

Enviro-News

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Community Paper Shredding Event

Celebrate America Recycles Day with a City of Buffalo and Erie County sponsored free paper shredding event. Paper drop-offs will be accepted on **Saturday, November 9, 2013** from 9am to noon at the three Erie Community College campuses. Protect your identity and destroy your confidential documents for free. There is a limit of 5 boxes per vehicle, so please bring only those papers that need to be shredded for confidentiality. All shreds will be recycled by Cintas Document Management. Locations are: ECC City Campus (121 Ellicott St., Buffalo 14203), ECC South (4041 Southwestern Blvd., Orchard Park 14127) and ECC North (6205 Main St., Williamsville 14221). For additional info contact: Gary Carrel at 716-858-4805 or gary.carrel@erie.gov.

Add Your Voice to Regional Planning-Attend a Scenario Planning Workshop

Participate in a community-wide effort to promote more sustainable forms of development in the Buffalo Niagara Region. A week of Workshops is scheduled for **November 12-16th** across the region which will allow citizens to put Regional Values into concrete terms and decide where to recommend investments and what strategies to pursue to get us closer to our shared Regional Vision and Values. In these highly interactive, hands-on Workshops, One Region Forward will ask participants to work together mapping their future approach to land use, development, housing and transportation for our region. Check out this [video](#) to learn more and [register](#). One Region Forward, made possible by the Sustainable Communities Regional Planning program from the U.S. Department of Housing and Urban Development (HUD), combines research and public engagement with planning and action to help us meet the combined economic, environmental, and social challenges of the 21st century.

Tree Workshop-Back to Basics: How Professionals and Beginners Do It

Workshops for professionals, municipal staff, foresters and community tree enthusiasts will be held on **Friday, November 15** at Forest Lawn Cemetery Chapel Building (1411 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14209). The Morning session begins at 8:30am and will address "Street trees: Selecting the appropriate species and how to plant balled and burlapped, and bareroot trees" and "Pruning safety according to ANSI standards and outside large tree pruning demonstration". The afternoon session from 1-2:30pm will discuss grant funds available through the Urban Forestry Grants program and "A community perspective: New York State DEC Urban Forestry Grant from application to execution". You can register for one or both sessions: Full Day (lunch included): \$35.00 per person or \$25.00 for ReLeaf/Urban Forestry Council Members by 11/8/13, after 11/8/13 fee is \$45.00. Afternoon Registration (starting at 1:00 PM): \$10.00 per person // Free for ReLeaf/Urban Forestry Council Members. For further information and/or questions please contact, Pat Marren, Region 9 DEC Forester at 716-851-7010, pjmarren@gw.dec.state.ny.us. Please send registration to and make checks payable to: NYSUCF and return to: Mary Kramarchyk, Urban Forestry Program, NYS DEC, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233 or fax registration to: 518-402-9028.

Wine Tasting and Art Show-Fundraiser for Reinstein Woods

Friends of Reinstein Nature Preserve, Inc. invites the public to “Nature’s Gathering: An Evening of Art, Wine and Cheese,” on **Saturday, November 16, 2013** from 5:00 p.m. to 8:00 p.m. at the Father Justin Knights of Columbus Hall, 2735 Union Road, Cheektowaga. The event will raise funds to support environmental education programs at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve. Participants will enjoy a wine tasting from several area wineries, including Chateau Buffalo, Leonard Oakes Estate Winery, Willow Creek Winery, and Niagara Landing Wine Cellars. A local musician will provide atmosphere while more than 20 artists display and sell nature photography, paintings, painted glass, jewelry, and other unique forms of art. Local artisan cheese from Yancey’s Fancy and an exceptional selection of hors d’oeuvres featuring wild edibles will be served. A basket auction will take place throughout the night. Tickets are \$12 in advance or \$15 at the door. Tickets can be purchased at the Reinstein Woods Environmental Education Center, 93 Honorine Drive, Cheektowaga. A ticket order form is also available by searching for Nature’s Gathering on www.dec.ny.gov. For more information, call [716-683-5959](tel:716-683-5959).

Wildlife Rehabilitation Course at Hawk Creek

A two-day wildlife rehabilitation course will be offered at Hawk Creek Wildlife Center on **November 9 & 10, 2013** from 12-4pm each day. Develop a sense of appreciation & the importance of preserving native wildlife. Learn how to lend a helping hand to injured, orphaned & distressed animals in your community, while preparing for the NYSDEC Wildlife Rehabilitators Exam! [For more info, click here](#)

Horticulture I and II Certificate Classes at Botanical Gardens

The Buffalo & Erie County Botanical Gardens is offering its Horticulture I and II Certificate classes throughout the fall and winter. These classes are for those who want to know more than garden basics. Call 716.827.1584 ext. 291 for information. Classes are on select Saturdays from 11am-1pm. Each Series - Garden Members \$105, Non-Members \$130, Cost for individual classes - Members \$20, Non-Members \$25. Limited spaces, so reserve [here](#).

NYSAR3 Conference Educates on Waste Reduction, Reuse and Recycling

The New York State Association for Reduction, Reuse and Recycling (NYSAR3) invites you to our 24th Annual Conference and Trade Show, **November 13-14, 2013** and the Disaster Preparedness and Response pre-conference on November 12th at the Otesaga Resort Hotel in Cooperstown, NY. These events offer an opportunity for participants to network with other recycling professionals, decision-makers, recycling coordinators, state and business representatives from across our region, as well as to hear the latest about recycling and composting trends, markets and policies. Please register by **November 4** (registration soon to be posted at: <http://www.nysar3.org/>).

Building on our legacy of Design for Excellence: 21st Century Park

A conceptual rendering for an internationally significant waterfront park on Buffalo’s Outer Harbor was released last month. The release of this concept is intended to initiate a public dialogue on the future use of 130 acres of vacant property on the shore of Lake Erie. The 21st Century Park on the Outer Harbor” will feature innovative place-making elements that will improve the quality of life in Western New York providing recreational opportunities for people to gather, celebrate, contemplate and engage in activities that promote well-being, health, community, and the environment. It could be a major destination and connection along the Niagara River Greenway, a system of parks and conservation areas linking over 50 miles of bikeways, pathways and waterways along the Niagara River between Lake Ontario and Lake Erie. Joanne Kahn, Chairperson of “21st Century Park on the Outer Harbor” group stated, “For generations, our residents have been cut off from our Great Lakes and waterfront, this is our community’s chance to embrace and reconnect to the water, a vision shared by Frederick Law Olmsted back in 1888”. Kahn continued, “The goal of releasing this image is to allow the public to begin to visualize an alternate future for the Outer Harbor, and respond to Governor Cuomo’s call for public input into waterfront redevelopment”. Joan Bozer, Co-Chair of the 21st Century group said, “This Park could be a catalyst for economic revitalization and tourism in Western New York, and would enhance the land values of nearby properties”. Concept renderings are available on The 21st Century Park’s website: 21stcenturypark.org

Field & Fork Network Awarded Funding for Food Hub Planning Project

Field & Fork Network received \$175,000 from Farm Credit Northeast and the Western New Power Proceeds Allocation Fund to commence their Ready to Grow Food Hub Planning Project. This project has been viewed as a necessary step in connecting more of our locally grown agriculture products to the regional wholesale market. The planning initiative will entail a thorough market analysis, agriculture production analysis and infrastructure analysis of the five county region; Erie, Niagara, Orleans, Genesee, and Wyoming to best determine the feasibility of a food hub. As defined by the USDA, food hubs are organizations that actively manage the collection, distribution and marketing of food products from local and regional producers to strengthen their ability to satisfy wholesale, retail and institutional demand. The Ready to Grow Food Hub Planning Project will determine the appropriate business model that will best meet the needs of our region's growers and food buyers. For more information about Field & Fork Network and the Ready To Grow Food Hub Planning Project please contact Lisa Tucker at 716-465-5704 or via email at fieldandforknetwork@gmail.com.

Buffalo is a Bronze-level Bicycle Friendly Community

Buffalo was named a Bronze level Bicycle Friendly Community (BFC) by the League of American Cyclists. The League judges bicycle friendliness based on the "5 E's": Engineering, Education, Encouragement, Enforcement, and Evaluation & Planning. Each component is evaluated based on an application submitted by the city in question and assigned a level: Bronze, Silver, Gold, Platinum, and Diamond. The BFC program is transforming the way communities evaluate their quality of life, sustainability and transportation networks, while allowing them to benchmark their progress toward improving their bicycle-friendliness. With this impressive round, there are now 291 BFCs in 48 states across America. The BFC award recognizes Buffalo's commitment to improving conditions for bicycling through investment in bicycling promotion, education programs, infrastructure and pro-bicycling policies such as Complete Streets. Recent efforts have paid large dividends. Analysis of the American Community Survey data from the Census on bicycle commuting shows that Buffalo ranks 14th in the nation for total number of bicycle commuters – with an impressive 88% annual growth and an incredible 269% increase since 2000.

Glean NY Accepting Tax Deductible Food Donations

Fruit and vegetable growers with good food that doesn't have a market are encouraged to donate produce to food banks throughout the state under an initiative, "Glean NY." The Glean NY project hopes to increase the donation of nutritious fresh food that might not otherwise be harvested due to weather damage, crops fruiting at unusual times, irregular sizes, cosmetic damage, or other reasons. Donated produce does not have to be washed or graded. In some instances, food banks can supply field crates, and pickup food at the farm. Food banks own refrigerated trucks and can arrange pickup of donations within a day or two of receiving a call. For information about donating, call the Food Bank Association of New York at (518) 433-4505.

