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New ByLaws Passed at Treasure Valley 2009

The new PNMC bylaws, under which the Conference functioned provisionally during the past year, were officially passed by delegates at Treasure Valley 2009, this year's annual meeting, held in Nampa, ID.

Over 200 individuals representing nearly every congregation in the Conference attended this year's gathering, where they were also introduced to the PNMC's new executive conference minister, Iris deLeon-Hartshorn. Previously an executive with the MC USA national office, she will step into her role with PNMC officially in September. International Bethel City Church, a primarily African congregation in Portland, became a member.

Speaking on the theme of the conference, "Sent Out and Drawn In by Jesus" Mennonite Church Canada pastor and author April Yamasaki expounded on Luke 10: 1-12, the sending of the 72 disciples.

Other seminars offered during the weekend covered such topics as intercultural relations, the future of church publishing, responding biblically to the present economic times, turning passion into ministry, resolving conflict in the church and family, and improving adult bible studies.

Attendees at this year's gathering also were offered several opportunities to serve the Nampa community, as well as fellowship together via informal activities. Next year's meeting will be held June 24-27, 2010 in Alaska.



deLeon-Hartshorn Appointed Executive Conference Minister

Together with Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference (PNMC), Mennonite Church USA Executive Leadership announces that effective September 2009, director of Intercultural Relations for Executive Leadership Iris de León-Hartshorn will be executive conference minister for PNMC.

de León-Hartshorn, of Lancaster, PA, will complete her role with Executive Leadership effective Aug. 14. She has served in this role since January 2007. Prior to joining Executive Leadership, de León-Hartshorn served as Peace and Justice Ministries director for Mennonite Central Committee, US, where she was responsible for the oversight of the Peace and Justice program of MCC U.S. for 11 years.

"Throughout the search process, members of the PNMC Search Committee and Board of Directors were especially impressed with Iris's leadership, executive and administrative skills, her passion for diversity and healthy organizations, her outgoing and fun-loving personality, her love for the church, and her ability to get diverse people and groups working together," wrote PNMC moderator Dave Hockman-Wert in a letter sent to conference pastors, congregational leaders, district pastors, delegates and others recently.

"I am looking forward to my new position," de León-Hartshorn said. "There were serendipitous moments throughout the process — God was definitely leading. I am both excited and at peace with my decision. I will miss my wonderful colleagues at Executive Leadership and am thankful for the opportunity I was given to work with all the various racial/ethnic people throughout the church."

Prior to working for MCC, de León-Hartshorn spent 10 years at Houston (Texas) Mennonite Church, where she was ordained by Western District and South Central conferences and served in various roles, including

Hospice Chaplain and one year as co-pastor. Her credentials currently are held by Eastern District Conference. de León-Hartshorn has a master's degree in conflict transformation and peacebuilding from Eastern Mennonite Seminary. Her research focused on using Appreciative Inquiry for organizational change. She also has served as an adjunct instructor for Eastern Mennonite University, teaching courses on "Leaders for Healthy Organizations."

In her role as director of Intercultural Relations, de León-Hartshorn is called to: serve as an advocate for racial/ethnic people in all parts of Mennonite Church USA; work for equitable access to church resources for racial/ethnic people; work for the inclusion of racial/ethnic people in leadership positions and offer their gifts throughout the broader church; and, alongside the executive director, help lead churchwide efforts to become an anti-racist church. In addition to these roles, de León-Hartshorn continues to serve as a strong advocate for women in leadership roles.

"Iris has served all parts of the church so well in her role as an advocate for racial/ethnic people in Mennonite Church USA, and we will miss her tremendously. At the same time, we look forward to working with her in her conference minister's role, and I'm confident that, with Iris' help, we are prepared to break new ground in conference and churchwide collaboration," said Ron Byler, associate executive director for Mennonite Church USA.

Iris and her husband, Leo Hartshorn, along with their grandson, plan to move to the Portland area in late August.

