



e-Bulletin

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From the PNMC Office

The PNMC Gift Discernment Committee is beginning its work on the ballot for 2019. We always appreciate nominations for the PNMC Board, Pastoral Leadership Team, and Gifts Discernment team. Contact Jeryl Hollinger jhollinger@centurytel.net for additional information.

Shortly after our local PNMC Annual Meeting, the national Mennonite Convention, known as [MennoCon19](#), will take place in the heart of downtown Kansas City, MO, at the Kansas City Convention Center. MennoCon19 is going to be an exciting combination of faith formation, equipping times and fun with friends! Some elements will feel familiar to those that have attended past conventions. Other elements will provide new opportunities for everyone. Convention planner, Scott Hartman, announced a change in the worship format. There will be *intergenerational* worship where the adults, youth and junior youth worship together as a **unified body of believers**. The worship will focus on John 20:19-22 where Jesus appears to the disciples after he had risen from the dead. This Scripture is also part of the [“Pathways” study guide](#), which all convention-goers are encouraged to engage ahead of time.

[Delegate Assembly resources are available](#) and more info will be added leading up to the gathering. Youth, ages 16-21, are invited to participate in the Delegate Assembly as representatives of their congregations, conferences, racial/ethnic or constituency groups through the [Step Up](#) program. Early in the 2019 delegate sessions, delegates will vote on approving these youth representatives as official voting delegates for the remaining sessions. “The Step Up program creates space for youth to belong, and that’s huge,” said Shana Peachey Boshart, denominational minister for Faith Formation. “It helps youth understand their church and gives them a voice.” The registration link is available [here](#).

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Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Albany Mennonite Church



[Discovery: A Comic Lament](#), performed by Ted and Co. TheaterWorks, were in Seattle on Saturday at Seattle Mennonite and will perform again on **February 23, at 7p.m.** at Albany Mennonite Church, 3405 Kizer Ave NE, Albany, OR. Admission is free (but donations are welcome) and is open to the public! The performance, starring Ted Swartz and Michelle Milne, and produced by Ted & Co, is a play about the **Doctrine of Discovery**, the legal framework that justifies theft of land and oppression of Indigenous Peoples. It finds unexpected humor at the crossroads of justice and land use, offering both comic and challenging glimpses into the absurdity of white settler oppression of Indigenous Peoples and the land we live on. A show about love, and loss, of land, Discovery nudges us to question our stories with honesty and integrity.

What happens when we find out there is a problem with the ground under our feet? When we acknowledge that the land we want to reconnect with was violently and unjustly emptied of indigenous peoples? When we learn about their continued oppression? And, what is our role, as people of faith, and inheritors of a system of land ownership based on theft? This is a play about a big, foundational problem: how the land under our feet came to be under our feet. And it is about learning to face that problem with the energy that only shared laughter can create, so that we can move forward.

UPCOMING EVENTS

Feb. 23: Ted & Co, Albany
Mennonite, 7pm

Feb. 21-23: **Quilting Workshop**, (daily 10-3)
Zion Mennonite

Feb. 23-24: John D. Roth, Portland Mennonite
March 2: DCC Benefit Dinner, 6pm,
Albany Mennonite

March 7-10: Drift Creek Quilters, DCC

March 14-17: Washington Mennonite
Quilt Retreat, Camp Camrec

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

April 13: Idaho MCC Sale, NNU, Nampa, ID

May 10-11: DCC Work Weekend, Lincoln City, OR

June 21-22: PNMC Annual Meeting,
Albany Mennonite, Albany, OR

July 2-6: MC USA Convention
Kansas City, MO

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Plan now to attend the [47th Annual Quilting Workshop](#) at [Zion Mennonite Church](#), February 21-23, 2019.

Portland Mennonite Church

[John Roth](#), professor of history at Goshen College and editor of the Mennonite Quarterly Review, is coming to [PMC](#), February 23 & 24. Roth will narrate the unique history of Anabaptist Christians, give insight into an increasingly global Anabaptism, and show the lasting relevance of our Mennonite calling. Visit the [PMC website](#) for details.

Albany Mennonite Church



A Benefit Dinner for [Drift Creek Camp](#) will be held at **Albany Mennonite Church** the evening of **March 2nd at 6 PM**. Drift Creek Camp will be closed during the busy summer season beginning in mid-June due to restoration work on North Creek which will require the single access road to Drift Creek to be closed during this time. The evening will feature a dinner of favorite camp foods, entertainment and a time to celebrate camp with old and new friends. To RSVP and help us choose a favorite camp meal please go to www.tinyurl.com/DCCDinner or Contact Chris Nord (541) 971-0837, Karen Tieszen (541) 619-7799 or Christine van Belle (206) 200-3778.

Camp Camrec

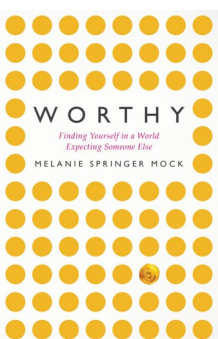
Various staff opportunities are available at [Camp Camrec](#) near Leavenworth, WA. Camrec is seeking individuals with a desire to enrich the lives of youth through recreation, fellowship, and worship in an outdoor setting. Camrec offers youth programs covering grades 1 through 11 over approximately four weeks of summer camp. In addition to seasonal opportunities, Washington Mennonite Fellowship (WMF) also seeks a year-round Facilities Manager for Camp Camrec, located in the heart of the Cascade Mountains. The Facilities Manager is responsible for the day-to-day maintenance and physical operations of the camp. This includes management of camp facilities, grounds and forest resources at Camrec. In addition, this includes coordinating with the Executive and Program Directors in regards to camp activities and groups. Applicant must have strong maintenance experience and skills, along with the ability to work collaboratively. Follow [this link](#) for job descriptions and applications.

Camp Palisades

Registration information is now available on the [Camp Palisades website](#) for Senior Camp, July 7-10 and Junior Camp, July 10-13, 2019. Both youth camps will include the classic camp activities: hiking, swimming, campfires, and music, as well as times for devotions, reflection, and teaching. Senior campers will enjoy a whitewater [raft trip on the Snake River](#) and junior campers are planning to try a [zipline tour](#) this year. All events take place at the camp grounds or nearby in Eastern Idaho/Wyoming.

Drift Creek Camp

Regular summer programming will not be provided at DCC this year due to major construction scheduled at the North Creek Culvert. A contractor has not yet been assigned to the project so exact construction dates have not been established. Schedule updates will be posted as details come together.



DCC will host the annual **Oregon Mennonite Women's Retreat, April 12-14**. George Fox University Professor, Melanie Springer Mock, will share thoughts on *Finding Yourself Worthy*, based on her latest book, *Worthy*. The weekend is a wonderful opportunity to nourish body, soul and spirit. In addition to daily sessions with Melanie, there will be opportunities for rest, relaxation, creative expression, forest hikes and nourishing meals. For details or to register, visit www.driftcreek.org. Melanie's book, *Worthy*, 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 self-improvement industry, she 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. The book is available through Herald Press at [this link](#).

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

Mar 4 (submissions due by 2/28)
Mar 18 (submissions due by 3/11)
Apr 1 (submissions due by 3/25)
Apr 15 (submissions due by 4/8)

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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