

## E-News You Can Use

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### Announcements

#### **Sierra Club National Elections**

Don't forget to vote! <http://www.sierraclub.org/bod/2007election>

#### **CFL Disposal**

CFL's are a great way to save energy but how do you dispose of them safely? See the web site for the answers.

<http://delaware.sierraclub.org/indexNew.asp>

### Socials

*April 19, 7 PM*

Home Grown Café in Newark . Have a drink and meet your fellow members. Solve the world's problems all in one fun evening.

*May 3, 6:30 PM*

Sorentino's Resturant in Dover

Order off the menu, open bar. All members and their guest are invited.

### Volunteering

#### **Volunteer Sign-Up Form**

If you have not yet filled out our volunteer sign-up form, please fill it out at

[delaware.sierraclub.org/survey](http://delaware.sierraclub.org/survey)

#### **Phonebanking**

If you would be interested in helping phonebank our membership during April/May, please respond and let us know!

#### **CFL RECYCLING**

Are you a scout leader? Would you like to create a program with your troop to help recely CFL's? Contact Kathleen

[kdav40@aol.com](mailto:kdav40@aol.com)

#### **April 14, Saturday 8a-12noon**

*Christina River Watershed Cleanup*

Help clean the single most important natural resource our region- the waterways. The Christina River Watershed provides 75% of the public water supply for residents and businesses in New Castle County. A solid effort is needed to annually to keep the waterways as free of debris as possible. Contact Jenny 540-4546. [jennifermegan28@msn.com](mailto:jennifermegan28@msn.com)

#### **April 28th Saturday 9:00am- 2:00 pm**

*Ecosystem Restoration on the St. Jones River Greenway.*

Volunteers are needed to help restore a meadow habitat and native plant wetland buffer at the Hunn Conservation area near Lebanon Landing. Call Wayne McCarty 744-2489

### Sierra Club Film Festival

*April 20 and 21*

The Sierra Club is partnering with the League of Women Voters and Delaware State University's Ag and NR Dept. to present a FREE energy film festival, " *THE HOT TOPIC: the use, abuse, and future of energy*". It will be held in the Washington Cooperative Extension Center on the campus of DSU on Friday, April 20th, from 7PM to 10PM and

Saturday, April 21st, from 1PM to 9PM . 24 documentaries will be shown continuously at 4 adjacent venues...so whenever you arrive, you can jump right into a viewing. We are featuring 2 special films: First, *An Inconvenient Truth*, will be shown several times. It is scheduled for 7PM on Friday, and 2, 5, 7PM on Saturday. Also, *Wind Power for Delaware*, a film promoting Bluewater Wind, the company currently bidding to furnish Delaware with a 200 turbine wind park off the coast of Rehoboth, will be shown around Al Gore's award-winner. This is a great opportunity to immerse yourself in energy images and information... *knowledge empowers!* More details are available at [delaware.sierraclub.org](http://delaware.sierraclub.org)

## **Celebrate Earth Day**

Friday April 13 at 7:00 PM **An Inconvenient Truth** at the First Unitarian Church at 730 Halstead Road. Call the church at 478-2384. Chad Tolman will lead a discussion afterwards.

Saturday April 14 at 2:00 PM **An Informational Picket** at Concord Square Shopping Center at 5211 Concord Pike, Wilmington, in front of Borders Books. Contact John Atkeison at 302-345-0607 or [john@atkeison.org](mailto:john@atkeison.org) for details.

Saturday April 14 at 2:00 PM **An Inconvenient Truth** at the Limestone Presbyterian Church at 3201 Limestone Road. Call the church at 994-5646.

Saturday April 14 at 4:30-5:30 PM **Meet Candidates** for the 2008 U.S. House seat, answering questions on energy and climate change. Chad Tolman, Moderator, at the Limestone Presbyterian Church at 3201 Limestone Road. Call the church at 994-5646.

Sunday April 22 at 2:00 PM **An Inconvenient Truth** at the Newark Free Library at 750 Liberty Ave. , Newark . Phone 731-7550.

Sunday April 22 at 6:30 PM **An Inconvenient Truth** at the Woodlawn Library at 2020 West 9th St. (at Bancroft Parkway ). Call 571-7425 for details.

Wednesday May 1 at 7:00 PM **An Inconvenient Truth** at the Wilmington Friends School at 101 School Road, Alapocas. Phone: 576-2900.

## **Public Hearings**

### **April 23, 7pm**

#### *Public Input Sought for Bog Turtle Habitat Conservation Plan*

A public meeting in Delaware will be held to seek public input on a new habitat conservation plan for the bog turtle, listed federally as a threatened species. The Delaware meeting will be held at 7 p.m. Monday, April 23 at the Delaware Nature Society's Ashland Nature Center, Brackenville Road , Hockessin. See the web site for more details

### **April 26, 6pm**

#### *Public Hearing on Proposed Regulation to Control Emissions from Stationary*

#### *Combustion Turbines*

DNREC's Air Quality Management Section will hold a public hearing April 26 on the proposed regulation to control emissions of nitrogen oxides (NOx) from existing, high emitting combustion turbines, also known as peaking units. The hearing will be held at DNREC's auditorium at the Richardson and Robbins Building , 89 Kings Highway, Dover, beginning at 6 p.m.

The proposed regulation (No. 1148) will require high emitting combustion turbines to meet the specific emission standards for NOx. Under current regulations, some combustion turbines are currently exempt from meeting the NOx emission standards due to their infrequent operation. However, DNREC's emission inventory data demonstrates that combustion turbines are significant NOx emitting sources. NOx emissions contribute to ground-level ozone, one of the principle components of smog. High levels of ozone can damage the respiratory system and lead to a variety of human health conditions, including asthma.

The proposed regulation will also reduce NOx emissions in Delaware during high electric demand days (HEDD). This

reduction will help meet the state's obligation to support the Ozone Transport Commission's regional HEDD NO<sub>x</sub> reduction initiative for the units subject to this regulation.

The proposed regulation was published in the April 1, 2007 issue of the Delaware Register of Regulations and can be accessed online at <http://regulations.delaware.gov/services/register.shtml>

Statements and testimony may be presented orally or in written form at the public hearing. It is requested that those interested in presenting statements at the public hearing register in advance by mail and that written statements and comments be addressed to:

DNREC  
Division of Air and Waste Management  
Air Quality Section  
156 S. State Street  
Dover, DE 19901