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ECM Position Filled!

By Linda Dibble, Conference Moderator

This time of year causes us to reflect on what is truly important in our lives as Christians. As Lent ends, we look to celebrations of Christ's resurrection and the new life breathed into the church through the Holy Spirit.

New life and new beginnings seem to be a recurrent theme in our conference as well. Over the past three years, PNMC has faced challenges that have called for an end to some things and new beginnings in others. As you know, the PNMC Board appointed a Search Team to work through the process of finding a new full-time Executive Conference Minister. I am delighted to share that the Search Team concluded its work on March 9th by making a unanimous recommendation to the Board of Directors that we extend a call to our candidate of choice. The Board then made a unanimous decision on March 10th to accept that recommendation.

While details are being worked out, Katherine Jameson Pitts, from Corona, California, has accepted the call to serve our conference beginning May 1st. Katherine's references could not recommend her highly enough! She has served in both Quaker and Mennonite

congregations – her Anabaptist theology is perhaps stronger than some of us who adopted our faith as a result of family influence. Katherine has a heart for peace, justice, reconciliation, grace, and forgiveness that resonated strongly with all of us.

The Board also recognizes the most excellent work Dave Stutzman has done on our behalf. He faced the large task of being the Interim Conference Minister on a part-time basis with joy, cheerfulness, and a caring spirit that has been appreciated by many. *Thank you, Dave.*

This year's annual meeting will be held at Moses Lake, Washington, **June 21-23**. Ervin Stutzman, MC USA Executive Director, will bring messages on the theme "*Wholistic Witness in the Name of Jesus*" taken from John 20:19-23. In addition, excellent resource persons will present a variety of workshops throughout the weekend.

Don't miss Moses Lake 2012! (*Watch the PNMC website for Annual Meeting registration details.*) I look forward to seeing you there and sharing the excitement of what God is doing among us and through us in serving the world.



Katherine Jameson Pitts has accepted the call to become Executive Conference Minister for PNMC.

Our Vision: Healing & Hope

God calls us to be followers of Jesus Christ and, by the power of the Holy Spirit, to grow as communities of grace, joy and peace, so that God's healing and hope flow through us to the world.

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Sister Care Expanded

By Joan Kropf, Camas, WA

"In every Sister Care, the question arises, 'What about the men?'" said Rhoda Keener, co-executive director of Mennonite Women USA. "It's unusual that we opened this to men as our ministry is by and for women, but we had an invitation from Portland Mennonite Church. The material is equally relevant to men because it calls everyone to personal growth, and we start with caring for ourselves, and using our own story for understanding how God brings healing."

The 78 Member Care participants, included 24 men. John Gingerich of Zion said, "I came because I care about all the people in our congregation." His nephew, David, is a new member of the Zion leadership team. He added with a smile, "My wife decided that of the two of us, I had more to learn. She's home with the kids."

Pastor Rod Stafford of PMC said he'd heard women share what they learned and wanted to expand the reach to men. "I'm interested in all of us learning these skills and learning to tell our stories in a redeeming way," he said.

Keener, whose background is teaching and mental health counseling, lives in Shippensburg, PA. Her co-leader, Carolyn Heggen, of Corvallis, OR, is a psychotherapist and author who specializes in trauma recovery. They have shared the seminar with over 1100 women.

Heggen began by saying, "Because the materials were designed for women, they use feminine pronouns. While we will try to be inclusive in our speaking, use this opportunity to experience the exclusion women have faced when reading the Bible, singing and hearing the spoken word. May your sensitivity and compassion grow through this experience."

The leaders used scripture, stories, discussions and personal exercises to explore four concepts: *claiming our identity as God's beloved, caring for self and others, the healing power of compassionate listening, and transforming loss and grief.*

One of Keener's stories touched on all four themes. In a seminary class exercise called "Naming Lies & Telling the Truth," she named a lie that had afflicted her life—that because she was female, she was not an equal in the

church. Students then came and told her a truth, followed by the class responding, "This is the truth." A church leader told her, "You are my equal." Another said, "Even in your mother's womb, you were created as a beautiful whole person. The person God made you to be." "That exercise was pivotal in my healing," she said. "That class became the church for me that day."

