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## From the PNMC Office

The 2019 PNMC Directory has been printed. Each congregation will receive two copies by mail. If your church would like to have more, please contact Barb Buxman at your earliest convenience.

Please register TODAY if you plan to attend the PNMC Pastor's Retreat, September 9-11 at Twin Rocks Friends Camp in Rockaway Beach, OR. The retreat is hosted by the Center for Sustainable Climate Solutions. Participants are invited to explore biblical, personal, scientific, and congregational aspects of climate change. There is no cost for pastors or spouses. Individuals in other leadership rols are also invited to attend. If you have questions, please contact Barb Buxman. Register here.

We ask that you hold the PNMC Board of Directors in prayer as they gather in Portland on September 13-14.

# PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization



Drift Creek Camp

DCC is offering TRAIL run/walk to help raise funds for this summer's closure due to the culvert replacement at North Creek. The Slug Run will be held at 10:00 a.m. on September 28 at Cedar Vale Events, 6486 S. Sconce Rd. in Hubbard, OR. Register at www.driftcreek.org by September 15th.

Quilters & crafters, sign up now for the 2019 Fall Quilt Retreat at DCC, October 17-20. Carve out a weekend to be pampered while you work on projects of your choosing among God's beautiful creation at Drift Creek Camp. Register here. Additionally, there will be a dedication service for the newly replaced North Creek Culvert on Saturday, October 19. Guests are invited to come for the day and learn more about the project.

## Mennonite Country Auction

The 42nd Annual Mennonite Country Auction in support of MCC will take place on Saturday, October 5 at Menno Mennonite Church, Ritzville, WA. This year's entertainment will be provided by the Liberty Quartet from Boise, ID. They will perform on Saturday morning at 10:30 a.m. on the sale stage, then again on Sunday morning as part of the worship service. For more details about the sale, follow this link. To learn more about the musicians, click here.

## Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief

Plan now for the MCC Fall Festival, October 12, 2019. Planners are seeking hand-crafted items to be donated for the Country Store. Items for home and personal use such as décor, soaps, lotions, jewelry, cards and gift baskets, as well as blankets, wooden toys, books, hats, etc. are appreciated. Dried fruits and vegetables, nuts, herbs, tea, homemade noodles, fudge, cookies, pffernuss, honey, flavored oils and vinegars are also desired. If you have onions, potatoes, squash, carrots, pumpkins, tomatoes, kale, gourds, etc., these items are appreciated for the Farmers' Market. Items for the "Vintage" table are appreciated as well. Donations should be new or very good guality used items. Cashiers are needed for 2-hour shifts on the day of the sale.

If you would like to volunteer, please contact Donna Brubaker or Florence Gingrich.

## **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

September 9-11: Pastor's Retreat at Twin Rocks, Oregon Coast September 13-14: PNMC Board Meeting, Portland, OR September 14: MDS Region 4 Annual Meeting, Portland, OR September 28: "Slug Run" for Drift Creek Camp, Hubbard, OR **October 5**: Mennonite Country Auction, Ritzville, WA October 12: Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief, Albany, OR October 17-20: Fall Quilt & Craft Retreat, Drift Creek Camp October 19-20: Mennonite Ouartet and Men's Chorus Festival, Lebanon Mennonite Church, Lebanon, OR October 25-27: Fall Work Days, Camp Camrec, Leavenworth, WA November 9-11: Annual Member's Meeting & Family Camp, Drift Creek Camp, Lincoln City, OR December 6-8: Washington Mennonite Fellowship's Men's Retreat, Camp Camrec, Leavenworth, WA



## Western Mennonite Church

Please welcome Terry Rediger, who will serve as interim pastor at Western Mennonite Church for the next year. You might remember Terry and Jerilee from their time at Menno Mennonite Church. They are coming to us from Turpin, Oklahoma, and we are glad to have them back in the area! Terry begins at Western on September 1st and shares, "We are happy to be in the Northwest. We look forward to catching up with friends from when we lived in the area before. We look forward to meeting new friends as well. We are also excited about being close to family again and to being within a short drive of the mountains and ocean."

