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From the PNMC OFFICE

The Pastoral Leadership Team met Monday, September 30 and approved the following:

Jerrell Prentice Williams to be installed and licensed at Salem Mennonite Church, Salem, Oregon, on **October 27, 2019**.

Kevin Daniel Chupp to be ordained at First Mennonite Church of Aberdeen, Aberdeen, Idaho, on **November 24, 2019**.

Katherine Jameson Pitts will preside over both services. All are welcome to attend.

A Mindfulness & Meditation Retreat is being offered **November 22-24, 2019** at Harbor Villa Retreat Center in Rockaway Beach, OR. The gathering will be led by Juel Yoder Russell. It is open to anyone interested in practicing awareness of God in the present moment. For details email: peaceonyourjourney@gmail.com or visit www.peaceonyourjourney.com/nov-2019.html.

PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Listed chronologically, then alphabetically by organization

Camp Camrec ~ 2019 Summer Reflections ~ *By Juli Van Pelt*

The 2019 Summer was a season of transition at Camrec as our beloved program directors, David and Saralyn Jantzi, relocated to Lancaster, PA with their two boys, Leon and Myles. The Jantzi's started as program directors in 2015 and were soon promoted to executive directors. We have been blessed with their passion for youth ministry, creation care, and strategic vision for camp. Their work has touched the lives of all who have been in contact with Camrec, and we wish them the best in their new careers and life adventures.

With big shoes to fill, many volunteers stepped up and Morgan Smith was hired to be the interim summer camp director. Morgan, a seasoned Camrec volunteer and recent graduate of Gonzaga, wore many hats to keep our programs running smoothly. We wish her all the best as she is now serving on a SALT term with MCC in Cambodia.

Finding counselors and other volunteers to staff camp is always challenging, but, as usual, our church community networks rallied and all positions were filled. Camrec is very grateful to all who graciously volunteered their time and gifts to camp this summer.

Our theme this summer was "God is in our Midst" and this message was presented by various Bible leaders, including Jonathan Neufeld, Gary Jewell, Donna Hostick, and Marc Schlegel-Preheim. Over four different age-group camps participated with good turnouts for all camps, with both Pre-Junior and Senior High camps having their largest numbers in recent years. Most of the campers came from Washington state, with a small contingent from Oregon and Idaho. Highlights include overnight backpacking, quilt making, shadow puppets, swimming at Leavenworth pool and Lake Wenatchee, ropes course, campfire, group games, and meeting new friends. Spending time in God's creation with friends is a gift that campers cherish and look forward to each summer.

Planning is already underway for next summer and some adjustments are being made to the camp calendar. We are experimenting with long weekend camps rather than mid-week camps in hopes that it will be more convenient for volunteers and staff. The new dates have been posted at www.camrec.org so you can check it out and mark your 2020 calendar. Fall work day and business meeting is scheduled for **October 25-27, 2019**, and all are welcome to participate. If you have ideas or would like to get involved, [email](mailto:) us!



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Oregon Mennonite Festival for World Relief

The [MCC Fall Festival](#) is **Saturday, October 12**. Donations of new or very good quality used items are needed for the Country Store. 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](#).

Drift Creek Camp

There is still time to register 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](#). *There will be a dedication service for the newly replaced North Creek Culvert on **Saturday, October 19**. Guests are invited to come for the afternoon to learn more about the project.*

It is also time to mark your calendars and register for DCC's **Annual Meeting & Family Camp, November 8-10**. People of all ages are welcome to participate, even if you are a first-time visitor! The weekend festivities include indoor and outdoor activities, fellowship, delicious meals, taking a look at the new culvert and new cabin, and the benefit auction on Saturday afternoon. Register [here](#).

Lebanon Mennonite Church

The West Coast Men's Chorus & Quartet Festival will be hosted by Lebanon Mennonite Church, **Saturday, October 19, 7-8:30 p.m.** and **Sunday, October 20, 3-4:30 p.m.** Singers will come from across the Willamette Valley from Portland to Sweet Home and will be directed by Louis Lehman with Arnold Knox and Mel Rollema as accompanists. The program will include "Songs of Faith & Inspiration". Mariah Winn, a very talented, 13-year old violinist from Brownsville will be a guest artist. Proceeds from the offering will be given to MDS and Love, Inc. All are invited to attend this musical event!

Camp Camrec

Register now for the [Fall Work Weekend](#) at Camp Camrec! This is a great time to pitch in, enjoy camp and fellowship together! Mark your calendar for the **October 25-27** weekend.

Albany Mennonite Church

Join MCC and Everence for an evening workshop: "Making a World of Difference Now and in the Future through Charitable Giving". **Thursday, November 7, 7:00 p.m. - 8:30 p.m.**, at Albany Mennonite Church, Albany, OR, with Colin Saxton and Dennis LeFevre of Everence, and Alan Claassen Thrush of MCC. Please contact Alan Claassen Thrush (act@mcc.org) for additional information.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

listed alphabetically by organization

Mennonite Church USA

Follow [this link](#) for the latest edition of *Equipping* and read about things happening across MC USA.

West Coast MCC

Please note changes for the 2020 MCC Bike Ride: After some brainstorming following an unexpected need to change venues, the planning committee has decided to have the ride's home base be at the Mennonite Village in Albany, OR. (*Thanks to Maribeth Kennel for the suggestion!*) For those who are unfamiliar with the Village, it is a huge community composed of houses, assisted living units, a memory care facility and a very large green space with an adjacent pavilion. *Thank you, Mennonite Village, for your generosity!*

While plans are still coming together, here's what planners DO know:

- Dates will remain the same: **August 9-14**; cost will be approximately \$400-\$450/person.
- The majority of lodging will be camping in the large green space.
- Breakfasts will be provided by the Village; lunches will be provided by Salem Mennonite. *Planners hope area churches will be willing to prepare dinners.*
- There are 3 men's and 3 women's showers about a 5 minute walk from the lawn.

In addition to planning new routes around the beautiful Albany area, planners must consider details such as safety, lodging, meals, showers, etc. Planners realize that this ride will not cater to everyone's preference, but hope to work with folks to find a way for many to participate in and enjoy the ride! The tentative plan is for registration to open on **November 1st**.

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

October 21 (*submissions due by 10/14*)
November 4 (*submissions due by 10/28*)
November 18 (*submissions due by 11/11*)
December 9 (*submissions due by 12/2*)

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