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[www.cascadespresbytery.org/CEE-01-23-08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CEE-01-23-08.pdf) **Due date for the next CEE issue: January 31.** Send names, church, and email addresses of your church officers, staff and friends to [cee@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:cee@cascadespresbytery.org).

**New in this issue:**

- 'Presbyterian Program and Mission' workshop
- Order Eco-Palms early for Palm Sunday
- Menucha certified for two Educator classes
- "Healthy Aging" website added
- Dispose of prescription drugs safely
- Media Resource Center features "Rich"

## **PRESBYTERY EVENTS**

### **Celebrate new building with East Woods, Vancouver, Jan. 26**

With much excitement, East Woods Presbyterian Church in Vancouver announces an Open House in our new (and first) church building on Saturday, January 26 from 1:00 to 5:00 p.m. The prayers and support of so many in our Presbytery family have been a huge part of God's leading us to this time, and we heartily extend an invitation to all the congregations in our Presbytery to join us for this celebration We look forward to welcoming you! More: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/eastwoods-open-house.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/eastwoods-open-house.pdf)

### **Healing and health ministries workshop for churches, Feb. 9**

Join us as we explore the dimensions of a congregation's healing ministry with the dynamic Eugenia Gamble. Read more about the workshop, Sat., Feb. 9, 9:00 a.m.-2:30 p.m. at Grace Church in Portland. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Min\\_of\\_Healing2008.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Min_of_Healing2008.pdf)

### **Presbytery Lay Institute in Eugene, Feb. 15, 16**

The next Lay Institute is Fri. and Sat., Feb. 15 and 16 at Westminster Presbyterian in Eugene, led by the Rev. Patricia Berger, pastor of Covenant Presbyterian Church in Gresham. Contact Hugh Anderson or Janet Alpine in the South Presbytery office, 1-800-701-7313. More information and registration form: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/CascadesLayInstitute08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CascadesLayInstitute08.pdf)

### **Presbyterian Program and Mission, Feb. 18-20**

Instructor for the 'Presbyterian Program and Mission' certification course will be the Rev. Jeffrey Sievert. Brochure: [www.menucha.org/events/pdf/ppm\\_2008.pdf](http://www.menucha.org/events/pdf/ppm_2008.pdf) Scholarships are available; contact Scott Crane at Menucha 503-695-2243 for details. [www.menucha.org](http://www.menucha.org)

### **Cascades Leadership Fair features Marva Dawn, Feb. 23**

**Available online now:** Brochure, registration, and sample bulletin and newsletter announcements, [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Cascades-LF2008-info.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Cascades-LF2008-info.pdf).

Keynote speaker for the Leadership Fair at First Church, Vancouver is Marva J. Dawn, PhD, Christian theologian, author, musician, and educator. The Leadership Fair also provides great workshops along with networking and worship with others from our presbytery.

### **Summer Conference 'weekend edition' set for July 17-20**

Plan to come to Bend this summer for Cascades Summer Conference, Thursday-Sunday, July 17-20. Mark Yaconelli is keynote speaker for the event, to be held in First Presbyterian Church, Bend.

## ANNOUNCEMENTS

### Order Eco-Palms early for Palm Sunday

Palm Sunday and Holy Week are early this year. Orders for eco-palms must be received by **February 20**. Make social and environmental justice part of your congregation's Palm Sunday celebration. Go to [www.lwr.org/palms](http://www.lwr.org/palms) to reserve your Eco-Palms today.

### Menucha certified for two Educator classes

Menucha Retreat & Conference Center has been passed by the Certification Council for two more Educator Certification courses. **Presbyterian Program and Mission: February 18-20** at Menucha; information: [www.menucha.org/events/pdf/ppm\\_2008.pdf](http://www.menucha.org/events/pdf/ppm_2008.pdf). Instructor will be the Rev. Jeffrey Sievert. Scholarships are available. **Faith and Human Development** is set for April 7-11 at Menucha. [www.menucha.org](http://www.menucha.org)

### Healthy Aging website added

The PCUSA office of national health Ministries has launched a new website designed for boomers and elders called, "Living Longer- Feeling Better." [www.pcusa.org/healthyliving](http://www.pcusa.org/healthyliving)

### Delegates attend youth congress in Bolivia

Please welcome Rachele Hobson and Joe Kulm, Cascades Presbytery Youth Delegates, back from the Youth Congress in Potosi, Bolivia, January 9-13. Find out how to have them speak to your church. Read more: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/BoliviaYouthCongress.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/BoliviaYouthCongress.pdf)

### Dispose of prescription drugs safely

Oregon Environmental Council has information on disposing of prescription drugs: [www.deq.state.or.us/lq/pubs/factsheets/sw/HouseholdPharmaceuticalWasteDisposal.pdf](http://www.deq.state.or.us/lq/pubs/factsheets/sw/HouseholdPharmaceuticalWasteDisposal.pdf)