Practical suggestions applied to both genders. Heggen proposed that in our culture of righteous busy-ness, "No" can be a spiritual word. "We wear exhaustion like a badge of honor," she said. Finding balance doesn't always mean adding things. It may mean eliminating some."

The leaders offered ideas for setting boundaries and taking care of our physical, emotional and spiritual selves. Jesus said, "Love your neighbor as yourself," not "Love your neighbor and ignore your own needs." "It's not selfish to examine our life's story to look for places in need of healing and identify times when God has touched us with mercy and grace," Heggen said. "It's dangerous to attempt to help others when we are ignoring our own unhealed wounds."

PNMC Treasurer

by Harold Nussbaum

January 31 marked the end of an unusual fiscal year. We transitioned mid-year from a full-time Executive Conference Minister to a part-time position. We received the proceeds of the sale of the parsonage at the former Peace Mennonite Church in Portland. We also received a tithe from the Plainview congregation for the sale of their former building.

Church contributions are up slightly over last year. We are grateful for the strong support of every congregation, especially in these difficult economic times. Other income increased primarily due to Annual Meeting registration and offerings compared to last year. Property sale revenue is for the Plainview tithe. Peace Mennonite is not included in these fund reports.

Expenses are higher than last year due to increased Annual Meeting expenses for Board and staff. There were about \$11,000 in savings due to part-time ECM service during the last half of the year.

We will need to encourage congregations and individuals to increase giving in coming with the appointment of a full-time Executive Conference Minister.

	2011-12 Full Year	Previous Yr	Increase/(Decrease)
Church Contributions	\$136,167	\$135,440	\$727
Other Income	\$32,018	\$10,364	\$21,654
Property Sale	\$12,450	\$-	\$12,450
Total Income	\$180,636	\$145,804	\$34,832
Total Expenses	\$171,990	\$148,128	\$23,862
Income vs Expenses	\$8,645	\$(2,324)	\$10,969

A summary of the fiscal year finances compared to last year is shown above for General Fund and Annual Meeting.

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**Pacific Northwest
Mennonite Conference**

"Turning Disgust, Demoralization & Depression into Empowerment for Ministry"

A workshop sponsored by Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary

by Gary Jewell, PNMC District Pastor

As part of the Pastors Week at AMBS, I attended a workshop led by Dr. Gregory Hinkle. I wondered if the provocative title resonated with other attendees. Most of us in ministry find delight and great satisfaction in our work. Yet, it doesn't take long before facing occasional moments of having to make compromises that lead to feelings of disgust. Who in ministry, or *any occupation*, hasn't felt moments of demoralization or depression?

"Disgust" is a strong word. A fundamental understanding might be "that visceral human reflex that wants to spit out something distasteful." In ministry some examples might be:

- *A pastor compromises speaking the truth for the sake of political expediency, i.e. something fundamental to the gospel needs to be said, but can't for fear of being "fired."* (We realize the prophets, which pastors are called to be, are usually "dismissed," even in the church).
- *A pastor is threatened by power brokers (usually the big contributors) within the church who subtly suggest taking their money elsewhere if the church chooses purple carpet over green.*
- *This feeling of disgust can occur if a well respected member of the congregation makes a sexist or racist or homophobic remark in the context of leadership but is not confronted.*

There are situations where fundamental principles of faith, for

sheer realities of expediency and practicality, can be compromised. If unaddressed this can lead to toxic levels of demoralization and depression. Dr. Hinkle stressed that it is essential for pastors to develop coping strategies both for their own souls, as well as for the sake of continuing in ministry. ***In short, self care is vital.***

People who go into ministry usually do so out of a strong sense of calling, ideals, and integrity. Because of this, pastors are especially susceptible to demoralization when "reality" comes up against "ideals". *So what to do?* Quit is an option, but shouldn't be the first choice. "Choking it down", but that can eventually lead to serious health issues.

The only realistic option is self care.

