

Beyond the Congregation – July 26, 2015

EVENTS – LOCAL & BEYOND

- **Skylight Festival** is coming to Paris, Ontario from July 31 to August 2. The festival offers music, art, film and inspiring conversations on faith, peace and justice – in a celebratory space created to nurture a narrative of hope, joy and transformation. All are welcome. Free camping for everyone. Register NOW to get the Box Office Special price of only \$119 for the first 50 registrants. Regular price is \$179 so register today! All the information can be found on our website www.skylightfestival.ca including our current line-up of inspiring musicians, speakers and artists.
- **Women's Canoe Trip** - Join Tanya Dyck Steinmann and Rebekah Caldwell from August 3-7 (4 days on the canoe trip and balance at camp) for a paddle through beautiful inland lakes surrounded by towering cliffs in Massasaugua Provincial Park. For more information please visit www.slmc.ca/retreats or call Silver Lake Mennonite Camp 519-422-3200
- Host an international young adult for a year through IVEP (International Volunteer Exchange Program). Host families are needed for Aug, 2015 to July, 2016 in Stouffville, St. Catharines, New Hamburg, and Kitchener. For more info contact Sheryl Bruggeling at 905-646-3161 ext 265 or sherylbruggeling@mcco.ca
- Invest in the future of our Mennonite youth. You can help shape the Church of tomorrow by nurturing our students today! Your support of **Rockway Mennonite Collegiate** helps deliver a strong and vibrant program of studies for students from grade 7-12 from within a Christian/Anabaptist faith perspective. The generous support of individuals within our church constituency is vital to continuing this important work of the Church. Only with your help can we raise \$120,000 needed to reach our operating fund target by the end of our fiscal year on July 31st. Please respond today with your gift that will make a difference in the lives of our students. You can donate by cheque to Rockway Mennonite Collegiate at 110 Doon Rd., Kitchener, ON N2G 3C8 or give online at www.rockway.ca Thank you for partnering with us to equip the next generation of leaders for our Church and our world.
- **Woolwich Community Services** is organizing a **Back Pack program** to provide for less fortunate children and youth, in Woolwich and Wellesley Township. There is a need to fill 175 backpacks with "supplies required" for school this fall. Supplies can be dropped off at the Woolwich Community Services office Mon. to Fri. 9 - 5 pm. Please deliver donations before **August 17th, 2015, (note new location 5 Memorial Ave)**. If you have any questions or concerns please feel free to contact our office at 519-669-5139 or email kelly_wcs@yahoo.ca
- MennoHomes would like to thank everyone that contributed to a successful bike-a-thon on Saturday June 20th, helping to raise \$40,000 for new affordable housing in Elmira. Details and pictures at www.mennohomes.com
- **Peace it Together Conference**: CMU will be hosting a national youth conference on the theme **A Meeting Place: Hearing God in Indigenous Voices**. Speakers include Sue Eagle, Vincent Solomon, Christy Anderson and Steve Heinrichs. The conference will take place Oct 23-25 at CMU. For more information information call 1-204-487-3300 or email pit2015@cmu.ca. To register go to cmu.ca/pit.

SUMMER CAMPS

- **Silver Lake Mennonite Camp has asked our church to supply 5 volunteers** for the week of Camp 5 from August 9-15, during their summer camp program. Primarily they are looking for people to help prepare meals in the kitchen and help with various maintenance tasks. See details on hall bulletin board.
- **Building Community Retreat at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp**, September 11th-13th, 2015. A retreat for individuals with disabilities, their family, friends and supporters. Come join us for a weekend of relaxation, fellowship, worship, learning and fun! This year's theme is "God Restores Our Souls" with resource person Cheryl Weber Good. For more information visit the Hidden Acres website, www.hiddenacres.ca, email info@hiddenacres.ca or call [519-625-8602](tel:519-625-8602). (August 14th early bird, August 28th registration deadline).

