FLORADALE MENNONITE CHURCH
ANNOUNCEMENT SHEET

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LOOKING AHEAD in the COMMUNITY

December 9 - 3:00 p.m. – Join Menno Singers and artistic director Brandon Leis for our Christmas concert entitled, **"Incarnation"** - Sacred music, readings and audience carols celebrating the birth of Christ. (St Matthew's Lutheran – 54 Benton St, Kitchener). Tickets are $20 per adult, $5 per child/student. They can be purchased from choristers, at the door and online at www.mennosingers.com.

December 14 – 7:00 p.m - "O Night Divine"--come to celebrate the music and message of Christmas with the 20-voice strong Menno Youth Singers at Mannheim Mennonite Church. See poster on bulletin board.

December 16 - 3:00 pm. - **Menno Singers is sponsoring a Messiah Sing-a-Long** with orchestra and university music student 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.

Tuesday, December 18, 7:00pm - Take a moment to reflect and be inspired at a mid-week **Advent Jazz Vesper service** at Conrad Grebel University College. The service will be held in the Grebel Chapel. All are welcome.

January 25 – 10:00 a.m.-3:00 p.m. – Health and Wellness Fair at Fairview Seniors Community, 515 Lang's Drive, Cambridge. Health clinics: Hearing, Massage and more. Seminars: Cannabis, Mental Health, Pain Management, Dementia Awareness. Over 30 Exhibitors. Healthy Snacks/Lunch.

January 31 – February 2, 2019 - Breslau Mennonite Church presents *Joseph and the Amazing Technicolor Dreamcoat.* Tickets for this church-wide musical production go on sale December 2 at 11:00am. For more information visit breslau.mc

OTHER ANNOUNCEMENTS

COMMUNITY CHRISTIAN SCHOOL

Community Christian School, Drayton owns and operates our own buses and we are looking for two or three spare bus drivers. If you are interested and would like more information, please contact the school at 519-638-2935 orprincipal@ccsdrayton.org. We will pay for the licensing and training of our spare drivers.

NEW HAMBURG RELIEF SALE

John Reimer has notified the NHMRS Committee that he is resigning from the Committee. Tentative transition schedule is to find a replacement before the 2019 Sale, and that he will remain on the Board until the end of the 2020 Sale. The Committee is reaching out to all to prayerfully consider a potential replacement and forward any suggestions to Darrell Frey (dfrey@mwpol.ca) or to John Reimer (john.b.reimer@outlook.com)

The New Hamburg Mennonite Relief Sale Quilt committee is losing 2 members after the 2019 Relief Sale. We are looking for 2 or 3 committed quilters to join the Quilt Committee. If you are interested or would like more information contact Judy Pearce rsquilts@rogers.com.

SILVER LAKE MENNONITE CAMP

Fathers & Kids Retreat at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp from January 18-20, 2019: This is an amazing weekend for any dad looking to spend quality time with his kids. Skating on the lake, building snowmen and igloos, snowshoeing through the woods, roasting smores over the campfire, playing board games and mini-sticks in the dining hall and watching Hockey Night in Canada on the big screen! Dad's enjoy some free-time on Saturday morning on the couches by the fire (newspapers and coffee will be in abundance) while our staff provide some outdoor programming with the kids. Sounds too good to be true we know, but that's the Fathers & Kids Retreat. NOTE: Father can be defined as any male adult role model or mentor. For more information (including pictures from prior years) and to register visitwww.slmc.ca/retreats or call 519-422-3200

Women's Retreat at Silver Lake Mennonite Camp from February 8-10, 2019: A Wild Heart: living the paradox of love in our lives. This Women's only weekend is the perfect retreat for those looking to relax, reconnect and renew! Experience the beauty of creation. Be nourished by the relaxed pace and meaningful conversation. Play in the snow, breathe deeply in yoga, skate on the lake, treat yourself to a massage, snowshoe through the woods, stargaze on a horse drawn sleigh ride, savour exceptional food, or enjoy late night laughs in our brand new sauna. This time is all yours! Tanya Dyck Steinmann, pastor and spiritual director, offers times of worship, reflection and creative expression. For more information (including pictures from prior years) and to register visit www.slmc.ca/retreats or call 519-422-3200

WOOLWICH COMMUNITY SERVICES

We will be hosting the **Coldest Night of the Year Event** in Elmira on Saturday February 23, 2019 at 5 pm - 8 pm. It's a 2km, 5km and 10km walk that supports those in our rural community of Woolwich and northern Wellesley who are homelessness, hungry and hurting. Money will be directed to Woolwich Community Services. A meal will be provided afterwards. You can register a team to walk or register to volunteer the night of by visiting: https://cnoy.org/location/elmira *For businesses there are also sponsorship opportunities.

Pita Pit Fundraiser for Woolwich Community Services: Buy your lunch or supper from Pita Pit Elmira this Sunday December 9, 2018. 10% of purchased items will go towards WCS.

Do you have books and other gifts to buy this holiday (or all year round) at Chapters/Indigo? You can now support Woolwich Community Services while you shop online. Join our fundraiser now using our invite code U9MPPI at https://indigofundraising.flipgive.com/teams/join?fundraiser_name=Leigh-Anne+Quinn&joincode=U9MPPI