Helpful strategies include:

- **Name it.** Recognize the feeling. Say, "This is disgusting and I don't like it!"
- **Validate it.** Say, "This is an appropriate feeling, and as a person of integrity it bothers me!"
- **Explore options.** Consider ways in which you might "spit it out."
- **Act on your own behalf.** If you can't "spit it out" find ways to manage the burden. Sometimes even symbolic cleansing expressions can be helpful.
- **Remember that "swallowing" sometimes is about a bigger "yes"** and not a character flaw. To protect

your sense of integrity, *don't take it personally.* The "bigger yes" might be, "The larger ministry of supporting the spiritual health of our youth will not be destroyed because a power broker insists the new carpet be purple. Let him have the purple carpet for the sake of a vibrant youth ministry." This comes down to, "sometimes discretion is the better part of valor." (*But be careful! Jesus chose the cross. Had he chosen discretion over valor there would have been no resurrection. In some cases too much compromise creates salt that no longer has flavor.*)

- **Find support** outside, as well as within, the congregation. Find people who can affirm you and reflect a realistic view of reality.

- **Get a life.** Do things outside the context of ministry that will feed your soul!

There was much more to the day's teaching. But I hope this is helpful, either because you are a pastor, or because you want to support one.



Safe Sanctuary Training

By Jana Gingerich, Hubbard, OR

Approximately 70 attended the Safe Sanctuaries workshop at Zion Mennonite in February. Presenter Marlene Bogard, Minister of Christian Formation and Resource Library Director of Western District Conference, Mennonite Church USA, lead the discussion. The goal was not to create paranoia or unhealthy suspicions but to raise awareness and demonstrate a high standard of care.

In order to fully extend a welcome to children, our churches must be places of refuge and safety. *The act of providing a nurturing place for children is an act that reflects the way we also welcome Jesus* (Matthew 18:5).

Churches behave as trusting organizations. We emphasize forgiveness

and reconciliation. We like to avoid conflict. We fear negative exposure, yet our existence depends on volunteers! These factors create a unique vulnerability and put the church at risk: *Easy Access.*

Congregations must create an environment of clear communication and high behavioral expectations through prevention training. It is important to educate our congregations, especially adults working with children, on risk management.

If you would like materials to use for educating your congregation, contact [Jana Gingerich](mailto:Jana.Gingerich@zcmcc.org), Zion Mennonite Church, 503-651-2274. For additional congregational resources, visit www.dovesnest.net.



MCC Benefit Concerts

Heather Kropf &
Keith Hershberger

August 4th, Wilsonville, OR
August 5th, Albany, OR

www.wcmcc.org

History Preserved

By Melanie Springer Mock

Newsletter editor of Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society & Professor at George Fox University (OR)

The Ivan & Pearl Kropf Heritage Center (right) will be dedicated in an afternoon celebration **April 22**. Hope Lind, whose work was vital to the formation of the Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society, will speak.

The center, located next to Zion Mennonite Church in Hubbard, OR, will house a library and archives, allowing the PNMHS to move its holdings from Western Mennonite School and from storage in Archivist Margaret Shetler's home. For nearly two decades, the archives operated from a small room adjacent to the WMS chapel, but 400 square feet could not contain the holdings, nor allow space for volunteers and researchers to work.



The Ivan and Pearl Kropf Heritage Center provides a well-appointed lobby and library with wood shelving crafted by Hope Village residents, allowing easy access to books and periodicals. A Shaker trestle table, built by Jerry Barkman, provides a large work area. The building's centerpiece is its climate-controlled archive room. This 20 x 30 foot space includes three compact shelves that move easily on tracks, allowing Shetler access to preserved items, including church historical documents and conference records.

A wet spring delayed construction until last May. A new road, mandated by the county, was added first, then a foundation poured. Framing began in the fall, with the interior work completed by Christmas.

The building is named after Ivan and Pearl Kropf, who owned land adjacent to ZMC and who, in 2000, donated seven



acres to the church following Ivan Kropf's death. The church, in turn, leased the land to the PNMHS for \$1, recognizing Ivan Kropf's long-held vision of renovating an 1894 red barn on his (and then the church's) ground for use as a Mennonite heritage and cultural center.

