

December 2008



HOLIDAY HOT TOPICS



[Energy Oscars Slideshow](#)



ENERGY OSCARS WINNERS ANNOUNCED At All Souls Episcopal Church of Berkeley December 4, 2008

Celebration of the Second Annual Energy Oscars was widely supported by our member congregations. This annual event recognizes members who demonstrate best practices in the categories of Energy Efficiency and Conservation, Energy Education, Green Building and Advocacy for Public Policies to Reduce Global Warming. Link here to Energy Oscars [slideshow](#).



Bishop Marc Andrus of the Episcopal Diocese Emceed the Energy Oscar Awards Ceremony

The Oscar for Energy Efficiency and Conservation was the Unitarian Universalist Community Church of Santa Monica. They conducted an energy audit, achieved reductions for energy efficiency and are building a new cottage for their pastor to LEED specifications

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Leslie Reuter and Sandra Trutt of UU Community Church of Santa Monica

The Oscar for Energy Education was Holy Nativity Episcopal of Los Angeles. They are a leader in educating on the need for a religious response to global warming. Father Peter Rood and members of the congregation started a collaboration called "Change-Makers" to hold educational workshops. The results of the workshops were published in a workbook: *Environmental Change Makers* available on their website www.holynativityparish.org



Fr. Peter Rood of Holy Nativity of Los Angeles

Congregation Beth El of Berkeley won the Oscar for Green Building. Their construction of a new facility to LEED specifications and preservation of a local creek bed won high honors for leading the way in creative building innovations. [CIPL](#) can be contacted by members interested in a guided tour of the Temple.

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Architect Alex Bergtraun of Temple Beth El



Congregation Beth El of Berkeley

A leader in the East Bay faith community, St. John's Episcopal Church of Oakland won the Oscar for Advocacy of Public Policies to Reduce Global Warming. Their Ecology Committee participated in the CIPL Lobby Day and gathered signatures to support our priority legislative bills.



Robert Davidson of St. John's Episcopal Church

Other nominees in Energy Efficiency were Kol Shofar

of Tiburon and Stephen J. Wise Temple of Los Angeles. Nominees in Energy Education included Aldersgate United Methodist Church of Tustin and Unitarian Universalist Society of Sacramento. The nominees in Green Building were St. Paul's Episcopal Church and Bishops Ranch Camp and Conference Center of Healdsburg. Claremont United Methodist Church of Claremont was nominated for Policy Advocacy.

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CALIFORNIA ADOPTS AGGRESSIVE GLOBAL WARMING ACTION PLAN

The California Air Resources Board has formally adopted the AB32 Scoping Plan, a blueprint to reduce emissions. The Scoping Plan provides direction auctions, off-sets and allowances. We are particularly encouraged by portions of the plan addressing assessment of potential cumulative air pollution regulations, the requirements for consistency with environmental justice policies and inclusion of communities which are already adversely impacted by air pollution.

CIPL will follow further development closely and we wish to express our appreciation for your support as we have advocated for the passage of this important legislation. CIPL faith leaders have written and signed-on to statements to Legislators, attended hearings and spoken before the Western Climate Initiative and CARB Boards. You have shared in moving us closer to the adoption of strategic use of auction revenues.

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Shop on-line at special discounts for Energy Star Appliances and more this holiday season. Go to www.interfaithpower.org to find out how you can

shop and save on a wide range of products that will reduce your carbon footprint.



WIN \$5000 FOR BEING A COOL CONGREGATION

If your congregation is the biggest carbon loser or have the lowest emissions you can be a winner. Go to www.coolcongregations.org for a description of the contest and registration form. You must register **before Jan 1, 2009**.

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This Saturday you have the opportunity to participate in a Pre-Parliament event of the upcoming Council for a Parliament of the World's Religions scheduled for winter 2009. Speakers include Dr. Musiimbi Kanyoro of the Ethical Globalization Initiative founded by Bishop Desmond Tutu, The Rev. Dr. Bill Leshner President of the Trustees of the Council and California Interfaith Power and Light State Program Director, Rev. Charlotte W. Myers. The activities include music by Dominion a' Cappella Ensemble, workshops on environmental sustainability, a bookshop and much more. For more information go to www.parliamentofreligions.org

COUNTING CARBS



CIPL Emissions Reduction Report

We are on a low-carb diet of reduced carbon emissions. Together we are not only saving money and reducing greenhouse gases; we are also demonstrating how our faith in action can significantly effect global warming. Copies of the report are available at charlotte@interfaithpower.org

Conversions and New Energy Efficiency Projects

Installation Support

Contractors with expertise on the installation of Energy Star lighting, electrical equipment, automatic controls for heating and preventive maintenance can be researched by calling (202) 822 0950 or visiting www.naesco.org

We also offer project planning options in the **CIPL Solar Financing Guide** at www.interfaithpower.org , go to "Programs".

Welcome to our new CIPL member congregations!

California-Nevada Conference of United Methodist Churches

First Presbyterian of San Bernadino
Netivot Shalom of Berkeley

Saint Joan of Arch of Danville

Temple Isaiah of Berkeley
Temple Or Shalom of San Francisco

On-line CIPL [Covenant Registration](#)

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