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## Michiana MEDA Presentation

Hear Allan Sauder, President of MEDA (Mennonite Economics Development Associates), address “Making a Difference by Being Different” on May 9 at 6:30pm, Pleasant View Mennonite Church (58529 CR 23, Goshen, IN). Allan will describe MEDA’s unique development approach and share stories from several countries where MEDA is working. RSVP by Monday, May 6 by emailing [reservations@michianameda.org](mailto:reservations@michianameda.org). Meal and program cost is \$15 for members and \$20 for non-members.

## Amigo Camp Scholarship Golf Scramble

Each year Amigo Centre holds a Golf Scramble to raise funds to send children to summer camp. These needs-based scholarships are given to selected children from St. Joseph County, Michigan, whose families do not have the resources to make a week of camp possible. Our goal is to raise enough funds to cover the 80-90 scholarships given out each year. If you enjoy golfing, why not join us for a wonderful time of fellowship and golfing and know that you are contributing to a meaningful program. This year’s Golf Scramble is June 1 at Island Hills Golf Course, Centreville, MI. For more information and to register, visit [www.amigocentre.org/amigo-golf-scramble.html](http://www.amigocentre.org/amigo-golf-scramble.html).

## Peace Booth opportunity

MCC Great Lakes, Central District Conference, and Assembly Mennonite Church’s Peace and Justice Ministry Team are working together to sponsor a Peace Booth at the Elkhart County 4-H Fair in July. This

booth offers the opportunity and information to help people embrace the hope of nonviolence, diplomacy and peacemaking. We're looking for volunteers to help staff the booth in 2-4 hour shifts throughout the fair, as well as financial donations to help with the costs of renting the space and providing resources. For more info, contact Linda Pieri, Peace Booth Coordinator, at [lindapieriart@gmail.com](mailto:lindapieriart@gmail.com) or 574-825-1938.

## **MCC Days of Prayer and Action for Columbia**

Join hundreds of congregations in the United States and Colombia to pray and take action for peace in Colombia. Colombia has been devastated by a 40-year internal war which claims an average of 3,000 lives a year. Colombia faces one the worst humanitarian crisis in the Western Hemisphere; over 5 million people have been forced to flee from their homes. April 28 is the Day of Prayer where congregations will join in worship with Colombian brothers and sisters who endure great suffering and yet respond in faith and sow seeds of peace. April 29 is the Day of Action to witness and call for U.S. policy to promote peace and justice in Colombia.

## **IN-MI Mennonite Women**

### **Day of Inspiration**

May 4, 8:30am–noon at Belmont Mennonite Church, Elkhart. Bethany Swope is the featured speaker addressing the topic "Hospitality in the Frenzy." Morning snacks and a luncheon will be provided. An offering will be taken. Child care available upon request and translation will be provided. For more information, contact President Shirley Bustos at 219-764-6043.

### **Northern Spring Meeting**

The Northern IN-MI Mennonite Women's Spring meeting, God Encounters, is April 27, 9am at Grand Marais Mennonite, Grand Marais, MI. Speaker Margaret Hershberger, will share about her travels to China, and Barb Gerber will be sharing about encountering God. Lunch will be served after the meeting. If you have any questions contact Mary Post at 906-494-2724.

## **Anabaptist Mennonite Biblical Seminary**

### **Getting ready to launch new program**

AMBS has a new 80-credit-hour Master of Divinity program planning to launch this fall—with an option for people to study at a distance. While we await final approval from the North Central Association, we are gathering names of people who are interested. Let us know if you want more information, or if you know someone who would fit this new study arrangement. Explore an overview of the program at [www.ambs.edu/academics/New-Master-of-Divinity.cfm](http://www.ambs.edu/academics/New-Master-of-Divinity.cfm).

### **Listen to lectures by Quinton Dixie**

At this year's Theological Lectureship, Quinton Dixie explored the importance of the stories that a congregation or denomination tells in shaping who they are and what they believe about themselves. Visit the [iTunes U page on the AMBS site](#) for links to recordings of all three sessions.

## **Goshen College**

### **Mary K. Oyer's 90th Birthday Celebration\***

Goshen College Professor Emerita Mary Oyer turns 90 years old this month. On April 20, guests are invited by the GC Music Department and Music Center to take part in several events in honor of her extraordinary life and legacy. Festivities include a hymn sing, discussion of her work involving African music, an African themed dinner, and more. For more information, visit [www.goshen.edu/news/events](http://www.goshen.edu/news/events).

### **Performing Arts Series: Lea Salonga**

On April 23 at 7:30pm, Goshen College will feature a performance by Lea Salonga in the Music Center's Sauder Concert Hall. Known across the world for her powerful voice, Lea Salonga is a Tony Award winning singer and actress, most recognized for her roles as Kim in Miss Saigon, as Eponine in Les Misérables, and as the singing voice of two official Disney princesses: Jasmine in Aladdin and Fa Mulan in Mulan. Tickets are \$45, \$40, \$25, and may be purchased online at [www.goshen.edu/tickets](http://www.goshen.edu/tickets), or by calling (574) 535-7566, or by emailing [welcomecenter@goshen.edu](mailto:welcomecenter@goshen.edu).

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