Following the gifting of land, other Mennonites throughout the region contributed to the building fund, allowing PNMHS to proceed. The historical society had agreed not to go into debt with this project, and so started construction only once enough money had been raised.

According to Shetler, a member of the PNMHS board for almost 25 years, others played an integral role in the construction: Barkman, a former PNMHS board president, was the project manager; LeeAnn Kropf, of Bend, was chief consultant on interior decorating; Richard Kropf, provided essential help with labor and oversight; and Gene Gascho, chair of the Zion Mennonite Trustee Committee.

The Ivan and Pearl Kropf Heritage Center becomes one of three Mennonite archive libraries west of the Bethel College collection in North Newton, Kan. In this sense, it provides an essential tool in the preservation of Mennonite history, especially in the Pacific Northwest.

This was part of the vision Lind had when she first proposed a Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society in 1988. At the time, the organization was called the Oregon Mennonite Historical and Genealogical Society. Lind, whose important book, *Apart and Together*, documents the history of Oregon Mennonites, had applied for library space at Western Mennonite when its chapel was built twenty years ago. Historical holdings quickly filled the small room, and in the last decade, Shetler started storing

nonessential materials at her house, hoping a larger space would open up.

Finally, it has. Since the completion of the building, volunteers, directed by Shetler and by Harold and Eileen Weaver, have moved documents, books, periodicals, and shelving to the new location; Shetler and Harold Weaver, along with librarian Violet Burley, have unpacked boxes and are getting their respective areas organized.

The building will be open every Tuesday from 9 a.m. – 3 p.m. PNMHS is looking for volunteers to help organize and run the library and archives; those interested should contact Shetler at the center.

All are welcome to the dedication **Sunday, April 22**, at 2:30 p.m. Lind is traveling from her home in Harrisonburg, VA to help celebrate her role in assuring the history of Pacific Northwest Mennonites can be preserved.



Fairbanks Gathering

By John David Thacker

Eleven Mennonites met in Fairbanks, Alaska on Feb. 4, 2012 for worship and fellowship in what may have been the first Anabaptist gathering in that city. After a potluck and a few hymns, John David Thacker, pastor of Prince of Peace Mennonite Church in Anchorage, led a discussion of the article "What is an Anabaptist Christian?" by Palmer Becker. Thacker and Gary Martin, also of Prince of Peace, flew to Fairbanks for the meeting.

Some participants had attended Prince of Peace while they lived in Anchorage. Others had contacted the Anchorage congregation inquiring about a Mennonite presence in Fairbanks. There has never been a Mennonite congregation in Alaska's second largest city. Prince of Peace is the only Mennonite Church USA congregation in the state.

"I grew up in Lancaster County, PA," said Fairbanks resident Rachelle Hill. "When I heard about a Mennonite



Back row from left: John David Thacker, Gary Martin, Adam Porter, Simeon Brubaker, Heidi Brubaker, Mary Boston, Loren Boston. Front row from left: Rahab Porter, Lydia Porter, Rachelle Hill (not pictured: David Whitthoff)

gathering here, I wanted to re-connect with my heritage as well as be part of establishing a fellowship of other like-minded believers in the place where I live. My hope is that the Fairbanks Mennonite group will be a place for people to find hope and renew their faith in God." The group committed itself to meeting monthly for worship, study and fellowship.

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District Pastors Meet

By Charlene Epp, PNMC District Pastor

On a drizzly Friday in February, the PNMC District Pastors gathered in Portland along with Interim Executive Conference Minister, Dave Stutzman, and Jeryl Hollinger, PNMC Moderator. Beginning with a time of worship through Dwelling in the Word and song, the tone was set for depth of sharing of the life of the PNMC through the lens of the District Pastors. One of the most sacred parts of the gathering was listening to one another as we shared about the pastors, the churches they serve and the lay leadership of those congregations to whom we extend support. In turn, hearing from Jeryl of the work of the Board and the PNMC committees provided a birds-eye-view of the health of PNMC, and strengthened our prayers on behalf of this part of the body of Christ.

