

# Beyond the Congregation – September 13, 2015

## EVENTS – LOCAL & BEYOND

- **The Abner Martin Music Scholarship** (\$5,000 value last year) is awarded annually by Menno Singers to one student who: 1) will be enrolled in a full-time music major or minor program at the undergraduate or graduate level in 2015-16; 2) is affiliated with an MCEC congregation; and 3) has demonstrated involvement and proficiency in musical activities in church and community. Application deadline is Sept 15, 2015. For more info and/or an application form, contact Lewis Brubacher at [lbrubacher@sympatico.ca](mailto:lbrubacher@sympatico.ca)
- **Theater of the Beat presents “This Will Lead to Dancing”**, a play written by Johnny Wideman and directed by Erin Brandenburg about wholeness, belonging, and LGBTQ inclusion. Stirling Avenue Mennonite Church [Sept 17, 18, 19](#). Conrad Grebel University College Thursday, [Sept. 24](#). All performances at 7:00 pm. Admission by donation. See poster
- **St. Jacobs Mennonite Church Annual Chicken and Sausage BBQ** [Sept. 19](#) 4:30-7:00 Join us for this annual Church Supper featuring BBQ Chicken Leg, Sausage, Baked Potato, Coleslaw, Corn, Dinner Roll, Dessert and Beverage. Tickets: Adults \$15; Children (5-12 years) \$7.50 available from the church office during regular office hours, 519-664-2268, emailing [church@sjmc.on.ca](mailto:church@sjmc.on.ca), or at the door. Advance tickets purchases are encouraged.
- **What is YFC/Youth Unlimited?** A safe place committed to reaching youth by offering programs and dev eloping friendships that nurture the whole person – physically, mentally, emotionally, socially and spiritually. Help bring YFC/Youth Unlimited to Kitchener-Waterloo. You're invited! Fun, games, face painting and more [Sept. 19](#), 1-4 pm at Lincoln Road Chapel, Waterloo. See poster.
- **Community Care Concepts Celebrating 30 years of Supporting our Communities.** Free Family & Community Event Sat. [Sept. 19](#), Lions Hall, Elmira from 2:00-9:00. Featuring Erik Traplin, face painting, youth & adult activities, Line Dancers, Dance Music. 5:00 FREE BBQ for all. See poster
- **Pastors in Exile (PiE)** is hosting a launch party to celebrate new beginnings on Sunday [September 20](#) from 2-4pm at Queen Street Commons Cafe in downtown Kitchener. All are invited to come for fellowship and some tasty pie! There will be a pie-cutting ceremony at 3pm, and PiE will also be accepting donations. PiE has been started by Jessica Reesor Rempel & Chris Brnjas to do ministry with young folks who struggle with or want more from church. For more information check out their website at [pastorsinexile.org](http://pastorsinexile.org) or e-mail Chris ([chris@pastorsinexile.org](mailto:chris@pastorsinexile.org)) or Jessica ([jessica@pastorsinexile.org](mailto:jessica@pastorsinexile.org)).
- **Peace Week Event organized by Conrad Grebel College** - Monday, [September 21](#), 6:30pm Theatre of the Arts, Modern Languages, University of Waterloo. Panel: Making a Killing? Canada and the Global Arms Trade: How weapons exports may fuel human rights violations and armed conflict.
- **Peace Week Event organized by Conrad Grebel College** Tuesday, [September 22](#), 4:30-6:30pm, MSCU Centre for Peace Advancement, Conrad Grebel. MSCU Centre for Peace Advancement Epp Peace Incubator Launch
- **Peace Week Event organized by Conrad Grebel College** Thursday, [September 24](#), 7pm, Great Hall, Conrad Grebel This Will Lead to Dancing - Theatre of the Beat will present a new play about wholeness and belonging. Free registration required.
- **Peace Week Event organized by Conrad Grebel College** Saturday, [September 26](#), 8:30am-3:00pm, Room 2202, Conrad Grebel. MCEC Workshop: Pastoring People of Peace in a Country at War - This is a one-day workshop for pastors and leaders discussing peace in congregations.
- **Men's Meat Retreat**, [September 25-27](#) at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp. Join chef and wine sommelier Dave Lobe and resource person Chip Bender for a great weekend! Cost is \$195. For more information (including photos from prior years) visit [www.slmc.ca/retreats](http://www.slmc.ca/retreats) or call the camp office 519-422-3200
- **Sixth Annual Contemporary Music Sing** Sunday, [September 27](#), 2:30 p.m. at Detweiler Meeting House, Roseville. Songs from Sing the Journey/Sing the Story Hymnbooks (Supplements to Hymnal: a Worship Book). Led by Mark Diller Harder. A freewill offering in support of Meetinghouse operations will be held. Everyone welcome. More information: Sam Steiner, 519-884-1040.
- **KW Perimeter Cluster Ladies Breakfast** [Oct. 3](#) at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church. Registration 8:30; breakfast 9:00. Tickets available from Eleanor McKee, Dale Wombwell or church office.
- **MCC Ride for Refuge** [October 3](#) Join us as we huff and puff our way to the finish line in the Ride for Refuge, a walking and cycling fundraiser. Locations offered across Ontario or choose the Ride Anywhere option! More info at [mcco.ca/events](http://mcco.ca/events)
- **Community Memorial Service** Sunday, [October 4](#), 2:30 p.m. at Detweiler Meeting House, Roseville. Service will provide opportunity for persons with connections to the Roseville Cemetery at Detweiler Meetinghouse to reflect on the cloud of witnesses that have gone before us. The brief worship service will be led by Scott Brubaker-Zehr, pastor of Rockway Mennonite Church. The service will be followed by an informal "cemetery walk" highlighting some of those buried in the cemetery. A freewill offering in support of Meetinghouse operations will be held. Everyone welcome. More information: Sam Steiner, 519-884-1040.
- **Live Concert for Youth** with THE COLOR on Thursday [October 8](#), 7pm at the Crosshill Mennonite Church. A night of fun, entertainment, and worship. Bring a food or cash donation for a local food bank for admission. Contact Mike at [CrosshillConcerts@gmail.com](mailto:CrosshillConcerts@gmail.com) for details. Everyone is welcome! Visit [www.thecoloronline.com](http://www.thecoloronline.com) to find out about the band.

