

# e-Bulletin

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# From the PNMC Office

Did you know that minutes from the PNMC Board Meetings are always posted on the website for your review? If you're curious about who currently sits on the PNMC board, check out this link and follow this link for the minutes.

# **Albany Mennonite Church**

The Albany congregation is deeply grateful to Gary Jewell and all he contributed as interim pastor. They now look forward to welcoming Peter Hochstetler Epp, along with Schanda and their two children:

Peter Epp's parents met at a war protest poetry night in the 60s while they were studying at Goshen College (mom) and Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary (dad). Born into a family forged by the Anabaptist fires of that era, he never had a chance. Already as a teenager, his favorite subject was Mennonite history and theology, something he would go on to teach at Mennonite Collegiate Institute (a Mennonite boarding school in Gretna, Manitoba), Canadian Mennonite University (Winnipeg), and any church that would let him dedicate a Sunday school semester to it. Peter's work has been driven by a passion for the North American Mennonite church and its future, additionally fueled by his involvements with Portland Mennonite Church, North Central Conference (now defunct), Young Adult Fellowship (Mennonite Church USA & Mennonite Church Canada), Camps with Meaning (Mennonite Church Manitoba), and Emerging Voices Initiative (Mennonite Church Canada). Despite his pastor father's best efforts, Peter has felt an increasingly loud but gentle call to take his passion for teaching out of the classroom and into congregational ministry.



# PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

#### Zion Mennonite Church

On **September 23**, ZMC will <u>celebrate 125 years as a congregation</u>. It's a time to honor the vision that began the congregation and its life in the surrounding community. Sunday morning and afternoon activities are planned with special guest, <u>Dr. John D. Roth, Goshen College</u> professor of history and Director of the Institute for the Study of Global Anabaptism.

## Hope Village

There will be a Health & Harvest Celebration at the <u>Hope Village Community Center</u>, 1535 S. Ivy Street, Canby, OR, on **Thursday, September 27**. A vendor fair and Resident Art Exhibit will run from 10:00am through 2:00pm. Questions? Call 503-266-9810.

## Drift Creek Camp

Mennonite Women USA's Sister Care Enrichment (Level 2) Retreat led by Carolyn Heggen and Rhoda Keener will take place at Drift Creek Camp, **September 28-30, 2018**. For brochure and registration form, visit this link.

## Mennonite Village

All are invited to tour the new Skilled Nursing & Rehab Facility at Mennonite Village. Come see how the legacy of Mennonite Home is being carried into the future. Join us for our Open House Celebration, Monday, September 24, 10 am – noon and 3 – 6 pm. *All are welcome!* 

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

Sept. 23 ~ <u>125th Anniversary</u> Zion Mennonite Church, Hubbard, OR

Sept. 24 ~ Open House Facility Tour Mennonite Village, Albany, OR

Sept. 28-30 ~ <u>Sister Care Enrichment Retreat</u> Mennonite Women USA Drift Creek Camp, Lincoln City, OR

Oct. 6 ~ Mennonite Country Auction Menno Mennonite, Ritzville, WA

Oct. 7 ~ <u>Bethel Mountain Band</u> @ Menno Mennonite, Ritzville, WA

Oct. 13 ~ Festival for World Relief, Linn Co. Fairgrounds, Albany, OR

Oct. 18-21~ Fall Quilt Retreat
Drift Creek Camp, Lincoln City, OR

Oct. 26-28~ Fall Work Weekend
Camp Camrec, Leavenworth, WA

Nov. 9-11 ~ Annual Meeting/Family Camp Drift Creek Camp, Lincoln City, OR

Nov. 30-Dec. 2~ Men's Retreat
Camp Camrec, Leavenworth, WA

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## **Mennonite Country Auction**

Join Menno Mennonite Church, Ritzville, WA, for the 41st annual Mennonite Country Auction & Relief Sale, October 6. Proceeds from the sale support the international relief, development and service ministries of Mennonite Central Committee (MCC). Over the years, the Mennonite Country Auction has contributed over \$1.5 million to MCC!

Schedule: Breakfast at 7:00 a.m.; booths open at 10:00 a.m.; Bethel Mountain Band performs at 10:30 a.m.; auction starts at Noon.

<u>Food</u>: Sausage on a stick, Hamburgers, Apple Butter, Apple Cider, New Year's Cookies (Raisin Fritters), Ice cream, Pies, Baked Goods, Green Bean Soup, Salad, Bulk Sausage, Ham, Slab Bacon, Amish Cheese, Kraut Runza, BBQ Rib plate and more.

<u>Booths</u>: Crafts, Ten Thousand Villages (international crafts), Collectibles and Antiques, MCC/Mennonite Information, The Recycled Spoon, Etcetera Shop, Country Store, Quilters' Corner PLUS, ground wheat flour, and a Bounce House for the kids. Don't forget to bring your change for MY COINS COUNT! <u>Auction</u>: Quilts, Comforters and Afghans, Wall Quilts, Furniture, gift certificates and many more new and good used items.

Plan to arrive early for best parking. RVs are welcome, but hook-ups are not available. Admission and parking are free! Cash or check; credit cards will be accepted for auction items only. Dollar amounts paid above fair market value are tax deductible. Sorry, no pets.

## Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief

The 2018 Oregon MCC Sale will be Saturday, October 13 at the Linn County Fairgrounds in Albany. Check details here.

## Camp Camrec

Washington Mennonite Fellowship (WMF) seeks a year-round Facilities Manager for Camp Camrec. Located in the heart of the Cascade Mountains, Camrec is just twelve miles from Leavenworth, WA. The Facilities Manager is responsible for day-to-day maintenance and physical operations of the camp. This includes management of camp facilities, grounds and forest resources along with coordinating with the Executive and Program Directors in regards to camp activities. Applicant must have strong maintenance experience and skills, along with the ability to work collaboratively. The full job description is available here. Please contact David and Saralyn Jantzi at director@camrec.org or call 509-548-7245 for questions.

### Seattle Mennonite Church



Thalia Nufeld is a high school senior from Seattle Mennonite Church. She is the daughter of the Seattle Mennonite Church Community Ministry leaders Jonathan and Melanie Neufeld. Thalia participated in the !Explore program at AMBS over the summer. Click <a href="here">here</a> to read about how the nine teenagers felt that they gained new perspectives and received community support. Thalia affirmed the close-knit community that was established during the Group Experience, describing it as "priceless." One of the highlights for her was a circle talk in which participants discussed what they wanted to do in the future and what their fears were. "We'd share these things and say, 'I support you in your endeavors.' There was an amazing atmosphere of support," she reflected. To read more in-depth reflections from Thalia and two other participants, click <a href="here">here</a>.

## MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

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## Mennonite Central Committee

Every year, 60 young adults from around the world serve with MCC in Canada and the U.S. through the <u>International Volunteer Exchange Program</u> (IVEP). They work with local organizations and businesses while living with host families or individuals. MCC is looking for hosts to provide either a welcoming home or an interesting work placement. <u>Learn more here.</u>



## Mennonite Disaster Service

Click here for a listing of MDS service opportunities.

#### **Upcoming e-Bulletins:**

Oct 1 (submissions due by 9/24) Oct 15 (submissions due by 10/8) Nov 5 (submissions due by 10/29) Nov 19 (submissions due by 10/12) If you would like to contribute, please send a **brief announcement** in Spanish & English with website links to **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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