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Your opinion matters!

As we retool our communications, it is important that we understand what our readers want. Please take a minute to answer these two (just 2!) questions and [tell us what you think about how we communicate with you.](#)

Stay in touch with the Office of Sustainability

Our office has temporarily moved to Schmalz House (15 Whitfield Rd, Somerville MA) for the summer but we will be back in Miller Hall by the end of August. Check us out online at:

[The Office of Sustainability website](#) (sustainability.tufts.edu)

Follow us on [twitter](#)

Tufts Office of Sustainability Summer 2011


Dear Tufts Environmental,

There's a lot of construction going on this summer, and the Office of Sustainability is on that wave. Not only is our physical location getting a makeover, but our online presence will be undergoing an overhaul as well.



The newsletter will be going on hiatus while we work on bringing you a stronger, integrated set of communications. Our goal is to use more interactive platforms to engage our readers and give everyone an opportunity to join the conversation on sustainability.

In the meantime, you can stay updated on news, events, jobs and opportunities by using the following:

- Visit the [Tufts Office of Sustainability website](#)
- Subscribe to our [Twitter](#) feed 
- Like [our new page on Facebook](#) 

Don't forget: we have a **book club** this summer featuring *Cradle to Cradle* (see below) and a **wind turbine tour** scheduled for mid-August on behalf of the Eco-Ambassadors.

You will hear from us once the re-designed newsletter is ready but do not hesitate to stay in touch through [email](#) and leaving us your comments on [Facebook](#) or [Twitter](#).

Stay green!

Find us on Facebook 

The Grab Bag

Here's a hilarious little music video on the difficulties inherent in acquiring organic/locally produced/anti-biotic free/humane food.



Whole Foods Parking Lot - Music Video [HD]

Look out for links to other interesting videos on our [Facebook page!](#) 

Job Opportunities

While the newsletter is on hiatus, job leads will be posted on our [Facebook](#) page. Don't forget to check out these links:

[Career resources at the Office of Sustainability](#)

[More job listings from TIE](#)

Interesting Links

Educational

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

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P.S. The search is on for next year's batch of [Eco-Reps](#) and [Eco-Ambassadors](#)! If you are interested in participating (or know of anyone who might be), please [email tuftsecoreps@gmail.com](mailto:tuftsecoreps@gmail.com) to become an Eco-Rep and [visit our website](#) to be an Eco-Ambassador.

In the News

Re2Pack achieves 67% recycling rate during spring moveout

Student move-out generates (literally!) tons of trash every year. This past spring - for the second year in a row - the Tufts Facilities Department halted trash collection during move-out and hired a recycling company instead. Custodians were given permission to dispose of bags of trash and bags of recycling in the same dumpster, then the dumpsters went to EL Harvey and Sons where recyclables and trash were manually separated. Fifty-two (52) tons of recycled material was separated from the initial 77 tons collected, resulting in a 67% recycling rate!



Can you spot the recyclables?

The program formerly known as Jumbo Drop was rebranded as "Re2Pack - Reuse, Recycle, and Pack" - to encourage people to manage their possessions responsibly instead of implying that they can simply walk out of their dorms and leave everything behind. Historically, it has been a struggle for custodians to keep the recycling separate while removing the trash from the dormitories. For students, it was also a struggle to finish their last finals, pack, clean and still keep up their recycling habits as they rush off for the summer.

Kudos to the Facilities Department for implementing the new process and the [Eco-Reps](#) for helping to spread the word at the dorms! Read more about the move-out on the [TuftsRecycles blog](#).

Summer Book Club

[Cradle to Cradle](#)

by William McDonough and Michael Braungart

Blogs

- [Tufts Bikes](#)
- [Tom Thumb's Student Garden](#)
- [The Veg Table](#)
- [Girly Green Girl](#)

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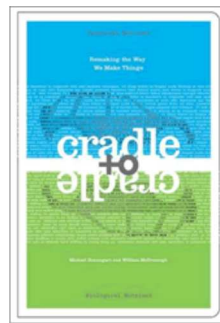


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Looking for an interesting and informative read? This summer's book club selection might just be the ticket for you! Cradle to Cradle is a manifesto calling for the transformation of human industry through ecologically intelligent design.

