

e-Bulletin

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Meet Your Next PNMC Conference Moderator



Hi, my name is Chris Nord and I am truly honored to be your next moderator and I appreciate this opportunity to introduce myself. My wife Angie and I moved to Albany, OR and joined Albany Mennonite Church in 1997, and have lived there ever since. I attended graduate school at Oregon State University from 1998 to 2001. Our two sons, Andrew and Logan, were born and raised here. Andrew recently graduated from EMU, in Harrisonburg VA, and Logan just completed his second year at CMU in Winnipeg MB.

Since Fall 2003 I began working for Chemeketa Community College as a member of the Mathematics faculty. After 20 years I'm still enjoying that work. In my spare time I enjoy rock climbing, hiking, disc golf (side note: my affection for disc golf was a contributing factor to my nomination to the PNMC board. If you're curious to know more about this story, please ask me about it next time we meet!), and keeping a back-yard orchard.

I hope to have the pleasure of meeting you or reconnecting with you at the PNMC annual meeting in Portland next week!

Planning to attend Annual Meeting at Portland Mennonite Church on Saturday, June 24? <u>Click and read the 2023 Delegate Handbook</u>. Not able to attend Annual Meeting, <u>Click to see the 2023</u> <u>Delegate Handbook</u> to read updates on organizations within the conference and across the country.



PNMC CONGREGATIONS, ORGANIZATIONS & MINISTRIES

Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society

In August of 1914, World War I began and continued until 1918. When the United States entered the war during 1917, many young men were drafted into the military services, including many from the Mennonites, Quakers, Brethren and others who were conscientious objectors.

In 2014, the remembrance of a century since the war began was marked by Kauffman Museum, a part of Bethel College of North Newton, KS. Museum staff created a travelling exhibition entitled "Voices of Conscience." Since that time, the exhibition has been taken to colleges and communities throughout the Midwest. It received a national award for its creative approach remembering the experience of World War I conscious objectors.

The Pacific Northwest Mennonite Historical Society has arranged to bring "Voices of Conscience" to Portland, OR. Lewis & Clark College has agreed to give lobby space for the exhibition from July 28 to September 24, 2023 at the Watzek Library. This will give many students and members of the wider community opportunities to view the exhibit and learn of the experiences of conscious objectors during the war.

Our agreement with Kauffman Museum calls for a fee of \$5,000 plus \$3,000 for transportation and setup of the exhibition. PNMC agreed to support the project with a grant of \$4000. Members of the society and the Board of Directors have contributed \$2,500 towards the project. PNMHS feels that this exhibition will help meet its mission to educate the public and provide information about an important time in the history of our Mennonite community. We encourage you to support this effort by making a contribution to PNMHS. Please send your contribution to PNMHS, 6030 S Whiskey Hill Road, Hubbard, OR 97032 or you can make a donation by credit card at www.pnmhs.org and following the instructions. If you have any other questions, please contact Committee Chair, lerry Barkman.

MENNONITE CHURCH USA & OTHER CHURCHWIDE AGENCIES

Mennonite Central Committee Calling all young adults, ages 18-30!



Interested in connecting with other young adults and learning new skills? Join Mennonite Central Committee for an incredible week of hands-on learning, **July 23-28**, in the Rocky Mountains of Colorado Springs!

MCC's Peacebuilders Training is a learning experience for young adults hungry to connect with other young adults, root themselves in intentional, theological reflection and apply that to real-world work of peace and justice in their communities. The registration cost is \$200 and all other expenses are covered, including travel, lodging and food! Don't miss this amazing opportunity.

Mennonite Church USA

A pastor and banker went out for dinner. Over dinner, the banker asked the pastor, "How are you paid?" The banker was genuinely curious, not being the church-going type. The pastor responded, "Through the generosity of the congregation I serve." The banker was flabbergasted, "You mean, people voluntarily give the church money, and that's how you receive a paycheck?" The pastor nodded. The banker shook his head in utter disbelief. While this story might sound like it's the beginning of a joke, this is a memory of an actual encounter that happened to a pastor friend of Rachel Ringenberg Miller, who serves as denominational minister for ministerial leadership for Mennonite Church USA. To read more about her reflection on how pastors are paid, please follow this link.

Mennonite Mission Network

Looking for service opportunities? Consider working with SOOP, Service Opportunities with Our Partners. New service locations have been announced. Check out all of their locations and see what best suits your skills and travel needs by following this link.

Upcoming e-Bulletins:

July 17 (submissions due by 7/10) Aug 7 (submissions due by 7/31) Aug 21 (submissions due by 8/14) Sept 4 (submissions due by 8/28) 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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