

June 28, 2020

AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Hillcrest Academy Golf Benefit: This year's benefit on Saturday, July 18 at the Kalona Golf Club will obviously be a bit different, but we feel like we can put on an enjoyable and safe event. To register to play or to be a sponsor check out hillcrestravens.org/alumni/hillcrest-golf-benefit.

As we discuss ways to engage our students and nurture our community in safe and meaningful ways, we ask for prayers of guidance as we work together to develop plans for returning to school this fall.

CCCC: What a year this has been. As you probably know this summer looks very different here at Crooked Creek. We are in a tough financial position currently with no summer camp and canceled guest groups over the last several months. We are in need of donations and prayers. Here are a few ways that they can support us:

1. Brunch bunch breakfast casserole fundraiser. Orders can be placed on our website and casseroles can be picked up on July 3rd here at camp or at Kalona Mennonite Church. This is a free will donation.
2. Camp in a box as a way to bring camp to your home. Boxes can be ordered on our website and cost is donation. More information on our website.
3. General donations can be made on our website or checks can be mailed to camp.

As always, thanks for your support, love of Crooked Creek, and your prayers - Heather Bender.

Here is an article from the Mennonite World Review about the impact COVID has had on Mennonite camps if you are interested in reading.

<http://mennoworld.org/2020/05/11/news/a%E2%80%88quiet-summer%E2%80%88some-mennonite-camps-cancel-programs/?fbclid=IwAR0x-p7h-XODP-ZeE-Ag53UGBi31zVReU5YQIAqbtsHYF9r66qrqj3w0-hk>

MCC: Mennonite Central Committee is looking to fill several essential service positions in the U.S. and around the world. We hope you'll consider applying or give encouragement to someone else who might be interested in serving with MCC.

Canner Operator : MCC is looking for new canner operators! This two year service term is unique and offers the opportunity to travel around the U.S. and Canada, working as a team while meeting new people! Check out mcc.org/canning for details!

Program Manager - DR Congo: Are you looking for an opportunity to develop your planning, budgeting, and problem-solving skills? MCC is looking for a Program Manager to provide management and oversight of projects and partner relations in the DR Congo. For more information, visit serve.mcc.org or click on the following link: [Program Manager - DR Congo](#)

MCC Representative for Bangladesh: Interested in providing leadership to a mature, multifaceted MCC program? MCC is looking for an MCC Representative for Bangladesh, to provide leadership and programmatic direction to a well-established program that supports already-existing Bangladeshi agencies. For more information, visit serve.mcc.org or click on the following link: [MCC Representative Bangladesh](#).

MCUSA: Mennonite Church USA has released a new donor relations video that offers best practices for connecting with donors in ways that build ministry and impact people's lives. The video offers tips on technology tools, giving options and outreach. <https://bit.ly/DonorRelations>

Menno Snapshots: Irma Fast Dueck of the Voices Together Hymnal Steering Committee shares about the group's experiences shaping the next generation of worship resources for Mennonite Church USA in her blog, "Our worship belongs to all of us." <http://mennoniteusa.org/menno-snapshots/our-worship-belongs-to-all-of-us/>

Women in Leadership of Mennonite Church USA is hosting its annual Women Doing Theology Conference on November 5-7, 2020. More details will be available soon at <http://mennoniteusa.org/what-we-do/peacebuilding/women-in-leadership-project/>.

CPMC: Today Larry Nail, pastor at Julesburg Mennonite Church in Julesburg, CO, is being ordained. Pray for God's blessing on the ministry that Larry and Julesburg Mennonite share.

Mennonite Missions Network: The Mennonite Biblical Seminary in Colombia is developing new courses and study plans to prepare young church leaders and to encourage established pastors in their roles. Pray for Bekah York, serving with Mennonite Mission Network, as she prepares to teach some of these courses.