

The Joyous Gathering, 45th Annual Meeting
Northern Plains Conference United Church of Christ
Hankinson, ND
June 6 – 8, 2007

Friday June 6

3:30 Gathering of the NPCUCC Family – Collection of Hygiene Kit materials

4:30 Budget meeting

5:30 The Fellowship gathering meal in the park

6:30 The Joy of Prayer and Praise

Welcome

Emmanuel UCC, Hankinson

Union congregational, Hankinson

United Church of Christ, Wahpeton

Yankton College Graduation

Introductions

7:00 Celebrating our Youth the Gathering

Affirming our Covenant – Session #1

Establish Quorum

Adoption of the standing rules

Adoption of the agenda

Presentation of the minutes of the 44th Annual Meeting

Resolution to grant voice to guests

Nominating Committee Report

Presentation of 2008 budget

Introduction (By Title Only) of resolutions

The Darfur Tent Project - Lindy Holt

8:00 Celebrating the blessing of fellowship in the park

Saturday June 7

7:30 Breakfast/Friends of the Conference Breakfast

8:15 A Celebration of Praise and Hope

9:00 The Gathering Music

Affirming our Covenant #2

Introduction of Keynote Speaker

Keynote Address --- David Schoen

Treasurer's Report

Vote on the 2008 budget

Nominations from the floor

10:30 Fellowship among UCC Brothers and Sisters

10:45 Sharing the joy – pastors and congregations share their joy in being UCC

Committee Reports

Presentations of Resolutions

Report of the East Timor Task Force

11:25 Workshops

	1:	Sharing the blessing- Evangelism - David Schoen
	2:	Celebrating our common bond in Jesus Christ – Anti-Racism – Wade Schemmel
	3:	The East Timor - Our Mission Partner – Jim/Sharon Moos
12:30		Women/Men’s Luncheon
2:00		Affirming our Covenant Session #3
		Youth Ministry Report
		Workshops
	1:	Faithful care of a Fragile Planet – a response to Global Warming Wade Schemmel
	2:	Living into the challenge of being UCC
	3:	Charles Hall Youth Services
3:15		Fellowship Among UCC Brothers and Sisters
3:30		Dreams and Visions for NPCUCC (Small Group sharing)
4:30		Gathering Music
		Sharing the joy – Pastors and Congregations share their joys in being UCC
		Vote on Resolution
		Conference Council Report
		Conference Minister’s Report
		Disaster Ministry Report
5:30		Break
		Paint – A – Tent
7:00		Banquet
		Key Note Address Mary Schaller Blaufus
		Medallion Award
		Anniversary recognition
		“Living Waters” program
Sunday June 8,		
8:00		Breakfast
8:30		Choir Practice
9:00		Gathering Music
		Affirming Our Covenant Session #4
		Election of Officers
		CUE Report
		Recognition (check “In Honor Of” found in packet)
		Licensed Ministers
		New ALWL
		Church Growth Awards
		New Pastors in the Conference
		Invitation to the 2009 Annual Meeting
		Hospitality Resolution
10:30		Service of Praise, Celebration and Promise (with installation of officers, commissioning of youth workers)
12:00		Passing the Peace the closing fellowship meal