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Tufts *Sustainability in Action!* gets green



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Jumbo Drop is Changing!



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

Winter Farmer's Market?

"The Shape Up Somerville Steering Committee winter market working group has developed a short survey to measure consumer demand for a

Office of Sustainability Newsletter May 7, 2010

Dear Tufts Environmental,

The last week say the last day of classes and end of year celebrations galore, including the Office of Sustainability's Environmental Action Celebratory Luncheon. Read more about it below.

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Feature Article

Celebrating Environmental Action at Tufts

Forty-five people gathered in the Chase Center yesterday to celebrate the work of staff and students in bringing about behavior change on campus.

While enjoying a meal of local, sustainable foods guests listened to presentations from two student groups and 4 staff groups about the actions they had taken on campus or in their offices to make Tufts more sustainable. The topics ranged from the trayless campaign (which many of you may remember from this past year!) to recycling outreach in on the Grafton campus.

Eco-Ambassadors received their certifications of completion and a very cool clip-on, screw-top, aluminum mug, and had the opportunity to mingle with President Bacow, Executive Vice President



Somerville winter market. Please take a few minutes to complete [this short survey](#) and help spread the word by sharing it with your networks."

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. (Medford campus)

[Lead Boston is Recruiting for its leadership class of 2011](#)

[Sustainability Specialist](#) (Atlanta)

[World Wildlife Fund Internships](#) (Washington DC)

[Graduate Research Assistant: Sustainable Agriculture](#) (GDAE, Tufts)

[New York Policy Manager](#) American Farmland Trust (NY)

[Project Director, Communications Manager](#) (2 diff positions), Kids' Safe And Healthful Foods Campaign, Pew Health Group (Washington, DC)

Winchester, MA Climate Action Plan Task Force seeking [intern to help with the development of the town's 1st Climate Action Plan.](#) (MA)

[Sustainable Environmental Entrepreneurs \(SEE\)](#) [AmeriCorps Member Positions](#) (Vermont)

Patricia Campbell and show off their accomplishments to their invited supervisors.

As President Bacow says every year, "next year I hope to see a bigger group and more diversity!" (the three men in the room felt sorely outnumbered I guess). We hope that this event will continue to provide a forum for sharing successes, stories and building community among the environmentally minded citizens of Tufts.

[View the presentation](#)

Remembering Susan Storm

By Jeanne Eisenhaure



Eco-Ambassador Susan Storm passed away earlier this year.

At Susan's memorial a few weeks ago, I kept hearing a resounding sentiment of her selflessness and dedication to others. Given Susan's character, it is no surprise that she was committed to environmentally sustainable

changes, not for herself, but to help future generations.

Susan brought her humor, spirit, and dedication to the Tufts community, and luckily also to the Eco-Ambassadors. She worked to implement many changes at her office, including things like consolidating meetings to reduce travel and having the office go disposable cup free! At one Eco-Ambassadors' meeting, Susan told me about the lengthy process she went through to make sure old appliances from her apartment building didn't end up in the landfill; I remember thinking, if she can do that, I can do more too.

Susan always had a fresh approach to challenges and inspired me to think creatively about how to change people's behavior for the better. Her enthusiasm will continually remind me not to be deterred by setbacks and that small changes are still victories. I believe that you honor those who have passed through your actions, and I think Susan would be happy to see Tufts' continuing progress in environmental sustainability.

The Tufts environmental community has lost a powerful ally and Susan will be dearly missed.

Upcoming Events

[AASHE Publications](#)

[Coordinator](#) - May work in offices in CO, KY or at home.

[Student Scholarship to Summer Study on Efficiency in Buildings](#)

See also [previous postings](#)

Writers Wanted

[Greening of Oil](#) has a column entitled "365 Days of Green" and it's written by students across the United States. All of them are connected to natural resources, green initiatives and/or journalism in some way, shape or form.

Student columnists receive \$25 per column and \$5 per photo used.

[More...](#)

Sign up for the Mass Commuter Challenge!

Celebrate National Bike Month and Bay State Bike Week by [registering for the TUFTS TEAM](#) in the 2010 MassCommuter Challenge, a friendly competition between Massachusetts businesses, institutions and municipalities to encourage bike commuting.

