REGIONAL REPRESENTATIVE E-NEWSLETTER April 2010 "News from the Board of Pensions"

Note: This newsletter offers highlights and news from the Board of Pension. Please share this piece with your communications director or webmaster.

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Benefits Connect Tip:

Benefits Connect is your go-to source for personalized benefits information!

Join the thousands of plan members who have already taken advantage of this convenient site by clicking on the "Register" button under the Benefits Connect logo on the Pensions.org homepage.

You can update your personal and dependent information, get a pension estimate, calculate your total death benefits, and much more. Register today!

MyActiveHealth Brings Personal Health Records to Active Members of the Medical Plan This Spring

ActiveHealth Management is taking our health management services to a new level with the unveiling of a private and secure online Personal Health Record (PHR). In addition to providing a unique way of keeping an accurate health history for you and each member of your family, the MyActiveHealth Web site will be your gateway to many other tools and resources for managing your health.

The site also includes a confidential Health Assessment, which will provide you with a report on your health status and provide the foundation for your PHR. Active members of the Medical Plan can earn a **$100 Health Stewardship Incentive** – a prepaid debit card for IRS-qualified healthcare expenses – for completing the Health Assessment and taking a few more simple steps toward using the PHR.

Look for more information about the MyActiveHealth Web site and the incentive coming soon to Pensions.org.

Your health information is kept strictly confidential. The ActiveHealth Management programs and tools are secure and confidential, in full compliance with federal and state laws. ActiveHealth® understands and respects the privacy of all personal health information.

Administrative Fee for Retirement Savings Plan To Be Charged

A fee of $3.75 per quarter will be charged by Fidelity on accounts of participants in the Retirement Savings Plan of the Presbyterian Church (U.S.A.), a 403(b) (9) plan. The first deduction will be made on October 1, 2010, and will appear on your fourth-quarter statement available online and hardcopy in January 2011.

The fee will be used to offset administrative expenses Fidelity incurs in its recordkeeping services, such as invoicing participating churches and employing organizations, enrollment processing, contribution and distribution transactions, ensuring compliance with regulatory requirements, and many other services Fidelity provides.

If you have questions about this new quarterly administrative fee, please see the Frequently Asked Questions or contact the Board at 800-773-7752 (800-PRESPLAN).

New Issues of the Board's Award-Winning Newsletters Available

The latest issues of ***The Board Bulletin*** and ***EducationTalk*** are now available on Pensions.org.

The Board of Pensions publishes *The Board Bulletin* after each regular meeting of the Board of Directors. In the spring 2010 issue, we provide updated information on the Pension Plan and Death and Disability Plan and report on the status of the Balanced Investment Portfolio. We share this news and more in the newsletter.

Each season brings with it a new issue of *EducationTalk*. Find interesting news about the spiritual, vocational, financial, and health aspects of your life, all of which contribute to Stewardship of Self. This issue includes information about Sabbath Sabbatical Support Grants, scheduling education seminars, new credit card regulations, and more.

Simplify the Process: Confirm or Change Salary Information Online

Church treasurers and business administrators: You can securely confirm or change your members' salaries through Benefits Connect.

Just click on the "Register" button under the Benefits Connect logo on the Pensions.org homepage. In Step 1 of the registration process, you will be asked to specify what your role is. You should click on the button for "Authorized Web Representative." Then just complete the rest of the registration information and establish your user ID and password.

As your Regional Representative I am available to work with presbytery leadership by offering:

- Retiree Luncheons,
- Church Treasurers Workshops
- Clergy Terms of Call seminars
- CPM Consultations, and
- Benefits Overview Workshops for Presbytery Leadership Events and for those congregations that have several staff members enrolled in the Benefits Plan.

Generally many of these workshops and presentations could be done in one hour or so, and may well save hours in the years to come. Let me know if you would like me to hold such an event or workshop in your presbytery.

Quote for the Day

I always told the Lord, "I trust you. I don't know where to go or what to do, but I expect you to lead me." And He always did.

- Harriet Tubman, Former Slave, American Abolitionist

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