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Goshen College Music Center welcomes you to its Community School of the Arts showcase concert (parts I and II) on Sunday, Nov. 21. Nearly 200 area youth will perform in CSA ensembles, including Youth Honors and Intermediate Concert Orchestras at 4 p.m., and following a short break, the Rejoice and Shout for Joy children's choirs, Allegro and Vivace string ensembles at 5 p.m. in Sauder Concert Hall. Tickets are \$7 regular / \$5 students and seniors, available at the door, and good for either or both parts of the concert. *—Debra Kauffman, associate director, Goshen College Music Center*

Goshen College presents its seventh annual *A Festival of Carols* ushering in this sacred season with music by singers and instrumentalists and with gathered audience participation in traditional carols. Join us for this festive occasion presented in the **Music Center's Sauder Concert Hall on Friday, Dec. 3, and Saturday, Dec. 4, at 7:30 p.m., and on Sunday, Dec. 5, at 4 p.m.** Reserved seating tickets (\$14) are available now at the GC Welcome Center at 574-535-7566. *—Debra Kauffman, associate director, Goshen College Music Center*

MDC Goldenrod, a developmental disabilities provider, seeks an executive director in Goshen, Ind. Requirements include BS/BA, five years experience in a health/human services field, administrative skills and board experience. Contact Kirk Stiffney at kirk@stiffneygroup.com or 574-537-8736. *—Caryn Howell, recruiting associate*

There is still time to register for the **Nov. 18 seminar on "Pastoral care of people with lifelong disabilities."** The event is held at Oaklawn in Goshen from 7:15-11 a.m. and includes breakfast. Cost is \$20 and 3.0 CEUs are available.

Featured speakers are Bonnie Raine on "Pastoral care of people with disabilities," and Bonita Bontrager Schrock on "Wraparound approach to pastoral care."

Click here to go to our website for more information about the program as well as a link to a brochure and registration form. You can register online for this program by [clicking here](#). If you know of others who may be interested in attending this event, please feel free to forward this e-mail. *—Gloria Holub, manager, communications*

The Depot Thrift Shop to include quilting and weaving. The Depot Thrift Shop in Goshen is expanding its activities to include quilting and weaving. They are welcoming new volunteers with those interests, as well as any other volunteers interested in contributing to the work of MCC through thrift shops. Please contact the thrift shop manager, Doug Hernley, at 574- 534-1828 for further information and to schedule volunteer time.

As you begin to think about Christmas, please consider giving a gift from the Christmas Giving Catalog. You can access the catalog at www.mcc.org/christmas-giving. *--Les & Gwen Gustafson-Zook, regional associates for MCC Great Lakes*

Half-time human resources specialist opening at MCC Great Lakes. Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Great Lakes has a half-time opening for a human resources specialist. This person will assist in communicating human resources policies, procedures and personnel functions within the Great Lakes region and for other MCC US offices. The position is also responsible for human resources and employment-related data entry, record-keeping, file maintenance and general day-to-day human resources related office administration. All MCC workers are expected to exhibit a commitment to a personal Christian faith and discipleship; active church membership; and nonviolent peacemaking.

Contact Tim Croyle, Human resources director for MCC US in the Great Lakes office at 574-534-4133, e-mail tcroyle@mcc.org or view the full job description at www.mcc.org/serve/positions/human-resources-specialist-great-lakes-region and follow the links to conveniently apply on-line. —Jennifer Steiner, MCC Great Lakes communications coordinator

Location coordinator opening with MCC SWAP in Kentucky. MCC's SWAP (Sharing with Appalachian People) program has an opening for location coordinator(s) to plan and direct all aspects of the SWAP ministry in Hindman, Ky. A married couple is preferred, but can be co-shared by two single adults as well. Because of the SWAP partnership with the Hindman United Methodist Church, this position includes involvement and worshipping with this church. In the SWAP "off-season," this position may be developed in various ways depending on the gifts and interests of the applicants. This is a three-to-five-year term, effective Feb.1, 2011. All MCC workers are expected to exhibit a commitment to a personal Christian faith and discipleship, active church membership and nonviolent peacemaking.

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Music & worship leaders' retreat Jan. 7-9, 2011, at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center, Mt. Pleasant, Pa. Join a community of worship leaders this winter during a resource weekend that will inspire and equip you to lead others into music and worship in exciting new ways. Registration space is limited. Visit www.laurelville.org/mwlr or call 800-839-1021 to register or for more information. —Brian Paff, director of communications, LMCC

Sustainable food & farming conference Feb. 25-27, 2011, at Laurelville Mennonite Church Center, Mt. Pleasant, Pa. From farmers to gardeners to people who just love to cook and eat simply and sustainably, this biennial conference will provide a space for you to build relationships with other like-spirited individuals who see a connection between farming, food and faith. This year the featured speaker is Brian Snyder, executive director of Pennsylvania Association for Sustainable Agriculture. Find spiritual nourishment with music led by Bryan Moyer Suderman. Visit www.laurelville.org/sff or call 800-839-1021 to register or for more information. —Brian Paff, director of communication, LMCC

Kurt Litwiller, pastor of Boynton Mennonite Church, an Illinois Mennonite Conference congregation in Hopedale, Ill., has released two books, written while on a recent sabbatical. *Living Out the Called Life* examines the call of Jesus to live as if our life was a race and we run to receive the reward that God has for us. In *New Covenant Living*, Kurt examines God's covenant relationship with us, and what the Apostle Paul meant when he wrote, "But if you are led by the Spirit, you are not under law." For more information, visit newbookpublishing.com/living-out-the-called-life.html or newbookpublishing.com/new-covenant-living.html.

Vision focuses on teaching the Bible in the congregation. *Vision: A Journal for Church and Theology* looks at teaching the Bible in the congregation—with youth, with children, with a focus on Jesus, and from many other perspectives. You can read two articles online and request a copy from the Vision website: www.mennovision.org/Volume11-2 —Mary E. Klassen, director of communications, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary

Kentucky holy land pilgrimage May 22-29, 2011. A May 22-29 pilgrimage to religious communities in Kentucky will be led by Marlene Kropf, professor in spiritual formation and worship at Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary. The pilgrimage will include stops at Saint Meinrad Archabbey, Knobs Haven, Gethsemani Abbey and Shaker Village of Pleasant Hill. The pilgrimage can be taken for graduate credit, if desired. For more information, visit www.ambbs.edu/academics/courses/summer/kentucky. —Mary E. Klassen, director of communications, Associated Mennonite Biblical Seminary

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