Youth Practice God's Word at Treasure Valley 2009

By Jana Gingerich

As youth leaders for the 2009 conference meetings, my husband and I did not know what to expect. Some schools were not out, youth camps were taking place, and some youth were getting ready to head to Ohio for the Mennonite convention. Would we have any youth to lead? What a blessing the six young people were that participated in the weekend with us!

Our mornings began with gathering in our room for Bible study, led by Tim Gascho from Evergreen Heights Mennonite Church. We were all challenged with the urgency that the disciples felt in getting the gospel out to those who were ready to hear it. The studies also brought out the importance of working together as a body and allowing the Holy Spirit to lead us to different places.

After this, we participated in activities that emphasized the things we heard. The first day we created a drawing together, with many different colors and talents coming together to form one beautiful picture. On the second day we learned how to trust the Holy Spirit even though we may not know all the details in where we are being led by taking each other on blindfolded journeys through hallways, rooms, stairwells, et cetera. Some trusted more than others!

On Friday, we began building go-carts to be sold at the Idaho Mennonite World Relief Festival next May. This was a project about working together with a goal. After lunch, we all headed over to the Challenge Course that Northwest Nazarene University runs. The leaders challenged us with working together to solve problems. After doing an activity, they would then "debrief" with us, asking us what did or didn't work. Everyone also had the opportunity to tackle the climbing wall. Several made it to the top despite many fears! Also, everyone got the chance to "swing" on the lone cable hanging high off the ground.

Saturday our group finished the go-carts, played giant games of Dutch Blitz and Frisbee golf in the morning and, in the afternoon, did a lot of yard work for a local elderly couple.

Who knew that just six youth and two adults could accomplish so much!



Youth give a test run to one of the go-carts they built during Treasure Valley 2009. The go-carts will be sold at the Idaho Mennonite Relief Sale in May 2010.

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A Word from the Moderator

“Stop complaining about the church we experience, and start becoming the church God imagines.” -- Shane Claiborne, Columbus '09

As one entrusted with the charge of leading this gathering of Mennonite congregations in the Pacific Northwest, I find these words particularly challenging, but also rather exciting. I write this during my “week off” between attending Mennonite Church USA Convention and Mennonite World Conference Assembly 15 in Paraguay. It is at events such as these where I begin to see the “church God imagines,” and it is an amazing vision.

Our own Treasure Valley 2009 PNMC Annual Meeting was such an event. I praise God for a wonderful time of worship and fellowship as we welcomed the vibrant International Bethel City Church into our conference, heard thoughtful sermons by April Yamasaki, introduced our new Executive Conference Minister, Iris de León-Hartshorn, sang and told stories together, and generally had a great time being hosted by the gracious Idaho churches and Northwest Nazarene University.

Many thanks go to those involved in the hosting of Treasure Valley 2009: the Local Arrangements Committee, chaired by Duane Oesch and Craig Morton, and tirelessly assisted by Kathy Bilderback, Diane Isaak, Gary Nafziger-Meiser, Mike and Jana Oesch; the Program Planning Committee, chaired by Jennifer Gingerich, and other volunteers including Russell Adrian, Wendell Amstutz, Amy Epp, and Lynn Miller. Thanks also to the many volunteers who spent time and energy during the conference to make the experience special for all of us: those other who led the youth and children’s programs, childcare, bookstore, recreation, service opportunities, community building activities, and anything else that was so subtle that it escaped my notice! I’d like to especially acknowledge our tireless interpreters, Wendell Amstutz and Brad Roth, who simultaneously interpret worship services, delegate sessions, and many other activities so that our times together are inclusive of our Spanish-speaking brothers and sisters. Thanks Brad and Wendell!