BUILD Act Assists with Brownfield Redevelopment

The Brownfields Utilization, Investment and Local Development (BUILD) Act offers additional financial assistance for the costs associated with developing brownfields, parcels contaminated by previous industry. Clean energy projects are eligible for funding on these sites as well as funds for non-profits to conduct site assessments. For a summary, visit <http://www.smartgrowthamerica.org/documents/build-act-section-by-section.pdf>.

2013 Cool Congregations Challenge

Get your entries ready for the 2013 Cool Congregations Challenge, an annual national contest to recognize "Cool Congregations" that are becoming energy efficient and sustainable role models within their communities. Your congregation could win \$1,000! The contest is brought to you by the national office of Interfaith Power & Light. Projects completed in the last year or so (from October 18, 2012 through December 31, 2013) qualify for the 2013 Cool Congregations Challenge. There is no fee to enter. When you register for your free entry guide, you will automatically be notified when the entry form has been activated. The deadline for entries is January 31, 2014, 12 Midnight HST (Hawaii Standard Time). Last year New York's North Presbyterian Church (in Williamsville) received an honorable mention! [For more information, click here.](#)

Green & Healthy Homes Program

Interested in getting a new high energy efficiency furnace, a hot water tank installed, and attic insulation installed? Need basement rim joist insulation installed? You might want to check into the PUSH Green & Healthy Homes program. PUSH Green + Healthy Homes is PUSH Green's FREE weatherization program for eligible homeowners in the city of Buffalo. To find out more call 716.886.1780 and talk to one of Community Energy Advocates or visit <http://www.pushgreenwny.org/green-healthy-homes-program>.

Home Energy Assessments

Homeowners can take advantage of the Home Performance with Energy Star program to save energy and money. The program is currently only funded until December 31, so don't wait to participate. Find out more and locate approved contractors in your area at [nyserdasite](http://nyserdasite.com).

Congress for the New Urbanism

Congress for The New Urbanism is coming to Buffalo **June 1-4, 2014**. CNU promotes walkable, mixed-use neighborhood development, sustainable communities and healthier living conditions. The annual Congress for the New Urbanism (CNU) is the leading venue for new urbanist networking, collaboration, and education. Info, [here](#).

Catch of the Day Texting

Buffalo Niagara RIVERKEEPER® and GROW 716 are piloting a mobile messaging campaign called "Catch Of the Day." Anglers are encouraged to text COD to 877-877, which then directs them to online information about local fish consumption advisories and healthier ways to eat local fish. The campaign encourages picture sharing of their "catch" on the GROW 716 webpage to show the incredible success of Western New York anglers! "Catch Of the Day" photos are posted to our facebook page: [facebook/BNRiverkeeper](https://www.facebook.com/BNRiverkeeper)

Climate Change Public Service Videos

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) today released a new series of short public service videos on climate change. The [videos](#) cover a range of topics related to climate change, including its causes and impacts, actions Americans can take to reduce their impact, and the benefits to the economy of addressing climate change. The new video series supports the President's Climate Action Plan by encouraging American families to reduce the amount of energy they consume, cutting down on their utility bills and protecting people's health.

Online Courses for Aspiring, New, and Experienced Farmers

Are you interested in creating a farm business plan for the first time, or maximizing the efficiency of your current market strategies? Cornell Small Farms Program seeks to meet the educational needs of farmers of all experience levels and interests. The interactive 5- to 7-week courses are led by experienced educators and farmers who want to help you start or diversify your farm business. Read full descriptions of all upcoming classes and register at <http://nebeginningfarmers.org/online-courses/>. Reserve your seat soon as some courses fill quickly!

Solar Installation Courses Available

Commercial SPARE (Solar Power As Renewable Energy) will be taught on **November 14** at SUNY-ESF's new Gateway Center (Built to exceed LEED Platinum standards) in Syracuse. In this class, participants will cover issues associated with larger commercial PV installations which typically have three-phase electrical systems. For more information visit the course website at www.esf.edu/outreach/spare. Registration is limited.

Local Wildlife Wikisite Project Seeks Volunteers

Do you have an interest in sharing information and pictures about local wildlife with others? A local web developer has converted www.WNYWildlife.Com to a Wiki that is open to educators, conservationists, photographers, etc. You may contact the developer at master@kentropolis.com if you have interest or questions.

Green Building Labels: What do they really mean?

With the plethora of certifications and labels for green buildings, products and materials, it is difficult to know what they all signify. Check out an online guide that spells out the types of certifications and the process [here](#).

Plan for 2014 Outdoor Education on the Water

BUOE (Buffalo Urban Outdoor Education) offers high quality on-water educational programs in Western New York. Their programs range from two hour industrial and environmental history programs on the Buffalo River to three hour environmental and nautical science programs on Lake Erie. Call [\(716\) 796-8393](tel:7167968393) for scheduling and inquiries. Visit <http://buoe.org/> for program descriptions.

Buffalo: America's Best Designed City Film

View the film at www.bestdesignedcity.com and be proud.

IPCC Climate Change Data Charts

Check out the Scientific American charts depicting recent Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change data at <http://www.scientificamerican.com/slideshow.cfm?id=climate-change-see-the-dramatic-new-data-for-yourself>.

Toys ‘R Us Mocks Nature Field Trips

Check out a recent video that shows kids bored with a “nature” field trip and more excited about a consumer-oriented trip at <http://www.youtube.com/watch?v=q5SXYbm6bss>.

Teacher’s Resources

[Science games](#) to help teach about animals, environment and conservation.

[Bag It](#) education DVDs and curriculum packets to schools and student groups, free of charge to a limited number of schools. In conjunction with this DVD giveaway for schools we have also created a fun tool for educators: the [Plastic Free School Project](#).

[ClimateChangeLIVE](#)- a series of freewebcasts, webinars, and online climate education resources, will give you climate teaching tools—including a large collection of science-based, climate education resources and programs gathered from 17 federal agencies and nonprofit organizations.

[Developing a Sense of Place through Native Science Activities](#) -article that provides ideas that you can apply to “your place”.

[Green Teacher Webinars](#) include “Disaster Risk Reduction in Schools & Communities” on October 1, “Yoga for the Classroom” on October 2, and “Exploring Local Watersheds” on November 12. The webinars are free and begin at 7:30pm EST. Registration is required.

[Energy 101 Primer The Watt](#)- Ebook published by Focus the Nation. Available on multiple platforms, it provides a comprehensive overview of energy in the United States. It offers a clear and visually engaging overview of energy, covering some basic units and equations; the supply, demand and cost of energy; the history of fossil fuels; and renewables and other innovations.

[Spark 101](#) features interactive videos made by industry professionals on science, technology, engineering, and mathematics (STEM) topics. Teachers can use these brief (about 10 minutes long) videos to engage students in solving real-world problems during one or two class periods.

[Switch](#) DVDs and film downloads are free to teachers. The goals of the Switch Energy Project are energy education, awareness, and efficiency – and we’re pleased to offer many resources created for educators.

[Green Technology: Sustaining the Earth](#) is designed for Grades 6-12 . Use this interactive activity to offer your students an overview of innovation in green technology and insight into various areas of research within the field.

[Architecture 2030](#) is appropriate for Grades 9-12. Learn about this architect's efforts to protect the environment by changing the way buildings are planned, designed, and constructed.

[Affordable Green Housing](#) is designed for Grades 9-12 to consider the role habitat plays in fostering diverse, vibrant social structures in well-designed, integrated communities.

[Bird Sleuth](#) for K-12. Kits and resources for learning more about birds.

[Great Lakes in My World K-8 and 9-12](#) curricula with the new Next Generation Science Standards. While not free, the newly aligned Great Lakes in My World lesson plans help students learn critical thinking, scientific observation and problem-solving skills while learning about the real world including our Great Lakes!

[Stagelearn.org](#) is a FREE nonprofit rich media system, using animation videos, to introduce case studies to grade 7-12 students in order to help them master Science, Technology, Engineering and Mathematics (STEM) courses. Deal with hot topics in science and engineering that have the potential to change the societal norms or dramatically impact people's health. Focus on global issues, which increase the students' understanding of other cultures.

[2012 Choices for Sustainable Living](#) from the Northwest Earth Institute provides updates to the previous edition on ecological principles, food, community, consumption, the economy, and includes a new section on transportation.

Contest and Award Opportunities

[The Prudential Spirit of Community Awards](#) is a nationwide program that honors young people in grades 5-12 who are volunteering in their communities. Youth who have engaged in a volunteer activity that occurred during the 12 months prior to the date of application are eligible to apply. The application deadline is **November 5, 2013**.

[Save Energy and Win Awards](#)-Registration is now open for America's Home Energy Education Challenge (AHEEC), a national student competition for grades 3–8, administered by NSTA for the Department of Energy. The competition gives students the chance to learn about energy, develop techniques for reducing energy consumption, and save money in their own homes by reducing household energy use. Teams of kids, grades 3–8, can win up to \$10,000 in prizes for their school or organization. Team registration ends **November 15**.

[Win a Shell Science Lab Makeover Valued at \\$20,000 for Your School](#). Are you a science teacher succeeding in providing exemplary lab instruction with minimal equipment and resources? Middle and high school science teachers (grades 6-12) in the United States and Canada who have found innovative ways to deliver quality lab experiences with limited school and laboratory resources are encouraged to apply! The deadline for submissions is **December 20, 2013**.

[World of 7 Billion Video Contest](#)-Bring technology and creativity into your environmental education curriculum by incorporating the World of 7 Billion video contest. Challenge your students to create a short (60 seconds or less) video illustrating the connection between world population at seven billion and one of the following: climate change, global poverty, or water sustainability. Students can win up to \$1,000 and their educators will receive free curriculum resources. Full contest guidelines, resources for research, past winners, and more are posted here: Deadline: **February 21, 2014**.

