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## From the PNMC Office

**Save the date!** Plan now to attend the **2012 PNMC Annual Meeting**. Delegate meetings and seminars will be held **Friday - Saturday, June 22-23** in Moses Lake, WA. Pastors and spouses will gather for dinner **Thursday, June 21**. Ervin Stutzman, Executive Director of MC USA, will serve as guest speaker focusing on “*Wholistic Witness in the Name of Jesus.*”

## PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

*Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization*

### Salem Mennonite Church

The Oregon unit of **Mennonite Disaster Service** will hold its annual gathering **Tuesday, April 3**, at 6 pm at Salem Mennonite Church (1045 Candlewood Drive Northeast in Keizer). Dinner will begin at 6:10 pm with a program following. Program features include volunteer reports on activity and progress at local and North American MDS projects. Please bring friends and your appetite and share in the joy of our experiences with Mennonite Disaster Service! To RSVP, contact Bob Smith at 541-231-3875.

### Drift Creek Camp

Women of all ages throughout PNMC are invited to register for the **Mennonite Women's Retreat, April 13-15, 2012**. The weekend is intended to provide spiritual and physical renewal in the company of friends. Time will be set aside for quiet prayer, worshipping together, hikes, reflective journaling, laughter, creative expression and learning new skills. Guest speaker, Patricia Hershberger, will focus on the idea of women travelling together throughout life's journey. Participants will explore ways to support one another along the way. To register, visit [www.driftcreek.org](http://www.driftcreek.org).

### Western Mennonite School

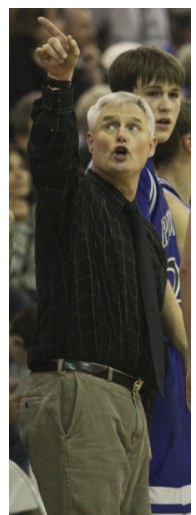
Gary Hull has spent the past 26 years dedicated to Western Mennonite School and teaching his varsity boys basketball players the **value of teamwork, positive attitude, and commitment to excellence**. On February 2, Gary Hull joined the exclusive 500 win club. He has moved into 11<sup>th</sup> place on the Oregon all time wins list for coaches. Hull led his team to a 2<sup>nd</sup> place finish in the 2012 State Tournament, completing another successful season.

Join hundreds of alumni and friends in supporting WMS at the **40th Annual Benefit Auction**. The **May 5** event features great items to purchase while supporting the school! Auction items include hand-stitched quilts, vacation packages, garden and recreational items, hand-crafted furniture, and delicious homemade food. Admission and parking are free! Details at [www.westernmennoniteschool.org](http://www.westernmennoniteschool.org).

**Open Enrollment!** – Western has open seats for the 2012-2013 academic year and would love to help families afford Christ-centered education for their children! We're offering financial grants of as much as 50% off tuition for qualifying families. WMS offers a unique dorm-living experience for high school students. Contact [Rich Martin](mailto:Rich.Martin@westernmennoniteschool.org) at 503-363-2000 to schedule a campus tour.

### Portland Mennonite Church

Marcus Smucker, former pastor of Portland Mennonite Church and professor at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary, will lead a workshop on “**Aging and Spirituality**,” **June 1-2, 2012** at PMC. Anyone from 50-100 will find it meaningful. Everyone from the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference (and beyond) is welcome. *Look for more details coming soon.*



## MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

*listed alphabetically by organization*

### Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary

“A New Frontier: Doing Theology as Thriving Rural Communities,” a webinar presented by David Boshart will be available **Wednesday, March 21**, 2-3:30 p.m. EDT. Congregations that thrive see the tasks of church development and mission as a matter of applied theology. Boshart will explore how rural communities can become thriving centers for mission by reflecting on six major opportunities for developing a relevant witness that can bridge earth and heaven. For details and other learning opportunities, follow this [link](#).

### Bethany Christian Schools

Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, Indiana, invites applications for the position of Assistant Principal, with a start date of **July 1, 2012**. Further information and application details are available [online](#).

### Goshen College

**Damascus Road Anti-Racism Analysis Training**, will take place **March 30 - April 1** at Goshen College. The two-and-a-half day workshop is designed to equip participants with the theological, analytical, organizational and communication skills they will need to begin the process of antiracist transformation in their own institutions. The training, co-sponsored by MCC Great Lakes and Goshen College, helps articulate the Biblical call to anti-racist action and presents a common language for talking about racism. For more information and to register, contact [GreatLakesOffice@mcc.org](mailto:GreatLakesOffice@mcc.org) or (574) 534-4133.

### Mennonite Central Committee

The **2012 Idaho Mennonite Relief Sale** will be held in Nampa, **April 13-14**! Donations of quilts, antique furniture, wood items, crafts, baked goods, gift certificates, used books or other unique items are needed and are being accepted through March 25. For a complete list of events, times and locations, visit [www.idahomrs.org](http://www.idahomrs.org). For additional information, contact [Rick Bollman](#).

West Coast MCC is again sponsoring the **2012 Summer GAP (Globalization, Anabaptism, Peace building) Institute** for young adults (high school/college students/ages 16 and older). The event is scheduled **June 15-22**. Those attending from PNMC will have all costs covered by WCMCC, including travel to Fresno, housing and food. For details, go to [westcoast.mcc.org/gap-institute](http://westcoast.mcc.org/gap-institute). Registration deadline is April 15th.

### Mennonite Health Services

“**Racing Toward Possibilities**,” the theme of the Mennonite Health Assembly held in Louisville, KY, March 1–3, invited 258 participants to peer into the future to discern trends they might implement in a variety of health-care settings. David Gautsche, senior vice president at Everence, addressed issues concerning the need to improve access to healthcare, spiraling cost increases, and concerns about insurance industry practices. Participants had the opportunity to attend 28 different workshops which ranged from “Values-based Executive Appraisal and Compensation” to “Successful Employment of People with Disabilities” to “Transforming the Aging Experience.”



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#### Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Apr 2 (submissions due by 3/26)  
Apr 16 (submissions due by 4/9)  
May 7 (submissions due by 4/30)  
May 21 (submissions due by 5/14)

If you would like to contribute, please send a brief announcement in Spanish & English with website links to [brenda@pnmc.org](mailto: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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