Some delegates felt there was insufficient time for deliberation and processing during the delegate sessions. The past two annual meetings have represented a new balance between business and worship and community building time, a balance proposed by the Structure Vision Task Force and agreed upon by the delegates in 2007. But we may have gone a little too far in the other direction. We are presently having an email listserve discussion about the role of PNMC delegates in the future, including how much time we should spend in meetings. Please join this discussion (and any others that arise) by e-mailing John Gingerich (john@mennonite.net) and saying you want to be part of the PNMC discussion listserve.

Next year, PNMC will be gathering in Alaska! From June 24-27, 2010, we will hold our 15th Annual Meeting in Anchorage, hosted by Prince of Peace Mennonite Church. Although we have heard some concerns about going such a distance, we want to support our isolated sister congregation in the far north, and have heard many expressions of excitement and support for going as well. Get this event on your calendars and start saving your pennies!

We do hope to have some funds to support delegates who may not be able to afford the full cost of the trip, but given the expense, these funds may not go far. In light of the financial and travel limitations that this trip will pose for some of our members, we have started imagining how technology may be able to bring us all closer together. Mennonite World Conference is going to “stream” its worship services on the internet, and we may be able to do something similar. Perhaps we could even set up a few videoconference sites back here in the lower 48. If you would be interested in assisting with this effort, please contact me at dhwert@yahoo.com.

Let’s become the church God imagines!

— *David Hockman-Wert*

Transitions and a New Generation of Leaders

By Sheldon Burkhalter
Conference Minister

An important part of pastoral leadership is preparing a new generation and attending to transition of one's leadership. Some leaders neglect this responsibility assuming that leadership is theirs forever, forgetting that the power and privilege of leadership is a gift conferred by God and a congregation only for a time. Congregations suffer and new leadership is stifled when pastors hold tightly to leadership as if it is theirs to possess.



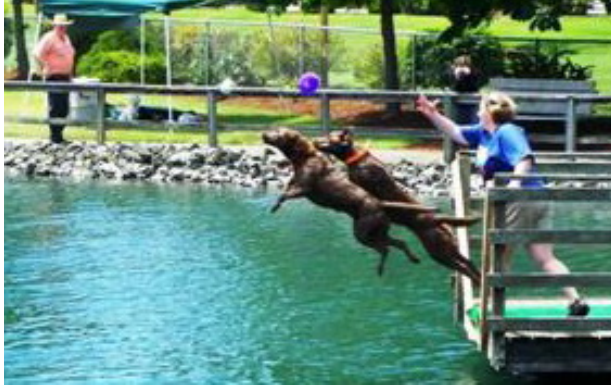
Scripture notes the attention wise leaders gave to transition. Moses intentionally looked to God to guide the appointment of Joshua to succeed him and lead the Israelites into the Promised Land (Num. 27: 16ff). Eli, recognizing that his sons were scoundrels, encouraged Samuel to heed the voice of God in the night (I Sam. 2:12, 3:9). Elijah willingly “threw his mantle over” Elisha, confirming his prophetic transfer (I Kings 19:16, 19ff). John the Baptist did not cling to his prophetic calling when he spoke of Jesus, “He must increase, but I must decrease” (John 3:25-30). Even in the Godhead, Jesus prepared His disciples for the coming of the Spirit when He returns to the Father (John 14:16-20). And Paul was diligent in the appointment of elders for congregations he formed and “entrusted them to the Lord” (Acts 14:23, as well as in mentoring Timothy. Good leaders demonstrate faith, vision, and humility in their attention to leadership transition and preparing the next generation of leaders.

More than a decade ago, I sensed a special calling and gift from to God to consider my primary calling to be that of preparing a new generation of pastoral leaders. For ten years I directed the Ministry Inquiry Program at Goshen College in the placing of one hundred students in pastoral internships. It has been a joy of deep satisfaction to see many of these students subsequently enter pastoral ministry and serve with confidence and commitment to Christ. I have often thought of the word, “generativity,” coined by Dr. Eric Erikson to describe “primarily the concern for establishing and guiding the next generation” in the field of psychoanalysis and human development.