[BirdSpotter Photo Contest](#) -Project FeederWatch and Bob's Red Mill Natural Foods are teaming up to bring back the annual BirdSpotter photo contest. Participating is as easy as point-and-shoot. Just take photos of the birds that visit your feeders and post them on the contest web page. Voting on the web page will decide the weekly winners, with prizes such as a Cornell Lab Sapsucker camera strap and a bag of Bob's Red Mill steel cut oats. The contest runs during the FeederWatch survey season, from November through February, with a grand-prize winner receiving a trip to Oregon to go birding with Bob himself!

Grant and Scholarship Opportunities

[Parks & Trails New York: Capacity Building Grants](#) - Grants of up to \$3,000 are intended to strengthen nonprofit organizations that are working to build and protect parks and trails in communities across the state. The goal of the grants program is to help nonprofit organizations fulfill their missions; improve their reach, effectiveness, and impact; leverage more resources; and increase community support for and involvement in park and trail planning, development, and stewardship. Deadline is **November 12, 2013**.

[Sustainable Community Farm Grant](#)-This grant program addresses community issues affecting farms or farming impacts on the community. Deadline is **November 13, 2013**.

[Northeast SARE Now Accepting Applications for Farmer Grants](#) are for commercial producers who have an innovative idea they want to test using a field trial, on-farm demonstration, marketing initiative, or other technique. A technical advisor--often an extension agent, crop consultant, or other service professional--must also be involved. Projects should seek results other farmers can use, and all projects must have the potential to add to our knowledge about effective sustainable practices. Deadline is **December 2, 2013**.

[DEC Urban Forestry Grants](#)-Communities can apply for tree planting, maintenance grants or invasive pest studies in cases involving an infestation of the Emerald Ash Borer or the Asian Long Horned Beetle. Grants are available to municipalities, public benefit corporations, public authorities, school districts and not-for-profit organizations that have a public ownership interest in the property or are acting on behalf of a public property owner. Awards will range from \$2,500 to \$50,000, depending on municipal population, and have a 50/50 match requirement. Tree inventories, management plans and \$1,000 Quick Start Arbor Day grants – which have no match requirement – will be available to help communities generate support for new municipal tree programs. Deadline: **December 5, 2013**.

[First Nations Development Institute: Native Agriculture and Food Systems Initiative](#)- invests in innovative institutions and models that strengthen asset control and support economic development for American Indian people and their communities. Priority will be given to projects aimed at increasing the availability of healthy, locally-produced foods in Native communities; projects that work to reduce food insecurity; and entrepreneurship programs that create systemic change by increasing community control of local food systems. Native American-controlled nonprofit tribal organizations and community-based groups committed to increasing healthy food access in rural and reservation-based Native communities are eligible to apply. Online proposals must be submitted by **December 6, 2013**.

[PON 2845 Agriculture Energy Efficiency Research and Evaluation of Technology Barriers](#)-NYSERDA seeks proposals to: (1) research or demonstrate innovative or novel applications of energy efficient technologies or designs for the agriculture sector that also have the potential to improve quality or yield of agricultural products; or (2) evaluate technology barriers for agricultural applications that currently limit energy savings, efficient transport to markets, or the application of novel crop production systems. Due Date: **December 16, 2013**.

[Fiskars' Project Orange Thumb](#) awards \$5,000 in cash and garden tools to help communities with beautification and garden projects. Deadline: **December 31, 2013**.

[Celebrate Urban Birds Mini-Grant Program](#), an initiative of the Cornell Lab of Ornithology, supports groups throughout the US that host neighborhood events that introduce the public and youth to birds found in urban areas. Mini-grants ranging from \$100 to \$500 are provided. Organizations working with underserved communities are strongly encouraged to apply. The application deadline is **December 31, 2013**.

[The Environmental Research & Education Foundation \(EREF\)](#), a private, grant making institution, whose mission is to support solid waste research and education initiatives, is inviting researchers to submit proposals on solid waste management issues contained in EREF's Strategic Research Plan or on educational projects. Grants have ranged from \$15,000 to over \$500,000. Annual deadlines: **January 5 and July 15**.

[National Science Foundation Funds for STEM Education](#) provides support to advance new approaches to the design and development of science, technology, engineering, and mathematics learning in informal environments. The application deadlines are **January 14 and November 14, 2014**.

[American Honda Foundation](#) supports nonprofit organizations and educational institutions nationwide that address the areas of youth and scientific education. The Foundation's primary funding priority is youth education, specifically in the areas of science, technology, engineering, mathematics, the environment, job training, and literacy. Annual application deadlines: **February 1, May 1, August 1, November 1.**

[Patagonia Environmental Grants Program](#) provides support to small, grassroots organizations with provocative direct-action agendas that are working on multi-pronged campaigns to protect the environment. The company is most interested in supporting organizations that work on the root causes of problems and that approach issues with a commitment to long-term change. Most grants are in the range of \$3,000 to \$12,000. Proposals are accepted through the Patagonia website by **April 30** or **August 31.**

[World We Want Foundation](#) is accepting applications from organizations that represent youth making positive social change in their communities and around the world. Grants of up to \$5,000 will be awarded to youth between the ages of 13 and 25 who want to make a difference through a range of social action activities, including community service projects, service-learning projects, and social ventures. Application deadline: Rolling.

[Do Something Seed Grants](#) - Are you working to start a community action project or program? Do you need money to put your ideas into action? A \$500 Do Something Seed Grant is given out weekly to help young people (25 or under). Grants can be used towards project ideas and programs that are just getting started, or to jump-start your program and realize your ideas for the first time.

[The Coca-Cola Foundation](#) partners with nonprofits that address priorities focusing on one of the following: Water Stewardship, Healthy and Active Lifestyles, Community Recycling and Education.. Online applications may be submitted throughout the year.

[Kresge Foundation's Healthy Environments grant program](#) seeks to improve the health and well-being of vulnerable populations by making the places they live, learn, work and play safe and conducive to overall good health. Applications are currently being accepted for the Healthy Homes Initiatives, Transportation and the Built Environment Initiative and the Healthy Food Initiative. Application deadline: Rolling.

[Niagara Falls National Heritage Area](#) supports important projects and programs throughout the National Heritage Area with the long term goal of realizing community betterment. Grants are targeted to fund projects or programs that directly relate to the goals, strategies, and priority projects identified in the Niagara Falls National Heritage Area Management Plan. Download the plan online at <http://www.nps.gov/nifa> .

[Cisco Global Impact Cash Grants](#) support nonprofit organizations in the U.S. and worldwide that provide assistance to underserved populations and leverage technology solutions to improve the reach, efficiency, and impact of services. Take the [Eligibility Quiz](#) to see if you can apply.

Employment and Internship Opportunities

[Executive Director, NOFA-NY](#)- Northeast Organic Farming Association NY is seeking a dynamic Executive Director to lead the organization. The successful candidate will have a strong commitment to organic agriculture as well as experience in non-profit management and fundraising. NOFA-NY's Executive Director oversees a vibrant member-based organization representing over 1,500 certified organic and sustainable farms in New York and a dedicated staff of 11. The position is based in NOFA-NY's Rochester office.

[School Programs Specialist](#)-The Buffalo Zoo is seeking an individual to help develop, coordinate and instruct onsite school environmental education programs. This individual will also aide in summer and seasonal programming (e.g. camps, shows, etc.). Applications due by 11/15/13.

[Interns for Clean Air Coalition of Western New York](#)-Unpaid positions to help with our organizing, community-based research, and leadership development. All internships include some operations and development work. Clean Air Coalition's internships are ideal for highly motivated individuals looking to deepen and practice their skills engaging community leaders in solving environmental health and justice organizations.

[Interns for New York Interfaith Power & Light](#)- Are you a student who is interested in faith and climate change? We have fun and rewarding internships available. For information, call Janna Stieg Watkins at [\(315\) 256-0078](tel:3152560078).

Citizen Science

[Project FeederWatch](#)-Sign up now for the 2013-2014 season which begins November 9. Join the thousands of FeederWatchers across North America who count the birds at their feeders from November through early April.

[Project Squirrel](#)- No matter where you live, city or suburb, from the Midwest to the East Coast, Canada to California, whether squirrels live in your neighborhood or not, you are encouraged to become a squirrel monitor. Take a look around your home, office, school, or anywhere you are and, whether you see squirrels or not, enter your observations at the website. We want to know where squirrels are as well as where they aren't.

[Woodpecker Damage Surveys](#)-Calling all birders: Report woodpecker damage due to Emerald Ash Questions? Contact: imapinvasives@nynhp.org who will provide training to post to the NYS Invasive Species Database. Take photos of the damage, bark, and crown of any ash trees with woodpecker damage.

[Crowd Hydrology](#)-Visitors to historic Forest Lawn and Tiff Nature Preserve have a chance to become "citizen scientists" and assist the University at Buffalo (UB) with efforts aimed at documenting conditions of local waterways by reporting gauge measurements at these sites.

[Hemlock Woolly Adelgid Project](#)-Take closeup pictures of hemlock trees and fraser firs and send to scientists with GPS location data to monitor tree health and spread of the insect.

Ongoing Volunteer Opportunities Available

Volunteer opportunities are available at local organizations for a one-time commitment for several hours to a regularly scheduled donation of your time. Websites are listed later in the newsletter.

Aquarium of Niagara- Scuba-certified volunteers needed to clean the sea lion exhibit (without animals) once monthly. Other opportunities exist for education, exhibit maintenance and other tasks.

AWARE (Association for Wild Animal Rehabilitation and Education) - Volunteers needed for fundraising, grant writing, capturing and transporting animals to us or the veterinarians, public relations, construction of cages, begging for donations of materials and food (for the animals, not us) and for helping at our educational programs.