Meeting together also served as an opportunity to review our responsibilities and roles in support offered to these pastors and congregations. As churches experience change in pastoral or lay leadership, make structural changes or deal with conflict, District Pastors can provide resources and discerning support. They can help process situations in tandem with the Executive Conference Minister and the PNMC committees.

Our fellowship continued into the evening, and resumed the next morning as we gathered at Zion Mennonite Church to attend the "Prevention of Clergy Abuse" workshop led by Marlene Bogart. Worship, input, discussion of real-situation scenarios and dramatized readings served as a timely reminder of the sobering impact of abuse and misconduct

within faith communities. Impressed upon the gathered group of lay leaders, pastors, District Pastors and PNMC staff was the importance of self-care for those whose roles hold power and carry responsibility for the health and well-being of those entrusted to their care, and who come trusting to receive care in a safe manner. Prayers were offered on behalf of those among us who have been harmed, those who have harmed, and for the courage to do all we can to prevent further harm.

Thank you PNMC for bringing us together for these two full, rich days of fellowship!



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Church Connections

Spring Valley Mennonite Church, (WA)

By Don & Agnes Goertzen

The Spring Valley Mennonite Church is located southwest of Newport near the Idaho border, approximately 60 miles from Canada. In 1922 Mennonite families from Kansas and Oklahoma accepted the invitation of the Northern Pacific Railroad to settle in the area. The railroad offered a free trip to inspect property and promised to build a church if twelve or more families would relocate. They kept their promise. The church was formally organized in 1928 with 16 charter members. Nine were added the following Sunday by baptism.

The original building was replaced in 1946. Because there was no water supply on the property, a cistern was built under the basement and rain water, collected from the roof, was the only source of water. In 1958 volunteers dug a mile-long ditch to transport spring water. This was the only source of water until a well was drilled in 1980. A Sunday School addition was added in the 1960's, and the foyer enlarged and a handicap lift installed in the 1990's. After 79 years of heating with wood, electric heat replaced the wood furnace in 2003.



Massai Dance Troupe from Kenya with Pastor Gary and Jan Yoder Jewell - 2010



Woodcutting for the church furnace, 1987. Before the electric furnace, one of the pastoral duties was to get up at 5 a.m. on Sunday morning to fire up the wood furnace.

Early memories include lighting real candles for the Christmas tree, rides to the church on tractor and wagon, caroling on Christmas Eve, an orange in the Christmas sack, a tradition that continues today.

Though the church has always been small in numbers, it has sent young people into different parts of the U.S. and other countries to serve as teachers, missionaries and pastors. The ladies' "Willing Workers" organization is active in sewing. They provide materials for MCC with emphasis on infant care, school, hygiene and sewing kits. They provide baby blankets for the local hospital. We have active participation in adult Sunday School, as well as bringing neighborhood children to church and Sunday School. We maintain a relationship with a sister congregation in the village of Couibampo in Sinaloa, Mexico.

The main source of local employment has been logging and lumber-related industries. Because of the poor economy and being a rural church, our attendance has recently declined, making it hard to provide adequate financing for pastoral

leadership. However, with small numbers, we feel very much like family and are still very enthusiastic about our presence in the community.



SVMC has maintained the tradition of an Easter sunrise, including a bonfire, every year for decades. Occasionally they have met in front of the church when the weather was too bad or the road too muddy or icy to go to "the hill".

PNMC Ministerial Updates

Jack Knox will retire in April from Salem Mennonite Church where he has served as pastor since September of 2003.

Duncan Smith has been approved to begin serving as Interim Pastor at SMC beginning May 1.

Sarah Roth Mullet will leave her assignment as Youth Ministries Leader and Community Center Coordinator at Salem Mennonite at the end of May. She and husband, Luke, will relocate to Kansas.

