Menno Bulletín Weekly Bulletin Announcements for May 25, 2014

2014 Church Motto: "The Lord your God is with you, he is mighty to save. He will take great delight in you, he will quiet you with his love, he will rejoice over you with singing." Zeph. 3:17

Witmer Heights Church Life Activities Calendar

- June 1 First Deaf/Witmer Heights Fund-raiser meal for Nancy Marshall support (details below)
- June 1 Annual First Deaf Mennonite Church, Inc. business meeting 1:00 pm
- June 7 Picnic at East Lampeter Park 4:00 7:00 pm (details below)

	<u>Sunday, May 25</u>	<u>Sunday, June 1</u>
Message	Michael Howes	Michael Howes
Greeters	John/Mim/Nathan Buckwalter	Karen Diffenbach and Mim Eberly

~Nancy Marshall is <u>still</u> in need of a car while in Lancaster from June 3-17. All driving will be short local trips to visit or see a doctor or run errands. It could be for part of the time or all of it. Contact her at: nancyinbelize@yahoo.com.

~ Sunday June 1 there will be a potato bar fund-raiser meal prior to our annual business meeting. The donations will go to Virginia Mennonite Conference for the support of Nancy Marshall's ministry to the deaf in Belize. FYI - In June 2012 the amount was \$690. In June 2013 the amount was \$1,161. Can we raise more in 2014???

Also remember to sign up on the sheet at back of sanctuary so planners have a head count for the food.

~In support of Nancy Marshall and her extraordinary work in Belize, it was decided that the Sunday school offerings for the spring quarter will be given to Virginia Mennonite Conference on her behalf. If you would also like to contribute, and can't be at the fundraiser meal June 1, you may contribute by marking your check or envelope on May 25 or June 1 for Nancy Marshall support.

~Join Witmer Heights Mennonite Church on Saturday, June 7, 2014 from 4:00-7:00 pm at the High Pavilion of East Lampeter Park for free food and fun fellowship. Spend the evening on the playground, walking the trails, and playing favorite yard games! We need volunteers to bring food and assist on the day of the picnic. You can sign up on the paper located in back of the sanctuary or at the Witmer Heights Mennonite Church website, under the "Links" toolbar and "Sign Up Sheets." Please contact Donna Reinford, Shelby Swartley, Kathryn Landis or John H Landis with questions. We look forward to seeing you there!

~There are two sign-up sheet opportunities on the website. www.whmchurch.org. In the search box, type sign up sheets and click on Search. The following options will appear for the summer quarter. Sunday School Teachers. Picnic at East Lampeter Park Login to view and enter your volunteer sign up.

~Do you enjoy writing notes of encouragement to others? Would you enjoy sharing this gift with both visitors and regular attendees of Witmer Heights? Consider joining the Hospitality Team. The Grow Team is looking for one or two individuals who will join Janelle Metzler in collecting the fellowship pads, tracking attendance, and writing notes of connection and encouragement to both visitors and regular attendees. For more information, please contact Donna Reinford.

~First Deaf is inviting Witmer Heights to two church events: 1) May 31 – YWAM group from Washington, DC will give drama and skits at 1:00. 2) June 8 – Nancy Marshall will preach to FD congregation 9:30 am.

~Summer Fellowship Sundays instead of Sunday school: June 15, July 20, August 17, August 31

News from other sources and agencies:

~The 140-voice Mennonite Children's Choir of Lancaster itinerary includes the following locations:

Sunday, June 22 at 7:30 p.m., MCCL will conclude its fifteenth year anniversary celebration with a concert at Lancaster Mennonite School's Calvin and Janet High Fine Arts Center. All the concerts are open to the public. Tickets are not required, but a freewill offering will be received. More information can be found at www.mennonitechildrenschoir.org , by emailing mccl@lancastermennonite.org or by calling 717-455-7025.

~Lancaster Mennonite School is seeking one male and one female residence hall advisor for the 2014-2015 school year. We are looking for an individual with a global perspective who enjoys working with high school students to be responsible for supervision and leadership of the residence hall and its residents. This position is a live-in position and involves mentoring and building community among residents who come from diverse backgrounds by leading large and small groups for social, spiritual and educational programming. This individual will serve on a team of advisors with a Residence Hall Director. Candidates should have a commitment to Anabaptist/Christian faith and values.

Persons of under-represented racial/ethnic groups are encouraged to apply. For more information contact Elizabeth Landis at <u>landisea@lancastermennonite.org</u> or call(717) 299-0436 ext. 304.

~Music in the Orchard—Bring a picnic supper and come to the 1719 Hans Herr House and Museum to hear music from local artists who participate in the summer concert series. This year' concerts start at 6 p.m. and will be held **Saturday's on June 14, June 28, July 12, July 26, and August 9,** with a \$5 cover charge per person. Visit <u>hansherr.org</u> for band information and more details.

~Hispanic Mennonites of Lancaster County—Hear stories of some of the first Puerto Ricans in Lancaster County, and see where they lived, worked, and worshipped. This field trip takes place **on Sat., August 23,** from 8 am to 4 pm, leaving from the Lancaster Mennonite Historical Society, and returning to the same location. To reserve your space, visit <u>lmhs.org</u> or call (717) 393-9745.

Lancaster Mennonite Conference

An Exploration of the Teaching Position on Homosexuality

June 20-21; Fri. 7:00-9:00 pm; Sat. 8:15 am-12:30 pm Alive Church Ephrata, Ephrata, Pa.

Register in advance: <u>http://anexploration.ticketleap.com/anexploration/</u>

For pastors, congregational leaders, interested members seeking to better understand the ongoing discussion across the church from the perspective of the discerned teaching position of Lancaster Conference and the membership guidelines of Mennonite Church USA. Dr. Mark Thiessen Nation, theology professor at Eastern Mennonite Seminary, will explore the teaching position on homosexuality in two general sessions Friday evening and Saturday morning. Saturday will also include 14 workshops in two sessions on a variety of related topics by LMC leaders. Registration fee of \$15/person is reduced to \$10/person when 5 or more individuals from the same congregation register together. Advance registration necessary, but payment may be made the day of the event. Cash or check payable to LMC. Register online by signing up for <u>one</u> workshop for <u>each</u> session.

Flyer: <u>http://www.lancasterconference.org/p/Teaching_Position.pdf</u>

For more information or to register for the above event, contact Laura Stoner: 717-293-5246 x100 or <u>lstoner@lancasterconference.org</u>