Buffalo Audubon- Volunteers wanted for Beaver Meadow Audubon Center, and For the Birds Niagara! Help with tour leading, office work, programming, grounds keeping and general maintenance. Every Wednesday 10am-2pm is Volunteer Day at Beaver Meadow. No need to register, but bring a lunch. Call (800) 377-1520 for details.

Buffalo Carshare- This new non-profit has brought car-sharing to Buffalo. Volunteers are needed for office help and promotion. Contact them at <http://www.buffalocarshare.org/volunteer.html>.

Buffalo & Erie County Botanical Gardens-Docents needed. Training is provided. Tours and hands-on lessons are scheduled in advance, so you may sign up for those that fit your schedule. Other opportunities to help are available too. For info, contact Nancy Kalieta at 827-1584 ext. 207 or nkalieta@buffalogardens.com.

Buffalo Junior Solar Sprint-If you are interested in helping run the JSS Buffalo event or are interested in finding out more about the Leadership committee, please contact jssbuffalo@yahoo.com.

Buffalo Museum of Science has volunteer and internship opportunities available for teens, college students and adults. For information, contact Monika McFoy, Director of Community Programs, at 896-5200, ext. 343.

Buffalo Niagara Riverkeeper- <http://bnriverkeeper.org/get-involved/volunteer/> for opportunities. RIVERWATCH Water Quality Monitoring, April – September- help collect water quality samples in local waterways. Call 852-7483.

Buffalo ReUse can use volunteers for many things including fundraising, graphic design, building salvage and material pickups. Join them for their fun Saturdays. To help, contact them at volunteer@buffaloreuse.org.

Clean Air Coalition of WNY-Help with mailings, phone calls, canvassing and Photovoice (documenting environmental challenges). To help, contact at 852-3813 or www.cacwny.org.

Curtiss Urban Farm Foundation can use volunteers to help in their East Side urban gardens throughout the summer. Contact Rakoczy12@gmail.com for more info.

Excalibur, a private, non-profit all volunteer, charitable organization seeks competent anglers and captains to help provide free boating and fishing opportunities on Lake Erie for disabled and disadvantaged persons using the organizations new vessel. Contact Director Jim Catalano at jim@excaliburl.org or visit <http://excaliburl.org>

Garden Walk Buffalo helps to rejuvenate neighborhoods, helps make our neighborhoods more walkable, and has an incredible impact on Buffalo's image outside the region. For info, email GardenWalkBuffalo@yahoo.com.

Go Bike Buffalo- If you're interested or want more information, feel free to contact Tivona Renoni at tivona@gobikebuffalo.org.

Habitat for Humanity needs volunteers to help impact lives of families in the city of Buffalo by building simple, decent homes. Call 204-0740 or volunteer@habitatbuffalo.org.

Hawk Creek Wildlife Center is seeking volunteers for who would like to work with wildlife. 16 years or older. Call 716-652-8646. Email info@hawkcreek.org.

HOME, Inc. (Housing Opportunities Made Equal) seeks volunteers to work on various committees to further fair housing. For info/application, email muj265@homeny.org or visit their website at www.homeny.org.

Iroquois Observations offers free nature programs in partnership with the Buffalo Audubon Society each spring and fall. Programs include: birding field trips, scope watches, owl prowls, canoe trips, hands on activities, and guest speakers. Please contact Garner Light at 772-5110 or glight@rochester.rr.com for more information.

JNK's Call of the Wild-Sinclairville animal sanctuary seeks help. Call 716 499-9902 or visit www.jnkscalofthewild.org.

Junior Solar Sprint Buffalo- If you are interested in helping run the JSS Buffalo event or are interested in finding out more about the leadership committee, please contact jssbuffalo@yahoo.com

Lead Safe Erie County needs volunteers to help paint houses and prevent lead poisoning. For those who are interested, there is also free training for Lead Safe Work Practices Certification. Service learning students, block clubs and others are welcome. Call Mary at 716-833-2929, ext. 117.

Massachusetts Avenue Project needs volunteers from the 1st week in April through October on Saturdays from 10-1 PM. Anyone is welcome to come by the farm, pitch in and help on a project, or even just stroll around and check out what's growing. <http://mass-ave.org/>

Olmsted Parks-Volunteers are needed for tree plantings, special park events, office work and mailings. Please call (716) 838-1249 x. 33 for more info on becoming an Olmsted parks volunteer.

Penn Dixie Paleontological and Outdoor Education Center- Volunteers of all ages and backgrounds are needed. Have a few hours a month to help introduce children and adults to the natural sciences? Please call (716) 627-4560 and leave your name and phone number.

Preservation Buffalo Niagara-Interns & volunteers welcome. www.preservationbuffaloniagara.org.

Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve offers a variety of volunteer positions as well as internships for college students. On Trail Tuesdays volunteers help control invasive species. For more info about these and other opportunities, call 683-5959 or visit the volunteer page of Reinstein Woods' website: <http://www.dec.ny.gov/education/1960.html>.

Science Firsthand needs adult mentors to work with children in learning about science. All materials are provided. Mentors and students meet one hour per week after school at a community center. For info, call 858-7548.

Tift Nature Preserve also needs volunteers for their programs, communications, fund-raising and other events. Call 662-1342 or email tiffriends@yahoo.com.

Upcoming Community Activities:

Friday, November 1

Beyond Ghosts Candlelight Tour-Come join Beyond Ghosts and its expert paranormal guides in to the dark and cavernous halls of the Central Terminal! The Candlelight Tours (using flashlights of course!) will take you to all the areas on the Main Concourse with claims of paranormal activity, as well as up in to the halls above the concourse including the first and second floors and Mezzanine! The tours will last roughly 1 hour each and are limited to about 25 people per tour group. Tours will leave every half hour from 6pm to 9:30pm. Get your tickets now for the candlelight tours before they are gone! Buffalo Central Terminal, 495 Paderweski Dr., Buffalo, 14212. Dates include Oct. 17-19, Oct. 24-26, Oct. 31-Nov. 2. <http://www.brownpapertickets.com/event/433595> or search for events at www.brownpapertickets.com.

Buffalo Geological Society Meeting-7:30pm, BGS membership meeting, Jurassic Fossils of Wyoming. Parkside Lutheran Church, Depew & Wallace Streets, 14216. Social area entrance is on Depew St.

Saturday, November 2

Wildlife Surveys-10:00am to 12:30pm at Chaffee Wildlife Preserve – Chaffee. A challenging hike through mature forests and numerous wetlands in order to collect data on wildlife sighting and signs as part of a year-long wildlife survey for the Preserve. Free. <http://www.earthspiritedu.org/events.html>

Tree-planting Volunteers Needed-Forest Lawn Cemetery, 1411 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14209 WHEN from 8:30 a.m. – 11:30 a.m. While registration is not required, it is appreciated. Those wishing to volunteer should call Catherine Meyer at Forest Lawn at 716.885.1606, ext. 242 or email her at cmeyer@forest-lawn.com. No experience needed. Dress appropriately. ReTree WNY event.

The Great Gorge Route-1:00 p.m. – 3:30 p.m. at Niagara Falls State Park. Tranquil and turbulent as it makes its way to the sea, the Niagara River has many great stories to tell. This gentle and scenic hike will give you some insight to the natural and cultural history of the Mighty Niagara. For info & registration call (716) 282-5154.

“The Pan-Am Experience”- 2:00 p.m. – 4:00 p.m. at Evangola State Park. Buffalo stood at its brightest in 1901 when it hosted the magnificent Pan-American Exposition. Rediscover this brilliant moment in local history and also some of the fun facts of Evangola State Park on a hike overlooking Lake Erie. The past comes alive this Saturday! For information & registration call (716) 549-1050.

Day of the Dead Walk- 10:30 AM. What connects Reinstein Woods to the Mexican holiday Dia de los Muertos? In this program, learn which beautiful creatures visit both the Woods and Mexico. Registration required; call 716-683-5959. Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew.

Horticulture I Certificate Class-Buffalo & Erie County Gardens with David Clark, Horticulturist, 11am-1pm. Each Certificate Series - Garden Members \$105, Non-Members \$130, Cost for individual classes - Garden Members \$20, Non-Members \$25. Join us for an entertaining garden education! David has a wealth of knowledge and is able to convey his subject with infectious enthusiasm. These classes are for those who just want to know more than garden basics. All classes held in the Administration Building. Call 716.827.1584 ext. 291 for more info. HCP 103 - Pest Management and Disease. www.buffalogardens.com

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Boy Scout Merit Badge in Environmental Science- 10am – 3pm at Beaver Meadow Audubon Center ([map](#)). Call 585-457-3228 to register and learn prerequisites. Cost: \$12.

Walk at Knox Farm State Park – 9am. Enjoy a family-friendly nature walk led by Buffalo Audubon staff at Knox Farm State Park. (KF) Free. Please call 585-457-3228 to register.

Massachusetts Avenue Project Tours and Volunteering- Volunteer on our farm at 389 Massachusetts Avenue between 11AM and 1 PM (rain or shine!) Tours of our farm will also be held every Saturday at 10:30am and every Tuesday at 4pm. Suggested donation of \$2 per person. No need to call ahead, just show up on time!

Volunteer Day Garden of Stewardship-9am to noon. 1st Saturday of every month from April-November. 208 East Eagle, Buffalo. [Info](#)

Buffalo Mass Mob- 5:15pm, Saint Adalbert Basilica, 212 Stanislaus St, Buffalo. FREE. Inspired by the Buffalo Cash Mob, Buffalo Mass Mob hopes to bring a "Flash Mob" of support and attention to Buffalo's beautiful houses of worship. The idea is simple: give people an easy way to support and experience an historic church, giving the selected church a boost in attendance and community awareness. Those of all religious persuasions are welcome!

