



MCC Material Resource Center

Souderton, Pennsylvania

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Croquet Matching Gift Program



Please help us reach our relief kit goal



Merrill Landes (left) and Bryce Mininger, playing for MRC, were successful first place winners at the Mennonite Heritage Center Whack and Roll croquet tournament.

The winnings, totaling \$5,500 will be used for purchase of relief kit supplies. Relief kits are urgently needed by MCC partners in various places, especially in the Middle East. One kit supplies items for a family of four. Our goal is to raise an additional \$5,500 to match the croquet winnings, bringing the total to \$11,000 which will supply 455 kits.

Please help us reach this goal by filling out the tear-off section on the back and sending it with your generous donation for Middle East Relief Kits, by August 15, 2013.

Penny Power

Thanks for your help with Penny Power collections! We were able to reach our goal of collecting \$15,000 and meet the challenge match again this year. In addition to the \$30,000 raised for Penny Power from our area, \$115,509.55 was raised from other parts of the state, making the grand total \$145,509.55. This money will be used for MCC water projects.



Upcoming Events

Philadelphia MCC Festival

A family fun event with a purpose!

The 3rd Annual Philly MCC Festival and Auction will be held on **Saturday October 26, 2013** at West Philadelphia Mennonite Fellowship. Bring your family and friends. This year's event, held between 10 a.m. and 3 p.m. in the University City district of West Philly, will feature a live auction of fine crafted items, unique experiences, quilts, children's activities, and multicultural food from area Anabaptist churches. Proceeds will help to support Philadelphia MCC programs, which include anti-violence work, prison ministry and peace and community building, as well as global MCC work.

Fried Oyster and Roast Beef Dinner

It's not just for oyster lovers



Join us on Saturday, November 2, for our annual fried oyster and roast beef dinner to be held at the Heritage Banquet & Conference Center. This year we will be celebrating the 10th anniversary of MCC MRC of Harleysville.

Mennonite Central Committee (MCC) strives to respond to urgent needs around the globe and at home. Material Resource Center of Harleysville (MRC) works along side MCC to share God's love to those suffering from poverty, oppression, natural disasters, and war.

Mystery Quilt Class

Join our "mystery quilt" class! The cutting and construction directions will be divided into several distinct and "mysterious" steps. You won't know exactly what you're making until it's finished! Class will meet Thursdays, Oct. 17, 24 and Nov. 7, 6:30-8:30 pm. Please call 267-203-8074 for details of materials needed. No charge for the class, donations accepted.

Volunteer Opportunities

Please call 267-203-8074 to schedule your Sunday School Class, Small Group Fellowship or Civic Group for an evening of packing kits, recycling projects or comforter knotting. Daytime volunteers are also welcome.

Seafood Express

Supporters enjoyed a day trip to Baltimore Inner Harbor and dinner at a crab restaurant. The outings raised almost \$5,000 for MCC Middle East Crisis Response.



Meat Canning

Meat canning was an exciting time, with lots of volunteers helping out. Approximately 100 people participated each of the three days. Reporters and photographers from WFMZ Channel 69 TV, WHYY 90.9 FM, *The Reporter*, *The Intelligencer*, and *The Independent* reported on the event. We provided 13,775 cans of pork from 24,000 pounds of pork.

Year End Giving
Generous giving at year end 2012 allowed the purchase of supplies to complete 500 relief kits and 250 hygiene kits.



Comforter Blitz

Thanks for your help! On April 23, about 70 people came to help knot comforters, finishing 33 of them. MCC has recently sent comforters to Iran, Jordan, Lebanon, Syria, Ukraine and Zambia. In 2012 more than 68,000 comforters were sent by MCC resource centers to people in need of warmth. More than 1,100 of them came from our center.



Enjoy sewing? Help us by sewing patches for comforter tops. Precut patches are available, please call for details.

School kit update
A change has been made to school kits - When making school kits please include 8 instead of 4 unsharpened pencils.



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Sharing God's Love in the name of Jesus Christ

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Consider helping people in need around the world by making a financial contribution to the MRC. All contributions are tax deductible.

Here is my matching gift of \$ _____ \$25 \$50 \$100 \$250 \$500 \$1000

for Middle East relief kits to provide relief, development and peace in the name of Christ.

MCC MRC of Harleysville is a 501(c)3 non-profit organization. All donation(s) are tax deductible.

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