



The Green Connection



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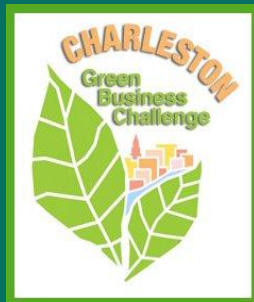
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Green Business Challenge Update:



Want to save money, go green and publicize your business?

Only 35 days left to submit your baseline.

[Click here](#) to learn more about the GBC.

Join the GBC by Leap Day- February 29th- by submitting your baseline.

Green Committee Meeting Developing the Green Plan's Progress Report

Help us count the ways
the plan has been
implemented.

February 14th, 8 - 10 am

John Wesley United Methodist
Church Gymnasium
626 Savannah Highway (CARTA Route 30)

All are welcome!
Always at 8am

Share a ride to the
Charleston Green Committee
Meetings.



The Charleston Green Committee
Meetings

Just sign up to get your scorecard. Click [here](#) to sign up.

Scorecard help is only a phone call away. Call Carolee at 724-3776 to set up a time that works for you.

Join these businesses in learning how to go green and saving money. As of press time, the following are in the GBC for Year Two, having submitted their baseline scorecard.

1. Auto Sound Specialist / Alternative Energy Systems
2. Sustainability Institute - 113 Calhoun
3. Hawthorn Suites
4. Sustainability Institute - GreenHouse
5. Southern Atlantic Solar
6. Meadors
7. Morris Financial Concepts Inc.
8. McKellar & Associates, Architects
9. DwellSmart
10. Charleston Water System
11. Blackbaud, Inc
12. A.C. Corcoran Elementary
13. Daniel Island Academy
14. Charles Ramberg Furnituremaker
15. City of Charleston 75 Calhoun
16. SCDHEC - EQC Region 7
17. Money with a Mission
18. Kiawah Island Community Association
19. Sustainable Energy Solutions

are now in the Tridentrideshare.com events calendar.



2012 Ecumenical Lenten Carbon Fast

New England Regional Environmental Ministries is hosting their annual Ecumenical Lenten Carbon Fast again this year.



Participants will receive an email every day from Ash Wednesday until Easter (February 22-April 8th) with suggestions of carbon-reducing activities and goals to focus on each day. Click [here](#) if you want to learn more or are ready to sign up!



Head of EPA Emphasizes the Significance of Recycling on the Dr.Oz Show

In December the head of the US Environmental Protection Agency, Lisa Jackson, was interviewed on Dr. Oz's show and she highlighted the extensive benefits recycling can have for our country. She



considered recycling to be the most important message to send to people and discussed recycling's ability to stimulate the economy with jobs and become its own supply chain. Click [here](#) to watch the interview. She focuses on recycling around the 3 minute and 50 second

20. Natural Designs Woodturning, LLC
21. Duvall
22. Whitesides Elementary School
23. Chastain Construction
24. Holiday Inn Express and Suites
25. Charleston Charter School of Math and Science
26. Circular Congregational Church
27. DHEC OCRM
28. Burke Services Inc.

Does your business provide a service that the Green Business Challenge would be interested in?

[Email](#) us to add your business to the resource list.

Green Tips:

Sounds odd but the yogurt in your fridge that's a few days past its expiration date doesn't have to be thrown out... it can actually be a refreshing non-toxic face mask. Especially when mixed with honey and cucumber

Want to make your own bronzer? Here is another interesting idea to avoid using chemical-heavy commercial makeup: mix cinnamon, sugar, and essential oils for a safe and fragrant glow.

point in the short video.



Local Family-Owned Business Offers New Green Funeral Service

J. Henry Stuhr Funeral Chapels and Crematories announces a new environmentally conscious burial service certified by the Greenhaven Preserve, a green burial council. The 146-year-old family owned business is known for offering families outstanding and compassionate service so this new option only further demonstrates their concern for their community and local environment. Green funeral services use environmentally friendly caskets and shrouds and other sustainable funeral products.