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

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### Mennonite Disaster Service

All are invited to the MDS Annual Meeting at the Hilton Garden Inn in Portland, OR on **September 14.** Josh Keefer, will speak on "The Genesis of Mennonite Disaster Service". A \$75 registration includes lunch and dinner. RSVP to <u>Ina Heinrichs</u> at (512) 749-2985. Hotel reservations should be made directly with the Hilton Garden Inn, 503-255-8600. A block of rooms will be held until **September 1.** Use code MDSSEP to receive the MDS negotiated price.

## Lebanon Mennonite Church

A Pacific Northwest Mennonite Quartet & Men's Chorus Festival will be hosted by Lebanon Mennonite Church, Saturday, October 19 from 7-8:30pm, and Sunday, October 20 from 3-4:30pm. Participants will be from across the Willamette Valley and be directed by Louis Lehman with Arnold Knox as accompanist. The evening will present songs of faith and inspiration. An offering will be collected and proceeds will be directed to MDS and Love, Inc.

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

listed alphabetically by organization

### Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary

#### Spiritual Direction: Mystery: Early registration deadline: Sept. 5

Cultivate your ministry of spiritual direction through <u>Spiritual Direction: Mystery</u>, supervised by <u>Dan Schrock</u>, D. Min. This advancedlevel course — which meets three times on campus for two days each in 2019-20 — will help you focus on the ineffable presence and activity of God. Sign-up by Sept. 5 to get \$100 off your registration!



### **Herald Press**

Educating women is the most effective way to combat extreme poverty, slash child mortality rates, and build healthy communities. But first a girl must navigate the minefields of childhood and adolescence. Will she get pregnant or finish her education? Will she be trafficked or taught a trade? Will she be abused by authority figures or equipped for leadership? *From Risk to Resilience* weaves the stories of young women between the ages of twelve and twenty-one into a tapestry of hope. Author and gender justice advocate Jenny Rae Armstrong illuminates dangers common to women and girls around the world: gender-based violence, child marriage, healthcare gaps, and damaging social attitudes. She also delves into narratives of women in Scripture, examining theologies of oppression that contain and crush women's potential, and theologies of shalom that lift women up.

### Mennonite Disaster Service

More weekly volunteers are needed this fall to respond to storm, flood and fire damage across Canada and the United States. Please consider serving if you are able to offer a week to help people get back home in places like South Dakota, Texas and California. MDS is excited to launch a new <u>online scheduling system</u> for the fall season (September—December). Please direct interested individuals to request to serve by visiting the <u>Weekly Volunteer Calendar</u>, <u>emailing</u>, or calling 800-241-8111. If you are unable to serve, but would like to support the efforts of MDS volunteers, a <u>financial gift</u> will provide lodging, meals, and the tools needed to get the job done.

### West Coast MCC

In July, the West Coast region collected nearly 650 Refugee Kits (*approx. 350-400 came from PNMC churches*) which have been distributed to partner agencies in southern Arizona. Across the U.S. additional kits are being distributed in Texas through MCC Central States. Furthermore, the spontaneous outpouring of dollars is allowing us to provide travel support to migrant families receiving the kits who are unable to pay travel expenses through their family and friend networks. Yet, many continue to ask, "Is there more that we can do?" West Coast MCC invites you to continue your love and care for migrants in another tangible way by **making and sending cards** to Tucson, AZ where Shalom Mennonite Church has launched a Detention Visitation Program called Casa Mariposa. This ministry coordinates volunteers who visit long-term detainees every week until they are released. You can help by making **personal encouragement cards**. Your efforts can help those in detention feel that they have not been forgotten. Restrictions and instructions, as well as helpful phrases, are available at <u>this link</u>. Together, we can respond to the needs of the migrants caught in the dark web of our flawed immigration system and help spread God's shalom in this world.

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

September 16 (submissions due by 9/9) October 7 (submissions due by 10/30) October 21 (submissions due by 10/14) November 4 (submissions due by 10/28) 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!* 

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