Six years ago, receiving the call to become a conference minister in the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference felt like God's call to continue this focus on guiding the next generation as a mentor to pastors. This year in my final year serving in this role, which will end this August, it has seemed fitting—sometimes in quite unexpected ways—to think of the themes of transition and generativity. Serving as interim executive conference minister, I have felt challenged and fulfilled in the calling of fourteen district pastors in response to the decision of the conference board to replace the role of conference minister with the model of district pastors.

Furthermore, the past year saw an unusually high number of pastoral transitions in the PNMC. In recent years the conference had an average of two or three active pastoral searches per year. This year we had twelve! The year has ended with the calling of nine new pastors in the conference, four licensings and eight ordinations—perhaps a record in PNMC history. We are witnessing a significant generational shift of leadership in the PNMC. I thank God for leading in this new wave of pastoral leaders in our conference and the privilege of being a part of this movement of the Spirit.

— *Sheldon Burkhalter*



Dogs show their acrobatic prowess as the leap after water-bound toys tossed by a member of the Cascade Dock Dogs organization at Older Americans Day, held June 19 at Mennonite Village.

Mennonite Village Hosts 10th Annual Older Americans Day

By John Kollaer

More than 800 people joined the fun at Mennonite Village (MV) on June 19 to celebrate Older Americans Day. Over thirty vendors filled Lakeside Center and provided information on everything from organic foods to Hawaiian cruises!

The morning started off with a Wellness Walk and free breakfast. Later, while enjoying a free lunch, the attendees were entertained with some excellent music by champion yodeler Larry Wilder and his American Trio.

One of the highlights of the day was provided by Cascade Dock Dogs. The organization had several of their dogs leaping into our lake for most of the day. It was an amazing sight, seeing the dogs repeatedly jumping

as high and as far as possible to reach the toy duck that was thrown by their handler. Everyone was mesmerized with the energy the dogs exhibited and their willingness to keep on going and going and going.

Many of the guests took time to tour the MV campus, inspect one of its existing homes, and take a walk through its newly constructed home. The Village plans to add 45 new units to its active living section to accommodate those on its waiting list. A number of individuals expressed great interest in relocating to the MV campus while touring the new property.

The first residents moved into MV's newly constructed homes during May and June. Foundations for the next units are being poured in July. "The Village is truly blessed to be able to expand in this economy," says MV spokesperson John Kollaer, "and our ultimate goal is to insure future residents the same quality services they deserve and expect from Mennonite Village." For more information call 541-928-7232.

Medicines, Supplies Sought for Congo

By Tim Shenk

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) is appealing for financial contributions to help provide medications and other supplies to Mennonite and Mennonite Brethren hospitals in the Democratic Republic of the Congo.

Congo's Mennonite and Mennonite Brethren denominations operate networks of hospitals and health centers that span areas of southwestern Congo with hundreds of thousands of people. Most of the hospitals were constructed with the support of North American missionaries in the mid-20th century.

Since that time, missionaries have largely withdrawn from the country, and Congo's economy has suffered a severe decline in the midst of political turmoil and several devastating wars. Nationwide health statistics tell a grim story. For example, nearly one in six Congolese children dies before age 5, often from preventable and treatable diseases such as malaria and diarrhea.

MCC is seeking to raise a total of \$630,000 to provide medications and other supplies to Mennonite and Mennonite Brethren hospitals in southwestern Congo. The hospitals sell the medications to patients at a discount and use the proceeds to buy more medications and pay for other needs, such as nurses' salaries, which can be less than \$10 per month.

As of June 2009, two hospitals in the small towns of Mukedi and Kajiji have each received four deliveries of medications and supplies. These items, which were ordered by the hospital doctors, include antibiotics, malaria medicine, pregnancy tests, scalpels and chemicals for developing X-rays. Another two hospitals in Nyanga and Kanzombi are expected to begin placing orders in October.