To complement the green funeral offerings, J. Henry Stuhr has partnered with Greenhaven Preserve, a Green Burial Council certified conservation burial cemetery, to provide a woodland setting for natural interments. The cemetery is permanently protected by the Congaree Land Trust. [Click here](#) to read more about these eco friendly burial options.



Around Charleston Events

Want to save water, energy, and shampoo costs? [Here's](#) an easy recipe for homemade dry shampoo!

Source: Planet Green

Stay In Touch!

The Green Connection is always eager to hear your feedback and advise. Please [Email](#) us and let us know what you think!

Like what you see and want to keep up to-date with the green community events in Charleston?

[**Subscribe!**](#)

Also, don't forget to check us out on Facebook:



Green Drinks Event at Kudu... Tonight!

January 26th, 2012

6-9 p.m.

Kudu Coffee and Craft Beer
4 Vanderhorst Street

Come join other environmentally interested individuals for discussions, drinks, and a casual get-together.



There will be a

presentation on sustainable brewing by Jared from New Belgium Brewing along with the first tasting of "Jared's Ale."

Green Drinks are events are fun, informal opportunities for the community to engage about environmental issues.

Also, there will be coffee and other non-alcoholic drinks available so this event is open to all! Click [here](#) for more info.

Climate Reality Project at College of Charleston

January 31st, 2012

7-9 p.m.

Auditorium of the New Mathematics and Science Building
202 Calhoun Street

Interested in climate change? The College of Charleston's Ecology Club and Master of Environmental Studies Student Association will be hosting a presentation from leaders of the Climate Reality Project that will discuss sources, problems, and solutions to climate change with the general public. There will be drinks and snacks after so make sure to swing by!

B.I.G & Local Expo

February 8th, 2012

8 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Founder's Hall at
Charlestowne Landing
1500 Old Towne Road

The Best in Green and
Local Expo will allow
business and customers
to network

and advertise. There will
also be many workshops
on crucial business skills such as
marketing, finance, e-selling, green
teams, and leadership. Customers and
businesses alike will benefit from the
experience! Tickets are \$5 off if
purchased by January 31. GBC
participants who have submitted their
scorecard have their own special price.
Click [here](#) to purchase tickets. Pay close
attention to the location because it has
recently changed.



Lowcountry Open Land Trust Public Meeting on a Vision for Conservation

February 8th, 2012

5:30 p.m.

Charleston County Library
68 Calhoun Street

LOLT invites you to hear progress and
voice concerns and suggestions about
local conservation efforts. They want
your input and ideas! Click [here](#) for more
info.



Backyard Chickens Classes

February 11th, 2012

9 a.m.- 12 p.m.

46 Windermere Boulevard

Interested in learning how to raise

chickens in your own backyard? Come out and learn about one of the most sustainable ways for you and your family to enjoy farm fresh eggs! Register [here!](#)

Home Energy Efficiency Workshop

February 11th, 2012

6 p.m.- 7 p.m.

St. Julian Devine Community Center

1 Cooper Street

AND

March 8th, 2012

6 p.m.- 7p.m.

Historic Charleston Foundation

40 East Bay Street

The Sustainability Institute is offering free classes to help the public learn how to save money and reduce energy use. They will discuss various rebates and incentives you could qualify for once you complete your energy efficiency improvements. Also, if you reserve your spot you could win a free energy kit! Register [here!](#)

Charleston Audubon Lecture

February 16th, 2012

6 p.m.- 8 p.m.

Charleston County Library, 2nd Floor Auditorium

68 Calhoun Street

Dr. Patrick Jodice, Associate Professor in the Department of Forestry and Natural Resources at Clemson University will be speaking about his research of seabird ecology in South Carolina and discuss movement patterns and habitat use of Bahamian seabirds. Learn More about the event [here.](#)



SC Walk to School Day

March 7th, 2012

Join with the rest of South Carolina and walk or roll to school on March 7th! Click [here](#) to register your event and learn more.

Charleston County Earth Day

April 14th, 2012

11 a.m.- 5 p.m.

Riverfront Park

If you would like to participate, please contact Christina

Moskos. Her phone

number is 720-7311 or you can click [here](#) to email her.



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