Dear Friends,
I apologize that this letter is long and ask you to please read it to the end. We have quite a number of upcoming events and information about important things happening in our Presbytery which I would like to share with you. This letter contains communications about:

- Installation at Geneva
- Rhonda Everdyke is leaving
- New camp contacts
- Upcoming dates of Presbytery meetings
- Request for agenda items for September Presbytery meeting
- SARC update and confidential e-mail address
- Contact information to use during upcoming vacation and on-going

More information on each item is below.

Blessings – Cheryl Peeples, 2014 Moderator, Presbytery of Geneva
607-793-3172

**Installation at the Presbyterian Church of Geneva**

YOU ARE INVITED TO CELEBRATE THE INSTALLATION OF
THE REV. DR. DEB LIND-SCHMITZ
2 P.M., SATURDAY, AUGUST 16, 2014
THE PRESBYTERIAN CHURCH IN GENEVA
24 PARK PLACE
GENEVA, NY 14456
RECEPTION FOLLOWING THE WORSHIP

Clergy who wish to process with the Administrative Commission
meet In the South Parlor at 1:45 P.M., stoles are optional - red or white or just colorful

**Rhonda Everdyke Is Leaving Our Presbytery Staff**

Rhonda Everdyke let the General Council know at our August meeting that at the end of the Camp Whitman season she will be leaving the Presbytery of Geneva Staff where she has been the Communications Director/Interim Camp Director for the last two years and Communications Director previous to that time. General Council regretfully accepted her resignation. The General Council is very grateful to Rhonda for her professionalism and responsible leadership in her position and will miss her and her work with the Presbytery. We wish her all the best in her future. Rhonda’s last day on staff will be August 22.

**Camp Whitman Contact**

With Rhonda Everdyke’s resignation from the Presbytery Staff, questions concerning Camp Whitman matters should be directed to the Camp Whitman Operating Team:

- Elder Tom Bailey (607) 589-4794
- Elder Robert Andrews (607) 243-5284 (home) (607) 275-6309 (cell)
- Rev. Colin Pritchard (585) 734-7007

The email address for Camp Whitman is: camp@campwhitman.org
Upcoming Presbytery Meetings

- Tuesday, September 16, beginning at 10 a.m./registration at 9:30 – Elmira First
- Saturday, November 15, beginning at 9:30 a.m. – Watkins Glen
- January Meeting to Approve Budget - TBD
- Saturday, March 14 – Palmyra
- Tuesday, May – host church is needed: please contact the Moderator if your church would like to host

Request for Agenda Items for September Presbytery Meeting

Please email agenda items/reports to our Moderator by Tuesday, September 2, to moderator@presbyteryofgeneva.org for inclusion on the Presbytery docket.

Synod Administrative Review Committee (SARC):

Email address: sarc@synodne.org

This SARC e-address is an address to which confidential information can be sent at any time. Only SARC members read messages sent to this address. The SARC is made up of: Rev. Bronwen Boswell (Western New York Presbytery), Rev. Victor McKusick (Utica Presbytery), Elder Karen Pryor (Genesee Valley Presbytery), Elder Hezekiah Simmons (Genesee Valley Presbytery), Elder Nancy Sprenkle (Genesee Valley Presbytery), Rev. Lynette Sparks (Genesee Valley Presbytery), Convener and Rev. James Renfrew (Genesee Valley Presbytery), Recording Secretary.

The General Council of the Presbytery of Geneva requested the assistance of a Synod Administrative Review Committee (SARC) to examine different aspects of our Presbytery’s life and structure in light of recent events, and to make recommendations for improving the health of the body. They report to the Synod of the Northeast and will also give the Presbytery of Geneva their recommendations.

Contact Information for the Presbytery for Use during Vacation and On-going

Karen Jensen will be out of the Presbytery of Geneva office from August 18 until September 1. We want you to have information on who to contact if you need assistance during that time by giving you an email contact along with the name and phone number of the person who can help you in each area.

You will notice we are switching, at the Presbytery, to using emails based on the duty/responsibility rather than asking you to keep up with specific emails for the persons who head each group since those people change over time. We hope this will be a help to you over the long term and will be a help to our committees for continuity.
For assistance, please contact these people:

**On including items for the September 16 Presbytery meeting agenda, contact:**

Email: moderator@presbyteryofgeneva.org

Presbytery of Geneva Moderator: **Rev. Cheryl Peeples** (607) 793-3172 cell
Presbytery of Geneva Vice Moderator: **Rev. David Kilgore** (585) 438-3052 home

(607) 590-1491 cell

**On purchase, expansion, major renovations or sale of church property, borrowing of money, expenditure of principle sum of endowments or bequests, contact:**

Email: council@presbyteryofgeneva.org

General Council Moderator: **Elder Richard (Dick) Schied** (607) 583-7975 home

(607) 725-0785 cell

General Council Vice Moderator: **Rev. Gail Heimberger** (315) 483-6284

(585) 766-3248 cell

**On pastor and local church matters, contact:**

Email: com@presbyteryofgeneva.org

Committee on Ministry Chair: **Rev. Amy Loving** (845) 522-4039

**On Presbytery employee matters, contact:**

Email: personnel@presbyteryofgeneva.org

Personnel Chair: **Rev. Deb Grohman** (585) 355-8491 (cell)

(315) 524-8561 (church)

**On Camp Whitman matters, contact:**

Email: camp@campwhitman.org

Camp Whitman Operator: **Elder Tom Bailey** (607) 589-4794

**Elder Robert Andrews** (607) 243-5284 (home)

(607) 275-6309 (cell)

**Rev. Colin Pritchard** (585) 734-7007
On Presbytery financial matters, contact:

Email: treasurer@presbyteryofgeneva.org
Budget and Finance Chair: Rev. Jim Yao (607) 546-2134

On Clerk of Session and Stated Clerk matters, contact:

Email: pastorval@juno.com
Stated Clerk Pro Tem: Rev. Val Fowler (585) 738-8283
Mailing address: 27 North Main Street - Box 568
Honeoye Falls, NY 14472

On becoming a Minister, contact:

Email: cpm@presbyteryofgeneva.org
Committee on Preparation for the Ministry Chair: Rev. Nancy Meehan Yao (607) 546-2134

On volunteering to be a member of a Presbytery committee, contact:

Email: nominating@presbyteryofgeneva.org
Nominations Chair: Rev. Leah Ntuala (315) 568-6636

Any other matters that you don’t know who to contact, contact:

Email: council@presbyteryofgeneva.org
General Council Moderator: Elder Richard (Dick) Schied (607) 583-7975 home
(607) 725-0785 cell

Our Presbytery of Geneva website information:

Website: http://www.presbyteryofgeneva.org
Username: directory
Password: fingerlakes

The Minutes of Presbytery, General Council and Committee on Ministry meetings as well as our Presbytery Directory and other helpful information can be accessed there.
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