNMC relationships.

Jeryl Hollinger, Linda Dibble and Jana Gingerich (pictured right) recently traveled to Laurelville Mennonite Church Center in Pennsylvania to attend Values Based Leadership Training. The program offers a fresh perspective on leadership through an Anabaptist lens. In addition to developing skills, participants have opportunities to identify personal strengths and weaknesses in their leadership styles. If interest grows, the program could be offered on the West Coast, perhaps as early as next fall. If you have interest, notify Linda Dibble.

PNMC is looking to fill the full-time **Executive Conference Minister** position. The complete job description is available <u>here</u>.

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

The Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief is Saturday, October 8 at the Linn County Fair and Expo in Albany. Start with a pancake and sausage breakfast at 7:30, then check out the array of tempting baked goods, cheeses, and fair trade items at the shops. The live auction begins at 10:00 with a wide selection of quilts, antiques, vacation packages, lawn & garden items, and more! Kids activities are scheduled throughout the day. New this year is an exciting all-ages event at 2pm: "Drumming for Peace," led by Leo Hartshorn. As always, the Festival benefits MCC's relief and development work. Visit www.oregonmennofest.org.

Salem Mennonite Church

Sarah Roth-Mullet (pictured right) recently joined the SMC staff as both Youth Ministries Leader and coordinator for the SE Keizer Community Center that gathers at the church. Originally from Goshen, Indiana, Sarah attended GC and graduated with degrees in English and History. After graduation, she moved to Hesston, Kansas, with her husband, Luke, where she worked as a bilingual educator. Last year Sarah and Luke served with Mennonite Central Committee in Mexico City as coordinators for Connecting Peoples. They moved to Salem in July. She enjoys hiking, conversing, reading and music.



Zion Mennonite Church

Leo Hartshorn became interim pastor in mid-September. He has been in church ministry for 38 years and was Minister of Peace and Justice for Mennonite Mission Network for seven years. Most recently Leo has been teaching Anabaptist History & Theology courses for ministerial credentialing. He performs Drumming for Peace programs in various churches and communities. Leo is married to Iris De León-Hartshorn, former PNMC Executive Conference Minister. They have three adult children and are raising a 7-year old grandson.



MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

MennoMedia

A new series of studies focused on individual books of the Bible is being developed. With the Word was created in response to adults wanting to make fresh connections between the Bible and daily living. The series is suitable for personal study as well as group discussions. Visit www.MennoMedia.org/WithTheWord for details.

Shaping Families, a brief weekly MennoMedia radio program, will focus on tough issues during October. Topics include bipolar illness, child abuse, understanding other faiths, housing options for aging and men's spirituality.

Mennonite Central Committee

Four Mennonite pastors, including Jack Knox of Salem, were among 38 people who attended **Immigration Law Training**, in Akron, PA. Sponsored by MCC U.S. Immigration Education, the program provides church leaders and non-profit workers with accurate information to help guide their immigrants neighbors legally through the complex web of U.S. immigration laws. The training fits into MCC's overall programs so potential immigrants have a way to support families without emigrating.

Mennonite Church USA

MC USA is asking congregations to provide a survey of music used for worship and other services before contemplating the creation of a new hymnal or other type of music resource. Information can be obtained here.

Mennonite Mission Network

Please pray for the family of Jeff Warkentin, who died September 24 at age 32 in Alberta, Canada, after being diagnosed with meningitis a day earlier. Jeff and his wife, Tany, along with their three children just returned to Canada in June. Previously they had served six years in the capital city of Burkina Faso working with an emerging Mennonite congregation.

Mennonite World Conference

Iglesia Evangélica Menonita de Chile was accepted into membership of Mennonite World Conference in May 2011. The 1200 member conference of 14 congregations was the **100th body**, and the first in Chile, to join. Local church leaders see this new connection to the world family of Anabaptists as recognition for the work they have been doing the last two decades.

Music and Worship Leaders Retreat Jan. 6-8

Celebrate 25 years of music, worship and community at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center. Registration is open, but space is limited. Visit www.Laurelville.org/mwlr or call 714-423-2056.

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Oct 17 (submissions due by 10/10) Nov 7 (submissions due by 10/31) Nov 21 (submissions due by 11/14) Dec 5 (submissions due by 11/28) If you would like to contribute, please send a **brief announcement** in Spanish & English with website links to <u>brenda@pnmc.org</u>. 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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