Hospital staff members in Mukedi and elsewhere hope that the MCC fundraiser will allow them to provide care to a greater number of patients who currently cannot afford treatment. "The number of (hospital) beds actually filled at a given time hovers around 12 to 20 percent," MCC worker Anicka Fast says. "If people could afford it, they would all be full."



Mukedi Hospital operating table

Preparations Begin for Oregon MCC Festival; Volunteers and Donations of Many Kinds Sought

Preparations for the 26th annual Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief, slated for October 11, 2009 in Albany, OR, have begun in earnest.

Organizers have begun receiving donations for the auction, which presently include a 935 Featherweight sewing machine, portable Featherweight table, a KitchenAid mixer, and 1949 baby crib. Contact Lynn Miller at 503-982-4170 or lynnjanicemiller@juno.com with details about your donation.

Handcrafted items to stock and sell at the festival's Country Store are also being sought. Top sellers in past years have included aprons, pot holders, embroidered tea towels, and framed old quilt squares. Other handcraft ideas include placemats, baby bibs, or reusable grocery bags. To contribute, contact Nancy Friesen: 541-928-1865.

Food items to sell at the Country Store are also sought. Popular items from previous sales have included peppernuts, nut brittles, fudge, and noodles are very popular. Shoppers have also asked for dried fruits; home canned items are prohibited. Garden produce and dried flowers are most welcome.

Volunteers for every aspect of festival preparation and operation are also actively being sought. To find out how you can help, contact Ron Litwiller: ron@mennonitevillage.org or 541-967-8890.

Festival Fundraising Events Slated for August and September

Fundraisers for the event have also been scheduled. These include a barbecue on Saturday, August 8, at 5 p.m. at the North Albany, OR home of Harley and Marolyn Brenneman and a concert featuring singer-songwriter Heather Kropf on Tuesday, September 15, at 7:30 p.m. at Westminster House, Corvallis, OR.

Tickets to the barbecue, which will also feature a special speaker, Cesar Garcia, former president of the Colombian Mennonite Brethren Conference, are \$15 each. A special offering will also be taken that evening for MCC's relief program for displaced Colombians.

Donations for festival expenses will also be accepted at Kropf's concert. Kropf is known for a soft acoustic/piano sound, coupled with thoughtful lyrics. More information on the artist can be found at www.heatherkropf.com. Details on the concert itself can be obtained from Cathleen Hockman-Wert: 541-752-0444 OR chockwert@q.com.

"Myth of a Christian Nation" Is Great Read, PNMC Historian Says

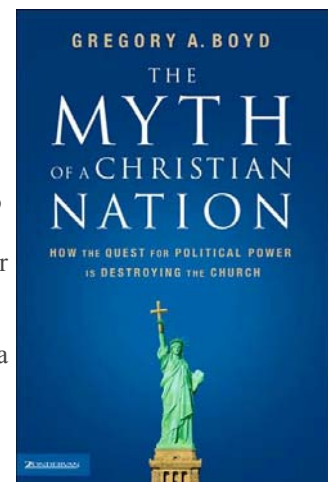
By Ray Kauffman, PNMC Historian

Most PNMC congregations represented at PNMC's annual meeting in Idaho received a copy of "The Myth of a Christian Nation" by Gregory Boyd. Hopefully it is being read, and not lying dormant on a shelf someplace in the pastor's study or your church library. It should eventually be placed in your church library.

The message of the book is timely for believers living in a time of political and economic unrest. Boyd helps illuminate our way as disciples following Jesus in a world that is not, as we face issues of faith and citizenship. A fine study for an elective Sunday School class, the book is available at a discount from Christian-book.com, 1-800-247-4784.



Some of the happy volunteers from last year's Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief. Left to right: Braedon Lehman, Randee Birky, John Wisseman, Khalicia Leichty, Mollie Peterson, and McKenzie Ebarb.





