

# e-Bulletin

Providing bi-weekly communication for PNMC

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## From the PNMC Office

Register <u>at this link</u> for the <u>2019 Conference Communications Council</u> at Zion Mennonite on February 2, 9:00am—4:00pm. (*Registrations are due by January 25!*) All congregations are encouraged to send a pastor and a lay leader. *Additional persons who are interested in the topics are welcome to attend, but everyone needs to register*. Michael Danner, MC USA Associate Director for Church Vitality and Engagement, will lead us in thinking about how we can grow as both followers of Jesus and congregations engaged in mission to our community. Follow this link to get a preview of Michael teaching at the Conference Minister's meeting, focusing on leading well within the MC USA structure. Marisa Smucker, from Mennonite Mission Network, will also attend the gathering.

Please keep in mind that the PNMC Financial Year ends on January 31, 2019. If you would like to support PNMC but have not sent your contributions for this financial year, we would be glad to receive them by the end of this month!

## **PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES**

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

## Zion Mennonite Church

Plan now to attend the **46th Annual Quilting Workshop** at ZMC, **February 21-23**, **2019**. Click here for more information and a flyer is attached.

## Portland Mennonite Church



John Roth, professor of history at Goshen College and editor of the Mennonite Quarterly Review, is coming to <u>PMC</u>, **February 23 & 24, 2019**. For those wondering what it means to be Anabaptist today, come hear Roth narrate the unique history of

Anabaptist Christians, give insight into an increasingly global Anabaptism, and show the lasting relevance of our Mennonite calling. Saturday Evening 2/23:

4-5:30: A Story Shaped People: The Burden and Gift of the Anabaptist Tradition

5:30-6:30 Break for Dinner on Hawthorne

6:30-8: What Hath Zurich to do with Addis Ababa? Reframing the Anabaptist Story as if the Global Church Mattered

#### Sunday Morning 2/24:

10:45: Sermon during Sunday service, "By Whose Authority? Sharing the Anabaptist Story in the 21st Century"

## Drift Creek Camp

Look for details coming soon for the 2019 Women's Retreat featuring former camper, author, and George Fox University Professor, Melanie Springer Mock. In *Worthy*, professor Melanie Springer Mock sifts through the shape and weight of expectations that press Christians into cultural molds rather than God's image. By plumbing Scripture and critiquing the ten-billion-dollar-a-year selfimprovement industry, Mock offers life-giving reminders that we are fearfully and wonderfully made. Set free from the anxiety to conform to others' expectations, we are liberated to become who God has created us to be. If you're worn out from worrying that you've missed God's One Big Calling, and if you're tired of trying to fit yourself into some cookie-cutter Christian mold, step away from the expectations and toward God's heart. Check www.driftcreek.org for details and registration.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS**

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Feb. 2: 0	Conference Communications
	Council Meeting,
	Zion Mennonite, Hubbard, OR
b. 21-23:	Quilting Workshop, (daily 10-3)
	Zion Mennonite, Hubbard, OR
23-24: Jo	ohn D. Roth, <i>Being Anabaptist</i>
ī	Today, Portland Mennonite,
	Portland, OR
rch 7-10:	Drift Creek Quilters Retreat,
	Drift Creek Camp, Lincoln City, OR
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	Fellowship Quilt Retreat,
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- April 5-7: Washington Mennonite Fellowship Women's Retreat, Camp Camrec, Leavenworth, WA
- April 12-14: Oregon Mennonite Women's Retreat, featuring Melanie Springer Mock, DCC, Lincoln City, OR
  - April 13: Idaho MCC Sale NW Nazarene University, Nampa, ID
- May 10-11: DCC Work Weekend Drift Creek Camp, Lincoln City, OR
- June 21-22: PNMC Annual Meeting, Albany Mennonite Church, Albany, OR
  - July 2-6: MC USA Convention Kansas City, MO Registration opens February 6!

## **MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES**

listed alphabetically by organization

Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary



The **<u>!Explore</u>** program at AMBS provides students in grades 10–12 with a summer experience designed to expose them to the world of theological ideas, encourage growth in spiritual practices and biblical engagement and foster in them a call to vocation in the church. The program includes a 100-hour congregational internship and a Group Experience (July 9–25, 2019). Up to 15 participants will be selected. !Explore is open to youth from all backgrounds, so we encourage you to think of those both inside and outside of traditional Mennonite circles. We would love to be in touch with anyone who wants to know more! *The early application deadline is* February 15, 2019.

### Mennonite Central Committee

MCC encourages its alumni to plan and hold reunions in 2020 at its Welcoming Place and guest houses in Akron, PA. Seven reunions are already confirmed. Contact <u>alumni@mcc.org</u> indicating the reunion you wish to attend. *Included are:* 

- Akron Service Unit 1986-1996 May 22-26
- South Korea June 19-21
- Ethiopia Aug. 21-23
- Akron Service Unit 1976-1986 Sept. 4-7
- Salzburg Pax reunion Sept. 24-27
- Democratic Republic of the Congo Oct. 2-4
- Burkino Faso Oct. 9-12

#### Mennonite Disaster Service

The All-Unit Meeting (AUM) is MDS' annual gathering in which all units, volunteers, and MDS staff come together to worship, learn, and fellowship. Anyone is welcome to attend. The next AUM will be held on Friday and Saturday, February 8-9, 2019 in Tucson, AZ at the beautiful Double Tree Suites near the Tucson Airport at 7051 S. Tucson Blvd. To register online, please <u>click here</u> or you may complete the paper registration <u>here</u>. For a complete list of volunteer opportunities, please click <u>here</u>.

### Mennonite World Conference

Follow this link to read the January 2019 edition of Courier, a publication of global Anabaptist congregations.

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

Feb 4 (submissions due by 1/28) Feb 18 (submissions due by 2/11) Mar 4 (submissions due by 2/28) Mar 18 (submissions due by 3/11) If you would like to contribute, please send a **brief announcement** in Spanish & English with website links to <u>brenda@pnmc.org</u>. 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!* 

For more PNMC updates: <u>http://pnmc.org</u>e-Bulletin Archives: <u>http://pnmc.org/Resources/eBulletin</u>

The Welcoming Place in Akron has large and small meeting rooms, and the guest houses have individual rooms and baths that surround a central social space. Rates are reduced for reunions held in Akron in 2020. MCC can assist planners with contact information of alumni who have given permission to share that information. MCC can suggest speakers and provide reports on current MCC work. For more information about planning a reunion, including rates, contact <u>alumni@mcc.org</u>, or call 888-563-4676. In addition, watch <u>mcc.org</u> and Facebook – <u>facebook.com/MennoniteCentralCommittee</u> – for information on other centennial plans.