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Welcome to the Presbytery of the Cascades email newsletter! Please share this information with others in your congregation. To sign up, send names, church, and email addresses for you, your church officers, staff and friends to [CEE newsletter](#). Due date for submissions to next CEE: **April 1, 2010**.

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PRESBYTERY NEWS

Highlights of March 12-13 Presbytery meeting - [Highlights](#) -

Aleida Jernigan receives honor at presbytery meeting

The Rev. Aleida Jernigan, Co-Executive Presbyter of Cascades Presbytery, was surprised and honored by the announcement at the March Presbytery meeting that she is San Francisco Theological Seminary's Distinguished Alumna for 2010. She will deliver a charge to the 2010 graduates of SFTS during the Seminary's Commencement Exercises May 22 on the SFTS San Anselmo campus. More [information](#).

Cascades Pulpit Exchange planned for April 25

Names were drawn at the March Presbytery meeting to match churches for the pulpit exchange, and a [bulletin insert](#) file is now available for use on Sunday, April 25.

Pastoral changes - [March Transitions](#)

PRESBYTERY EVENTS

Leadership Camp for high school youth, April 16-18

(Counselor in Training) camp prepares youth to be effective camp counselors and/or leaders in their home churches. Save by **registering before April 1**. [information](#)

'Sunday Concerts at the Agate Windows' presents vocal music, April 18

Come to Yachats Community Presbyterian at 3 p.m., April 18 to hear music by The Gracenotes, a six-member women's group singing music of the Big Band Era in a capella four-part harmony. Stephanie Lilley-Howe, soprano, sings classical art songs. No charge; reception follows. More information from the church, 541-547-3400.

Medicare 101 and notes on Social Security class, April 18

New information on Medicare, Social Security and other health insurance concerns are covered in this class on Sunday, April 18, 12:15-2 p.m. at Lake Grove, Lake Oswego. Includes lunch. Call church for more information.

Presbytery Educator's Event planned for Mt. Angel, April 21

The Mt. Angel Abbey Retreat House is the setting for the [Educator's Event](#) Tuesday, April 20 at 10 a.m. to 2 p.m. the following day. Registration deadline is April 6.
[Register Online](#)

All women invited to PW Spring Gathering in Albany, May 1

Presbyterian Women of the Presbytery of the Cascades welcome all to their Spring Gathering, Saturday, May 1, at United, Albany, beginning at 9:30 a.m. Speaker, meeting, skits, lunch and music. [Registration and information.](#)

'Caring for our loved ones at home,' May 2

Caring for loved ones at home, new Medicare laws and provisions for family members will be covered along with costs, legal matters and resources in the class on Sunday, May 2 at Lake Grove, Lake Oswego.

Carol J. Dempsey leads Lectionary Retreat, Sept. 20-21

The annual Lectionary Retreat for those who preach or teach during the year is at the Shalom Prayer Center in Mt. Angel. [Information](#)

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Earth Words Contest announced; due May 31

In honor of the 40th anniversary of Earth Day, congregations are encouraged to consider a sermon by clergy or laypersons during the month of April. For more details on the observance and the contest, please see [Information](#) from Ecumenical Ministries of OR.

Communion trays and cups available to a church - Please call 541-476-3684.

'Fostering hospitality in the 21st century church,' May 11

Ecumenical Ministries of Oregon presents a Best Practices Seminar with Luis Lugo of the Pew Forum, 9:30 a.m. to 3 p.m. Tuesday, May 11 at Trinity Episcopal Cathedral, Portland.
Register by May 4. Bring congregational leaders; [download event brochure.](#)

Eco-Stewards Program for young adults in West Virginia, May 16-23

Join us for the 2010 Program. [Information](#)

Youth group videos eligible for large awards, March 15-June 1

Interested Presbyterian youth groups can register now at the [ymiLIVE Web site](#). Video submissions to ymiLIVE.org will be accepted **March 15 - June 1**. Winning videos will be announced at the 2010 General Assembly. For the contest, youth groups create a 2-4 minute video with their interpretation of John 7:38.

OMNIBUS Presbytery newsletter to be sent by email

Please send your email address and emails for church staff, officers and any church members to carolee@cascadespresbytery.org so you won't miss an issue. Those who do not have email may request a copy mailed to them or find copies which will be mailed to all churches. **Note:** Please add omnibus@cascadespresbytery.org and cee@cascadespresbytery.org to your email address book so our emails to you will be accepted and not treated as SPAM.

Important reporting notice to all ministers from Board of Pensions

The Board now requires an annual reporting **whether there is a salary change or not.** The form to be used is [Form ENR-111](#), revised 1/10.

Presbyterian/Jewish relationships in spotlight

Many Presbyterian clergy and elders are being questioned about our denomination's recent actions regarding the Jewish community and the nation of Israel. It is important to

study what actually has been said and done by our leaders. See reports: [Christians and Jews: People of God](#), [Engagement with corporations](#), and [Investments and violence](#).

Columbia Theological Seminary spring courses

See the list of [Courses and Events](#) for dates, including the Hispanic Track of Immigrant Lay Leader Training.

Presbytery summer camps offer fun and inspiration for all ages

From a summer camper: "My faith has grown so much stronger; my favorite memories are almost tipping the canoe and meeting a lot of amazing people! I can't wait to go back!" Danielle, High School Camper last year. [Presbytery camps](#)

Featured DVD from the Media Center

From your free lending library, *The Last Supper* (60 min.) emphasizes both its Christian and Jewish roots. Filmed in the Holy Land and the Middle East. It has an interesting recipe section including salads, lamb dishes, breads. Ask for DVDBX001

USEFUL INFORMATION

Presbytery on Facebook now – [Join Us On Facebook](#)

IRS announces 2010 Standard Mileage Rates - [Information](#)

Please consider if you are called to serve. [Presbytery Nominating Committee](#).

Change or confirm pension members' salary information: Pensions.org [homepage](#).

Joining Hands Bolivia reports from Jay Gregory - [Update](#)

Minimum [Terms of call](#) for 2010

Per Capita Rate for 2010: \$22.55, based on church membership as of 12/31/2008.

OMNIBUS Presbytery newsletter [Feb-Mar-2010](#)

[OMNIBUS newsletter](#) submission deadline: **May 17 for June-July issue**

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[Bookkeeper](#), Westminster, Portland

[Children's Ministry](#), Southminster, Beaverton

[Praise band director](#), Cooper Mountain, Aloha

[High School Director](#), Lake Grove, Lake Oswego

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