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Greetings in Christ!

The Creation-Science Environmental Learning Center (C-SELCE) equips students, parents, pastors, teachers, and others to understand, proclaim, and defend the biblical accuracy of God the Father as Creator of all things by offering biblical and scientific educational opportunities so the true Gospel of Christ may be preserved and spread.

Wouldn't you like to be a part of an organization with that mission? How about sharing what we are doing with others! Encourage others to sign up for our weekly enews and visit our website.

Creation and Life issues in the news: President Obama's "science czar," Paul Holdren, once floated the idea of forced abortions, "compulsory sterilization," and the creation of a "Planetary Regime" that would oversee human population levels and control all natural resources as a means of protecting the planet -- controversial ideas his critics say should have been brought up in his Senate confirmation hearings.

Holdren, who has degrees from MIT and Stanford and headed a science policy program at Harvard's Kennedy School of Government for the past 13 years, won the unanimous approval of the Senate as the president's chief science adviser. To read more follow this link: <http://www.foxnews.com/politics/2009/07/21/obamas-science-czar-considered-forced-abortions-sterilization-population-growth>.

Nature Watch: Fawns are growing rapidly and starting to lose their spots. This year's crop includes many twins which should mean a continued abundance of deer for the foreseeable future. Turkeys are starting to make a show again after being shy during the hatch of their young. We still haven't seen many youngsters, but they are out there. Young Bald Eagles have been seen flying around. They don't get their famous white head and black plumage until their third or fourth year. Young rabbits are starting to forage for themselves as are other rodents that were born early this year. It's not unusual to see small ground squirrels, chipmunks, raccoons, and skunks out now. Our fox kits are as playful as always. Rainfall and cool temps in our area have kept things green well into July. Many crops are still behind by a couple of weeks, but growth happens every time the temperature gets about 75.

Program Information: For those of you who do planning a year out, take note that Brian Young will be back next year for another two weeks of Young Scientist Camp. Now is the time to start planning to bring a group of your 10-15 year olds to camp for one of the most exciting and engaging weeks available. The weeks are scheduled June 13-18 and June 27- July 2. He will also be doing some weekend events again in 2010.

From the Task Force: The Task Force met on Monday of this week and had an excellent meeting with nearly all of the members present. They reviewed the draft prospectus for participation in the LLC; received the first draft of the condensed Vision Statement prepared by the Vision committee; made plans for a more in depth discussion and brainstorming session in September; and accepted with acclamation the resignation of chairman David Vik. Dave has been very involved and supportive of the Task Force since he was asked to organize it and get it under way. Since that time he has been elected president of the Lutheran Island Camp board and the chair of the LLL Rally

coming up. He has been very active also in his congregation. Pastor George Sagissor was elected by acclamation as the new chair of the Task Force. He spoke of his dedication to developing the Creation-Science Environmental Learning Center at Christ Serve Ranch. The Task Force also welcomed new member Teri Norman of St. Joseph.

God's Word: "I have made you the father of many nations"—in the presence of the God in whom he believed, who gives life to the dead and calls into existence the things that do not exist." [Romans 4:17 \(ESV\)](#)

Prayer List: 1.) Please pray for our brother Rev. George Sagissor as he takes over the reins as chair of the Task Force; 2.) Give a shout of praise and thanksgiving for David Vik and all that he has done to help get our efforts off the ground; 3.) Give a prayer of thanksgiving for the successful surgery that Gary Schroeder experienced this last past week; 4.) Bring to the Lord petitions requesting a miracle to bring forward people to join other investors in purchasing Christ Serve Ranch through the new LLC; 5.) Praise God for the work His Holy Spirit is doing in the lives of young children through our Creation Safari camps.

Link of the week: <http://www.rae.org/revevlnk.html>. This link provides a listing of many of the creationist organizations.

Resource of the week: "Explosive Geological Evidence for Creation" is a DVD available at no cost from us. It is done by Bruce Malone and highlights how Mt. St. Helens changed the way we look at the geological evidence concerning the age of the earth. Call us to request the DVD.

Question and Answer:

Question: Is there really any proof that evolution exists?

Answer: We've been told that baldness is the only proof that evolution exists. It demonstrates that some men actually are evolving into more sophisticated, intelligent, viral, and wise humans. (This writer is proudly bald). Actually there is a standing offer from creationist Ken Hovind for \$250,000 for any proof of evolution. It has yet to be claimed.

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