MCC – MCCO – MCEC – MDS – MEDA – MC CANADA – MSCU – MDS NEWS & EVENTS

- **Mennonite Disaster Service has a service opportunity** for the whole family. Families of children and adults of all ages are encouraged to serve together building cabins for a week at Camp Elim near Swift Current, Saskatchewan between August 3 & 28. For more info and to register call 866-261-1274 or at mds.mennonite.net/projects/campelimfamily project.
 - **Do you have a passion for sewing or quilting** and love to share your skills with others. MCC Ontario is seeking volunteers to run several sewing and quilting classes at 50 Kent. If you are interested please call Wendy Cotter at 519-745-8458 x 248 or go to mcccanada.ca/get-involved/serve/volunteer/sewing-quilting-teachers for more info.
 - **MCC urgently needs KIT BAGS**: Please help us replenish our inventory. Use medium or lightweight fabric. Sewing instructions are available at mcco.ca/kits or by calling Wendy Cotter at 519-745-8458 ext 248. Come early for a bus tour of the local area and experience the diversity of the Aylmer area Low German Mennonite Communities' businesses, churches, schools and culture. Up close and personal with your guide, Abe Harms. The cost will be \$10 per person.
 - **Mennonite Savings and Credit Union Centre for Peace Advancement and Conrad Grebel University College** are pleased to announce the extension of *Taking Community from the Farm to the World*, an exhibition of David L Hunsberger's

iconic photographs. On display until August 14 at Conrad Grebel, Monday to Friday, 8:30 am – 4:30 pm..

- **Work on Wednesdays** 1:30 – 3:30pm, July 29, Aug 5, 12, 19 and 26. Children and young, have you experienced volunteering for MCC? Join us at 50 Kent Ave for our annual Work on Wednesday child and youth volunteering events? Participate in knotting comforters, packing kits, and other activities as available. Registration is limited, so sign up early! More info at mcco.ca/events or by contacting Wendy Cotter 519-745-8458
 - Are you excited about **Mennonite World Conference's Assembly** this summer, even if you can't come? Then join us on social media: we're on Facebook, Twitter, and Instagram! Share your own photos and stories from life in your Anabaptist community and read about, watch, and listen to what's happening in Harrisburg this July 21-26. Find the links at mwc-cmm.org/pa2015
 - **Mennonite Disaster Service Urgent Needs in High River, Alberta** - Short-term volunteers needed for the weeks of Aug. 10 – 28. Groups and individuals welcome.
- Detroit, Michigan** - Day or weekly volunteers needed July and August. Contact Lawrence Matthews at (419) 303-8056.
- *October 3, 2015 at locations across Ontario*
- Join us at any location offered by the **RIDE FOR REFUGE**. Don't have a team to ride with? You can join our team "MCC Ontario Program Pedallers". More info at mcco.ca/events
- We are searching for a host family for **Vanessa** from Germany who will be serving at Thrift on Kent and **Alex** from China who will be serving at the New Hamburg Thrift Centre from Sept 2015-July 2016. Contact Sheryl at 519-745-8458 ext 265 or sherylbruggeling@mcco.ca for more info.

JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- **Mennonite Coalition for Refugee Support (MCRS)** is hiring a P/T Case Worker position (30 hrs per week). Applications will be reviewed by August 10, 2015. Position begins September 07, 2015. For more information please visit MCRS website at www.mcrs.ca/employment
- **The Poole ESL program for newcomers** is looking for a **preschool/ECE** teacher. Please contact Lily Hiebert Rempel at 519-745-8458 ext 245 or lilyhiebertrempe@mcco.ca for more information.
- MCC is looking for new team members! [Relief Manager, Care & Share Thrift Shop Stouffville](#)
[Student Receiver, New Hamburg Thrift Centre](#) View more openings at mcccanada.ca/serve
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- **Rockway Mennonite Collegiate** invites applicants for the position of Administrative Assistant to the Principal. Please go to www.rockway.ca for job posting.
- Conrad Grebel University College in Waterloo is hiring! The **Academic Administrative Assistant: Dean's Office and Theological Studies** is responsible for managing the administrative processes of the Dean's and Theological Studies offices, including scheduling meetings, recording minutes, monitoring projects, drafting correspondence, analyzing academic data and statistics, coordinating special activities and events, and especially coordinating workflow. Initial one-year contract for 24.5 hours/week. The **Coordinator of the Anabaptist Learning Workshop** provides leadership to a new joint venture with MCEC by developing, maintaining, evaluating, promoting, and helping to manage the ALW program. Responsibilities include identifying, recruiting, and training course instructors, student recruitment and retention, speaking and writing on behalf of the program, plus travel within MCEC. Initial two-year contract for 24 hours/week. *Applications are accepted until the positions are filled. Reviewing starts August 10, 2015.* Read more at grebel.ca/positions
- **We're hiring!** Do you have graphic design skills?
Check out our latest job posting...it just might be for you! More info at mcccanada.serve.ca
- Canadian Mennonite University invites inquiries and applications for the full-time salaried position of **Assistant Director of Maintenance**. To view the full job description, please visit cmu.ca/employment. Applications should be submitted immediately and will be accepted until the position is filled. Inquiries should be directed to Dianna Robson, Director of Human Resources at drobson@cmu.ca or 204-594-0532.