AK Homes Destroyed by Flooding; MDS Building Replacements

Early May was a hard one for residents of Eagle, Alaska. Many homes were flooded due to ice jams or were crushed by 50-foot-thick ice that came crashing into their village, destroying 13 homes and moving others more than half a mile from their original location. Vehicles also were “crushed flatter than car crushing machines could do it,” testified MCC Region IV leader Bill McCoy, who set wheels in motion to rebuild ten homes/cabins by mid-September, when winter usually arrives in Eagle.

A tremendous response to the project’s call for workers was garnered and already the first crews are hard at work constructing the log cabins from kits similar to that of the Lincoln Logs® of childhood. The Federal Emergency Management Agency (FEMA) is paying most of the costs for flying volunteers into Eagle and feeding them. ***In other news:*** MDS is still urgently in need of workers for its Dulzura, CA, project. For more information on how you can volunteer, call 1-800-241-8111. Please tell Sarah you’re a Pacific Northwest volunteer.

WMS Launches New Website; Successful Campaign Concludes

As part of fulfillment of its Vision for Excellence Campaign, launched in 2000, Western Mennonite School has just launched its brand new website. The new site includes information on admissions, academic programs, news and events, school menus, weather alerts, prayer requests, volunteer opportunities and more. To see the changes for yourself, log onto www.westernmennoniteschool.org.

In 2000, the Vision for Excellence campaign took shape with the Western community envisioning the future of the school. This involved retaining the educational and biblical foundations that had made WMS a strong academic and Christ-centered institution steeped in Mennonite values, while also improving the facilities and methods by which they could continue to serve both parents and students.

Since then, many upgrades to both educational and extracurricular activities, as well as school facilities have been made, thanks to more than \$6.5 million in gifts and pledges, and over \$100,000 more specifically for technological improvements. These include expanding the middle school to include Grade 6, increasing the school’s focus on chapel, student and spiritual life, offering college credit for several courses, adding a band to the music curriculum, providing further equipment for the woodshop, as well as adding eight new classrooms and an academic center. The school has also purchased 47 new computers and software, added baseball, girls’ soccer and softball to its athletic offerings, and upgraded student housing.

Today, 274 students are attending the school, up from just 169 when the campaign began, a testimony to all that what once seemed some very ambitious, even lofty goals have been and continue to be achieved.

Drift Creek Camp Has Busy Spring, Full of Adults and Kids

By Brenda Kauffman

It has been a full year at Drift Creek with lots of activity for all ages! In April, Patricia Hershberger and Esther King revived the Women’s Retreat by providing a time for women of all ages to renew their bodies and spirits through fellowship with one another. Elective activities were offered and Charlene Schrag led devotions. Later that month, the area young adults gathered for a time to reflect and dialog about what it means to be Mennonite in today’s society.

In May, guest speaker Marlene Kropf led a retreat sponsored by MARP (Mennonite Association of Retired Persons) exploring Celtic Spirituality entitled “A Circle of Blessing.” Participants practiced writing personal prayers in the ancient tradition, enjoyed harp music from Elizabeth Rudkin, and gleaned new insight from Marlene’s travels and studies.

In June, a record number of 347 kids from Oregon, Washington, Arizona and even Missouri descended for our summer camp season! Eric Ivanitsky, Western Mennonite, served as camp pastor during both camps, with board member Charlene Schrag, Doug Peterson, Calvary Mennonite, and Phil Rempel, Albany Mennonite, providing leadership for various age levels.

Future events include a Fall Quilt and Scrapbook Retreat, October 16-18; annual members’ meeting, November 6-8; and New Year’s Retreat. For more information on these and other upcoming events, call 541-992-2556.



MCC Executive Director to Speak

Arli Klaasen, Executive Director of Mennonite Central Committee, will be the featured speaker at a lecture and workshops Friday, September 25, from 7-9 p.m., and Saturday, September 26, from 9 a.m. to noon, at Portland Mennonite Church.

The two-day seminar is part of the congregation's 2009 Peace Lecture Series. For further information, contact Rachel Ringenberg Miller: pmcrachel@teleport.com or 503-234-0559.

