

MINI MEMO
for
Clergy, Wardens and Lay Leaders of the
Diocese of Nebraska
March 1, 2008

BISHOP'S SCHEDULE AND DIOCESAN EVENTS
March– July 2008

March 2008

Mar. 20 Maundy Thursday, Bishop in Residence Trinity Cathedral, 6 p.m.
Mar. 21 Good Friday, Bishop in Residence, Trinity Cathedral, 12 noon
Mar. 22 Easter Eve, Bishop in Residence, Trinity Cathedral, tba
Mar. 23 Easter Day, Bishop in Residence, Trinity Cathedral, 8:30 and 10:30 a.m.
Mar. 30 Bishop's Visitation, Church of the Resurrection, Omaha

April 2008

Apr. 6 Bishop's Visitation, St. Andrew's, Omaha
Apr. 7-9 Midwest Bishops Family Systems Group, St. Louis, MO
Apr. 13 Bishop's Visitation, St. Mark's on the Campus, Lincoln
Apr. 17-20 Cursillo, Halsey, NE
Apr. 18-20 Deacons' Spring Retreat
Apr. 20 Bishop's Visitation, St. John's, Broken Bow
Apr. 25-27 Women's Ministries Retreat – Saint Benedict Center, Schuyler
Apr. 23-26 National Consultation on Baptismal Theology, tba
Apr. 27 Bishop's Visitation, All Saints, Omaha

May 2008

May 1-3 Provincial Faith Formation Summit Estes Park, Colorado
May 2-3 Planning for Tomorrow Conference, Lincoln, NE
May 4 Bishop's Visitation, St. Mark's, Hastings, St. John's, Harvard
May 11 Bishop's Visitation, Holy Spirit, Bellevue
May 12-15 House of Bishops Theology Committee, Virginia Theological Seminary
May 26-30 2004 Class of Bishops Continuing Education, General Seminary, NYC

June 2008

June 10-12 Province VI Commission on Ministry, Fargo, ND
June 12-14 Provincial Synod, Province VI, Fargo, ND
June 20-21 Diocesan Daughters of the King, Grand Island

July 2008

July 8-13 National Episcopal Youth Event, Trinity University, San Antonio, TX
July 16 – August 3 Lambeth Conference, Canterbury, England.

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Does Your Church Have Pews in Storage? St. Joseph's Church in Mullen, Nebraska, needs to replace a few pews. They asked in any parish possibly had some pews they might be able to use? Please contact.....(Get from [Tim Anderson](#))

Seminars/Workshops/Training/EVENTS!

MEDIATION SKILLS TRAINING in Ames Iowa March 31-April 4th.

The Lombard Mennonite Peace Center is offering our *Mediation Skills Training Institute for Church Leaders* on **March 31 - April 4, 2008, in Ames, IA**

Perhaps there are some pastors you know who are currently in the midst of a challenging, conflict situation who you can particularly encourage to attend. Pastors who have attended this institute in the past, while facing such a situation -- or having done so in the recent past -- have often commented that **they find the training "not only enlightening, but also healing."**

For more information or to register, contact:

Lombard Mennonite Peace Center

101 W. 22nd Street, Suite 206, Lombard, IL 60148

ph: 630 627-0507 fax: 630-627-0519

www.LMPeaceCenter.org

The pre-registration deadline, after which the fee goes up, is March 3rd.



CURSILLO WEEKEND APRIL 17-20 AT Halsey, Neb.

This will serve as a gentle reminder to all to include information about Cursillo's 2008 Weekend in your announcements, bulletins and newsletters, as well as to encourage sponsorship and candidacy in your congregations. **"God's Love Embraces All"**, is the theme of the Weekend. It will be held April 17-20 at the 4 H facility in Halsey, Ne . Additional information and application forms may be found on the Web site: www.nebraskaepiscopalcursillo.org . The logo for the Weekend is attached for your use.

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Nebraska Cursillo Secretariat
Nancy Brown, Lay Director

SAVE THE DATE

"Domestic Violence Later in Life: Healing Body, Mind and Spirit"

A day long conference for clergy, lay leaders, and advocates working with elderly and disabled victims of domestic violence in a congregation, community or rural setting.

Thursday, April 17th 2008

8:30 a.m. – 4:30 p.m.

**First United Methodist Church
Kearney, NE**

Bonnie Brandl, Project Coordinator of the National Clearinghouse on Abuse in Later Life (NCALL), will be the keynote speaker. In addition to Bonnie Brandl, domestic violence advocates and religious leaders from across the state will present the following topics:

- Reporting Basics: When to report vulnerable adult abuse.
- Breaking the Silence with Compassion: Screening and assessment in domestic violence cases later in life.
- Keeping Safe: Considerations for disabled and older victims of domestic violence.
- Congregational Responses: Providing spiritual care and practical help.
- Understanding Rural Communities, the "Grand Generation" and the needs of older victims.

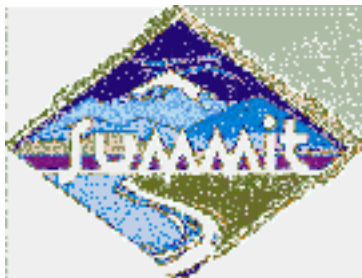
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REGISTRATION BROCHURES AVAILABLE IN MARCH



SUMMIT 2008 – A Faith Formation Training Conference

May 1-3, 2008

YMCA of the Rockies, Estes Park, Colorado

**Workshops that instruct! General Sessions that inspire!
Worship that nourishes the soul.**

This conference is for those who minister with children and youth. It will offer a large selection of seminars and workshops to assist staff and volunteers who strive for effective and excellent faith formation ministry.

It is not too early to register for the 2008 Faith Formation Summit on May 1-3. Registration includes accommodation for May 1-2, meals, all program costs and light snacks. Cost runs from \$375 for single to \$250 each per four person accommodations. **Alleluia Fund money is available for \$200 individual “scholarships” for a limited number of participants.** Contact The Rev. Ruth Jaynes (below) for information on the scholarships.

“**Long Hikes**” are extended, multi-day seminars which begin on May 1st and will include Godly Play Outside the Box and Peer Ministry Training. “**Short Hikes** are 1-2 hours seminars by experts in their field to instruct leadership in children and youth ministry such as: Middle School Ministry and “The Emergent Church and Faith Formation.”

For information about registration contact The Rev. Ruth Jaynes at rjaynes@episcopal-ne.org, or Toll free: (866) 341-5373.

WOMEN’S MINISTRIES RETREAT: April 25-27, 2008

Women’s Ministries of the Diocese of Nebraska is sponsoring a retreat to be held at Saint Benedict Retreat Center in Schuyler, NE. The retreat leader is Deacon Diana Champagne from Church of the Holy Spirit, Bellevue. “The Way, the Truth and the Life” is the theme of the retreat. All women of the diocese are invited to participate.

REGISTRATION FORM:

Please bring: Prayer book and Bible, notebook and pen, comfortable clothes, female friends or family

Send registration and check made out to “Diocese of Nebraska” by April 1, 2008 to Pat Wellnitz, PO Box 96, Rushville, Ne 69360.

Name _____

Address _____

Phone _____ Email _____

Church _____

A check is enclosed _____ for a double room or _____ for a single room.

Preferred roommate _____

Transportation needed from _____

Map/directions needed _____

Special needs (i.e. dietary, mobility) _____

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