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## **NEW IN THIS ISSUE**

- Presbytery's New Church Director; Highlights of Presbytery meeting; Help nominating committee; Helping storm damaged areas; In Memoriam; Spring Eco-Justice events; Earth Sunday ideas and local events; Older adults learn to improve memory in workshop

## **PRESBYTERY NEWS**

### **New Church Director for Presbytery begins April 15**

The Rev. Craig Williams comes from Los Ranchos Presbytery in California as the New Church Development Director, a program staff position new in this Presbytery. He comes to Cascades with a long history in new church development.

<http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/NCD08Director.pdf>

### **Highlights of March 7-8 Presbytery meeting**

Read about the Spring Presbytery meeting at Westminster Church in Portland,

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/HIGHLIGHTS-03-08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/HIGHLIGHTS-03-08.pdf)

### **Help Presbytery's Nominating Committee by sending names**

*Opportunities to Serve*

The Nominating Committee of the Presbytery is looking for people who are interested in serving on various committees. You can suggest your name or names of others for the committee's list. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/NominatingCommittee-4-10-08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/NominatingCommittee-4-10-08.pdf)

### **One Great Hour of Sharing offering aids many**

Presbyterians join with millions of other Christians in collecting this offering during the Easter season to share God's love with people experiencing need. Offerings received are divided between Presbyterian Disaster Fund, Self-Development of People and Presbyterian Hunger Program. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/OGHS02-08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/OGHS02-08.pdf)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

**In Memoriam:** The Rev. Dr. John E. Cantelon died January 23. Memorial letter to be sent.

The Rev. C. Harold Van Zee died in Medford on March 7.

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/VanZeeMemorial\\_letter.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/VanZeeMemorial_letter.pdf)

### **Volunteers needed in storm damaged areas**

**Updated information** on how to help in damaged areas in Columbia and Washington counties: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/recoveryassistance2.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/recoveryassistance2.pdf)

### **Earth Day Sunday Resources for April 20**

As stewards of God's good earth, we are called to care for the environment and all the creatures that depend on it to survive. Celebrate this year's Earth Day Sunday, April 20, in a

worship service that lifts up the goodness and bounty of God's creation, and our responsibility toward it. [www.nccecojustice.org/EarthDay/index.html](http://www.nccecojustice.org/EarthDay/index.html).

### **Summer Camps 2008 - Sign up now for early-bird pricing**

Registration is up and running. All the information is online at [www.campcascades.org](http://www.campcascades.org), and you can either register on line or mail in the form that is on the brochure. Brochures are available at your church. Please call Elizabeth Larkin, Camp Coordinator, with any questions at 503-460-3024. Early-bird pricing **ends April 6**.

### **Spring Eco-Justice events information**

The Presbyterian Conservation Corps is looking for Eco-Stewards (ages 18-24) to attend a conference **May 31-June 12**; a 'Green Building & Renovations for Congregations' workshop is **April 22** in Redmond; 'Energy Stewardship Workshops for Congregations' will be **June 11** in Portland, and a 'Solar Congregations Workshop' is **June 17** in Portland. Descriptions of all, [www.cascadespresbytery.org/EcoJusticenews3-08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/EcoJusticenews3-08.pdf)

### **'Living Longer – Feeling Better' 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)

## **PRESBYTERY EVENTS**

### **Campus Ministry Young Adult Retreat, April 4-6**

All students on our college campuses (see list below) and young adults ages 18-29 in our churches are invited to the "*Got Plans? Making a Living and Trailblazing a Life*" retreat at Camp Adams, April 4-6. Discussions, activities and entertainment fill the weekend. Sponsored by campus ministries: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/GotPlans-08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/GotPlans-08.pdf)

### **Certification Course, April 7-11**

"Faith and Human Development" for educators at Menucha: [www.menucha.org](http://www.menucha.org)

### **Presbyterian Women plan Spring Gathering, April 19**

The PW Spring Gathering is at Covenant Presbyterian Church in Gresham on Saturday, April 19 with The Rev. Jeannine Graham, Associate Professor of Religious Studies at George Fox University, as keynote speaker. Theme for the Gathering, "Insiders/Outsiders: Luke's Good News," relates to next year's *Horizons* Bible study. The 20th anniversary of Presbyterian Women and the *Horizons* magazine and Bible study will also be celebrated.

### **Educators' event at Mt. Angel, April 22-23**

Church educators, plan now to hear Kathy Price speak on, "How do you spell Advocate? A look at Advocacy in Christian Education." Tues. 9 a.m. to Wed. 2 p.m. at Mount Angel. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/2008EducatorEvent.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/2008EducatorEvent.pdf)

### **Learn to maintain and improve memory, April 23**

Are memory problems a natural part of aging? Is there a way to "strengthen" your brain? Hear the lively and informative program about the latest research on memory and aging from Dr. Robert Winningham of Western Oregon Univ., Wed. April 23 in Salem. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Memory\\_Workshop.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Memory_Workshop.pdf)

### **Interfaith Disabilities Conference in Portland, May 2**

Presbytery's *OPENING DOORS* committee invites all who have an interest in engaging people with disabilities in faith communities to attend the conference May 2. More: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/IDNetworkO-08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/IDNetworkO-08.pdf)

### **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. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/2008SummerConfReg.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/2008SummerConfReg.pdf)

## MORE EVENTS

### Good Friday noon service in downtown Portland, Mar. 21

Portland downtown churches are bringing back the tradition of a shared worship service at noon on Good Friday, March 21. The service will be held at First Christian, with most of the other downtown churches participating. First Christian Church is located at the corner of Columbia Street and the Park Blocks in downtown Portland.

### 'Clown Funshop' teaches skills of clowning, April 11-13

Bud Frimoth, well-known clown, leads a "Clown Funshop" on the weekend of April 11-13 at Kenilworth Church. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/ClownFunshop.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/ClownFunshop.pdf)

### Art contest for children marks Earth Day, April 19

Children age 3 - grade 8 make art objects from recycled materials for show and contest at Southminster Church in Beaverton. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/childrensArtCont3-08.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/childrensArtCont3-08.pdf)

### Earth Day project at St. Andrew's, Portland, April 20

On Sunday, April 20 at noon (following a quick lunch) St. Andrews Presbyterian at 3228 SW Sunset Blvd. in Portland is offering a work day on its watershed restoration/native plant project. You can help! [www.cascadespresbytery.org/EarthDay-St-Andrews.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/EarthDay-St-Andrews.pdf)

### Whitworth U. plans 33<sup>rd</sup> Institute of Ministry, July 7-11

WIM is a week long conference for pastors and families for refreshing, renewing and great teaching. If you're curious about WIM, please visit [www.whitworth.edu/wim](http://www.whitworth.edu/wim). Email [tsutherland@whitworth.edu](mailto:tsutherland@whitworth.edu) with questions.

## USEFUL INFORMATION

**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 staff positions open:** [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: Mar. 17, for April-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)

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