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Welcome to the Presbytery of the Cascades email newsletter! Please share this information with others in your congregation. If you are unable to open links in this newsletter, please find CEE on the website:

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/CEE-10-23-07.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CEE-10-23-07.pdf) **Due date for the next CEE issue: November 1.**

Send names, church, and email addresses of your church officers, staff and friends to [cee@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:cee@cascadespresbytery.org).

## **PRESBYTERY NEWS**

### **Presbytery meeting in Albany coming soon – Nov. 9-10**

#### **Important for you to know:**

**Special notice** from the Albany church with **motel, traffic & parking** update

#### **Meeting docket and papers:**

Presbytery background papers are now on the website. For the November 9-10 meeting, papers will also be mailed.

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/StatedMeeting11-07.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/StatedMeeting11-07.pdf)

**2008 MISSION YEARBOOKS:** If your church ordered through the Presbytery bulk-ordering system, please pick up between 10:00 a.m. and 4:00 p.m. **on Friday at the Presbytery meeting (only)** or contact your Regional Presbytery office.

### **Worship workshop before Presbytery, Nov. 8**

Join the Worship Design Team at 7:30 p.m. on Thursday at Albany United to discuss the paper distributed by the Office of Worship of the PC(U.S.A.) and also theme for this year's Presbytery worship services, "Invitation to Christ: Sacramental Practices." Bring with you your thoughts, feelings and ideas about the way Presbyterians practice the two sacraments of Baptism and Communion and a worship bulletin that includes them.

### **Transitions in the presbytery**

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/Transitions-10-2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Transitions-10-2007.pdf)

### **Help evaluate current presbytery structure - due before Nov. 10**

#### **You tell us. . .is the current presbytery structure functioning as it should?**

The mission of the Presbytery of the Cascades is to serve God by nurturing, supporting and celebrating our common ministries. . . Does this statement still reflect our mission? If it should be changed, how? We encourage you to provide input to the Presbytery Evaluation Team **by filling out the short five question survey** and submitting it **before Nov. 10,**

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/SurveyGodsCall07.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/SurveyGodsCall07.pdf)

## **NEW IN THIS ISSUE**

### **Fish Emergency Service benefits from fall event, Nov. 10**

Everyone is invited to "Harvesting for the Hungry" supper and auction, featuring a speaker who has worked with hunger, peacemaking and environmental issues. It will be at 6:00 p.m. on November 10. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/FISH-event-2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/FISH-event-2007.pdf)

## **Harvest of Hope breakfast, Nov. 13**

The fifth annual Harvest of Hope Breakfast, sponsored by Oregon Faith Roundtable Against Hunger, is on Tuesday, November 13 at 8:00 a.m. at Bethel Congregational United Church of Christ, Beaverton. Keynote speaker is Rachel Bristol, Executive Director of the Oregon Food Bank, which is nationally recognized as a model for its coordination of hunger relief efforts in 37 counties and its active role in working with policy-makers and the public to address the underlying causes of hunger.

Visit [www.cascadespresbytery.org/ofrah-hopebreakfast07.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/ofrah-hopebreakfast07.pdf)

## **PRESBYTERY EVENTS**

### **Youth - CPYA features Ben Glenn, chalk artist, Nov. 16-18**

Popular chalk artist, Ben Glenn is keynoter for the Cascades Presbytery Youth Assembly (CPYA) November 16-18 at Canby Grove. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/CPYA-2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CPYA-2007.pdf)

### **Presbyterian Polity class for educators, Dec. 10-12**

Polity class for Certification at Menucha: Connect with other local and regional educators for support, to exchange ideas, and to grow together in service.

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/PresbyterianPolity07.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/PresbyterianPolity07.pdf)

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

Keynote speaker for the Leadership Fair at First Church, Vancouver is Marva J. Dawn, PhD, Christian theologian, author, musician, and educator. Cascades Leadership Fair also provides great workshops along with the opportunity to network and worship with others from our presbytery. Save Saturday, February 23.

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Per Capita for 2008 set for \$21.41**

**For your church budget planning:** Council set the Presbytery budget for 2008 with per capita at \$21.41 each member, based on congregational membership as of 12/31/06.

### **Media Resource Center features Christianity and World Religions** by Adam Hamilton.

This video and DVD kit explores four major world religions: Hinduism, Buddhism, Islam and Judaism and compares the beliefs with Christianity. Designed to be a six-week study and includes a leader's guide. You can check these items out from your free lending library for your own personal edification too! [www.cascadespresbytery.org/medianews.html](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/medianews.html)

### **'A Stewardship Tour of the Bible' brochures available**

Old and New Testament stories demonstrate the importance of stewardship in the history and life of the church. The brochures are good for Minutes for Mission, bulletins, newsletter inserts or adult education classes. Copies are available free of charge from the South Presbytery office, 1-800-701-7313.

### **Presbytery Communications Team seeks members**

Are you interested in print and electronic communication and Presbytery connections? Consider applying to the Presbytery Communications Team:

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/CommunicationsTeamSeeksMembers.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CommunicationsTeamSeeksMembers.pdf)

## **Trip to Greece, Turkey and Holy Land**

John Mahon is planning a trip next April. For more information, contact John:  
[centralgp@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:centralgp@cascadespresbytery.org)

## MORE EVENTS

### Youth: All Youth workers invited to national retreat, Nov. 12-15

The National Presbyterian Youth Workers' Association retreat, "To the Hills," November 12-15 is in the beautiful Hill Country of Texas. Designed to renew and inspire adult volunteer or paid youth leaders, the retreat is a great opportunity for people with a passion for young people. **Registration deadline October 31.** [www.pcusa.org/youthministry/tothehills](http://www.pcusa.org/youthministry/tothehills)

### Free Public Safety Training offered churches, Nov. 15

The training will better acquaint church administrators and leaders with crime prevention, emergency management, police response, fire and rescue response, and disaster preparedness. Presented by Portland crime prevention, police, emergency management and fire departments on Thursday, November 15, 8:30 a.m.-3:30 p.m. **Limited to 200.**

**Register online by Nov. 8:** [www.portlandonline.com/oni/](http://www.portlandonline.com/oni/)

### Workshop for parents of children with special needs, Nov. 15

Presbytery's *OPENING DOORS* Task Force recommends this Relaxation and Bodywork workshop for those involved with children with special needs: 7-9 p.m., Thursday, November 15. A trained leader will teach parents to help their children learn relaxation techniques. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/WorkshopSpecial\\_Needs.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/WorkshopSpecial_Needs.pdf)

## USEFUL INFORMATION

**Outdoor Camp Coordinator position:** Contact Aleida Jernigan, Portland Presbytery office.

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

Aloha, Reedville PC - Organist  
Camas, St. John's - Two part-time Nursery Positions  
Fairview, Smith Memorial - Director of Youth and Children Ministries  
Fairview, Smith Memorial - Sunday Morning Nursery Attendant  
Milwaukie, Milwaukie Pres. Church - Part-time Youth Program Director  
Portland, Valley Community - Three Youth and Music Interns  
Portland, Valley Community - Full-time Director of Youth Ministry  
Portland, Colonial Heights - Christian Education & Nursery Care Provider

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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: **Nov. 19, for Dec 07-Jan. '08**

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

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

**Highlights of June Presbytery:** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Highlights06-2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Highlights06-2007.pdf)

**Presbytery pastor transitions:** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Transitions-10-2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Transitions-10-2007.pdf)

**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).

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