

FLORADALE MENNONITE CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET

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LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

COMMUNITY CAN DINE - "Where the entire community comes together to meet & eat." Join us in the Fellowship Hall at Trinity United Church, Elmira (21 Arthur St. N.) on the second Friday of every month. Everyone is welcome and it's "pay as you can". Upcoming menus are:

December 8 – Christmas Turkey Dinner

For more information contact the Trinity Office [519 669 5560](tel:519-669-5560) or triunited@golden.net

ST. TERESA OF AVILA CHRISTMAS FUNDRAISING DINNER is on **Friday, December 1st** at St. Teresa of Avila Church Hall, [19 Flamingo Drive, Elmira](#). The meal will begin at 6:00 p.m. Tickets can be ordered through the Parish Office Monday to Friday 9 a.m. to 1 p.m. by calling [519-669-3387](tel:519-669-3387). Ticket prices are: adults \$16.00; children 6-12 years \$8.00 and children 5 & under are free. There will be a limited number of tickets available. Those who have purchased take-out tickets can pick their meals up at 5:30 p.m. There will be an opportunity to purchase tickets on gift baskets! Last chance to purchase tickets is Wednesday, November 29th. All are welcome! Don't miss out on this delicious Christmas dinner. Funds raised for this event will go towards the Building Maintenance Project.

Nov. 30 – 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Blood Donor Clinic – Lions Hall, 40 South St., Elmira

Dec. 2 and 3 – 7:00 p.m. - "**Amahl and the Night Visitors**", a **Christmas Opera by Gian-Carlo Menotti**, directed by Stephanie Kramer and featuring soloists Adrienne Enns as Amahl, Pamela Derksen as The Mother, Daryl Roth, Laverne Brubacher and Mark Diller Harder as The Kings and Kevin Derksen as The Page. The performances will take place at St. Jacobs Mennonite Church, [1310 King St. N., St. Jacobs](#). General Admission Tickets are Children (12 years and under) \$5.00; Students \$10 and Adults \$20. Tickets are available through the church office ([519-664-2268](tel:519-664-2268) or church@simc.on.ca). Please see poster on bulletin board.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

CONRAD GREBEL COLLEGE

On **December 2 from 10-4**, Conrad Grebel University College students are hosting the **Make-A-Difference Market**. This charity Christmas market supports Direct Relief, an organization that provides emergency healthcare in disaster zones. Come listen to live music, get some Christmas shopping done, and enjoy baked goods and hearty soup all while supporting a good cause!

The Institute of Anabaptist and Mennonite Studies invites you to a **Double Book Launch** on December 7, at 7:00 pm in Conrad Grebel University College's Community Education room. Join Hildi Froese Tiessen and Connie T. Braun as they celebrate their newest publications: *11 Encounters with Mennonite Fiction*, and *Silentium: And Other Reflections on Memory, Sorrow, Place, and the Sacred*.

Take a moment to reflect and be inspired at a mid-week **Advent Jazz Vespers service** at Conrad Grebel University College. The service will be held in the Grebel Chapel on **Wednesday, December 13, 7:00pm**. All are welcome.

Conrad Grebel University College, a residence and teaching community affiliated with the University of Waterloo, seeks a married couple for the position of **Campus Hosts** (formerly known as Senior Residents), **beginning spring 2018**. The role involves living in an apartment in the College's residence building and supervising the College during non-business hours. Rent and utilities are free in exchange for performance of duties. Applicants should be mature, responsible and able to relate to a broad range of people, especially students in residence. Application deadline is **January 8, 2018**. Read more at grebel.ca/positions

DETWEILER MEETING HOUSE

Sunday, Nov. 26, 2:30 p.m. at Detweiler Meeting House, 3445 Roseville Road, Roseville. **Fifth Annual Welcoming Advent, featuring the music of Lifted Voices from First Mennonite Church** in Kitchener. Some of the music will have a particular Advent theme. More information: Sam Steiner, [519-884-1040](tel:519-884-1040)

GRAND PHILHARMONIC CHOIR

Saturday December 9th, at 7:30pm at Centre in the Square. **The Grand Philharmonic Choirs and KW Symphony present "the Messiah"** with guest soloists: Jacqueline Woodley, Soprano; Marjorie Maltais, Mezzo-Soprano; Andrew Haji, Tenor; Russel Braun, Baritone. Along with the timeless beauty of Handel's music, we will project breathtaking, hand-crafted images from the Saint John Bible, through a partnership with St. Jerome's University, Conrad Grebel University College, and University of Waterloo Critical Media Lab. Tickets at CITS box office [519 578 1570](tel:519-578-1570)

HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP

2017 Christmas Hampers with Turkey Drive - Hamper packing starts November 29. Packing volunteer spots are full. Hamper delivery is from **December 11 – 19. Volunteers are needed.** Turkey Trucks run from **December 13 –**

20. Volunteers are needed. Resourced primarily by the incredible financial support of the Kitchener-Conestoga Rotary Club and the hands of over 600 volunteers, we are excited to once again partner with this compassionate and caring community to provide food hampers and turkeys to those in need of food over the Holidays. To volunteer to hand out turkeys or deliver hampers, please visit www.christmashampers.ca or email Diana at info@christmashampers.ca

23rd Annual February Potato Blitz – February 2018

- **Don Cameron Potato Night at the Aud. Friday, Jan. 26, 7:30pm**
- **Supermarket Blitz throughout KW Saturday, Feb. 10, all day.** ***VOLUNTEERS NEEDED!*** Please invite your church or networks to volunteer at a local store in collecting spuds and donations, or consider working with your local school to organize a class-wide or school-wide *February Potato Blitz – school edition!* To learn more contact DawnG@houseoffriendship.org or 519-742-8327 x 119.
- **Community Potato Lunch - St. Andrew's Presbyterian (Kitchener) Friday, Feb 23**

MENNOHOMES

MennoHomes is hosting an **Open House of our recently completed housing project in Elmira** at [7 Memorial Ave.](#) Join us at *The Foundry* on **Wed. November 22nd between 4:00pm and 6:00pm.** www.mennohomes.com

Fall Concert and AGM featuring Inshallah Ensemble Choir, at Rockway Mennonite Church, Kitchener, Saturday Nov 25 at 7:00 p.m. Everyone welcome! For more information visit www.mennohomes.com.

MENNO SINGERS

Sunday, December 3, 3:00 pm. – Join Menno Singers (Brandon Leis), Inter-Mennonite Children's Choir (Carolyn Neumann-VanderBurgh) and Menno Youth Singers (Steve Surian) for a **Three Choirs at Christmas** Concert entitled "**Come Emmanuel,**" at St John's Lutheran Church ([22 Willow St, Waterloo](#)). Tickets are \$15 adults, \$5 children/students and \$35 Family, available from choristers, at the door and online at www.mennosingers.com.

Sunday, December 17, 3:00 pm. - Menno Singers is sponsoring a **Messiah Sing-a-Long** with orchestra and soloists at St Jacobs Mennonite Church ([1310 King St. N, St Jacobs](#)) with conductors Brandon Leis and Mark Diller Harder. Bring your score and join your voice part, or come and listen to your favourite choruses. Attendance is by donation with tax receipts available for donations over \$20. www.mennosingers.com.

THE NEW HAMBURG MENNONITE RELIEF SALE

The New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale is looking for a **Donations Coordinator.** The Coordinator ensures our four Auctions (Indoor, Outdoor, Silent & Children) have enough items for auction and each auction is run effectively. For more information see www.nhmrs.com/news or contact John Reimer at john.b.reimer@outlook.com or [519-662-4315](tel:519-662-4315).

THEATRE OF THE BEAT

Sunday November 26th at 6:00pm, join Theatre of the Beat at the Huether Hotel's Jazz Room in Waterloo for an intimate fundraiser for a new van to keep the troupe on the road. Entertainment includes No Discernible Key, Dan Root, Theatre of the Beat and a Silent Auction. \$20 Tickets include entry and appetizers. For details and ticket purchases go to (www.theatreofthebeat.ca) or check (<https://www.facebook.com/events/1910494229199428>).

WOOLWICH COMMUNITY SERVICES

If you would like to support the **Christmas Goodwill program,** you can donate gifts of new clothing, new toys or money, or you can sponsor a family or child. Volunteer help is another way to donate. Sponsor guidelines can be seen on the bulletin board inside the sanctuary. All gifts should be delivered to either Woolwich Community Services office, new location 5 Memorial Ave. by Friday, Dec. 8th or to the Lion's Hall, on Sunday, Dec. 10th, between 1:00 - 3:00.