**Media Resource Center features** "Rich," part of the NOOMA series by Rob Bell. (12 min. DVD) We're constantly bombarded with images of the latest styles and models of everything. It can leave us feeling like what we have isn't enough. But how does what we have compare to what most people in the world have? Maybe what we have is more than enough; maybe God has blessed us with everything we have so we can bless and give to others. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/medianews.html](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/medianews.html)

### Notice to churches: Oregon's new identity theft law

A key piece of Oregon's identity theft law took effect on Jan. 1, 2008. Oregon organizations are to have a plan in place to protect the sensitive data they collect, keep and share. More: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/ID-theft-law08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/ID-theft-law08.pdf)

### Dates for 2008 Presbytery meetings and events for your calendar

From our presbytery website, click on "Calendars" to find dates for meetings, deadlines for Publications, and Prayer Calendars: [www.cascadespresbytery.org](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org)

### Presbytery Director of New Church Development sought

Applications are being received until Feb. 15 for a new Presbytery staff position, Director of New Church Development (NCD), a full time position for two plus years. More at [www.cascadesNCD.org](http://www.cascadesNCD.org). Contact Dawn, 1-800-926-3223 or [dawnc@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:dawnc@cascadespresbytery.org).

### Presbytery 2008 summer camp dates – make plans now

Summer is fast approaching, and it is time to think about camp. The schedule is posted on our website. Look for the brochure in the mail in a couple of weeks. Read more: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/campletter08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/campletter08.pdf)

## How to direct contributions to *Joining Hands with Bolivia*

**Your assistance is needed** in directing your contributions to the correct accounts for the work of Bob and Julie Dunsmore and the new partnership with Cascades Presbytery, *Joining Hands with Bolivia*. Thank you to all who have begun supporting this mission. Please give your contributions through your local congregation. Instructions here: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/JoiningHands-Bolivia.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/JoiningHands-Bolivia.pdf)

## 'Green congregations' highlighted on new webpage

For inspiration and sharing of information, the Eco-Justice Team is posting stories of congregations' green projects – large or small. More stories of creation stewardship will be posted as received; send your project stories to: [jehrestore@aol.com](mailto:jehrestore@aol.com)  
[www.cascadespresbytery.org/GreenCongregations.html](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/GreenCongregations.html)

## MORE EVENTS

### Congregations invited to global warming 'teach-in,' Jan. 30

Can we as a nation cut global warming pollution roughly two percent a year for the next 40 years? What would it take? Participate in a national webcast conversation—"The 2% Solution"—on January 30, 2008. You can watch and participate via cell phone voting in your own gathering spaces. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/FairTrade-GlobalWarming.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/FairTrade-GlobalWarming.pdf)

### Global warming course offered, Feb. 7-29

As a follow-up to the Global Warming Teach-in on Jan. 30, a Northwest Earth Institute four week discussion course about global warming and what individuals can do is offered at Franciscan Spiritual Center in Milwaukie. [www.francisspctr.com/global-warming.php](http://www.francisspctr.com/global-warming.php)

### 'Challenge of Fundamentalism' Workshop, Feb. 9

Dr. Carol Dempsey leads a workshop on "The Challenge of Fundamentalism to Theology and Evangelization," Saturday Feb. 9, 10:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. at Westminster, Portland. More information: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/CDempseyWorkshop.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CDempseyWorkshop.pdf)

### APCE 2008 annual event, Feb. 13-16

The Association of Presbyterian Church Educators, for all persons serving in educational ministry, meets in San Diego this year. [www.apcenet.org/events/annual-next.htm](http://www.apcenet.org/events/annual-next.htm)

## USEFUL INFORMATION

**Highlights of Nov. Presbytery:** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Highlights-11-07.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Highlights-11-07.pdf)

**Transitions in the presbytery:** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/November07Transitions.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/November07Transitions.pdf)

**Per Capita for 2008 is \$21.41** each member, based on church membership as of 12/31/06.

**Terms of Call 2008 form** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/2008Terms\\_of\\_Call.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/2008Terms_of_Call.pdf)

**Church open staff positions:** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Jobs.html#B](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Jobs.html#B)

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**Presbytery of the Cascades website:** [www.cascadespresbytery.org](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org)

**Presbyterian Church (USA)** [www.pcusa.org](http://www.pcusa.org)

**Omnibus newsletter:** [omnibus@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:omnibus@cascadespresbytery.org), **deadline: March 17, for Apr-May**

**Presbytery Nominating Committee** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/NominationForm.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/NominationForm.pdf)

**Cascades Presbyterian Women:** [www.cascadespw.org](http://www.cascadespw.org)

**Forms on our website** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Forms.html](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Forms.html)

**Deadlines, due dates** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Deadlines.html](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Deadlines.html)

**Changes to CEE list and Presbytery directory** (or to unsubscribe): 503-227-5486, 800-495-4114 or [CEE@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:CEE@cascadespresbytery.org).