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Tufts *Sustainability in Action!* gets green



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Tufts Energy

Challenge:

\$1000 Award

Have an idea that addresses an energy challenge? Need support to help implement it? Want to share your idea with energy sector innovators, professionals and leaders?

February 4, 2011

Dear Tufts Environmental,

I hope everyone's surviving the snow! I personally had the most laid back and relaxing snow day of all time on Wednesday. Unfortunately my snow day mindset of lazing around drinking hot cocoa and watching movies had me doing absolutely no work and so now I'm playing catch-up on all my responsibilities. I still maintain that it was totally worth it, though.

We had the first ever Environmental Studies Lunch and Learn this past week, a talk on green roofs, and it was a big success, bringing together students and staff from all over Tufts. This week we have some great on-campus opportunities, including competitions, meet-ups, and events, so stay tuned for how you can participate! Stay Green!

-Jason

*Header photo: Students painted the new student garden sign at the Crafts Center last week. The garden's new name is **Tom Thumb's Student Garden**, named after the dwarf elephant that Jumbo so gallantly gave his life*

Tufts Energy Conference 2011

announces the launch of the first ever Tufts Energy Challenge - a celebration of innovative student-driven solutions to energy challenges. Winners will receive up to \$1000 to implement their action or research project to address a key energy issue.

[Click here](#) for more details and updates on the competition.

Job Opportunities

[DER Outreach and Data Specialist](#), National Grid MA and RI

[Second Nature Higher Education Internship](#), Boston

[AASHE Communications Assistant](#), Various Locations

[AASHE Resource Center Program Assistant](#), Various Locations

[Environmental Sustainability Director](#), Loyola University

[Project Manager, Sustainable Values](#), Case Western Reserve University

Grants and Fellowships

[\\$200k MIT Clean Energy](#)

to save.

News

EWB's Admitting Failures:

A website aimed at learning from our mistakes

Engineers Without Borders launches a new website that collects stories of failure from non-profits, not for the purpose of ridicule, but for the purpose of learning from collective mistakes.

[Admitting Failure](#) is a bold new website that has been launched by EWB for the purpose of communicating mistakes that are made by non-profit organizations. The idea is that currently, these mistakes, which are often times made in remote and rural parts of the world, are made repeatedly by different groups and organizations and yet they are never communicated and therefore, never improved upon. Additionally, EWB argues that competition for donor support in the non-profit industry has resulted in a practice of covering up mistakes, which hurts the overall goals of all non-profits. Therefore, by outing the mistakes they make, EWB and other non-profits can more easily avoid making the same mistakes time and time again and advance the industry as a whole.

Admitting Failure is a collaborative effort that will improve communication and efficiency of all non-profits. You can learn visit the website to learn more [here](#).

On-Campus Events

New:

**The Tufts Sustainability Collective
General Interest Meeting
February 7, 2011, 9pm**

[Prize](#)[More job listings from TIE](#)

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[Career resources at OOS](#)**Interesting Links:****Educational:**

- [The Office of Sustainability](#)
- [Tufts Institute for the Environment](#)
- [Environmental Studies Program](#)
- [The UEP School](#)

Blogs:

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Barnum 104

The Tufts Sustainability Collective, the new environmental group featured in last week's newsletter, is having their General Interest Meeting on Monday. The Collective is the new face of the environmental group ECO, and has restructured to meet the needs of today's environmental issues. Now containing four separate branches that hone in on unique issues (Tufts Bikes, the student garden, and campaigns on and off campus), the group is set to have more influence and more effectiveness on campus. Come to the meeting to find out more about TSC and how best to get involved!



Input Needed- Opportunity to Receive Deposit Back from Recycling

**February 8, 2011, 7pm
Barnum 104**

Interested in technology enhancements or cool entrepreneurial ideas? Love recycling? Your feedback is needed for a cool upcoming pilot test at Tufts University.

Greenbean wishes to introduce you to its website and how it interacts with the reverse vending machine coming to the Campus center at the end of February. Click [here](http://www.tufts.edu/tuftsrecycles/initiatives.html) (<http://www.tufts.edu/tuftsrecycles/initiatives.html>) to learn more about this cool initiative.

