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The Story of Electronics

Annie Leonard, creator of "The Story of Stuff" has now teamed up with the Electronics TakeBack Coalition to create her newest film, The Story of Electronics. The Electronics

November 12, 2010

Dear Tufts Environmental,

This week we've got some really fun events for you, including a great How-To on composting coming up later in the month put together by the Eco-Reps. I've been struggling with my own compost system for a couple of weeks now, so I'll definitely be there.

Additionally, there's a great new space that the Occupational Therapy School has put together in their basement where students can go to get things that other students have given up, like kitchen equipment or luggage. Additionally, there's a great space for sharing green initiatives on campus. Check out the full write up on this space below!

Lastly, be sure to enjoy the fantastic weather we're going to have this weekend, because it's getting cold really quickly!

Stay Green!

-Jason

TakeBack Coalition is a group advocating green design and responsible recycling in the electronics industry. Watch the informative and entertaining film here!

Header photo: Students in the Sustainable Agriculture class tour the Tufts Community Garden with their teacher Jeff Hake (center). Photo taken from <u>The Veg Table</u>.

Campus Clothes Line T-Shirt Design Contest

The Campus Clothes Line, an online laundry resource launched by Mac-Gray Campus Solutions, has launched a T-Shirt design contest. The Campus Clothes Line offers tips and tricks for sustainable clothes washing, as well as general laundry tidbits. The grand prize for the research design contest is \$500 as well as your design produced. The top ten finalists will be featured on the web page. For more information on the contest, visit this website.



Climate Change Ouiz

Take the true or false quiz that pits your knowledge of global warming against public officials, media personalities, and political

On Campus News

Tufts Students promote Alternative Energy in Haiti

A group of Tufts students under the name of Sustainable Energy Access for Haiti (SEAH) is aiming to go to Haiti to build a solar powered Birthing Ward in a rural community there. This project is an independent project run by four engineering students, one of our hard-working interns here at OOS! While the project is still in the works, SEAH hopes to have the ward completed by the end of next summer. Read more about the project in the <u>Tufts Daily</u>.

New Student Free Cycle Space

The Boston School of Occupational Therapy at Tufts has converted its basement room at its house at 26 Winthrop Street into a space for student Free Cycling, Green News, Promotion, and Education. It also serves as a space for students to set up charity collection stations, for charities such as Soles for Souls and the Giving Tree. There are also bulletin boards for students and members of the community to share their green activities.

It is still growing and developing but it has been well received and well used by the incoming students. They have been able to stock up on on kitchen items and winter clothing donated by other students at the end of the last semester and other faculty and staff at OT who are happy to recycle.

Swing by and check out the awesome changes!

hacks. See if you can tell who's "Got Science" versus who's spreading propaganda that's "Not Science" about global warming. Also, you get a free sticker just for taking it!



It's by the Union of Concerned Scientists and CREDO. <u>Click here to take</u> the quiz and get a free sticker!

Job Opportunities

<u>Director of Sustainability,</u> Washington U St. Louis

Coordinator, Institute for Sustainable Energy, Morehouse College

Research Assistant, Centre for Climate Change Economics and Policy (Leeds), UK

Environmental Coordinator, Lundberg Family Farms, CA

Winter Intern at the

Massachusetts Office of
Energy and Environmental
Affairs, Boston (Send cover
letter and resume to
john.clarkeson@state.ma.us)

More job listings from TIE

Career resources at OOS



The Free Cycle Space at 26 Winthrop

On-Campus Events

New:

Composting Workshop

November 21, 2010 4pm-6pm Campus Center

Learn to Compost in your home!

The Eco-Reps will be holding an open workshop on the



basics of composting. Feel free to stop by any time and learn hands on how to start composting in your home today, what to do with your food scraps, and other helpful tips. Two Eco-Reps will be available to answer questions about composting. We'll provide buckets for the first 25

participants. Contact<u>emily.ruff@tufts.edu</u> for more information!

Off-Campus events





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New:

Confronting our Dependence on Oil

November 30, 2010: 5-8pm **Boston University**

Come join us, Randy Udall, and other experts for an evening forum about the future of transportation and our dependence on oil. America's dependence on oil is our largest single source of global warming pollution. Oil costs families in the Northeast hundreds of billions of dollars per year, most of which leaves our region and our country. This summer, the Deepwater Horizon oil spill disaster provided a potent reminder of the massive environmental risks we take to feed our appetite for oil. What is the future of oil dependence in America? And what steps can we take to reduce or end our dependence on oil? On the evening of November 30, the Boston University Center for Energy and the Environment, along with Environment America, Conservation Law Foundation, ENE (Environment Northeast) and others will co-host a forum to discuss the future of oil policy in America. Discussion topics will include: What are the costs of oil consumption to our environment, our economy and our foreign policy? What steps can policymakers take to reduce our oil dependence? What are the most promising new technologies that can help the United States transition away from oil? How should the crisis of oil dependence impact the decisions we make on issues such as transportation, housing and land use policy? Join policymakers, academics, advocates, business innovators, media leaders, and students as we discuss a new path for America's energy and transportation policy. For additional information, please contact Dan Gatti at dgatti@environmentamerica.org or 617-747-4307.

New England Conference of the Parties, NE COP

November 19-21, 2010: Wesleyan University, CT

The United Nations is having a climate conference this winter, which is connected to the Kyoto protocol and similar to the conference in Copenhagen last year. Leaders from all over the world will meet to discuss the direction of international climate policy.

In response, Students for a Just and Stable Future (SJSF) decided to plan a conference for all students in New England where we could come up with our official stance as a generation on what policies we believe the international COP should follow. Our statement will be sent to the conference in Cancun.



We are the ones who will be affected most by these decisions, so we have to MAKE SURE that we are heard. This is one way to do that.

SJSF is collaborating with and co-sponsoring the National Conference on Pricing Carbon Emissions at Wesleyan to accomplish this.

- SJSF has 150 spots at a price of \$25/person (normal cost of the conference is \$125 and \$150 for day of registration). If you would like to register, do so BEFORE FRIDAY NOV. 5th at: https://salsa.democracyinaction.org/o/715/event/pricing-carbon-conference-2010. After Friday it goes up to \$40. Make sure that you check that you are with SJSF
- After registering, also email Sarabeth Buckley, <u>sarabeth.buckley@tufts.edu</u>. There are already people going from Tufts and we can coordinate transportation/figure out housing
- Speakers include Bill McKibben and James Hansen

Previously Mentioned:

(Click the links for more information)

Somerville Community Service Day: The Groundwork Greenathon

November 13, 2010 10am-2pm Various Locations, Somerville

2010 Recycling Award Gala Celebration

November 17, 2010 5:30 - 9pm The Artist for Humanity EpiCenter 100 West 2nd Street, Boston

Educational Opportunities

Previously Mentioned:

(Click the links for more information)

EPA Sustainability Grant Opportunity

Deadline: December 22, 2010 Inman Square, Cambridge (specifics TBA)

<u>Campus Ecology Costa Rica</u> January 4-13, 2011

Webinars

Solectria Renewables Webinar Series

Friday, November 19th, 2010 at 2pm - Utilizing Solectria Renewables PO Check list Friday, December 3rd, 2010 at 2pm - Utility-Scale Solar

For more information, and to register for the webinars, <u>click here</u>.

See you next week. And don't forget to <u>send in your pictures</u> for the header!

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