

MENNONITE CAMPING ASSOCIATION

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TRANSITIONS

Congratulations to Larry McLaughlin for completing 23 years of service at **Williamsburg Christian Retreat Center, Toano, VA**. All are sad to see him go, but joyful that he has blessed WCRC in so many ways over the years. You will be greatly missed. Thank you!



JOB OPENINGS

Woodcrest Retreat, Ephrata, PA has two year-round positions opening and hoping to be filled by September:

Office Manager – This is a new position with the individual overseeing daily operations of the office at Woodcrest including handling Quickbook operations and payroll, as well as, registrations for the campground, rentals, and summer camp. This is a 30-35 per week position - potential for full-time hours is a possibility.

Facilities Director – This full-time individual oversees the buildings and grounds at Woodcrest working with the Operations Director to keep facilities running and ready for guests and campers. Additionally, the Facilities Manager works with volunteers and summer staff in the regular maintenance of the buildings and grounds.

Complete job descriptions and qualifications are available online at <https://www.woodcrestretreat.org/jobs> or email Bill at bill@woodcrestretreat.org with questions.

CAMP UPDATES

Laurelville, Mt. Pleasant, PA, www.laurelville.org

When 103 guest groups and overnight summer camp were all canceled, staff shed a few tears. Then, with room to spread out, the decision was made to open up more Day Camp spots, cross-train the kitchen staff (to work both in the kitchen and as counselors) and the Day Camp program **DOUBLED** this year!

In addition, Program Director, Mary Kaufman secured a significant native perennial plant grant to beautify the Laurelville grounds.

Camp Mennoscah, Murdock, KS, www.campmennoscah.org

Pictured at right are some of the 405 “Camp in a Box” sets sent from Camp Mennoscah. The “boxes” were made using Mennonite Central Committee School Kit bags and included an informational card on how to donate items (and the bag) for a school kit. The boxes included devotionals, nature kits, crafts, stickers & postcards, and camp snacks. The boxes were created and prepared by the efforts of program staff and summer staff. Leftover friendship bracelet string is hanging in the background.



Leslie Schrag, Camp Mennoscah Head Cook (summer camps), and Adam Voth Unruh, Crooked Creek Christian Camp (Washington, Iowa) Food Service Manager, joined forces at Camp Mennoscah to create a bierock-making video.

MENNOCON21: CALL FOR SEMINARS

Convention planners are seeking proposals for equipping seminars at MennoCon21, the Mennonite Church USA (MC USA) biennial convention slated to take place July 6-10 in Cincinnati, Ohio. The deadline for submissions is October 10.

Seminars are 60 minutes long and typically cover a variety of categories, including church vitality, leadership development, peace and justice, health and well-being, stewardship and youth ministry. There are 180 available seminar slots targeting the following audiences: youth, adult, intergenerational, young adult and youth sponsor. Anyone with specific expertise may submit a proposal. Youth are invited to co-present with an adult sponsor.

Visit the convention website for a list of seminar criteria and to access the submission form: <https://convention.mennoniteusa.org/the-experience/worship-equipping-seminars/>