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Great Whitewater Connection, Laurelville Mennonite Church Center

July 6-8, 2012

Reserve your places today at Laurelville.org/whitewater or by calling (800) 839-1021.

Funk Fest 2012: Immigration and the church

Saturday, March 10, 2012; 8:30 a.m.— 3:30 p.m.

Prairie Street Mennonite Church

1316 Prairie St, Elkhart, IN 46516; (574) 293-0377

This will be a community celebration on the theme "We're Neighbors Now/Somos Vecinos Ahora." The event will feature biblical and contemporary stories, music, worship, food, and conversation—highlighting what churches are doing or can do to receive and walk alongside people new to this country. Resource people include Saulo Padilla of Mennonite Central Committee, guests from North Goshen, and Prairie Street church members. There is no registration fee. You can buy lunch at the event for \$5 or bring your own lunch. Funk Fest takes its name from John Funk (1835-1930), founder of Prairie Street church whose missional vision led him to assist thousands of immigrants coming through Elkhart in the 1870s.

Is the Gospel of Peace Still Relevant?—Menno-Hof's *Peace & Popcorn* series

February 19, 2012; 6 p.m.

John D. Roth, professor of history at Goshen (Ind.) College

Since 9/11 and the growing divisions within our national political culture, some Anabaptist-Mennonite congregations have begun to reconsider traditional understandings of nonresistance. Our young people today do not face the question of military conscription and arguments supporting the "war on terror" can sound compelling. In light of all this, some are asking whether the gospel of peace is still relevant, especially since this conviction sometimes seems to be an obstacle to mission. Join in a conversation focused on these important questions. For more information, visit mennohof.org.

RSVP is required as seating is limited: email info@mennohof.org or call (260) 768-4117.

MCC Great Lakes

Job Opening: Donor Relations Coordinator

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) Great Lakes has a .70 FTE opening for a Donor Relations Coordinator. This person will be responsible for developing and coordinating implementation of the donor relations strategy for MCC Great Lakes. This person will provide leadership for donor relations activities to raise awareness of MCC programs, including focusing on the generation of financial resources. Contact Darlene Dintaman, Human Resources Specialist, in the Great Lakes office at (574) 534-4133; e-mail drd@mcc.org; view the full job description at mcc.org/serve/positions/donor-relations-coordinator-great-lakes and follow the links to conveniently apply on-line. Applications will be accepted until February 17, 2012.

SWAP Summer staff wanted

The Mennonite Central Committee Appalachia program is looking for summer staff for the SWAP program (Sharing With Appalachian People). Summer staff work as coordinators for job sites and preparing meals for the weekly SWAP groups who come to repair homes for low-income families in Kentucky and West Virginia. Summer staff should be at least 18-19 years old. SWAP provides food and lodging and \$125 per week. For more information go to: swap.mcc.org/swap/internships, or call Colettia at (606) 633-5065.

Mennonite Voluntary Service

Thinking about service next year? Mennonite Voluntary Service's early bird application deadline is March 16. Adults ages 20+ are invited by local congregations and communities around the country to spend a year engaging with them in service, reconciliation and sharing the love of Jesus. For more information on how you can apply, visit Service.MennoniteMission.net.

Opening for Part-time Administrative Assistant—ADNet

Contact Christine Guth at christine@adnetonline.org or (574) 535-7053.

Sister Care Seminar: Equipping Women for Caring Ministry

Friday, May 4 – Saturday May 5, 2012

7:00–9:00 p.m. & 9:00 a.m.–4:30 p.m.

College Mennonite Church

1900 South Main St.; Goshen, IN 46526

Speakers Carolyn Holderread Heggen and Rhoda Keener lead an 8 hour interactive seminar that validates women's gifts of caring and equips them to respond more effectively and confidently to the needs of others in their lives and in the congregation.

For more information, [download a registration form](#), contact Rebecca Sommers at (574) 537-8068, Gwen Hernley at receptionist@yellowcreekmc.org or visit www.MennoniteWomenUSA.org.

Ultimate Allegiance: a Kingdom Leadership Advancement event

Sunday, March 11, 2012; 7 p.m.

Dr. Gregory Boyd, author and senior pastor of Woodland Hills Church in Minnesota will be the featured speaker for an event organized and sponsored by Kingdom Leadership Advancement, a ministry of the Northwest Ohio Mennonite Ministers Fellowship. Dr. Boyd will speak on the topic "Ultimate Allegiance — Stars and Stripes Or By His Stripes?" The presentation will take place at 7 p.m. March 16 at the

Wauseon High School Auditorium, 840 Parkview Street, Wauseon, Ohio. Tickets are \$10 and are available online at www.shalomworks.org or by calling Carolyn Short at (419) 583-9398. Also, [download the flier](#) for the event.

Valentine's Day Party, Deaf Ministry Advisory Committee

Sunday, March 4, 2012; 2:00-5:00 p.m.

College Mennonite Church, Goshen (Ind.)

Families with deaf members are invited to a (belated) Valentine's Day party at College Mennonite Church (1900 S Main St. Goshen, Ind.). This event, hosted by the Deaf Ministry Advisory Committee, will include a potluck: the hot food will be provided, but please bring a side dish or dessert to share. We are excited to celebrate Valentines by enjoying the all family game of "Minute to Win-it", door prizes and informal fellowship! Please RSVP by February 25, 2012 to Sheila Yoder by sending an email, text or note to: 10065 County Rd. 24 Middlebury, IN 46540; ydrsheila@aol.com; (574) 825-4105.

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