Community Planting at Joseph Davis State Park – 9am. Volunteers to help plant native shrub species to support our habitat restoration project. Contact the Center or Chuck Bartlett (bartlett@buffaloudubon.org) for more information. (585) 457-3228.

Birding at Buckhorn Island State Park – 10am. Join Buffalo Audubon Society Naturalist Tom Kerr for a walk through the park. Meet at the Wolf Creek Canoe Launch parking lot. Donations. (585) 457-3228.

Boy Scout Merit Badge Workshop – 10am-3pm. This workshop is for any Boy Scout who wishes to earn his Environmental Science Merit Badge at Beaver Meadow Audubon Center. \$12 per scout. (585) 457-3228.

Iroquois Observation Owl Prowl-Pre registration required. 6:30pm at Refuge Headquarters. Call 585-948-5445 ext 2205 for info and to register. (585) 457-3228.

Greenprint Niagara Volunteer Day- 10am to 3pm. Stop by 2101 Main St Niagara Falls and lend a hand in transforming vacant lots! Bring your creativity, green (or maybe not) thumb, a friend young or old, and enjoy the Fall day. Hope to see you there!

Nurturing Nature in Children ~ Animal Adaptation in Winter at the Portville Free Library ~ 1 North Main Street, Portville NY (11:00 am – 12:30 pm) Explore nature with your child at our family nature program hosted at the Portville Free Library. The program includes the story “The Mitten” read by our naturalist followed with hands-on exploration of nature treasures and creating nature crafts. The Mitten is a classic Ukrainian folk tale about a mitten that is lost by a young boy and the animals that take refuge in the mitten until it breaks! The values expressed include tolerance and cooperation. The activities promote understanding animal adaptations to harsh winter conditions. For parent(s) with child(ren) ages 4-9. Indoor Program. FREE! (For information and/or register call 716-933-0187).

Zooper Saturday-Learn more about the Buffalo Zoo's Gorillas & Reptiles! Join us for demonstrations and other fun activities. The event runs from 11:00 a.m. - 3:00 p.m. and is free with Zoo admission. Please call (716) 995-6133 or visit www.buffalozoo.org for more information.

Sunday, November 3

Green Options Buffalo Community Bicycle Workshop-1 to 5pm at Old Precinct 17 Building, 98 Colvin Avenue, Buffalo, NY. Volunteers and members can go and learn to repair and maintain their bicycles. They have complete refurbished bicycles for sale, along with a stock of used parts available to everyone. The shop also serves as a place to donate your used and / or unwanted bicycles. They are happy to provide you with a tax receipt for your donation. <http://www.greenoptionsbuffalo.org/>

Trek Tiftt-2-3:30 PM at Tiftt Nature Preserve, 1200 Fuhrmann Blvd. Buffalo, NY 14203. Join Friends of Tiftt for a guided tour of the preserve. This drop-in program runs all year every Sunday except the third Sunday of the month. \$2 donation per person suggested.

Volunteer Day at Children's Vinery-9am to noon. 1st Sunday of every month from April-November. 279 Northampton, Buffalo. <https://www.facebook.com/ChildrensVinery?fref=ts>

Family Walk at Beaver Meadow-2pm at Beaver Meadow Audubon Center. Guided walk led by one of our naturalists. 585-457-3228.

"Let's Talk Turkey"- 1-3pm. Linda Harvey, the instructor and a member of the Bond Lake Committee will teach you how to call wild turkeys and how to recognize and identify their vocalizations inside the Nature Center at the Warming House, 2353 Lower Mt. Rd, Ransomville. Participants will get to assemble a homemade turkey call. FREE event sponsored by the Bond Lake Environmental and Beautification Committee. The event will be held rain or shine. For more information about this event contact Carol at [716-694-3488](tel:716-694-3488). For info, go to www.freewebs.com/bondlake

Turkey Trek-1-2:30pm. Strut on over to Tiftt to learn about the terrific turkey. Fun for all ages! Non-Members: \$5. Buffalo Museum of Science Members Save 10%. Pre-registration required. Call 825-6397.

Monday, November 4

Buffalo Recycling Alliance Meeting- 5:00 -6:00pm at 237 Main St. Suite 1200 in front conference room. [info](#). All interested in recycling welcome.

Tuesday, November 5

Green Options Buffalo Community Bicycle Workshop-6 to 9pm at Old Precinct 17 Building, 98 Colvin Avenue, Buffalo, NY. Volunteers and members can go and learn to repair and maintain their bicycles. They have complete refurbished bicycles for sale, along with a stock of used parts available to everyone. <http://www.greenoptionsbuffalo.org/>

Citizens for a more Civilized & Sane Scajaquada-7:15pm at Olmsted School 64 ([874 Amherst St.](#), @ Lincoln Pkwy). Tours of the renovated school begin at 6:30pm. Come provide input to the Dept. of Transportation plan. For additional info read the article at http://artvoice.com/issues/v12n25/news_feature.

Tuesday Evening Hike with Paths, Peaks and Paddles- The hike is FREE. If/when snow hits we strap on our snowshoes and continue with Tuesday Evenings, the snowshoe hike is FREE. Rental of any gear is always an option. We are currently planning to hike The Conservation Trail which is mostly paved (bike paths). Our evening starts at Paths Peaks & Paddles facility (1000 Ellicott Creek Rd Tonawanda, NY) at 5:55pm SHARP. We car pool to our hiking destination. On an average night we are done with our hike around 9:00pm. Dress for the weather, bring water, hiking poles if you desire. Hiking poles are available for rent. When snow hits you are welcome to rent snowshoes and poles.

Wednesday, November 6

Liif Coaching/Tree Volunteers – Volunteer to help maintain our urban trees. 1st Wednesday of every month from April-November. 4-6 meet at 279 Northampton. <https://www.facebook.com/LiifCoach?fref=ts>

Brown Bag Luncheon Series-Held on the first Wednesday of the month from September through May from 12-1pm the Buffalo & Erie County Public Library, and is free to the public. Attendees are welcome to bring their own lunch or pre-pay for a "Box Lunch" that will be waiting for them when they arrive. The series focuses on City and Downtown, with past series featuring Downtown Developers, Business Leaders, Waterfront Development, Cultural Heritage and Educational Leaders. This month's speaker is Michael Gilbert, Director Of Public Relations for Buffalo Sabres. Save a seat or pay for your lunch online [here](#).

WNYEA Annual Congress- 5pm at UB Educational Opportunities Center, 555 Ellicott St.(near Goodell St.), Buffalo, NY 14203.

Greater Buffalo Niagara Regional Transportation Council Meeting- 9:30 AM at Erie County DPW, Rath Building, Buffalo. Open to the public.

Parkside Park In-Parkside Neighborhood residents and supporters are organizing a day of action, calling for motorists to park their cars on Parkside and join bicyclists and pedestrians to show support for safer streets and come to Sweetness 7 Café (Parkside and Russell) at 5pm to sign a petition demanding that the city put Parkside on a [Road Diet](#) (taking out traffic lanes, adding turning lanes & bike lanes). Join Go Bike Buffalo for a short bike ride to the Park-in. We'll be meeting at the GObike Community Workshop at 98 Colvin Ave. at 4:30 and ride over.

Willow Ridge Garden Club- 7 p.m. at the Zion United Church of Christ, 15 Koenig Circle at Parker Blvd. Tonawanda. The business meeting will include nominations of club officers for 2014-2015. Patty Moran, public information officer at the WNY Children's Psychiatric Center, will provide information regarding children in the center who need to be remembered at Christmas. Thanksgiving table arrangements using pumpkins, gourds or cornucopias will be presented by Barbara Dow, Lorraine Fontana & Claudia Reeves. Erin Heaney will speak to us about local environmental health & justice issues. Guests are welcome!

WNY Carnivorous Plant Club -6:30- 8 p.m. at Menne Nursery, 3100 Niagara Falls Blvd., Amherst. Slides of the entries in the photo contest will be shown.

Big Fuss 3.0- 5:30-8:30, Artisan Kitchens, 200 Amherst St. \$35 to benefit a local farmer. An amazing food and drink event featuring delicious dishes from local chefs and food artisans, an awesome food-centric auction, and tunes from DJ Cutler, all benefiting T-Meadow Farm in Lockport to support its development of an on-farm USDA slaughterhouse and charcuterie processing and educational facility. [tickets](#)

Thursday, November 7

After-School Escape-4:30 PM at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew. Enjoy a one-hour program for kids featuring a different, fun, outdoor activity each week. For kids in grades K through 5. No registration required.

Urban Regeneration Working Group Meeting- 2PM at Cornell University ILR School Worker Institute, 237 Main Street Suite 1200, Buffalo, NY 14203. The primary agenda item is to begin work on outlining new planks (goals) for Urban Regeneration. The offices are located on the corner of Main Street and Seneca Street at the Seneca NFTA Metro stop. Parking (paid lots) is also available on the street or in surface lots downtown. Bicycling or mass transit options are encouraged

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WNYEA Energy & Climate Working Group-4 to 5:30pm Larkin at Exchange, 726 Exchange St., Suite 525, Buffalo, NY.

PUSH Building Blocks Breakfast-7:30 to 9am at Temple Beth Zion, 805 Delaware, 14209. Attendance free-come learn about PUSH (People United for Sustainable Housing) initiatives. Please RSVP to rahwa@pushbuffalo.org

Wellness Walk at Tiff-10 am to noon. Drop by Tiff Nature Preserve and enjoy the fresh air and the sights and sounds of the season with a healthy outdoor walk! Offered Thursdays all year. \$2.00 per person donation appreciated. Please call 825-6397 to confirm walk will be taking place.