[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.

CRED: A New Model of Climate and Development DR. FRANK

ACKERMAN

Wednesday, May 12, 2010, 12:00-1:30 p.m.

Cabot 703, 170 Packard Avenue, Medford Campus

The Stockholm Environment Institute welcomes faculty, students, staff, and Tufts Community members to this brown bag lunch. At this event, Dr. Ackerman will present Climate and Regional Economics of Development (CRED), which is designed to analyze the economics of climate and development choices. The principal innovations in CRED are the treatment of global equity, calculation of the optimum interregional flows of resources, and the use of McKinsey marginal abatement cost curves to project the cost of mitigation.

Bay State Bike Week

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May 17-21

Massachusetts celebrates bicycle transportation

Activities at Tufts Medford Campus

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

First 25 bike commuters get a t-shirt and free stuff!

Tuesday: Commuting Safely Presentation by Mass Bike (5 PM (tentative), location 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, Mayer Campus Center, room 218)

Activities at Tufts Boston Campus

Friday: Commuting and Transportation Fair

11:30 - 1:30 PM

TMC Atrium

Sign up for the Mass Commuter Challenge and check out electric and folding bikes from [Pietzo Bikes](#). [A Better City Transportation Management Association](#) will be on hand to provide information about how to commute safely, easily and cost effectively.

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](#)

Green Office / Green Facility Conference

June 15, 2010, 8:00 am - 2:15 pm

The LaCava Center at Bentley University, 175 Forest Street, Waltham, MA

Cost-Effective Sustainability Tools for Businesses, Institutions and Non-Profits.

In addition to dozens of displays of green products and services and the 60-page Green Office Manual, the conference features three workshop tracks:

1. Eye on the Money with sessions on: Funding Green Initiatives, Top 10 Products that Save Money Over Time, Saving Money through "Reduce, Reuse, Recycle"
2. Working with Staff with sessions on: Green Careers, Selling Sustainability to Co-Workers and Management, Green Teams and Their Projects
3. Nuts and Bolts with sessions on: Indoor Air Quality, Greenwashing and Eco-Labels, Green Landscaping

[More info](#)

Green Your Marketing

June 17th, 2010 8:30-9:30am

Cambridge City Hall Annex

Join SBLP and CEA for a morning workshop with Green Marketing guru Leah Bloom. In this workshop, you will learn how to identify earth-friendly business practices you already use, and how to get the word out in a way that is both creative and consistent with your existing brand and communications plan. We'll discuss how to avoid "greenwashing," what elements of traditional marketing translate especially well to the green economy, and why it's important to green your marketing along with the rest of your business.

The Delta Project

June 16 - 18, 2010

College of the Atlantic, Bar Harbor, ME

This three-day think-tank, set on College of the Atlantic's oceanfront campus in Bar Harbor, will bring together speakers and thought leaders from leading educational, corporate, and governmental institutions to look at sustainability challenges through various lenses, mirroring the College's distinctive educational philosophy of human ecology.

[More...](#)

Beyond Green: Sustainability Action Summer Institute

June 21- 25, 2010

Lowell, MA

This year's Sustainability Action Summer Institute will address topics such as systems thinking, generational goal-setting, sustainable product design, and alternatives assessment. It is designed for environment, health, and sustainability advocates in government, non-government organizations, corporations, private foundations, labor unions, health care institutions, and universities. The 5-day Summer Institute assumes participants have a working knowledge of sustainability issues. Space is limited. You may register for one day or for all five days. Registration fees rise after May 7, when requests for a limited number of partial tuition scholarships are also due. For further information, [click here](#).

Educational Opportunities

Vermont Energy Education Program

(VEEP) has limited slots available in our Summer 2010 Institutes for teachers, in Solar and Wind Energy.

VEEP provides programs for schools, community and church groups, libraries, and museums upon request. VEEP also provides training and curriculum materials for Vermont teachers on the topics of energy efficiency, renewable energy, and conventional energy sources. [More.](#)

Also, check out the educational opportunities from [previous newsletters](#).

Good Luck on Finals!

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