

SEPTEMBER 25, 2022
AREA NEWS & ANNOUNCEMENTS

Cradle of Hope: Monday, October 10 is “Community Impact Night” at Mt. Pleasant Pizza Ranch. Come see our Cradle Team. All tips come to us!

CCCC: Join us at camp this fall for our upcoming programs! More info on our website at crookedcreekcamp.org

- October 6: Lunch & Lecture (Senior Day), 9:30AM. John Sharp is sharing, soup lunch will be provided.
- October 21-23: Fall craft retreat at the Lodge.

It's happening! We are excited to announce we will be hosting another online auction, December 6-11. We are currently collecting NEW or LIKE NEW items as well as antiques. Food, experiences and meat bundles are some of the best sellers from past years. Please contact Heather (heather@crookedcreekcamp.org) or talk to your camp rep to donate an item. Thank you for supporting CCCC in this way.

Crowded Closet: Crowded Closet Thrift Shop is hiring for full-time Retail Lead! Join a team motivated by compassion, community, service, and sustainability. This role is best for a dependable, energetic, self-motivated servant leader who believes in the mission of supporting Mennonite Central Committee and local relief. Visit crowdedcloset.org/employment for more information.

Gospel Echoes Team: The Gospel Echoes Team will be holding their prison ministry banquet on Saturday, October 1, 2022 at 6:30PM at Fairview Mennonite Church in Kalona. The evening will include a Homestyle dinner, music and a prison ministry presentation. Gospel Echoes Team provides Bible Study Correspondent Courses, Pocket New Testaments, Little Red Address Booklets, and ministry teams to prisons, free of charge, through the US and Canada. Tickets required! For information and tickets, contact Steve & Norma Miller at 319-430-8759 or Mark & Irma Miller at 319-530-3527 or 319-530-3529.

Hillcrest: Join us on campus for *Homecoming & Alumni Family Weekend* on October 14-15, 2022! Find info about The Steel Wheels concert, register for the Joetown Classic 5K, and get tickets for the annual Pork Supper all at hillcrestravens.org/homecoming.

Our committees have begun planning for a *Middle School*, enrolling 6th grade students for the 2023-24 school year. If you have questions or feedback, email middleschool@hillcrestravens.org and read more on our website at hillcrestravens.org/middleschoolannouncement.

JYF: Wayland Community JYF is starting up again this fall and traditionally the community congregations have blessed the time with a meal for the kids. If you or a small group would like to provide a meal for 35-40 kids please contact Joshua Wenger at joshwenger88@gmail.com or by phone at 319-541-9307. The Fall Schedule is up on the JYF Facebook Page! facebook.com/groups/691551404295075/

MCC: Puerto Rico Peace Camp: Young adults are invited to join MCC on November 6-11 on the beautiful island of Puerto Rico as we discover new ways to live and proclaim the gospel of peace. This week-long experience will be filled with practical learning about deconstructing oppressive systems, building community, participating in spaces of healing and commitment to hospitality. This experience will be facilitated in Spanish; a minimum of conversational Spanish is expected from all participants. Registration fee is \$200; sign up now at mcc.org/campamento-de-paz. More information about peace camps: mcc.org/peace-camps. Our prayers are with the people of Puerto Rico after the devastation from Hurricane Fiona this past weekend. After speaking with peace camp organizers on the ground there, we are glad to know that they are managing okay, and that the peace camp location was not impacted. As of today, we expect the peace camp to take place as planned.

Peace for the Weary at Camp Deerpark, Jan 2-7, 2023: Calling young adults living in metropolitan areas to take a break from daily life and join MCC for a transformational week of connection and learning. During this experience, you will gain tools for understanding trauma and develop strategies for self-care and healing through the lens of restorative justice to bring back to your city. Registration fee is \$200; sign up now at mcc.org/peace-for-the-weary. More information about peace camps: mcc.org/peace-camps.

MCUSA: Mental health issues affect a large portion of the population, and Christians are not exempt from this reality. Carlene Hill Byron, author of “Not Quite Fine: Mental Health, Faith, and Showing Up for Each Other,” explores how church goers can be more involved in supporting one another’s mental health in her blog, “Not quite fine.” Read it here: mennoniteusa.org/not-quite-fine

As we look ahead to MennoCon23 (Kansas City, July 3-8, 2023), please consider contributing to the Convention Scholarship fund. Scholarships to attend MennoCon are available for groups, individuals or families who are unable to raise enough funds to cover all convention expenses. Donate here: mennoniteusa.org/give/mennocon-scholarships

Olson-Powell Memorial Chapel: Wednesday October 5 and 12 from 5:30-6:30 PM, we will be hosting a grief information series entitled, "The Journey of Grief," with Joan Rodgers as our presenter. She always does a wonderful job and with her advanced studies in bereavement, we are thankful she is willing to share her knowledge and experience with us. Whether you are grieving yourself or someone you know is, this free informative grief support series is for anyone who wants to know about grief. Also, save the date for our Holiday Grief Support Session on November 9, 5:30-6:30 PM; details to come. For more information, contact 319-385-1998.

Parkview: We are seriously in need of staff, particularly *Nursing staff. RN, LPN and CNA's*. We have really great pay, and sign on bonuses are offered. We can offer 12 week contract work. Full time or Part time is available. *PRN work is not available*. Contact Ron Semler, parkviewwayland@gmail.com or 319-256-2775.