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NEW IN THIS ISSUE

- **Needed: 18-24 year-olds for Eco-Stewards Program planning**
- **Make holiday gifts in community craft classes at St. Mark this fall**
- **International Day of Climate Action rally planned in Portland, Oct. 24**
- **Annual Festival of Faith to highlight 'our shared path,' Nov. 8**

PRESBYTERY NEWS

Cascades Lay Institute in Eugene, Oct. 16-17

The Lay Institute on Friday and Saturday, October 16-17, will be at Eugene, Westminister. Instructor is the Rev. John Huenink, speaking on "What You Need to Know about Presbyterian Polity (at least most of it)." No charge. **Register by October 7.** [Flyer](#)

PRESBYTERY EVENTS

Afternoon Concert of handbells, chimes, piano in Yachats, Oct. 11

Everyone is invited to the Sunday, October 11 concert at 3 p.m., by Campanas del Mar (Bells of the Sea), the Yachats Community Presbyterian Handbell Ensemble. Selections include sacred songs and spirituals, Scott Joplin's "Maple Leaf Rag" and a medley of Broadway show tunes. Reception following. 360 West 7th Street, Yachats. For more information call 541-547-3400.

First, Roseburg to celebrate Sanctuary Centennial, Oct. 13-18

In honor of the 100 year anniversary of the building of the sanctuary, First, Roseburg is planning a grand celebration. Members and friends in the Presbytery are invited to celebratory events: Tuesday, October 13, organ concert at 7 p.m.; Saturday, October 17, Music and Dialogue at 3 p.m., and Sunday, October 18, Worship at 10:30 a.m., followed by a reception.

Presbyterian Women plan Fall Gathering in NE/NW, Oct. 17

The annual Fall Gathering of Presbyterian Women in the Northeast/Northwest Regions is Saturday, October 17 at Kenilworth Presbyterian Church, Portland. Come to enjoy a presentation on mission work in Pakistan, a report on July's Churchwide Gathering in Louisville, a Thank Offering presentation, a terrific new Horizons study skit and lunch. [Flyer](#)

National PCUSA Peacemaking Coordinator to speak in Portland, Oct. 20

Rev. Mark Koenig, Coordinator of the PCUSA Peacemaking Program, will speak on Tuesday, October 20 at 6:30 p.m. at Kenilworth Presbyterian, 4028 SE 34th Ave at the corner of Gladstone St., just south of Powell Blvd. in SE Portland. The evening will begin with refreshments and conversation followed by a presentation by Rev. Koenig at 7 p.m. *New* - [More Information](#)

Middle School Mania retreat, Oct. 23-25

Sign up soon to worship, play crazy games, eat good food and make some videos. Meet youth from all over the Presbytery. Packets are in churches. [Brochure](#) and [Online registration](#).

Drama about John Calvin set at St. Mark, Portland, Oct. 25

St. Mark Players and Choir will perform "The Human Face of John: Being a Living and Witty Original Drama about John Calvin" on Reformation Sunday, October 25, 10 a.m. during worship. As we celebrate the 500th birthday of John Calvin, this dramatic presentation will remind us of the major contributions this man and his theology has played within Reformed Churches to this date. Call 503-244-8177.

Kirkin of the Tartans at First, Salem, Oct. 25

A celebration of Scottish Presbyterian roots in the Protestant Reformation is Sunday, October 25 at First Presbyterian in Salem. The service at 11:15 a.m. will be preceded by a festive Piping on the Green commencing at 10:50 a.m. at Chemeketa and Winter Streets, led by several pipers and a drummer. Information at 503-363-9234.

'Reaching the unchurched' workshop led by Tom Bandy, Nov. 6

Come to the one-day workshop to coach and equip pastors and church leaders on how to reach out to the unchurched in ways that are authentic and effective. Led by international consultant Tom Bandy. Friday, November 6 from 9:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. at Lake Grove Presbyterian Church, Lake Oswego. [Additional information and registration](#) and [Online registration](#).

