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Jumbo Drop is Changing!



No more dumping everything in one box. [Check it out.](#)

Office of Sustainability Newsletter April 30, 2010

Dear Tufts Environmental,

The past week was full of celebrations for Earthday. You can view some of them here:

- Earthfest at Tufts [article](#) and [pictures](#)
- Earth Day rally in Washington [article](#) and climate change rap [video](#) (pretty cool, now if only [Drake](#) would pick it up!)

Lots of good stuff in this newsletter too, enjoy!

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Upcoming Events

WAZE Spring Symposium

A One Health Approach to Global Climate Change

May 1st, 8 AM - 5 PM

Tufts University's Cummings School of Veterinary Medicine, Grafton

Job Opportunities

[Tufts Recycles! is seeking students to help with recycling and donation drives at move-out.](#) Pay is \$9 per hour. Free late stays are available.

[Director of Sustainability College of St. Benedict \(Minnesota\)](#)

[Assistant Director of Sustainability, Indiana University](#)

[Summer Intern, Gas Sector, Consortium for Energy Efficiency, Boston](#)

Research Intern,
Winchester Town Climate Action Task Force (MA)
Contact: Prassede Calabi at calabi@mindfire.ws.

Summer Sustainability Intern, Central Vermont Public Service Corporation, Vermont's largest electric utility. Contact Beth Eliason at beliaso@cvps.com

See also [last week's postings](#)

Think Spring

CSA Shares are still available for the summer

Get fresh, local veggies delivered to campus each week. [More...](#)

Did you know?

Tufts University is going to set all the public printers/copy machines to

Lecture topics will include sustainability, policy-making, and the influence of climate change on patterns of infectious diseases.

[Schedule](#) of events, speaker bios, sponsors, directions, and registration.

Sponsored by: Tufts' WAZE (Wildlife, Aquatics, Zoos, Exotics) society.

The YUM Celebration and Fundraiser

Friday, April 30, 6-10 PM

Sample the delicious tastes from participating immigrant owned Somerville restaurants at YUM: A Taste of Immigrant City. Enjoy great music from Somerville-based Ecuadoran band Yarina and international dance performances by the Greater Boston Nepali Community Youth and La Salsa. [More info](#)

Garden Work Day for Kids

Come out to Columbus Elementary School for a garden work day! We will be digging up new vegetable beds, prepping old beds for planting, tearing out knotweed, spreading mulch and planting raspberry bushes. We may also be building a few new beds if Columbus can find the supplies.

Who: Tufts students and the Medford community

What to bring: long shovels and gardening gloves, if you have them (if you don't, the school has lots of hand tools so don't worry)

Where: 37 Hicks Ave, Medford

When: Saturday, May 1st, 9:00 AM to noon

Why: Because you need a break from writing papers all day.

For all of you that don't have backyards, this is a great chance to get your hands dirty this spring. RSVP to [Mari](#)

Environmental Community End of the Semester Brunch

Tuesday, May 4th, 11AM -1 PM

At the Tufts Institute of the Environment (TIE)

default to duplex printing this summer!

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(Basement of Miller Hall next to the RezQuad Cafe)

This event will give you an opportunity to meet other people in the Tufts community who are interested in environmental issues. Take the opportunity to get to know students with a second major in Environmental Studies along with a chance to make important connections with other environmental programs on the Tufts campus.

PLUS the food is great: veggie breakfast burritos, french toast, home fries, and fresh fruit!!

Fifth ALLocal Dinner

Absolutely Local & Luscious

Eat Local Food & Meet Local People

Tuesday, May 4th, 6 pm - 9 pm

Ashmont Grill, Dorchester

The Local Food Committee of the Sustainable Business Network (SBN) is hosting its fifth ALLocal Dinner at the Ashmont Grill with four courses for \$45/person. You can choose between a PORK or VEGETARIAN entree. You shift seats once during the evening to enhance networking opportunities.

ALL = Absolutely Local & Luscious!

ALL ingredients will be: sourced, processed, delivered, prepared as close to Dorchester as possible and within New England.

[Registration](#) and [Directions](#)

NEXUS Exhibitor Showcase: The Existing Building Challenge

Thursday, May 6th, 4-7pm

Boston

The semiannual NEXUS Exhibitor Showcase is the premier green product showcase in New England. Attracting more than 30 green product and service vendors as well as 350 attendees from across the building industry, the Showcase is a great venue to network and explore pre-screened green products and services. The theme is achieving measurable savings in existing buildings and building operations. [Registration is free](#) but space is limited.