18th Annual HNHS/Penn Dixie Fundraiser -JP's Pub, 1986 Lake View Rd., Lake View, NY 14085 from 6-9pm. Silent and voice auctions, raffles, hors d'oeuvres, and more. Donations of baskets, gift certificates, artwork, toys, holiday baskets, tickets for football, hockey or basketball games are welcome. Fun-filled evening for all. Public is invited.

Saturday, November 9

Wildlife Rehabilitation Course-12-4pm. Develop a sense of appreciation & the importance of preserving native wildlife. Learn how to lend a helping hand to injured, orphaned & distressed animals in your community, while preparing for the NYSDEC Wildlife Rehabilitators Exam! [For more info, click here.](#)

Gorge at Low Water-Whirlpool State Park from 10am-2:30pm. Enjoy the Niagara Gorge after the volume of water in the Niagara River is reduced by 25%. Join park naturalists for a guided hike that will take you past the Whirlpool to the site of the Great Gorge Route station and beyond. For information & registration call (716) 282-5154.

The Scoop on Poop-10:00 AM. Scat (animal poop) can tell us a lot about which creatures are in the woods and where they roam. Join our exploration to learn how to identify scat from different animals. Registration required; call 716-683-5959. Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew.

Second Saturday at Net+Positive- Noon to 5 pm at The Foundry, located at 298 Northampton Street in Buffalo, New York. In addition to a talented group of artisans, the sale will host local favorite musical guests. The Foundry provides affordable workspaces for artisans and artists, especially those who incorporate reclaimed or alternative materials in their creations. Shared tools, equipment and expertise are available to tenants and the community at large. The Foundry also serves as a community space for meetings, theatrical productions, celebrations and other group events. For more information visit The Foundry's website at www.thefoundrybuffalo.org or www.netpositivefoundation.org.

Horticulture I Certificate Class-Buffalo & Erie County Gardens with David Clark, Horticulturist, 11am-1pm. Each Certificate Series - Garden Members \$105, Non-Members \$130, Cost for individual classes - Garden Members \$20, Non-Members \$25. Join us for an entertaining garden education! David has a wealth of knowledge and is able to convey his subject with infectious enthusiasm. These classes are for those who just want to know more than garden basics. All classes are held in the Administration Building. Call 716.827.1584 ext. 291 for info. HCP 203 – Practical Principles of Pruning. www.buffalogardens.com

Pete Seeger: A Time for Peace-5:30pm, Buffalo Niagara Convention Center, \$50 to benefit the WNY Peace Center. Speakers at the WNY Peace Center's 46th Annual Dinner include the Reverend James Giles: Establishing Peace in Our Community, and Rae Kramer who works to stop the use of killer drones. The evening's special guest is renowned singer and song writer Pete Seeger. <http://wnypeace.org>

Know Your Little Brown Birds- Noon. Join Buffalo Audubon's Naturalist Tom Kerr for a short presentation on Sparrow ID before a walk focusing on Sparrows and other Little Brown Birds. For more information, contact Beaver Meadow at [585-457-3228](tel:585-457-3228) or email info@buffaloudubon.org

Erie County and City of Buffalo Community Shredding Event-9am to noon at 3 ECC locations. Up to 5 boxes of paper per vehicle (only confidential papers that actually need shredding please). 121 Ellicott St. in Buffalo, 4041 Southwestern Blvd. in Orchard Park and 6205 Main St., Williamsville, NY 14221. All shredded paper will be recycled. For additional info contact: Gary Carrel, Solid Waste Recycling Specialist, Erie County DEP 716-858-4805 / gary.carrel@erie.gov.

“Axe in Hand: An introductory discussion of ‘Land Ethic’” -1pm. at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, 93 Honorine Drive, Cheektowaga. Ben Carpenter, Reinstein Woods naturalist intern, will host. The program will start with an introduction to the written work of Aldo Leopold, an environmentalist considered by many to be the father of wildlife management and of the United States’ wilderness system. The round table discussion will explore excerpts from his historic text on conservation, A Sand County Almanac. The program is free, but registration is required. To register, call (716) 683-5959.

Junior Audubon Club- 7pm Middle and High School students are invited to join group. This month will be at Beaver Meadow Audubon Center for Owl Prowl. (585) 457-3228.

Joseph Davis State Park – 8:30am. Join Project Manager Chuck Bartlett as he explores the park and learn about the habitat restoration project Buffalo Audubon spearheaded in the park and what you can expect to see moving forward. Donations. (585) 457-3228.

Allentown Tree Planting- 9am to 10am. Join the Kleinhans Community Association and Hudson Street Revitalization for a tree planting! Bring your own gloves and shovels and meet at the First Presbyterian Church on Wadsworth at 9am. These groups will be planting about 10 trees on Hudson Street and 20 trees throughout Allentown. For more information: <https://www.facebook.com/events/1418863301664376/>

Water Gala Fundraiser- 5pm at Buffalo Convention Center. Tickets are \$65 and available at <http://my.letthemlol.com/buffalo/events/2013-water-gala/e22126>. Funds support water project in Sierra Leone. Info at info@tlol.com

Sunday, November 10

Wildlife Rehabilitation Course-12-4pm. Develop a sense of appreciation & the importance of preserving native wildlife. Learn how to lend a helping hand to injured, orphaned & distressed animals in your community, while preparing for the NYSDEC Wildlife Rehabilitators Exam! [For more info, click here.](#)

Cold Blooded Critters-2 to 3pm. Come learn about the live reptiles and amphibians we have housed here at Beaver Meadow. This hands-on program will teach you just what separates us from our cold blooded cousins and how these animals live. For more information, contact Beaver Meadow at [585-457-3228](tel:585-457-3228) or email info@buffaloudubon.org

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Trek Tifft-2-3:30 PM at Tifft Nature Preserve, 1200 Fuhrmann Blvd. Buffalo, NY 14203. Join Friends of Tifft for a guided tour of the preserve. This drop-in program runs all year every Sunday except the third Sunday of the month. \$2 donation per person suggested.

Family Walk at Beaver Meadow-2pm at Beaver Meadow Audubon Center. Guided walk led by one of our naturalists. 585-457-3228.

Thanksgiving Hike-Join Paths, Peaks and Paddles at Bond Lake at 11:00am for a 2 hour fall hike following by our traditional Native American/Pilgrim Thanksgiving Dinner. After your hike enjoy different dishes prepared in Dutch Ovens such as baked Acorn Squash; Indian Fry Bread, Mohawk Corn Soup, Corn Bread and of course stuffed turkey. Hot beverages will be served. Cost is: \$25.00/ person or \$45.00 / couple. Reservations must be made by Nov. 6. <http://www.pathspeakspaddles.com/>

Monday, November 11

Little Tykes Nature Camp: Deer Discovery-9:30-11:30am. Enjoy a morning of fun and exploration at Tifft Nature Preserve. Nature games, crafts, hikes, snacks and more are in store as we learn about nature together! Ages 3-5. Non-Members: \$8 per child and adult, \$4 additional children with same adult. BuffaloMuseum of Science Members Save 10%. Pre-registration required. Please call 825-6397.

Tuesday, November 12

Scenario Planning Workshops: Translating Our Regional Vision and Values into a Future for Our Region –Play a role in planning your community and attend a hands-on workshop with One Region Forward. 6pm – 8pm, Amherst Central High School, 4301 Main Street, Amherst, NY. [Learn more and register to attend.](#)

Free Business/Non-Profits Energy Seminar and Lunch- 11:30am-1:30pm. Join us at the Wyoming County Business and Non-Profits Energy Seminar. A free lunch provided. Pre-register for the event [here](#). The Lodge at Hidden Valley, 2887 Royce Rd., Varysburg, NY 14755.

2013 C-SAAHN 'IMAGINE' Lecture Series-Noon to 1pm @ Downtown Buffalo & Erie County Public Library, Ring of Knowledge area, free. Noon - 12:30 P.M. "IMAGINE The Arts as Our Universal Language: In Pursuit of Happiness" , "How the Earth Was Made: The Great Lakes & New York" - Smithsonian CHRONICLES, 12:30 - 1:00 P.M. - "IMAGINE Exploring Nature: Celebrating Milestones of Science and Imagination", Speaker - Norma Nowak, Ph.D., Director of Science & Technology, UB School of Medicine & Biomedical Sciences. <http://buffaloah.com/h/center/lib/13lec.html>

“Factors Affecting the Success of Houghton’s Goldenrod and other Rare Plants in a Central NY Fen Restoration-7:30pm. Betty Jo Jivoff, doctoral candidate at SUNY-ESF, will speak on her research at the group’s meeting at the Harlem Road Community Center, 4225 Harlem Road, one block south of Main Street in Snyder. Call 835-6042 if you need more info. All general meetings are open to the public and free of charge.

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ADK General Meeting-7:30 to 9pm with Education Workshop at 6:30pm at Amherst Community Church, 77 Washington Highway, Snyder. NOTE: Please park in rear and enter through back door. Program-Silent Hunters of the Night: live owls and more presented by Hawk Creek Wildlife Center.

The Health Impacts of Burning Coal with Dr. Alan Lockwood-6:00pm – 7:30pm at Brighton Place Library 999 Brighton Ave. Tonawanda ([map](#)). Join the Clean Air Coalition for this free talk. Dr. Lockwood is the author of approximately 220 publications. He has been an active member of Physicians for Social Responsibility (PSR) for 3 decades & is currently a member of the Board and Co-Chair of the Environment and Health Committee. Dr. Lockwood is the lead author of PSR’s report “Coal’s Assault on Human Health,” & is also the author of the new book The Silent Epidemic: Coal and the Hidden Threat to Health.