ANNOUNCEMENTS

Needed: 18-24 year-olds for Eco-Stewards Program planning

The eco-stewards program is actively recruiting passionate, dedicated young people ages 18-24 to help plan our 2010 Eco-stewards Program in southern West Virginia. Presbyterian Conservation Corps [information](#). Applications **due October 15**.

Make holiday gifts in community craft classes at St. Mark this fall

A wide variety of classes are offered for families on Sunday afternoons, 2-5 p.m. at **St. Mark**, Portland: **October 18** - Jewelry with Beads and Wire; **November 15 and 22** - Silk Painting, and **December 6** - Fused Glass Ornaments. [Information and registration](#).

International Day of Climate Action rally planned in Portland, Oct. 24

Concerned Oregonians will join with groups around the world on Saturday, October 24, from 1 to 3 p.m. at Pioneer Courthouse Square to support strong global action on climate change. Information at [Oregon 350](#) and [international 350](#).

Presbytery member author of new book, *The High Definition Family*

The book, by presbytery member Sayer Strauch, is now available online. "*The High Definition Family* isn't about being an ideal family, a perfect family, or even a good family, but about your family as you are now, on a journey with God reaching your highest potential." [website](#).

Families appreciate free school supplies from Cooper Mountain

More than 300 back packs with school supplies were given to struggling families at a Cooper Mountain Fellowship event that attracted 800 people. Food, games and more made it a successful day. Watch a brief slide show of the event, www.youtube.com/CooperMountainPres. [More](#)

Alternative Christmas gifts increase mission support and help shoppers

Are you looking for a way to boost mission support without impacting your church budget? An Alternative Christmas Gift program offers an opportunity for your members to continue mission support as part of their Christmas gift shopping. [Information](#)

Session Clerks: It's time for Session Record Reviews

A number of locations and times are available to have your congregation's minutes and records reviewed before October 25. [NE & NW Regions \(PDF\)](#) and [Central & South Regions \(PDF\)](#).

Presbyterian World Mission Celebration in Cincinnati, Oct. 21-24

All Cascades, pastors, congregation mission committees or others interested in mission are invited to attend the World Mission Celebration in Cincinnati October 21-24. [Information](#).

Annual Festival of Faith to highlight 'our shared path,' Nov. 8

The fourth annual Festival of Faith is Sunday, November 8, 2 to 6 p.m. at First Unitarian Church, Portland. Those who practice various faith traditions come together to celebrate their faith through song, dance, foods, storytelling and music. Contact person is [Janet Leatherwood](#)

Pastoral transitions in the Presbytery for August and September - [Information](#)

Presbyterian Historical Society offers scholarships

Scholarships to an April local church history seminar are available to some churches more than 50 years old and smaller than 250 members. Applications are due in February. More [information](#).

Fall Classes at Menucha

Learning Digital Photography, Oct. 18-21 See [Menucha](#) programs.

Volunteers needed in Vernonia and Astoria before mid-Oct.

People in Vernonia need help in the next two weeks to make their homes live-able. They need persons to lay carpets, do drywall and flooring. [Long term recovery updates](#).

USEFUL INFORMATION

[Highlights of Stated Meeting of the Presbytery of the Cascades - June 2009 \(PDF\)](#)

Cascades Presbytery in five of PCUSA [Top Ten lists](#) for giving in 2008.

Minimum [Terms of call](#) for 2010

[Minimum Terms of Call for 2009](#)

Per Capita for 2009 is \$22.55 each member, based on church membership as of 12/31/07.

[Giving in the Presbytery of the Cascades](#) – how to.

OMNIBUS newsletter, [August - September 2009](#)

[OMNIBUS newsletter](#) submission deadline: **Sept. 14 for Oct.-Nov. issue**

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[Deadlines and due dates](#)

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