2010 B2Green Expo & Networking

Thursday, May 6, 4:00 P.M.

Holiday Inn, 30 Washington Street Somerville

Green options for your business in a fast-paced, 60-minute, mini-expo by 30 "Going Green" Somerville businesses & innovators -- followed by networking and a special Business After Hours. [More...](#)

3rd Annual Greening the City Gala and Silent Art Auction: A Benefit for Groundwork Somerville

Saturday, May 8, 2010, 7:00-11:00 p.m.

Arts at the Armory, Highland Ave, Somerville

The third annual benefit for Groundwork Somerville! Evening includes musical performances by Mark Santoro, Saladin Islam and The Pretty Pennies (UEP's own Chris Mancini!); food by Basil Tree, Lyndell's and Dave's Fresh Pasta; and art by Jeff Fullerton, Anna O'Neal and Chris Elsasser (to name a few!). Auction items include Red Sox tickets, gift certificates to local businesses, and more. Price: \$40, with \$5 going towards first art bid. Light dinner included. Cash Bar.

Bay State Bike Week

May 17-21

Massachusetts celebrates bicycle transportation

Activities at Tufts Medford Campus

Monday: Group Commute ([sign up here](#)) and Kick-Off breakfast (Campus Center - upper patio)

Tuesday: Commuting Safely Presentation by Mass Bike (location and time TBD)

Wednesday: Bike Expo; Rain date for group commute. (Campus Center - lower patio)

Thursday: Lunch and Learn: Slimming Down Your Commuting Costs. Presentation by [MassRides](#). (Noon - 1:00 PM, location TBD)

Citywide

Friday: Bike Week Festival / [Bike Friday](#) (7am - 9am City Hall Plaza, Boston)

More info about ALL these events is on our [events page](#).

Genzyme Tour

June 1, 2010, 1:30 - 2:30 PM
Cambridge, MA

Tufts Community Members (faculty, staff, students, alumni & their friends and family) are invited to join the Tufts Office of Sustainability on a tour of Genzyme's **LEED Platinum** building in Kendall Square. *RSVP is required.* [More info.](#)

Bikes Not Bombs Annual Bike-a-Thon and Green Roots Festival

Sunday, June 6, 2010
Boston, MA

The event is centered around 3 fun bike rides of varying distances that also help support BNB's local youth programs and grassroots international development work through personal fundraising. The rides all end at the Green Roots Festival, a street festival right by Stony Brook T Station, with music, speakers, pageantry and content that promotes environmental sustainability and social justice.

[More Info](#)

Slow Money National Gathering

June 9-11, 2010
Shelburne Farms, Vermont

Slow Money... It's not an ISM (as in capitalism, socialism, consumerism, market fundamentalism...).

But it is a new way of connecting investors to local food systems, catalyzing new forms of social investing and philanthropy for the 21st century. Join the emerging network of investors, donors, entrepreneurs, farmers, and activists who are giving birth to the nurture capital industry.

[More info](#)

Educational Opportunities

Using Sustainability to Create

New Course Content:

A Curriculum Development Institute for Faculty in All Disciplines

May 24, 2010 8:30 am to 4:30 pm
Middlebury College, Middlebury, VT

Presented by Jack Byrne, director of the sustainability integration office at Middlebury College and Tom Kelly, chief sustainability officer and director of the Office of Sustainability at the University of New Hampshire, and adjunct professor of Public Health at the College of Health and Human Services.

Registration Deadline is

May 12, 2010

Workshop fee:

\$70 for Campus Compact members or \$95 for non-members

[More info](#)

Sustainable Business Practices in Support of People, Profit, and Principles

Five-Day, 3 Credit Intensive Summer Program

BSAD 295 - 60144/ NR 285 - 60194

July 12-16, 2010

- Earn 3 academic credits and a Professional Certificate in Sustainable Business from UVM in one week.
- Learn from UVM experts and recognized business leaders and innovators.
- Become part of a growing network of sustainable business professionals.
- Help businesses thrive and have a positive impact.

[More Info](#)

Also, check out the educational opportunities from [last week's newsletter](#).

Happy May Day!

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