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## From the PNMC Office

The PNMC Annual Meeting at Moses Lake is right around the corner, **June 22-23!** The [Invitation](#), [Registration Form](#), [Directions](#) and draft [Schedule](#) are all available on the [PNMC website](#). You may also review the [Delegate Handbook](#) (*Spanish version coming soon!*) In addition, delegates, please review the [PNMC Proposed Bylaws](#) and the [PNMC Restated Articles of Incorporation](#) prior to the June gathering. Be sure to register by **May 31** to take advantage of the early-bird discount.

We are grateful for the service of Interim Executive Conference Minister, Dave Stutzman. His assignment will conclude May 31.

**Please note:** Plainview Mennonite Church, in downtown Albany at the historic Venetian Theater, has changed its name to [Fusion Faith Center](#). The address and phone number remain the same.

## PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

### Filer Mennonite Church

Tim and Nan Gascho were ordained by Larry Hauder, District Pastor for Filer Mennonite Church, on **Sunday, May 20**.



### Western Mennonite School

A big thank you to all of those who came to the **40th Annual Benefit Auction** in support of Western Mennonite School! The event was another success because of the alumni and friends who generously gave. See pictures and read about the auction [here](#).

Classes and Sports Camps are offered at Western Mennonite School this summer! Classes are available for high school and middle school. More information is available [online](#). Sports Camps are available for students of all ages in basketball, baseball, softball, soccer and volleyball and more! See details [here](#).

### Upcoming Events:

**May 30** – Middle School Spring Concert & Social

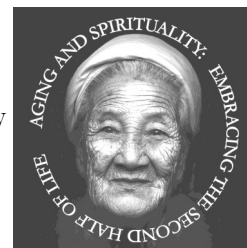
**May 31** – High School Spring Concert & Awards Night

**June 6** – 8th Grade Graduation, 7pm

**June 16** – High School Graduation, 2:30pm

### Portland Mennonite Church

“[Aging and Spirituality Workshop](#)” coming to Portland Mennonite Church on **June 2, 8:30am — 4:30pm**. Led by seminary professor Marcus Smucker, these sessions invite understanding and support for the second half of life (ages 45 – 90) by viewing the process of aging through the lens of scripture, developmental psychology, spirituality, and human experience. All are welcome; there is no fee (an offering will be taken). To register, please contact the PMC office with your name [office@portlandmennonite.org](mailto:office@portlandmennonite.org) or 503-234-0559).



### Drift Creek Camp

[Friends of Straub Environmental Learning Center](#) in Salem, OR will partner with Drift Creek Camp to host a [Family Nature Retreat June 9-10](#). Participants will enjoy improving their nature photography skills; bird and wildflower identification abilities and acquire knowledge about the benefits of composting. Registration materials are available [here](#) and due by **May 31**.

## MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

### AMBS

The Mennonite seminary in Elkhart, IN, will continue to be known as AMBS, but the institution is changing its name from Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary to [Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary](#), effective Aug. 28. “*Associated* tells the story of a previous generation when two seminaries merged into one,” says Sara Wenger Shenk, AMBS president. Although “*Anabaptist* refers to the radical Jesus movement of the sixteenth century, it has reappeared with a second life and *new* Anabaptists from many Christian denominations are rediscovering Jesus’ call to radical discipleship with renewed joy and fervor. As a seminary, we are ready to collaborate with a widening circle of new and global Anabaptists, as well as other kindred spirits from diverse denominations, cultures and ethnicities.” AMBS will redesign the Master of Divinity program, and plans to offer both a community-focused residential program and a program accessible to students at a distance. New professors will join the faculty including Rachel Miller Jacobs, assistant professor of congregational information; Andy Brubacher Kaethler, assistant professor of faith formation and culture; and Jamie Pitts, assistant professor of Anabaptist studies.



The deadline to apply for the Fall 2012 [Journey Program](#) at AMBS is **August 1**. To inquire, contact [Dan Miller](#) at (800) 288-8486.

### Bethany Christian Schools

Bethany Christian Schools, Goshen, IN, invites applications for the position of business manager (full-time or job-share) and high school Spanish teacher (full-time). Both begin **August 1, 2012**. Further information and application details are available at [www.bethanycs.net/jobs](http://www.bethanycs.net/jobs).

### Hesston College

The Hesston College community celebrated the **academic accomplishments of 167 graduates** during the commencement ceremony **May 6**. Joe Manickam, a 1987 Hesston College graduate, presented the commencement address “Back to Basics,” based on the college’s 2011-12 theme verse from Micah 6:8. Included was Jonathan Burkholder, son of Glenn and Mary Burkholder of Warden Mennonite Church, who earned an associate of arts degree. Drew Emmert, of Sweet Home, OR, also earned an associate of arts degree. He attends River of Life Fellowship and is the son of Scott and Julie Emmert.

### MennoMedia

MennoMedia won two **national media awards** from the Religion Communicators Council. The one-hour documentary *Waging Peace: Muslim and Christian Alternatives* received an “award of excellence” while the *Shaping Families*, a weekly 15-minute radio program, received a “certificate of merit” for a segment titled “Re-entry After Prison,” featuring an ex-offender.

### Mennonite Central Committee

Prince El Hassan bin Talal of Jordan recently listened to concerns of prominent Christian leaders in the Middle East regarding the gradual exodus of Christians from the area. MCC staff were among those who participated in the symposium. The full story available [here](#).

### Mennonite Mission Network

**Youth Venture** is looking for a few more people to join the Ft. Myers and Los Angeles teams! For two weeks this summer, serve and learn in a group of people from all over the country and see where God is at work in these two cities. Check out the details online: [Service.MennoniteMission.net](http://Service.MennoniteMission.net). Applications are due **June 1**, so act now!

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#### Upcoming e-Bulletins:

June 4 (submissions due by 5/28)  
June 18 (submissions due by 6/11)  
July 2 (submissions due by 6/25)  
Aug 6 (submissions due by 7/30)

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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