



Sustainability Month Events: Speakers, Panels, and Presentations

So, you want to kill fewer trees?

April 6th, 11:30 am at Faculty Lunch

Tips for reducing paper waste in teaching. A panel discussion with Maria Blanco-Arrejo, Don Negri, Karen Arabas, Wendy Petersen.

Student Scholarship Recognition Day

April 15, 8 am to 5 pm

Come hear students talk about the results of a variety of sustainability-related projects! For more details check out the SSRD website at <http://www.willamette.edu/cla/ssrd/>.

Sustainability Grant Recipient Poster Session

April 22, 11:30-1:30 in Goudy Commons.

Come see the results of projects funded as part of the annual Sustainability Grants competition.

Synthetic Sea, Synthetic Me: Plastic Debris and the Marine Food Web

April 22, 7:00 pm in Kaneko Auditorium.

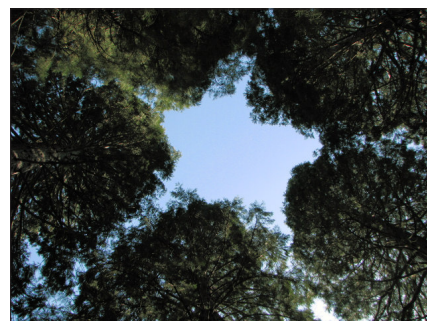
The JUNKride is Phase III of Algalita's Message in a Bottle (MIB) project. Traveling by bicycle, Marcus Eriksen and Anna Cummins will make their way from Vancouver, Canada to Tijuana, Mexico. Along the 2000 mile coastal route samples of plastic debris collected from the NPSG will be given to legislators, educators and organizations — sharing Algalita's research and education programs with 1000's of people.

The 10 week cycling/speaking tour will begin on April 4th and end on June 25th 2009. Come hear what these two cycling educators have to say! For more information about JUNKride, check out junkride.com.

Climate Planning at Willamette

April 30, time and location TBA.

In 2007, President Pelton signed the American College and University Presidents Climate Commitment, committing Willamette to become a climate neutral institution. Efforts are underway to construct a strategic plan to achieve this goal. Join us for an opportunity to hear where this process stands and provide the planning group with feedback.



The Star Trees, Courtesy of Salem Daily Photos

Workshops

Counting on the Environment

April 17, 8:30 am to 5:00 pm in the Montag Den

The Willamette Partnership won a Conservation Innovations grant through the Natural Resource Conservation Service in 2007. It is allowing the Willamette Partnership to build the tools land managers and regulators need to evaluate and participate in emerging markets for water quality improvements, wetland restoration and prairie habitat conservation. The Partnership has convened a stakeholder Working Group composed of federal, state, and local governments, conservation organizations, conservation buyers, and land managers to guide this work via five workshops. This session is open to the public.

Sustainable Procurement and Supply Chain Management Workshop

April 28, 9:00 am to 12:00 pm in the Willamette University Alumni Lounge.

From capital projects and facilities maintenance to fleets and office supplies, public- and private-sector entities alike can, improve the carbon footprints, impacts on human health and ecosystems, and the costs of their assets' life cycles. This session reviews several high-leverage examples and provides executive-level guidance targeted at decision makers. Registration fee is \$150 by April 14 and \$175 after April 14. For more information on how to register please visit the Center for Sustainable Communities website.

Green Your Life

Please join the Straub Environmental Learning Center and Willamette University for a series of four workshops on turning your life green. All of these workshops will be held at Straub Environmental Learning Center, 1320 A Street NE, Salem

Green on the Cheap, April 7 at 7 pm

Green Investment, April 14 at 7 pm

Green Landscape, April 21 at 7 pm

Green Cuisine: a workshop and dinner, April 28 at 7 pm

Other Events

Air Travel Offset Challenge

Did you know that a 6,000 mile flight generates an average of 2,500 lbs of carbon dioxide per traveler? Join with the Willamette Travel Center in trying to offset all the carbon emissions for flights booked this month!

Willamette Green Buildings Tour

April 11, time and location TBA

Curious about what Willamette has done to address in the design and renovation buildings? Join us for a quick informative tour that will take you through the highlights.

The World According to Monsanto

April 10 in Kaneko Auditorium, time TBA

Monsanto is the world leader in genetically modified organisms (GMOs), as well as one of the most controversial corporations in industrial history. This century-old empire has created some of the most toxic products ever sold. Based on a painstaking investigation, "The World According to Monsanto" puts together the pieces of the company's history, calling on hitherto unpublished documents and numerous first-hand accounts.

Garbage Revolution

April 20 at the Grand Theater, time TBA.

"The Revolution Starts at Home" is a feature documentary about how the family household has become one of the most ferocious environmental predators of our time. For more info see www.garbagerevolution.com.

Low Carbon Diet Day

April 22 all day long in Goudy Commons and Cat Cavern.

How do your food choices impact our climate? Learn more by visiting campus Bon Appetit outlets on Earth Day.

Sustainability Service Day

Volunteer for an afternoon of service April 4th in the name of Sustainability in the Salem community. Sites include Chemaewa Indian School, the SESNA community garden, and the Zena forest. Sign ups and more information available online. More info? Contact eterrell@willamette.edu

Sustainability Council:

www.willamette.edu/about/sustainability/

Center for Sustainable Communities:

www.willamette.edu/centers/csc/