

FLORADALE MENNONITE CHURCH ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET

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LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

Jan. 28 – 2:30 p.m. – Circle of Learning and Song – A celebration of music at St. James Lutheran, Elmira featuring Inshallah, Mino Ode Kwewak N’Gamowak and members of the Music for the Spirit program. Freewill offering with proceeds going to support the Music for the Spirit program on Six Nations of the Grand River Territory.

Jan. 28 - 4:00 p.m. - Spiritus Ensemble presents Bach Vespers for the Feast of the Presentation, including Bach Cantata 98, ‘Was Gott tut, das ist wohlgetan,’ and the premiere of a new cantata by Zachary Wadsworth, ‘The Temple.’ Soloists Sheila Dietrich, Daniel Cabena, Steve Surian and Daniel Lichti. at The Church of St John the Evangelist, 23 Water St N, Kitchener. Admission free; donations requested.

Feb. 26 – 2:00 – 8:00 p.m. – Blood Donor Clinic – Lions Hall, 40 South St., Elmira

Feb. 10, 2018 9 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. - Worship Come to its Senses at Waterloo North Mennonite Church with Don Sailers. In this workshop we will explore songs, texts, and a combination of verbal and non-verbal ways to communicate our worship. Through interactive learning, we will discover how, in the words of facilitator Don Sailers, “Christian worship, like a dazzling diamond, must continually be turned in the light of our living and dying, our struggles and our deepest hopes, in order to be fully appreciated” (*Worship Come to Its Senses*, p. 90). For registration go to: <https://uwaterloo.ca/anabaptist-learning-workshop/worship-come-its-senses-february-10-2018>

Feb. 10th, at 7:30pm. St Peter’s Lutheran Church 49 Queen St N. Kitchener. **The Grand Philharmonic Choir presents: Leonard Bernstein’s Chichester Psalms, Poulenc’s Gloria and Timothy Corlis - Psalm 150.** With soprano, Natasha Campbell and countertenor, Daniel Cabena. Tickets from \$5 to \$30 at CITS box office 519 578 1570 or www.grandphilchoir.com. General Seating.

Feb. 17, 2018 - Marriage Encounter Valentine’s Banquet at Waterloo North Mennonite Church, 100 Benjamin Road, Waterloo. Refreshments are served at 6:00 p.m., followed by a roast beef dinner catered by Bellzy’s. After dinner entertainment is provided by the music group, “Stand Firm.” Tickets are \$45.00/person. See poster for details.

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

CMU

Prospective students (and their parents) - explore CMU through two upcoming opportunities: **Friday, Feb. 2 Campus Visit Day** (a day to explore campus, learn about CMU programs, attend a class and interact with professors) and **Friday, Feb. 9 Discover Outatown Visit Day** (CMU’s unique, one or two-semester discipleship, travel, service and learning program). For information go to cmu.ca/campusvisit.

You are invited via livestreaming to ‘Science as a Way of Knowing: the Pursuit of Truth in a Post-Truth World’ with Dr. Rick Lindroth on Tuesday, Jan. 30, 7:00-8:30 PM in Marpeck Commons (2299 Grant Ave). Dr. Lindroth, Professor of Ecology at the University of Wisconsin-Madison, is the 2018 CMU Scientist in Residence. For more information, including other addresses by Dr. Lindroth see cmu.ca/sir.

CONRAD GREBEL COLLEGE

On **Thursday, January 25 at 7:30 pm**, visit Conrad Grebel University College for the Fretz Visiting Scholar Lecture with Russian history scholar Aileen Friesen. Aileen will explore Mennonite colonization on Muslim land in her lecture, **“Muslim-Mennonite Encounters in the Russian Empire.”** Grebel Great Hall. grebel.ca/events

The Peace and Conflict Studies (PACS) program at Grebel and the University of Waterloo is celebrating 40 years. The latest exhibit in the Grebel Gallery, **Beyond Essays: Approaching Peace Education Differently**, showcases some of the most compelling art-based assignments completed by PACS students. The gallery runs from **January 8 to April 13**, with a launch reception on January 18 at 4:00 pm. grebel.ca/events

HIDDEN ACRES

Family Day Open House at Hidden Acres Mennonite Camp-Feb. 19, 2018 from 10:00am-3:30pm – Come for a fun and relaxing day with your family! Bring your own equipment for sledding and skating, enjoy roasting bannock around the campfire, warm up inside with pretzel-making, crafts, ping-pong, and much more! Some activities are weather dependent. Choose a hot lunch for \$3/person or bring a bagged lunch (peanut-free). RSVP to info@hiddenacres.ca or call (519) 625-8602. Please let us know if you are bringing your own lunch or choosing the Hidden Acres lunch.

HOUSE OF FRIENDSHIP

YOU can feed hungry neighbours in 2018 by participating in House of Friendship’s (HoF) **February Potato Blitz**. Volunteers are needed to collect donations of cash and spuds at area grocery stores on **Saturday, Feb. 10**, from 9 am to 3pm (2-hr shifts). Please sign up no later than Tuesday, Feb. 5. For more information, or to sign up, contact Dawn at specialevents@houseoffriendship.org or 519-742-8327 x 119.

MCEC

MCEC Annual Church Gathering - April 27 - 28, 2018 at Redeemer University College, Ancaster, ON

MENNONITE COALITION FOR REFUGEE SUPPORT

(MCRS) Annual Meeting, 9:30 – 11:30am, Sat. Feb. 3, 2018 at The Schlegel Community Education Room, Conrad Grebel University College, 140 Westmount Rd N, Waterloo. Guest Speaker: Dr. Vinh Nguyen, 2017 recipient of the John Charles Polanyi Prize in Literature, whose research exploring the journey and contributions of refugees in Canada spans decades of the rich contribution of refugees to the history and day-to-day life of this country. Doors open at 9:00am.

MENNONITE DISASTER SERVICE

Mennonite Disaster Service would like to invite you to their **All-Unit Meeting** in Winkler, MB on Feb 9-10. This event is a time of sharing and celebration of the work of MDS the past year. For more information or to register please visit our website, mds.mennonite.net/all-unit-meeting/ or call us at 1-866-261-1274. For those that live near Winkler, please note there is an option to come for only Friday evening, or only Saturday. We would also like to note that Friday evening will include a theatre production by Ted & Company and walk-in's are welcome for the evening program which begins at 7:00pm.

SILVERLAKE MENNONITE CAMP

Women's Retreat: February 9-11, 2018 at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp. Relaxing in the new sauna, enjoying a massage, reading a book by the fire, snowshoeing or skiing through the woods, stargazing on a horse drawn sleigh ride and savouring exceptional food.....those are just a few of things to look forward to at the Women's Retreat. Resource person is Tanya Dyck Steinmann. For more information and to register visit www.slmc.ca/retreats or call 519-422-3200

Registration opens February 1 for Summer 2018 with programming available for campers ages 6-16 years including Mini Camp, Teen Camp, Leadership Programs, Outtrips and much more. Space is limited so be sure to register early. Campership Funds (subsidies) are available. For more information, please visit www.slmc.ca or contact the camp office fun@slmc.ca or 519-422-1401.

Family Camp at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp, May 18-20, 2018. Join us for a great weekend of all-inclusive camping with special guests Brian and Julie Moyer Suderman. We provide the food and programming while you enjoy camp as a family! Cost ranges from \$325-\$375 per family. For more information, please visit www.slmc.ca or contact the camp office fun@slmc.ca or 519-422-1401