Church Connections

Anawim (OR)

By Steve Kimes

Anawim Christian Community is a congregation in Rockwood; a community strongly associated with Portland and Gresham. We are much like any other church. We have two worship services, one on Saturday and the other Sunday. We have excellent church meals. We have work days to keep our property up. Our difference begins at one important point: *our congregation is more than 90 percent homeless and mentally ill.*

Anawim:
***“The same,
but different”***

“Anawim” is a Hebrew word meaning “the poor who seek the Lord for deliverance”. One can see it centrally used in Psalm 37:11 “*The anawim shall inherit the earth*”, which Jesus quoted in the Beatitudes. Pastor Steve Kimes and his wife, Diane, started the ministry seventeen years ago when they invited one homeless man to dinner. It is now a full member congregation of PNMC, with about fifty attending weekly and providing food for up to 400 people a month.

One central ministry is our community house in Portland, which not only houses the Kimes, but several in the congregation who otherwise would be homeless. It is a



Community residents collect much-needed food and supplies made regularly available at Anawim.

house of discipleship, with regular Bible and prayer meetings. All who reside there work ten hours per week in exchange for rent.

In Gresham, Anawim (along with Bethel International) rents the facility that formerly housed Peace Mennonite. There, Anawim has become a center for helping the poorest of east Multnomah County. We collaborate with other churches to provide day shelters so locals can get out of the weather and receive services; *ours is the only shower available to the homeless in East County.* We distribute bedding, hygiene items, hand warmers, clothes, socks and food.

Worship Minister, Yvan Strong, has developed a studio and encourages people to use **art as a means of worship.**

Co-pastor, Jeff Strong, has developed outdoor space on the

Gresham acreage, including a productive vegetable garden and a meditation area. Both gardens are works in progress, but we enjoyed our first harvest last year. Jeff built a greenhouse and already has plants sprouting. The gardens have been an excellent means for connecting with neighbors.

Anawim works hard to provide opportunities for the homeless and the broader church community to serve each other. The homeless work for and serve at churches around the Gresham area while neighboring churches come to Anawim to provide meals and worship with the homeless and mentally ill.

To learn more, visit:
www.NowhereToLayHisHead.org
www.anawimcc.blogspot.com.



Western Mennonite is celebrating its 40th Benefit Auction!

The school's biggest fundraiser attracts hundreds of alumni, faculty, and families, making the day fun for all ages. Participants enjoy a live & silent auction, children's activities, food booths, and more! Donations include hand-stitched quilts, vacation packages, garden and recreational items, hand-crafted furniture, and many tasty treats. To view items, visit

www.facebook.com/WesternMennoniteSchool.

Attend **Saturday, May 5** at the Americraft Center (Jackman-Long Building) at the Oregon Fairgrounds. The silent auction begins at 8am and the live auction at 9:30am.

Come early for breakfast and stay for the BBQ chicken dinner. For details, call 503-363-2000 or visit

www.westernmennoniteschool.org.

Admission and parking are free!

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Our Mission Statement is to:

Promote personal spiritual development,

Nurture healthy congregations,

Make strong connections, and

Call each other to fulfill God's purpose for the world.

PNMC CALENDAR OF EVENTS*

May 4, *Oregon Sacred Festival Chorale*, Assembly of God Church, Albany

May 5, *Western Mennonite School's Benefit Auction*, Jackman Long Building, Oregon State Fairgrounds, Salem

May 5-6, *Evergreen Heights Mennonite Church's 10th Anniversary Celebration*, Caldwell, ID

May 6, *Oregon Sacred Festival Chorale*, 7th Day Adventist Church, Salem

June 1-2, *Aging & Spirituality*, Portland Mennonite Church, OR

June 15-July 1, *Drift Creek's Summer Camp*, Lincoln City, OR

June 21-23, 2012: *PNMC Annual Meeting*, Moses Lake, WA

July 9-29, 2012: *Camp Camrec Summer Program*, Leavenworth, WA

Aug 4 & 5: *MCC Benefit Concert with Heather Kropf & Keith Hershberger*, Wilsonville, OR on Aug. 4 and in Albany on Aug. 5

Aug 5-10: *MCC Benefit Bike Ride*, San Juan Islands, WA

* Details for the events above can be found on the PNMC Calendar (pnmc.org/Calendar) or in archived e-Bulletins (pnmc.org/Resources/eBulletin).

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