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STUDENT ENVIRONMENTAL CENTER

2 FEBRUARY 2012

UPCOMING EVENTS

February 5th

Everyday Hero Bike Ride

Celebrate Cycling this Sunday, rain or shine, from 10am to 2pm beginning at the UCSC Recreation Office. Six dollars will get you a homemade lunch, bike map, and the chance to be apart of this 8 to 10 mile ride. Sign up through OPERS at (831) -459-2531 or visit their [website](#).

February 11th

CEQA Workshop

This half-day workshop on the basics of the California Environmental Quality Act (CEQA) is free for students! It will be held on Saturday, February 11th at CSU Monterey Bay and hosted by the Monterey Bay Chapter of the Association of Environmental Professionals. For more information please email [Christine](#) or [Maria](#) and RSVP by February 6th.

February 15th

Blueprint Breakout

Don't miss the fifth and last breakout for the Earth Summits Blueprint for a Sustainable Campus, which will focus on **Academics and Curriculum**, as well as **Food Systems**. Wednesday, February 15th from 5:30 to 8:30 in the College Eight Red Room with a delicious dinner!

February 17th

Green Chef

Students for Organic Solutions is hosting a sustainable cooking competition involving a secret, local ingredient. They are currently seeking chefs in teams of three, the Chef Orientation is Friday, February 3rd, and the competition is Friday, February 17th. For more info, email greenchefucsc@gmail.com.

March 3rd

Earth Summit

Remember to save the date for the 11th annual Earth Summit Event on Campus from 11:00 to 5:00pm!



GET INVOLVED NOW

TAKE A LOOK AT OUR WEEKLY UPDATES

The purpose of the Student Environmental Center is to promote student involvement through research, education, and implementation of environmentally sustainable practices on campus in collaboration with the university

NEW QUARTER - NEW YOU

Time flies by so fast, it is hard to remember all the things one accomplishes in a day. From classes to studying, and eating to sleeping, any student would be hard pressed to have any extra time to enjoy. But let this serve as a helpful reminder to make some time for yourself in your busy schedule and do the things you enjoy, like joining the Student Environmental Center and helping us preserve the wilderness of our campus! Our General Gathering are held every week on Wednesday in the College Eight Red room, from 6:30 pm to 8:30pm, with a wonderful home cooked vegetarian meal with vegan and gluten free options, truly inspiring individuals, and a chance to create change.

"You will never "find" time for anything. If you want time, you must make it." Charles Bruxton.

Enter your design into a contest for the 11th Annual Earth Summit's T-Shirts! For more information [email](#) Kelsey.

The Student Environmental Center is made up of six campaigns; Waste Prevention, Transportation, Students for Organic Solutions, Green Building, Earth Summit, and the College Eight Garden. Each Campaign is busy helping to spread environmental awareness across UCSC! Contact us to learn about volunteer work, starting your own project, and much more!

Announcements

Waste Prevention

The Waste Prevention Campaign works toward creating

Zero Waste by 2020. Click [here](#) to get involved and see how we do it. For more information on waste prevention work contact Amber at aglaab@ucsc.edu



Students for Organic Solutions

Students for Organic Solutions (SOS) brings foodies together to improve food systems on campus. Specifically to raise awareness about the health, environmental, social, and economic implications of our current approach to food. There are plenty of ways to get involved, learn more [here](#). For further information, contact Dominique at dtteixei@ucsc.edu



Campus Walk

College 8 will be teaming up with Campus Natural Reserve Steward Alex Jones as he leads us through the wild and mysterious areas of our campus. The theme of the walk will be "Opening Our Senses," this Friday February 3rd, 2 to 4pm meeting at the C8 Red Room. Any questions please contact Sam Moll smoll@ucsc.edu

Take Back the Tap

Take Back the Tap at UCSC is working hard to ban the sale of plastic water bottles on campus. If you want to get involved, and help UCSC make the next step toward sustainability, check out our [website!](#)

Carbon Fund

The Carbon Fund will be holding an orientation on **Friday, January 27th** from **2:00 to 3:30pm** at the College Eight Red Room. The Carbon Fund staff will be there to walk you through the grant application process as well as answer any questions you might have. Come by for the opportunity to network with other green-minded students, staff, and faculty and learn how to get your greenhouse gas reduction project funded. Refreshments provided! Visit the Carbon Fund's [website](#) for more information.

PICA Garden Workday

Every Saturday PICA will be hosting Garden Workdays in the A Quad on the Village from **10:00 to 2:00pm**. Come ready to work, meet people, and enjoy a deliciously prepared fresh lunch! Visit PICA's [website](#) for more information on who they are and everything they do.

Kresge Garden Workday

Come to the Kresge Garden workday and workshop every Sunday! We will be in the garden from **10:00 to 2:00pm**. To see what the weekly workshop will be on check out our [website](#).

If your organization would like to add announcements to this newsletter, please [email](#) information by 9pm Monday.



Green Building

The Green Building campaign offers opportunities for students to build and improve sustainability on campus, while Building Audits enable students to rate how green a building is. Click [here](#) for details about Green Building projects or contact Carson at cbwatts@ucsc.edu



Transportation

The Transportation Campaign is dedicated to increasing awareness of alternative transportation and challenging the current transportation system. The [Bike Class](#) is still open for enrollment, to learn more contact Andrew at szeto.andrew@gmail.com

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College 8 Garden

The College 8 Garden is a beautiful space that offers peer-facilitated education. Currently the garden is expanding and kicking off many exciting projects. The 1 unit class (CLEI 90) offered by College 8 Garden is just starting winter planting. For more details on how to get involved, [email](#) the College 8 Garden staff.



Earth Summit

Earth Summit plans events such as the Blueprint for a Sustainable Campus and the annual Campus Earth Summit to bring individuals together to share ideas! To learn more about these collaborative events click [here](#). Or contact Eliza to get involved at emilio@ucsc.edu



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