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Dear Tufts Environmental,

Now that we are well into the spring semester, it's time for another Eco-Reps update. The <a href="Eco-Reps program">Eco-Reps program</a>, which previously only served undergraduate dorms, has now expanded to Blakeley Hall! Chris Ndung'u, a Fletcher student, is Blakeley's new Eco-Rep. He hopes his new role will help the dorm, which houses many international students, learn about ways to be green at Tufts. He's off to a great start with programs like composting, a weekly newsletter, and a bi-weekly "Eco Moment" discussion group.

As part of <u>Tufts' Dorm Recycling Contest</u>, the Eco-Reps each organized a "waste sort" for their dorms. They hunted through the trash to see if there were any recyclable or compostable materials, and were surprised to find that many



Chris Ndung'u Blakeley Hall Eco-Rep

recyclable materials are still being thrown away! The Reps hope that this activity will draw attention to the fact that the dorms can still make progress in their recycling habits. If they do, they have a chance to win the dorm recycling competition, which runs until April 30. (Tufts is also using the dorm recycling results to compete nationally in <a href="RecycleMania">RecycleMania</a> - see below for Week 3 results.)

The Eco-Reps are hard at work with planning for other dorm events, including a spring Zero-Waste Challenge. So stay tuned and stay green!

-Nick Lusardo
 Communications Intern, Office of Sustainability

## **Upcoming Events**

Mar 6: "Feeding 9 Billion While Maintaining the Planet" with Speaker Jason Clay



When: Tuesday, March 6th @ 6:30 PM Where: Cabot 206

OneWorld and The Poverty and Power Research Initiative (PPRI) invites you to a discussion with Jason Clay, senior V.P. of the World Wildlife Fund on the topic. We invite the Tufts community think about how to transparently grow more food without turning over more land to agricultural production, thus tackling the first

### **Green Media**



HowStuffWorks -Recycling Aluminum

In the spirit of RecycleMania, watch this interesting video clip detailing the aluminum can recycling process and how it is helping to save the planet!

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steps toward sustainability in food production and consumption. For more information about Dr. Jason Clay and his work with WWF, see the <u>website</u>.

- Mar 7: Everett Rain Garden Community Meeting
- Mar 7-8: Conference, Ecological Landscaping Association (Springfield, MA)
- Mar 6-8: BuildingEnergy Conference and Trade Show
- Mar 13: MyRWA Flatbread Pizza Doughraiser
- Mar 21: Energy Leaders Roundtable for Massachusetts
   Drinking Water and Wastewater Utilities
- Mar 22: "Work of 1000" Film & Discussion with Marion Stoddart
- Mar 30: Walk/Ride Day Corporate Challenge!
- April 20-21: Tufts Energy Conference 2012

#### **Upcoming Webinars**

- March 22: Understanding How to Grow Green Jobs Webinar
- March 22: SSF Webinar: Economic Vitality in a Changing Climate

#### **Contests**

- Win a Trip to Rio: UN PRME Leaders+20 (Mar 19 deadline)
- <u>Tufts Energy Competition 2012</u> (Deadline extended! Mar 15)

New events are posted regularly
on the <u>TuftsGetsGreen blog</u> and on our <u>Facebook</u> f page.
Set up a <u>dedicated RSS feed</u> to get real-time updates.

## **RecycleMania**

**Tufts University** 

Week 3 Results

7th/23 in Massachusetts 15th/291 in the "Per Capita Classic" category

We have only until March 30 to move up the ranks. **Let's get recycling, Jumbos!** 

#### **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

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- Internships, MyRWA (Arlington, MA)
- Sustainability Officer, MacEwan U (Edmonton, AB, Canada)
- Sustainability Fellow, HEASC
- Environmental Internships, ARAMARK (Philadelphia, PA)
- Internships, MassDEP (Boston, MA)
- Internship, Energy Efficiency Program, New Ecology Inc. (Boston, MA)
- Sustainability Wiki & Media Manager, New Ecology Inc. (Boston, MA)
- Learning Facilitator, Earthwatch Institute (Boston or Brazil)
- Organics Planning Assistant, Dept of Public Works (Cambridge, MA)
- Summer Intership, Neponset River Watershed Association (Canton, MA)

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