

Announcements
Springdale Mennonite Church
January 29, 2017

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You are invited to the MYF-sponsored **Valentine Banquet** on Sat., Feb. 11, at 6 p.m.! This event is for everyone: singles, couples or families. (*Age-appropriate food & entertainment will be provided for younger children separately.*) Check the foyer for additional information, or call Krista Powell at 471-7683 with questions.

Springdale continues to collect **paper products for Love INC's “Neighbors in Need”** program. If you would like to contribute, please place toilet paper, paper towels, kleenexes and/or paper napkins into the designated plastic tub in the Springdale entrance foyer. Thank you!

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“**The Seven Pillars of Mennonite Theology**” is on exhibit at VMRC Park Gables Art Gallery through Friday, Feb. 10. Kathryn Fenton, Eastern Mennonite Seminary graduate, presents her paintings depicting Mennonite theology. The abstract pieces represent the Trinity, the dual nature of Christ, scripture, salvation, the sacraments, discipleship and nonviolence.

To learn more about conflict transformation, facilitation and gaining peace-building tools for working/organizing in the community, Eastern Menn. University’s Center for Justice & Peacebuilding invites you to attend **SPI Community Day** on Feb. 17. The cost is \$50 and includes a full day of presentations, workshops and lunch. For more details and registration, visit www.emu.edu/cjp/spi/spicommunityday/.

Join **Highland Retreat** for their annual **Benefit Auction** on Sat., Feb. 18, at Eastern Mennonite High School. The Auction is designed to subsidize camp tuition for all camper families & provide scholarships for families with greater need. Visit www.highlandretreat.org for more information, and contact info@highlandretreat.org if you have a new item, service, collectible, or baked good you would like to contribute.

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- Thank-you letters for our recent donations to WARM (\$1,890.20); VA Mennonite Conference (\$1,500); & Mennonite Church USA (\$1,000).
- Free Writers Read event at EMU, Feb. 2, 6:30 p.m., Common Grounds, with Mary Baldwin University professor Dr. Sarah Kennedy. Visit www.emu.edu/language-and-literature/writers-read/ for more information.
- Annual meeting of the Valley Brethren-Mennonite Heritage Center, Feb. 3, 6 p.m., at Park View Mennonite Church.
- Volunteer Info. Night for ComfortCare Women’s Health, Feb. 9, 7-9 p.m., Bridge Christian Church (flyers are under the mailboxes).
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