Summer Fundraisers Feature Colombian Mennonite Leaders

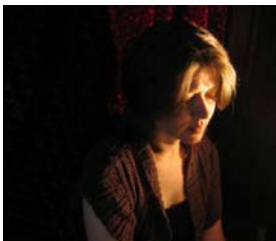
Cesar Garcia, past present of the Colombian Mennonite Brethren Conference, will be the featured speaker at several MCC fundraising events held throughout Oregon's Willamette Valley this summer. Garcia will speak about the MCC's relationship with Anabaptist churches in Colombia.

The fundraisers will support MCC's Material Aid to Displaced People of Colombia program which provides basic humanitarian assistance to survivors of the armed conflict who have fled their homes. It focuses on helping families overcome the emergency stage in which they are living and reach a level of stability. This project will help at least 250 families (over 2,000 people) in 2009. More than half of the families consist of only women and children.

Details regarding Garcia's speaking engagements are listed in the Conference Calendar. Contributions may also be sent to West Coast MCC, 1010 G Street, Reedley, Calif. 93654. Make checks payable to MCC, with the project name in the memo line. For more info, contact Bob Buxman at 503-502-5402 or bbux@mcc.org.

CONFERENCE CALENDAR

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| July 20-25, 2009 | Camp Camrec Jr. and Sr. High Camp (entering Grades 7-12) |
| July 24, 2009 | Cesar & Sandra Garcia Colombia Fundraiser, Home of Gale and Florence Gingrich, Salem, OR |
| July 25, 2009 | Cesar & Sandra Garcia Colombia Fundraiser, Home of Bob and Barb Buxman, Portland, OR |
| July 26, 2009, 11 a.m. | Cesar & Sandra Garcia, Primera Iglesia Hispana Ebenezer, Portland, OR |
| July 26, 2009, 2:30 p.m. | Cesar & Sandra Garcia, Ministerios Restauracion, Portland, OR |
| August 7, 2009 | Cesar & Sandra Garcia Colombia Fundraiser, Home of Ken and Nancy Beachy, Hubbard, OR |
| August 8, 2009, 5 p.m. | Benefit Barbecue, featuring Cesar & Sandra Garcia of Colombia, Home of Harley and Marolyn Brenneman, Albany, OR. Tickets: \$15 each. See article on page 6 for details. |
| August 9, 2009, 5 p.m. | Cesar & Sandra Garcia, Corvallis Mennonite Fellowship, Corvallis, OR |
| September 8, 2009 | Western Mennonite School - First Day of Classes |
| September 15, 2009
7:30 p.m. | MCC Benefit Concert Featuring Singer-Songwriter Heather Kropf, Westminster House, Corvallis, OR. Info: Cathleen Hockman-Wert, 541-752-0444 or chockwert@q.com |
| September 26, 2009 | Western Golf Benefit, Chehalem Glenn Golf Course, Newberg, OR. For more information or to register, go to www.westernmennoniteschool.org/golf-benefit . |
| October 3, 2009 | Mennonite Country Auction, Menno Mennonite Church, Ritzville, WA |
| October 11, 2009 | Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief, Albany, OR |
| October 16-18, 2009 | Fall Quilting and Scrapbook Retreat, Drift Creek Camp |
| October 22, 2009 | Western Mennonite School Middle and High School Fall Concerts |
| November 6-8, 2009 | Drift Creek Camp Members Meeting |
| June 24-27, 2010 | Pacific Northwest Mennonite Conference Annual Meeting, Anchorage, Alaska |



Singer-Songwriter Heather Kropf will perform her soft, melodic repertoire at her fundraiser concert for Mennonite Central Committee and the Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief on September 15 at 7:30 p.m., Westminster House, Corvallis, OR. For details, contact Cathleen Hockman-Wert at 541-752-0444 or chockwert@q.com. To sample Heather's music, log on to: www.heatherkropf.com.