

What's Happening in the Metro District in 2011? Opportunities for Learning and Serving

Saturday, January 29th 8:30AM to 12:30PM Portland First
Growing Healthy, Vital Congregations: A Metro Training Event

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Saturday, February 26th 9:00AM to 12:30PM Montavilla UMC
Clergy/Laity Round-up:

Poverty in the Metro District—Can We Make a Difference?

- 9:00AM Gathering and Registration
- 9:15 Biblical Reflection: Our Calling to Serve the Poor
Paul Schroeder (Faith-based Resources Coordinator, JOIN)
- 9:45 Models that make a Difference (Part 1)—The United Methodist Church
for All People in Columbus, Ohio
Peg Lofsvold (Montavilla UMC) and Bill Gates (Parkrose UMC)
- 10:20 Break
- 10:30 Models that Make a Difference (Past 2)—Local Examples
Brandi Tuck, Executive Director, Portland Homeless Family Solutions
(Portland First)
Joan Goldhammer, Executive Director, Rebuilding Together (Beaverton
First)
Marilyn Mauch, Northeast Portland Backpack Lunch Program (Fremont
UMC)
Pat Schweibert, Metanoia Peace Community
Paul Schroeder, JOIN
- 11:45 Where Do We Go from Here?
(Sign-up for month of service events)
- Noon Brown Bag Lunch

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Metro District Call to Action—A Month of Service Selected Sites

During the month of March, we will be offering a variety of opportunities for individuals in the Metro District to be in service to the community. The following 3 opportunities are sponsored by the Metro District.

If your church is interested in posting an additional event, please let the District Office know as soon as possible, so that we can share the opportunity with others who might be interested in participating. Deadline for all sign-ups is March 1st. Contact Barbara at metrodistrictoffice@qwestoffice.net or (503) 249-1851, if you are interested in participating.

Saturday, March 12th from 1 to 3PM Oregon Food Bank
7900 NE 33rd Drive, Portland, OR 97211
(Coordinator: Lowell Greathouse)

Saturday, March 26th from 9 to 11AM Oregon Food Bank
1870 NW 173rd Avenue, Beaverton, OR 97006
(Coordinator: Norm Dyer)

Saturday, March 26th all day SOLV Beach Clean-up
Meet at _____

(Coordinator: Sue Anderson)

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Monday, March 14th Oregon Interfaith Advocacy Day 2011

8:30 to 4:30PM in Salem

Registration and opening sessions at First Congregational Church UCC, 700 Marion St. NE, Salem; Lunch and Keynote Speaker at St. Mark Lutheran, 790 Marion St. NE, Salem. For more information, go to www.emoregon.org

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Saturday, March 26th ????

Volunteers in Mission Training

Contact Donna Waltman for details.

April 9th

9:00 to Noon

Fremont UMC

Clergy/Laity Round-up: Building an Effective Congregational Leadership Team

9:15

Opening Session: Keys to Effective Leadership

10:00

Workshops:

- Leading Effective Meetings
- SPRC: Creating a Strong Clergy/Congregation Relationship
- Trustees
- Finances
- Stewardship

11:30

Principles of Effective Collective Leadership

May 20-21st

1:00 to 6:15PM (Day 1) and 8:30AM to 4:30PM (Day 2)

Love, Learn, Live: Cultivating Adult Faith

Join Dr. Carol Krau, Director of Adult Formation and Discipleship at the General Board of Discipleship of the United Methodist Church, for this event that will help clarify the role of adult faith formation in creating healthy, vital congregations for the transformation of the world. Cost is \$30 prior to May 10th and \$40 after May 10th. Register through Rhoda Markus at 2298 N. Gray Street, Cornelius, OR 97113.

July 16-19, 2011

Annual Conference

August 28 to September 3rd Volunteer in Mission Team UMCOR— Salt Lake City

Be a part of this VIM team to UMCOR Sager Brown in Salt Lake City. We will work in the depot preparing kits for shipment to places of need throughout the world. Cost is \$375, meals not included. We will be staying at the Wasatch Episcopal Retreat and Conference Center. Lowell Greathouse will be coordinating this trip. If you are interested in being a part of this VIM team, please register and place your \$100 deposit through the Metro District Office.

Registration deadline: June 1st, 2011.