Refreshments will be served.

Env. Studies Lunch and Learn #2: Tufts Sustainability Collective

**February 9, 2011, 12-1pm
Dowling Hall, Room 745A**

Join the Tufts Sustainability Collective (TSC), a student group formerly known as ECO as they discuss the rewriting of their constitution, supporting and starting environmental campaigns, and bringing campus sustainability leaders together.

The branches of TSC include:

- Tufts Bikes, campus bike sharing initiative
- Tom Thumb's Garden, student-run garden and local food group
- SJSF, the state-wide clean electricity campaign
- Environmental Action Squad, the bottled water campaign

The Collective's board is working to establish sustainability round-tables to encourage collaboration and support among activists. They are currently reaching out to the Tufts Energy Forum, Jumbo Janitor Alliance, Tufts Mountain Club, environmentalists at Hillel, and others.

TSC student representatives will introduce the new structure, elaborate on the different projects, and do a short interactive activity.

Speakers include Signe Porteshawver (A&S '11) and Jason Merges (A&S '11).

Open to: Students, Faculty, and Staff; Pizza will be available, or bring a brown bag lunch.

Sponsored by: The Environmental Studies Program and Tufts Institute of the Environment.

Previously Mentioned:

[**Lyon & Bendheim Alumni Lecture and Reception
ft. Mike Granoff**](#)

February 9, 2011, 6:30pm

Granoff Family Hillel Center, 220 Packard Ave

Off-Campus events

New:

The Real Food Northeast Regional Food Justice Summit

**February 9, 2011 6:00pm Suffolk University
73 Tremont St. (Park Street T stop)**

The Northeast Food and Justice Summit will be the **largest youth food justice convergence in history**-uniting over 600 high school and college students and other young allies for three days.

This event will:

- **Unite** a diverse coalition of young leaders across lines of age, race, class and geography
- **Ignite** food justice organizing and activism throughout the Northeast with new ideas, tactics and opportunities.
- **Shine** a light on this diverse, youth-driven movement.

This event will include:

- **Speeches and musical performances** from movement leaders, poets and youth activists
- **Workshops** with role-plays, cooking, activism trainings, spoken word and interactive activities.
- **Opportunities Fair** with info on youth jobs, local food companies, community organizations, and more!

To register for the summit, visit [Real Food Challenge's website](#).

Previously Mentioned:

[SBN On Tour: Taza Chocolate](#)

**February 8, 2011 6:30pm to 8pm
Taza Chocolate Factory, 561 Windsor St.,
Somerville**

[Jewish Food Justice! An Organic Farm Retreat](#)

April 1-3, 2011

Adamah Farm at Isabella Freedman

Educational Opportunities

Previously Mentioned:

(Click the links for more information)

[The Bard Center for Environmental Policy Masters in Environmental Policy or Climate Science and Policy](#)

Webinars

Consumption and the Environment Webinar Series

First Tuesday of every month, starting February 1st

12:30 pm

This series is coordinated by EPA Region 10 and the West Coast Climate and Materials Management Forum. It is designed to provide you with the information and resources you need to reduce GHG emissions and to create more sustainable patterns of consumption in your community.

March 1st: Consumption, Advertising and the Creation of Desire

Speaker: Barry Schwartz, Author, "The Paradox of Choice"

Register for the series [here](#).

2011 Greener Campus Webinars

February 10 at 2:00pm Eastern [Eco-Reps - How students and staff are facilitating sustainability through](#)

[peer-to-peer education on campus](#)

February 24 at 2:00pm Eastern [Geothermal on Campus](#) - Clean, green approaches to heating and cooling campuses in all parts of the U.S.

March 10 at 2:00pm Eastern [Community Partnerships](#) - Advisory councils and other ways community college leaders are building partnerships for the success of green workforce initiatives.

For those who are interested, these will be streamed here at the Office of Sustainability (behind Miller Hall)!

See you next week. And don't forget to [send in your pictures](#) for the header!

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