- **Empty Bowls for Haiti** Saturday, October 17, Seatings at 5 pm & 7 pm - \$25, Steinmann Mennonite Church, Baden Ontario potters donate the bowls, local restaurants and organizations donate the soup and you keep the bowl! This event supports MCC Ontario and its commitment to sustainable change in Haiti. For tickets and more info, please call 519-696-2484 or 519-662-2066.
- **Rockway Spaghetti Supper** Friday, October 23, 5-7:00 pm. Let us cook you supper! Adults \$14, 6-12 year olds \$8 or \$44 for family of 4 or more. Fundraising is in support of Grade 10 class trip to Quebec City.
- **Rockway's Premier Fundraising Event...Entertainment Gala 2015** Saturday, Oct. 24, 5:30-9:30. The Entertainment Gala is the NEW version of the traditional Dinner & Auction Extravaganza. Your Gala ticket includes a formal dinner, Silent & Live Auction and a Broadway Show comedy hour with Comedian Matt Falk. Tickets \$80/person. On sale until October 14. See poster on hall bulletin board.
- **Suicide Bereavement Support Group.** Led by professional facilitators, this group provides a safe, confidential and non-judgemental place to share with others who are facing the unique challenges of traumatic grief after a family member or friend has died by suicide. To register, [www.wrspc.ca](http://www.wrspc.ca) or call Dena at 519-745-2195.

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

- **MCC Refugee Response** - MCC has been and continues to be actively responding to the refugee crisis in Syria, Iraq, and around the world. You can help welcome and support refugees in three main ways - sponsoring refugees as a church community, supporting MCC's emergency humanitarian aid overseas, or donating to Ontario resettlement. Despite the scale of this crisis, you can make a difference. Visit [mcco.ca/supportingrefugees](http://mcco.ca/supportingrefugees) to learn more, or contact MCC at 1-800-313-6226.
- **Federal Election 2015** – MCC has developed a resource containing info about key issues that are important to MCC and its partners. We invite you to use this resource to guide discussions and to share with family members, friends and colleagues. More info at [mcccanada.ca/stories/2015-federal-election](http://mcccanada.ca/stories/2015-federal-election)
- **Toronto Mennonite Festival** (*traditionally known as the Black Creek Pioneer Village MCC Relief Sale*). Enjoy food, fun, music and quilts all in support of MCC September 19, 1000 Murray Ross Parkway, Toronto [torontomennonitefestival.ca](http://torontomennonitefestival.ca)
- **MennoHomes' Board of Directors** is inviting you to submit suggestions for new Directors. Names should be submitted by Sept. 30. View the website or contact the office for details. [www.mennohomes.com](http://www.mennohomes.com) 226-476-2535
- **RIDE FOR REFUGE** October 3, at locations across Ontario. Don't have a team to ride with? You can join our team "MCC Ontario Program Pedallers". More info at [mcco.ca/events](http://mcco.ca/events)
- **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](http://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](http://mcco.ca/kits) or by calling Wendy Cotter at 519-745-8458 ext 248.

## JOB OPPORTUNITIES

- **Rockway Mennonite Food Services** is seeking a person for 2 hours a day for the position of Server/Dishwasher. Forward your resume and or questions to Joanne Jantzi [joannej@rockway.ca](mailto:joannej@rockway.ca)