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[www.cascadespresbytery.org/CEE-6-26-2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CEE-6-26-2007.pdf) **Due date for the next CEE issue: July 5.**

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

## **NEW LISTINGS**

### **'Sounds of Hope' Concert for AIDS Orphans, Aug. 25**

Sherwood Presbyterian Church is hosting this fundraiser for Zambian orphans at Stella Olsen Park in Sherwood. The concert features Dove-award winning artist Bryan Duncan. A freewill offering will be taken. Learn more at [www.hope4zambia.org](http://www.hope4zambia.org).

### **Lectionary Retreat with Michael Lindvall, Sept. 24-25**

"Preaching the First Gospel: Subtle and Subversive Matthew." Come to Mt. Angel to hear the Rev. Michael L. Lindvall, writer and pastor on preaching strategies for the Gospel texts for the coming year. Laity and pastors are welcome. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/2007RetreatFlyer.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/2007RetreatFlyer.pdf)

## **ANNOUNCEMENTS**

### **Workers needed for Katrina relief, Oct. 20-27**

Help is still needed in the Gulf Coast and New Orleans. Rebuild homes with a group from our presbytery, led by the Rev. Linda Gebetsberger. Read information from Linda about the urgent need for workers. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Gulfmission.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Gulfmission.pdf)

### **Apply now: Eco-Stewards camp program for ages 18-24, Aug. 9-13**

Do you know a young person who is interested in church, camp and environmental concerns? Possible space for **late applicants**: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Eco-Stewards2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Eco-Stewards2007.pdf)

### **New-Community Mission Grants for 2008**

A **new focus** for Community Mission Grants (formerly known as **Mission Grants**) is "Eliminating Hunger in the local community." Projects may include food banks, meal programs, growing produce in community gardens or other hunger-related programs. Application deadline is **August 1** at <http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Community-Grant-2008.pdf> or in the Presbytery office. Site visits scheduled for **September and October**; funding decisions made in **November**, and payments begin **January 2008**. Questions: [marjorie@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:marjorie@cascadespresbytery.org) or 503-227-5486 x 205.

### **Schedule Bolivia missionary's visit to your church soon**

Julie Dunsmore will be in Cascades Presbytery October 19-26 to speak to congregations about our Joining Hands partnership with Bolivia. She and her husband Bob (both are from Reedville, Aloha church) are the Presbyterian Mission staff persons in Bolivia for Joining Hands. To schedule Julie in October, contact Don Shaw, [peaceandhunger@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:peaceandhunger@cascadespresbytery.org), 503-302-4656.

### **Reminder-OPENING DOORS grant applications due July 31**

[www.cascadespresbytery.org/OPENINGDOORS.html](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/OPENINGDOORS.html) or [openingdoors@cascadespresbytery.org](mailto:openingdoors@cascadespresbytery.org).

### **YAD-GA Youth Advisory Delegate for 2008 sought**

Is there a youth in your congregation who would represent the Presbytery of the Cascades well as a Youth Advisory Delegate (YAD) at the 218<sup>th</sup> General Assembly, June 21-28, 2008 in San Jose? Applicants must be age 17-23 and recommended by their session. Completed forms are **due August 1, 2007**. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/YAD2008.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/YAD2008.pdf) Read note from Cascades' 2006 YAD: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/YAD.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/YAD.pdf)

### **Presbytery Summer Camp-Register now**

There's still time to find a great camping experience: [www.campcascades.org](http://www.campcascades.org), or call the Camp Office 503-460-3024 or 866-200-5559. **Wanted! Counselors in Training.** Youth in grades 10-12 - CIT Camp July 1-6. Learn leadership skills. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/CIT-Camp.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CIT-Camp.pdf)

### **>Free pew cushions**

First Presbyterian Church of Roseburg has several dozen brown curved pew cushions available for any church that can use them. Give us a call at 541-673-5559, Dwayne Brown.