Tuesday Evening Hike with Paths, Peaks and Paddles- The hike is FREE. If/when snow hits we strap on our snowshoes and continue with Tuesday Evenings, the snowshoe hike is FREE. Rental of any gear is always an option. We are currently planning to hike The Conservation Trail which is mostly paved (bike paths). Our evening starts at Paths Peaks & Paddles facility (1000 Ellicott Creek Rd Tonawanda, NY) at 5:55pm SHARP. We car pool to our hiking destination. On an average night we are done with our hike around 9:00pm. Dress for the weather, bring water, hiking poles if you desire. Hiking poles are available for rent. When snow hits you are welcome to rent snowshoes and poles.

Wednesday, November 13

WNY Stormwater Coalition Meeting- 2:00 PM at the Julia Boyer Reinstein Library located at 1030 Losson Road, Cheektowaga, NY 14227. Every meeting is open to the public.

Erie Canal Harbor Development Corp. Public Meeting-10:30am, 95 Perry St., Buffalo, NY 14203 <http://www.eriecanalharbor.com>

Scenario Planning Workshops: Translating Our Regional Vision and Values into a Future for Our Region –Play a role in planning your community and attend a hands-on workshop with One Region Forward. 6pm – 8pm, City Honors School, 186 E North Street, Buffalo, NY. [Learn more and register to attend.](#)

Hummingbirds: Jewels for All-10 to 11am. PowerPoint presentation on these dynamic creatures. We will discuss this beautiful tiny tribe and provide tips on attracting them for next spring. For more information, contact Beaver Meadow at [585-457-3228](tel:585-457-3228) or email info@buffaloudubon.org

Buffalo Ornithological Society Meeting- 7:00 PM at Cummings Room of the Buffalo Museum of Science. Holly Sweeney, our BOS April Count Compiler, will discuss the results of the April Count. Dr. Robert DeLeon will report on the results of the May Count.

Thursday, November 14

After-School Escape-4:30 PM at Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew. Enjoy a one-hour program for kids featuring a different, fun, outdoor activity each week. For kids in grades K through 5. No registration required.

Thin Ice Film Screening-107 Capen, North Campus UB at 6:30pm. Free. For info, contact Jim Simon at 829-3535 (jrsimon@buffalo.edu). <http://buffalo.edu/sustainability>. The film will be followed by a panel discussion including the filmmaker and experts from the campus and community to answer questions and discuss the film. All films in the Sustainability Film Series are free and open to the public.

Wellness Walk at Tiff-10 am to noon. Drop by Tiff Nature Preserve and enjoy the fresh air and the sights and sounds of the season with a healthy outdoor walk! Offered Thursdays all year. \$2.00 per person donation appreciated. Please call 825-6397 to confirm walk will be taking place.

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Scenario Planning Workshops: Translating Our Regional Vision and Values into a Future for Our Region –Play a role in planning your community and attend a hands-on workshop with One Region Forward. 6pm – 8pm, Parkdale Elementary School, 141 Girard Avenue, East Aurora, NY. [Learn more and register to attend.](#)

"Invasive Species of Lake Erie"-7 to 9pm at 4968 Lake Shore Rd., Hamburg. Helen Domske is a Senior Extension Specialist for New York Sea Grant/Cornell Cooperative Extension. She also serves as the Associate Director of the Great Lakes Program at the University at Buffalo. Helen is the Education Coordinator of New York Sea Grant and the New York leader for the Center for Great Lakes Literacy. Ms. Domske will be discussing the invasive species of Lake Erie.

WNYEA Habitat & Nature Working Group- 4 to 5pm at Larkin at Exchange, 725 Exchange St., Suite 525, Buffalo.

"Predator avoidance behavior? Patterns in Clam Excurrent siphon velocity according to external environmental cues" - Great Lakes Center seminar presented by Sarah Delavan, University at Buffalo, Civil, Structural, and Environmental Engineering. Buffalo State College, Classroom Building B332 from 12:15-1:30pm. <http://greatlakescenter.buffalostate.edu/>

Friday, November 15

WNYEA Transportation Working Group/ Complete Streets Coalition - Next meeting at 10am in Room 502 City Hall.

League of Women Voters Speaker- Amherst Town Board member Steve Sanders (and liaison to the Amherst Conservation Committee to speak at the regularly scheduled luncheon Lunch & Issues at the Scotch and Sirloin Restaurant, 3999 Maple beginning at 11:30 am. The lunch costs \$16 all included. The public is invited. RSVP: Contact Sally Metzger at semetz@roadrunner.com or Judy Metzger at 688-1351.

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Tree Workshop-Back to Basics: How Professionals and Beginners Do It –Morning (8:30am) and afternoon (1pm) workshops at Forest Lawn Cemetery Chapel Building, 1411 Delaware Avenue, Buffalo, NY 14209. Full Day (lunch included): \$35.00 per person or \$25.00 for ReLeaf/Urban Forestry Council Members by 11/8/13, after 11/8/13 fee is \$45.00. Afternoon Registration (starting at 1:00 PM): \$10.00 per person // Free for ReLeaf/Urban Forestry Council Members. For further information and/or questions please contact, Pat Marren, Region 9 DEC Forester at 716-851-7010, pjmarren@gw.dec.state.ny.us. Please send registration to and make checks payable to: NYSUCF and return to: Mary Kramarchyk, Urban Forestry Program, NYS DEC, 625 Broadway, Albany, NY 12233 or fax registration to: 518-402-9028

Saturday, November 16

Buffalo Audubon New Volunteer Open House-10 to 11:30 am at the Beaver Meadow Audubon Center in North Java. Staff will give an overview of Buffalo Audubon, Beaver Meadow, and the many opportunities available to you. For more info, call Buffalo Audubon at 585-457-3228 or email info@buffaloudubon.org.

Walk at Knox Farm State Park – 9am. Enjoy a family-friendly nature walk led by Buffalo Audubon staff at Knox Farm State Park. (KF) Free. Please call 585-457-3228 to register.

Scenario Planning Workshops: Translating Our Regional Vision and Values into a Future for Our Region –Play a role in planning your community and attend a hands-on workshop with One Region Forward. Noon-2pm, Niagara Power Project Visitors Center – the “Power Vista”– 5777 Lewiston Road, Lewiston, NY. [Learn more and register to attend](#).

Full Beaver Moon Stroll-6 to 7:30pm Hunt for a brave beaver in the autumn air at Tiff Nature Preserve as we enjoy an evening walk by the full moon. Non-Members: \$5. Buffalo Museum of Science Members Save 10%. Pre-registration required. Please call 825-6397.

2nd Annual Cranksgiving- Lafayette Square at 1pm. [info](#) Cranksgiving is a food drive on two wheels. Part bike ride, part food drive, part scavenger hunt. Bring a bike (any bike will do), a bag, a lock, a helmet and about \$10-15 to buy food. All of the food collected at grocery stores will be donated to Food not Bombs. Trophies/Prizes will be awarded and refreshments will be had at the after party at the GObike workshop (98 Colvin Ave) at 3pm. After party is free for riders, but we are asking that non-riders bring 4 non perishable food items to donate or 5 bucks.

Secrets of Reinstein Woods-10:30 AM. Discover Reinstein Woods’ best kept secrets on this guided walk. For adults only. Registration required; call 716-683-5959. Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew.

Horticulture I Certificate Class-Buffalo & Erie County Gardens with David Clark, Horticulturist, 11am-1pm. Each Certificate Series - Garden Members \$105, Non-Members \$130, Cost for individual classes - Garden Members \$20, Non-Members \$25. Join us for an entertaining garden education! David has a wealth of knowledge and is able to convey his subject with infectious enthusiasm. These classes are for those who just want to know more than garden basics. All classes are held in the Administration Building. Call 716.827.1584 ext. 291 for more information. HCP 104 – Shrubs and Trees. www.buffalogardens.com

Nature’s Gathering-5:00 to 8:00 PM at Knights of Columbus Hall, 2735 Union Road, Cheektowaga, NY. Enjoy a tasting of fine regional wines, cheese and hors d’oeuvres and help support the Friends of Reinstein Nature Preserve. Western New York artisans will showcase their nature-themed artwork, which will be available for purchase. Call 716-683-5959 for ticket information.

Adventure Hike- 10:00am to 12:30pm at Sinking Ponds Preserve - East Aurora. A moderate hike through open fields, forests and around various wetlands with a focus on season change in plant and animal communities. Fees: \$7.00 members / \$10.00 non-members. <http://www.earthspiritedu.org/events.html>

Gorge at Low Water-Whirlpool State Park 10:00 a.m. - 2:30 p.m. Enjoy the Niagara Gorge after the volume of water in the Niagara River is reduced by 25%. Join park naturalists for a guided hike that will take you past the Whirlpool to the site of the Great Gorge Route station and beyond. For information & registration call (716) 282-5154.

Sunday, November 17

Full Moon Adventure-Wilson Tuscarora State Park 6:30 p.m. – 8:30 p.m. Enjoy the mysterious world of nature after dark! Join us for a presentation weaving together stories about night ecology, moon lore, history and the magic of nature at night, followed by a short walk through the woods under moonlit skies! For information & registration call (716) 282-5154.

“The Power Animals of Reinstein Woods: What Does the Fox Really Say?”- 1 p.m. at Reinstein Woods, 93 Honorine Drive, Cheektowaga. This family-friendly tour of Reinstein Woods will explore local Native American traditions that relate to wildlife. Many native beliefs include the idea that animals can teach us important lessons to guide us through our lives. Using animal Medicine Cards, participants will receive insight and life lessons from the local animals that live at Reinstein Woods. The event is free, but registration is necessary. To register, call (716) 683-5959.

