Dear Tufts Environmental,

Did you participate in any of the many Earth Week activities last week? There was the EarthFest on the quad on Friday afternoon, a number of talks on climate change, a film showing of YERT: Your Environmental Road Trip, to name a few that we know of. You may have spent me at the Tufts Energy Conference or at the Sustainable Communities and Campuses Conference at UMass Boston, which were going on at the same time. And of course, our new Tufts EcoTour was finally launched - a walking tour featuring highlights from Tufts environmental past (and present).

If you weren’t able to join the fun, never despair, there is plenty more coming up! In this week alone, the 3rd annual WSSS Symposium is taking place on Friday (Apr 27), and there are events every day by Fletcher Green, Tufts Environmental Alumni (TEA), the Environmental Studies Program (ENVS) and the School of Engineering.

This Friday is also the last Friday of the month, which means it’s Green Streets Initiative’s Walk/Ride Day. Tufts is participating in the inaugural Corporate Challenge so help us get on the leader board by checking in your green commute this Friday. 854 people participated last month - don’t be left out! There are prizes at stake here.

Stay green,
Fannie
Communications and Outreach Specialist, Office of Sustainability

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Carmichael, Haskell & 10 Winthrop win Dorm Recycling Competition

Reposted from the TuftsRecycles! blog
The "March madness" of the second half of RecycleMania has come to an end, and we at TR would like to thank all of you who helped to make this year's RecycleMania such a
success. Whether it was by signing the Recyclemania pledge or simply taking the extra second to place old papers or bottles in the correct recycling receptacles, we truly appreciate your commitment to making Tufts a greener place! We’d especially like to thank and congratulate this year’s winners, Carmichael and Haskell Hall, which tied for first in the dormitory competition, as well as 10 Winthrop, which placed first amongst the small houses. Read more >>

For the national Recyclemania competition, Tufts placed 7th out of 23 schools in Massachusetts and finished in the top 15% overall. We did well in specific categories: 2nd in Paper, 9th in Bottles and Cans, and 11th in the Per Capita Classic - which measures the amount of recycling divided by the full time equivalent (FTE) student and staff population of the school. Our Cumulative Greenhouse Gas (GHG) Reduction totals were:

- 301 Metric Tons of CO2 Equivalent, or
- 160 cars off the road, or
- the energy consumption of 79 households

Congratulations on a recycling job well done, Jumbos! Let's keep this going - have you checked out Jesse, the GreenBean recycling machine at Mayer Center? Ask CJ, who is our top recycler so far. The competition continues! See how Tufts is doing with real-time info online.

Campus Sustainability Council Update:

**Energy/Emissions Working Group**

Since the beginning of March, the three Working Groups of the Campus Sustainability Council have been meeting bi-weekly to discuss the current state of energy/emissions, water, and waste policies and practices at Tufts, and to create new policy measures in these areas.

The Energy/Emissions Working Group met for the first time on March 15th and reviewed its roles and responsibilities, which include reviewing current energy usage and emissions, existing initiatives and goals, as well as creating recommendations for goals and

See the album on our Facebook page

Pictures of the Eco-Reps' clothing swap, TSC's info tables, the Thirst Project, and more!

**Introducing... The Tufts EcoTour**

Did you know that Tufts University has one of the longest environmental histories in higher education? We are sharing some highlights from our sustainable past (and present) through a new, self-guided walking tour. Look for the distinctive signs around campus with leafy green tree and a QR code for branches. Scan the QR Code with a smart phone to find out more about each location. If you complete the tour and make it to the last stop (there are 10, half of them uphill and half of them downhill), you get a prize from the Office of Sustainability!

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**Environmental Calendar**

Don't forget that there's an easy way to keep track of what's going on in the Tufts sustainability community: the common Google calendar called Tufts Environmental Events. Additional (including non-Tufts) events are posted regularly on the TuftsGetsGreen blog and on our Facebook page. Our Twitter feed has day-of event reminders.
implementation plans to present to the Campus Sustainability Council. Read more >>

**Film Review: YERT**

*A road trip you’d want to go on*

![YERT poster](image)

50 States. 1 year.
One planet to save.
Are we doomed?
You could panic...
or you could watch
*this guy and this guy and this girl panic for you.*
- from the YERT trailer

Billed as a docu-comedy, *YERT* follows producer Mark Dixon, director Ben Evans and his stalwart wife Julie Dingman Evans in a "year-long eco-expedition through all 50 United States". They packed their belongings into a Ford Escape Hybrid named Rachel (in honor of Rachel Carson) which is shown getting 44 mpg on the film. They started in Pittsburgh and carried all their garbage around the country from July 4, 2007 to 2008, interviewing over 800 people. Read more >>

**Upcoming Events**

**April 27** (and every last Friday of the month until Sep 28):
Green Streets Walk/Ride Day Corporate Challenge

Every last Friday of the month is the Green Streets Initiative's Walk/Ride Day.

Go car-free, [check in](https://ui.constantcontact.com/visualeditor/visual_editor_preview.jsp?age...) your commute, and help Tufts win the [inaugural Walk/Ride Corporate Challenge](https://ui.constantcontact.com/visualeditor/visual_editor_preview.jsp?age...)! Biking, walking, public transit, telecommuting and carpooling all count. All participants will also be entered into a raffle to win cool prizes. Green your commute now and help create safer, healthier streets!

**More Events**

- **Apr 25**: Degrowth, the Steady State-Economy, and the Social Structure of Accumulation
- **Apr 26**: MyRWA Open House
- **April 27**: WSSS Interdisciplinary Water Symposium
- **April 27**: Massachusetts College & University Recycling Council Meeting
- **April 28**: Mystic Earth Day River Cleanup
- **April 30**: MA Sustainable Economy Conference
- **May 5**: Climate Impacts Day, 350.org

**Upcoming Webinars**

- **Spring of Sustainability**, free online teleseminars Monday to Friday until June 22
- **May 2**: NCS conference call - Jihan Gearon, Director, Black Mesa Coalition Carbon Supply Chain: Black Mesa and Beyond

**Contests**
May 1 deadline: Climate Counts i2 Challenge Competition
Student Film Project: Share your story of sustainability (Deadline May 25)

Jobs in Sustainability

- Team GreenSense Supervisor, Cambridge Dept of Public Works (Cambridge, MA)
- Sustainability Intern, Cambridge Public Schools (Cambridge, MA)
- Summer Internship, Tigercomm (Washington, DC & CA)
- Chair, 2013 Tufts Energy Conference (Medford, MA)
- Publications Fellow, Net Impact (San Francisco, CA)
- Sustainability Administrator, Communications and Outreach, Northwestern U (Evanston, IL)
- Policy Internship, Environmental and Energy Study Institute (Washington, DC)
- Seasonal Land Management Intern, Town of Lexington (Lexington, MA)
- Campus Sustainability Program Development Intern, GreenerU (Waltham, MA)
- Graduate Training Development Intern, GreenerU (Waltham, MA)

Job and internship opportunities are posted regularly on the TuftsGetsGreen blog.
Set up a dedicated RSS feed for the "Career" category so you never miss another post!
Additional internship and academic opportunities may be found at the Environmental Studies Program blog.

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