## **PRESBYTERY EVENTS**

### **'Exploring our Reformed Faith' Seminar, Sept. 21-22**

Held at Tualatin Plains Presbyterian (Old Scotch Church) in Hillsboro, the seminar features Dr. John L. Thompson of Fuller Theological Seminary. Read more: [www.cascadespresbytery.org/RefTheology2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/RefTheology2007.pdf)

### **Creation Care Fellowship on the Oregon coast, Sept. 22**

The Oregon Coast in late summer is a great place to be. The Eco-Justice Team of Presbytery and Eco-Justice team of First, Newport invite all who are interested in enjoying God's good creation to the event. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/CreationCareEvents.html#B](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/CreationCareEvents.html#B)

### **Presbytery Evangelism Conference, Dr. Stan Wood, Oct. 4-6**

H. Stanley Wood Ph. D. is Associate Professor of Congregational Leadership and Evangelism at San Francisco Theological Seminary. This will be a three-day conference, with presentations given in the Medford area on **October 4**; the Portland area on **October 5**, and an all-day presentation in the Corvallis area on **October 6**. Plan to attend the event in your area.

## **REGIONAL AND NATIONAL EVENTS**

### **'Principles & Techniques of Fund Raising,' August 6-10**

For the second year, this course prepares non-profit organizations with tools and talents to strengthen their own mission in and for the communities they serve with the framework for operating a successful total development program. [www.menucha.org](http://www.menucha.org)

### **National Elders Conference, Aug. 29-31**

**Please consider sending up to two elders** from your church to the first ever National Elders Conference August 29-31 in Nashville. The theme is "Elder as Spiritual Leader--Reclaiming the Call." See: [www.pcusa.org/eldersconference](http://www.pcusa.org/eldersconference).

### **National Presbyterian Evangelism Conference, Aug. 31-Sept. 3**

In Nashville, TN, August 31-Sept. 3, keynote speakers include Jim Wallis, Jerry Cannon, Virstan Choy and Martha Sadongi. See: [www.pcusa.org/evangelism](http://www.pcusa.org/evangelism)

### **'New Nonprofit Leaders Boot Camp,' Sept. 17-21**

The Institute for Nonprofit Management at Portland State University presents a five-day immersion experience at Menucha to help you "hit the ground running" as a new nonprofit leader. Boot Camp sessions combine theory and practice. [www.menucha.org/events/details/boot\\_camp.html](http://www.menucha.org/events/details/boot_camp.html)

### **World Mission Conference, Oct. 2-6**

A conference for Presbyterians passionate about mission - Louisville, KY October 2-6. "A Celebration of Grace" is for volunteers, mission network participants, congregational, presbytery and synod mission leaders, and other mission supporters. [www.pcusa.org/missioncelebration](http://www.pcusa.org/missioncelebration).

### **Presbyterian Pastoral Care Network conference, Oct. 8-11**

'From Surviving to Thriving' is the theme of the annual conference in Louisville, KY, with a focus on "Four Practices of Clergy Wellness." [www.pastoralcarenetwork.org](http://www.pastoralcarenetwork.org)

### **Menucha conference center fall courses, Oct. and Nov.**

"Developing Major Gifts," **Oct. 29-31**. "Women's Spirituality Retreat" with LaVae Robertson and Kathy Stewart," **Nov. 2-4**. [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Menucha6-2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Menucha6-2007.pdf)

## **USEFUL INFORMATION**

**Pastor transitions,** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Transitions-04-26-2007.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Transitions-04-26-2007.pdf)

**Presbytery Highlights,** [www.cascadespresbytery.org/Presbytery-Hi-lites-03-07.pdf](http://www.cascadespresbytery.org/Presbytery-Hi-lites-03-07.pdf)

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

**Touchpoints,** an annual anthology by clergy and laity: 1-800-701-7313.

**Church staff openings** in music, children, office, nursery- [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: **July 16** for Aug.-Sept. issue

**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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