

Transportation Meeting Agenda

Sustainable Concepts: Rideshare, bike or walk daily. Keep your car well tuned. Buy locally made or locally grown products.

10 Minutes Welcome/Attendance/Announcements

Please announce the following:

- **Next week is second-to-last meeting! Crew Members must bring their Sustainability Surveys for a brief check-in before they complete the “After” and “Difference” columns (in case they have any questions)**

Dr. Sean Anderson "After the Rivers Run Dry: Lessons from Phased Ecological Restoration Experiments - from California Salt Marshes to Anatolian Steppes and Points in Between"

Tuesday, 11/3/2009

Assistant Professor of Environmental Science and Resource Management at CSU Channel Islands will discuss the results of efforts to restore damaged ecological systems.

Free. Location: SCI 140, 11:15 AM

"Explorations In Sustainable Architecture"

Wednesday, 11/4/2009

Architect David Randall Hertz explores green materials and buildings ranging from contemporary natural houses and commercial projects, to his most recent projects.

Location: Bundy Campus Room 123 6:30 PM

RAIN BARREL & CISTERN SALES EVENT

Sunday, November 8 2009; 10 am – 2 pm

Santa Monica Airport, 3050 Airport Avenue, Santa Monica, CA

FREE ADMISSION

REBATES available for all featured products

The City of Santa Monica's Office of Sustainability & the Environment (OSE) is holding its first annual rainwater harvesting products showcase and sales event with many leading manufacturers and distributors participating.

Harvesting rainwater from your rooftop protects the Santa Monica Bay from polluted runoff, reduces potable water demand, and adds a little excitement to your life and landscape.

- Rain barrels are the easiest and least expensive way to get started. See examples of how to install the products, and take the product home with you.
- If rain barrels aren't doing it for you, cisterns are the way to go. Holding anywhere from hundreds to thousands of gallons, cisterns will be on display for the professionals or the more adventurous among us.

Get event updates as they are announced at www.sustainablesm.org

Rain Harvest Rebates:

<http://www.smgov.net/Departments/OSE/categories/content.aspx?id=3847>

GARDEN PARTNERSHIP REGISTRY, A NEW AND EXCITING SUSTAINABLE GARDENING PROJECT

Do you enjoy fresh vegetables but don't have the time or expertise to grow them? Are you a Santa Monica home/property owner with a small area in your front or back yard that you are willing to share with an experienced gardener? Consider signing up for the City's new GARDEN PARTNERSHIP REGISTRY.

It's simple... home/property owners provide the land and the water and the gardeners do the work. Together, you share the crop! The City maintains a registry of homeowners and potential gardeners based on information provided on the applications.

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For more information visit

http://www01.smgov.net/comm_progs/gardens/index.htm

or call (310)458-8573.

GREEN CITIES CALIFORNIA LAUNCHES BEST PRACTICES WEB SITE

First-in-Nation Project Designed to Expedite the Greening of America

Green Cities California (GCC), a collaborative of 10 of the state's most environmentally progressive jurisdictions, including Santa Monica, launches its Best Practices Web site today.

The purpose of this first-of-its-kind Web site is to accelerate the implementation of sound environmental policies in cities and counties around the state and, ultimately, across the U.S. It is a storehouse of cutting-edge environmental policy designed to accelerate policy implementation by helping cities avoid pitfalls and save time.

The free Web site – created *by* local governments *for* local governments – provides everything staff and policymakers need to implement new policies, including the policy document itself, staff reports, background research, legal analysis, and outreach and education materials. Almost 50 Best Practices, organized around the seven categories of the Urban Environmental Accords – Energy, Waste, Urban Design, Urban Nature, Transportation, Environmental Health and Water – can be accessed now at www.greencitiescalifornia.org.

Green Living Project: Sustainability Across South America

11/18/2009 7:00 PM

Presented by National Geographic Adventure

After documenting 20+ projects across 7 countries in Africa, Green Living Project? has expanded to South America! This new nationwide Event Series is a must-see event for any adventure traveler, South America enthusiast, or sustainability advocate. It features 8 new sustainability projects across Brazil, Peru, and Ecuador. Learn about sustainable living, responsible travel, and how you can get directly involved with these exciting projects. This special event includes free door prizes and a popular gear raffle from National Geographic Adventure, Keen, Timberland, Gregory, Clif Bar, and more!

Location:REI Santa Monica

Contact:310-458-4370 for more information

Cost: Free

Registration Required? No.

Community Service

Specific Events

- Ballona Wetlands Trust- Community Clean-up and Restoration of Ballona Northeast
 - Saturday, November 14th
- Santa Monica Bay keeper - Invasive vegetation removal
 - Saturday, November 21st
- Friends of Ballona Wetlands - planting native plants and removing invasive non-natives
 - Saturday, November 28
- Ballona Institute - Help restore the Grand Canal Lagoon
 - Sundays, 8th & 25th
 - Mondays, 9th & 26th
- Opportunity Green – Educate and help attendees allocate waste and recyclables to appropriate bins and gain access to a premier green business event
 - Saturday, November 7th & Sunday, November 8th

Tree People

- Million Trees LA Community Tree Planting - Venice
 - Saturday, November 7th
- Million Trees LA Park Planting – Playa Del Rey
 - Saturday, November 7th

- Mountain Restoration - Malibu
 - Sunday, November 8th
- Million Trees LA Community Tree Planting – Wilshire Heights
 - Saturday, November 14th
- Park Work Day – Cold Water Canyon Park
 - Saturday, November 14th

Arrange Your Own Time

- Children’s Nature Institute
 - Contact Allison Fuller at (310) 860-9484 x105 or Allison@cni-kids.org
- Meals on Wheels
 - Contact Joanna Vasquez at (310) 394-7558 or joannavasquezmow@aol.com
- Farmer’s Market School Salad Bars & SMMUSD School Gardens
 - Contact Dona Richwine at drichwine@smmusd.org
- Coalition for Clean Air
 - Contact Liz Ernst liz@coalitionforcleanair.org 213-630-1192 x109

25 Minutes Sharing Chemicals Reflections

- Crew Members share one response from p. 142
- Crew Leader asks how implementing Chemicals solutions went
- Crew Leader collects Chemicals reflections

25 minutes Topic Overview, Key Statistics

- Use Workbook to review topics and statistics
- Crew Members share main issues discussed in the chapter
- Crew Members share thoughts on what impact they have on these issues and/or what surprised them most

Optional: watch 15-20 minutes of “Who Killed the Electric Car?”, plus discussion questions and/or watch “Fuel” Trailer, available online

25 minutes Solutions

Review Transportation Solutions

- Solutions provide ways for Crew Members to do something about their impact. Review each Solution with Crew Members.

Picking Solutions to Implement

- Crew Members share which solutions they will implement

5 minutes Homework reminder

- Implement Transportation solutions
- Complete Transportation Reflections
- Read Shopping and Food chapter and highlight things you want to do or discuss at the next meeting
- Do your community service if you have signed up for this week
- **Make-up meeting assignments due asap!**