Through historical sketches on the roots of the industrial revolution; commentary on science, nature and society; descriptions of key design principles; and compelling examples of innovative products and business strategies already reshaping the marketplace, McDonough and Braungart make the case that an industrial system that "takes, makes and wastes" can become a creator of goods and services that generate ecological, social and economic value.

The summer book club will meet at the end of August over lunch break to discuss the book. Hope to see you there!

Events

Off-Campus

Medford Wind Turbine Tour

August 17, 2010
12:30 PM (tentative)
McGlynn School, Medford

Interested in seeing clean energy at work? Join the Eco-Ambassadors as they tour [a wind turbine right here in Medford!](#)

The tour will begin at the McGlynn school where we will first listen to a short presentation about the permitting and installation of the turbine, and then we will visit the turbine up close.

You can either meet us at the McGlynn school (3002 Mystic Valley Pkwy Medford, MA 02155) at 12:25 pm, or if you would prefer to carpool, meet at the Fletcher parking lot (near home plate) at 12:15 pm.

[RSVP using this link.](#) Hope to see you there!



[Green Streets Walk-Ride Day](#)
July 29 (Every last Friday of the month)



Wear Green, Go Green, and Get Rewarded on the last Friday of every month! On these days, people everywhere are invited to first, Go Green (walk, bike, use public transit, skate, canoe, etc.) and Wear Green...then celebrate and get rewarded! Celebrate in your school or workplace - often with special incentives, raffles, thank-you's - and then get rewarded online and by a network of local retailers and other businesses who will thank you with raffles, discounts and freebies you for your green-going efforts.) [Sign up/pledge online.](#)

Boston GreenFest

August 18-20 (City Hall Plaza, Boston, MA)

Boston GreenFest 2011 is a fully inclusive festival filled with fun learning experiences to address the important changes we need to make in our daily lives and our neighborhoods. It will begin at Boston City Hall Plaza with a Kick-Off Concert on Thursday, August 18, from 5-9:30 pm and will continue all day long, Friday-Saturday, August 19-20, from noon-9:30 pm and 11 am-8 pm.

Highlights from this year include:

- Native American Drum Ceremony
- Green Fireworks and Light Show
- EcoQuest: EcoHistory Scavenger Hunt
- Over 200 Exhibitors
- 80+ Live Performances

Previously Mentioned:

Volunteer at Lowell Folk Festival

July 29-31 (Lowell, MA)

RECHARGE! A Retreat for Rising Clean Energy Leaders

August 21-26, 2011 - Mt. Hood, Oregon

Moving Planet: A Day to Move Beyond Fossil Fuels

September 24 (Lexington, MA)

Educational Opportunities

2011 International Green Energy Economy Conference

July 28-29 (Washington, DC)

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become a green economy, built upon foundations of innovation, clean energy, green jobs, and sustainability. The National Council for Science and the Environment has gathered speakers from more than a dozen countries and the conference

will focus on the interplay between clean-energy strategies and policies to secure significant technological innovation, workforce development to promulgate green jobs, and sustainability principles to guide economies and societies toward sustainability. Register [here](#) and visit their [website](#) for more information.

NOFA Summer Conference

August 12-14 (UMass Amherst, MA)

NOFA Summer Conference attendees register for an entire weekend of keynote speeches, over 225 workshops, a country fair, farmers' market, over 100 exhibitors and vendors, a children's conference, a teen conference, live entertainment and silent auction. Over the years, NOFA has presented a wide array of thoughtful, engaging and important keynote speakers, including Wendell Berry, Joel Salatin, and others. The 2011 Friday evening keynote will be given by perennial-edibles expert and award-winning author, Eric Toensmeier, from Holyoke, MA. The 2011 Saturday evening keynote will be given by Biology professor and anti-GMO activist Dr. Ignacio Chapela, from UC Berkeley.

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