



Green Aspects of Ferncliff

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- 14 passenger solar powered electric vehicle to transport campers and guests. Cooking oil powered pickup truck.
- Camp garden with composting, worm farm, solar oven, rain water catchment, solar powered irrigation, hoop house and goat pen/fences from used pallets.
- Energy efficient lighting in all buildings and solar powered camp entrance sign.
- Geo-thermal heating/cooling for Conference Center and all buildings in the Youth Camp.
- Home to Solar School that teaches laypeople how to install solar energy systems in low income communities around the world. 163 graduates and 44 solar powered water purification systems thus far installed in Haiti.
- Ferncliff hopes to dedicate its 5,300 sq ft Eco Center for the PEC conference. It will be one of the larger straw bale buildings in the country and will have a number of other green features.
- Literature in each hotel room encourages guests to re-use their towels and conserve water.
- All cleaning supplies are green certified and only high recycled content paper used in the office.
- Plans call for the new addition on the conference center to have a car charging station. New buildings are built to meet or exceed LEED standards.
- Stack Wood log cabins– two adventure cabins are made from trees damaged from storms that were around camp; won the environmental award from PRC.
- Recycling program and recycling center made from recycled materials. Recycling receptacles in all rooms.
- Creek Bridge– made from a recycled 40' truck trailer with planks milled from camp trees.
- Carpet – all new carpeting has been done using carpet tiles that can be recycled.
- Native wildflower plantings around youth cabins.
- Long time user of Equal Exchange coffee and fair trade chocolates on pillows.
- Numerous energy conservation improvements in buildings.
- Low flow shower heads and aerators throughout camp.
- Motion detector light switches in cabins and timer switches in swimming pool bathrooms. If we can get approval, the new swimming pool will have a UV water filtration system that will not require harsh chemicals.

More to do? Certainly! We plan to make improvements every year.

For more information about the 2013 Presbyterians for Earth Care Conference at Ferncliff, please visit presbyearthcare.org!