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Family Walk at Beaver Meadow-2pm at Beaver Meadow Audubon Center. Guided walk led by one of our naturalists. 585-457-3228.

Monday, November 18

WNYEA Education and Outreach meeting-3:30 PM - 5:00 PM at Larkin at Exchange, 725 Exchange St., Suite 525, Buffalo.

Tuesday, November 19

Niagara River Greenway Commission Executive Committee and General Meeting-2pm for Exec., 3pm for General. Public welcome. Location: Beaver Island State Park Office, Grand Island, New York

WNYEA Parks & Recreation Working Group-4 to 5:30pm Larkin at Exchange, 725 Exchange St., Suite 525, Buffalo.

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2013 C-SAAHN 'IMAGINE' Lecture Series-Noon to 1pm @ Downtown Buffalo & Erie County Public Library, Ring of Knowledge area, free. Noon - 12:30 P.M. "IMAGINE The Arts as Our Universal Language: In Pursuit of Happiness" "Tocqueville and the American Experiment - The Journey to America" Video #3 by Professor William R. Cook, State University of New York at Geneseo. 12:30 - 1:00 P.M. "IMAGINE a Healthy & Wealthy Buffalo Niagara Region: The Art of Investing - Locally", Aaron Bartley, Executive Director, PUSH Buffalo. <http://buffaloah.com/h/center/lib/13lec.html>

Tuesday Evening Hike with Paths, Peaks and Paddles- The hike is FREE. If/when snow hits we strap on our snowshoes and continue with Tuesday Evenings, the snowshoe hike is FREE. Rental of any gear is always an option. We are currently planning to hike The Conservation Trail which is mostly paved (bike paths). Our evening starts at Paths Peaks & Paddles facility (1000 Ellicott Creek Rd Tonawanda, NY) at 5:55pm SHARP. We car pool to our hiking destination. On an average night we are done with our hike around 9:00pm. Dress for the weather, bring water, hiking poles if you desire. Hiking poles are available for rent. When snow hits you are welcome to rent snowshoes and poles.

Wednesday, November 20

Cazenovia Conversations –10am-12noon Let's take a walk in picturesque Cazenovia Park, one of the irreplaceable Olmstead designed parks located in South Buffalo. We'll talk about the Cazenovia Creek and the creatures that reside in, around and above it. Donations. (585) 457-3228. Buffalo Audubon.

WNY Herpetological Society-8pm at St. Peter's Episcopal Church, 205 Longmeadow Drive, Eggertsville, NY 14226. Guests are always welcome to our free meetings.

Thursday, November 21

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Friday, November 22

Nature Knowledge Trivia Night-7 to 9pm. Show off your nature knowledge and compete for prizes while enjoying a rousing evening of delectable treats, drinks, and friends at this FUNdraiser for Tiff Nature Preserve! Non-Members: \$30 for teams of four or \$8 per person. Buffalo Museum of Science Members Save 10%. Pre-registration required. Please call 825-6397.

The modern invasive species pproblem: A world Darwin Envisioned?" –Great Lakes Center seminar by Jason D. Fridley from Syracuse University, Biology Dept. from 3:30-4:30pm at Buffalo State College, Science Building 272. <http://greatlakescenter.buffalostate.edu/>

Saturday, November 23

CSI: Critter Sign Investigation-10:30 AM. Become a nature detective and hunt for “clues” wildlife have left along the trails. For kids ages 6 to 10. Registration required; call 716-683-5959. Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew.

Owl Prowl at Beaver Meadow – 7pm Join Buffalo Audubon Society Naturalist Tom Kerr for a nocturnal search for owls. Listen for the hoots, wails and shrieks of owls. Donations. (585) 457-3228.

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Trek Tiftt-2-3:30 PM at Tiftt Nature Preserve, 1200 Fuhrmann Blvd. Buffalo, NY 14203. Join Friends of Tiftt for a guided tour of the preserve. This drop-in program runs all year every Sunday except the third Sunday of the month. \$2 donation per person suggested.

Family Walk at Beaver Meadow-2pm at Beaver Meadow Audubon Center. Guided walk led by one of our naturalists. 585-457-3228.

Monday, November 25

Clean Air Coalition Member Monday-Have a few hours the last Monday of the month? Stop by the Clean Air office between 3:30-6:30pm, meet other folks that care about their neighborhood and help us with mailings, research, turn out calls, or other important work. Give us a call and let us know you plan on stopping by: 716-852-3813. 341 Delaware Ave., Buffalo.

Tuesday, November 26

Sierra Club Meeting-Join others with the Niagara Sierra Club for their monthly meeting at 7pm at Room 240 Duns Scotus Hall, Daemen College. Visit www.daemen.edu/maps for directions.

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Wednesday, November 27

WNYEA Environmental Justice Working Group Meeting-4:00 PM - 5:30 PM at Larkin at Exchange, 725 Exchange St., Suite 525, Buffalo.

Thursday, November 28

Happy Thanksgiving

Friday, November 29

Turkey Stroll-10:00 AM. The day after Thanksgiving is a great time for a walk in the woods. Join us on a guided nature walk as we look for wild turkeys and the clues they leave behind. Reinstein Woods. 716-683-5959

Junior Botanist Day Camp-Buffalo & Erie County Botanical Gardens from 9am-3pm for ages 5-12, cost is \$20. Enjoy a "green Friday" with games, learning about plants and other fun. Pre-registration required-call 716-827-1584 for more info.

Saturday, November 30

Creative Composting-10:30 AM. Learn about red wiggler worms and how you can use them to start composting indoors to prepare for next spring's garden. \$4/worm kit, Friends of Reinstein members \$2/kit.

Introduction to Birding Technology – 9am. Join BAS Naturalist Tom Kerr for a presentation on Birding in the 21st Century and a short bird walk at Beaver Meadow Audubon Center. Donations (585) 457-3228.

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Tips for the Environment:

- 1. Check your products for endocrine disruptors-** Environmental Working Group has a list of the top 12 endocrine disruptors and ways to avoid them. Check the list and see if you can reduce your exposure. Info [here](#).
- 2. Challenge your water use-** We may not face water shortages in our region, but our tap water does require energy input and infrastructure. If we can reduce our use of “drinking quality” water for some household activities, we can save money and reduce environmental impact. For 110 ways to conserve water, visit <http://www.sustainablebabysteps.com/water-conservation.html>.
- 3. Reuse and recycle your Tips for the Environment-**we are probably all using CFL bulbs, recycling regularly and engaging in lots of earth-friendly behaviors. So let’s reuse and recycle-you can check the list of tips from the first Enviro-News in January 2006 (check for any missed at [econews](#)). If you have tips to share, please send them to me to include.

GROW WNY: New Local Website for Everything Environmental

GrowWNY (<http://growwny.org>) is a new hyper-local source of information about living green in Western New York. To showcase your local events or advertise a future event, be sure to submit to their online calendar.

Additional calendars with local events-

<http://artvoice.com/calendar>

<http://buffalorising.com>

<http://wnyscienceleaders.ning.com/>

<http://www.buffalospree.com/Buffalo-Spree/Events/>

<http://www.exploreny.net/events.php3>

<http://www.metrowny.com/events.php>

<http://www.buffalo.edu/calendar>

Re-Energize Buffalo Blog- <http://renewnrg.blogspot.com/>

Additional local blogs and websites-

ReNews Weekly Digest (renewable energy news)- sign up by email to zaczek@prodigy.net

New York Outdoors Blog- <http://newyorkoutdoors.wordpress.com>

Buffalo Barn Raisers- <http://www.buffalobarnraisers.com/>
Buffalo Niagara Gardening - <http://www.buffalo-niagaragardening.com/>
Buffalo New York Outdoors- <http://www.squidoo.com/buffalonyoutdoors>
Buffalo Issues Alert- <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/BfloIssueAlerts/>
Buffalo Promise Neighborhoods- <http://buffalopromiseneighborhood.org/>
Buffalo Tours- <http://buffalotours.blogspot.com/>
Buffalo Green Fund-<http://www.buffalogreenfund.org/>
Campaign for Buffalo History, Architecture and Culture- <http://greaterbuffalo.blogs.com/>
Carvings for a Cause- www.carvingsforacause.com/
Dept. Environmental Conservation Calendar- <http://www.dec.ny.gov/public/48977.html>
DEC Green Living Tips- <http://www.dec.ny.gov/public/337.html>
Edible Buffalo- <http://ediblebuffalo.wordpress.com/>
Erie Cattaraugus Rail Trail- <http://www.ecattrail.org/>
Fix Buffalo- <http://fixbuffalo.blogspot.com/>
Gardening Speakers Bureau <http://gardentalkbuffalo.blogspot.com/p/blog-page.html>
GBNRTC-<http://gbnrtc.org/index.php/blog/welcome-to-the-new-gbnrtc-blog/>
Guide to Urban Farming- <http://smallfarms.cornell.edu/resources/>
Healthy Kids/Healthy Communities- <http://hkhcbuffalo.blogspot.com/>
Jamestown Audubon Society-<http://jamestownaudubon.wordpress.com/blog/>
Learning Sustainability Campaign- <http://www.learningsustainability.com/>
Local Food- <http://buffalolocavore.blogspot.com/>
Parks and Trails NY Trailfinder Site- <http://www.ptny.org/trailfinder/Default.aspx>
Buffalo Niagara Partnership- <http://buffaloniagarapartnership.blogspot.com/>
Reuse Action-<http://reuseaction.com/blog/>
Rochester Environment- <http://www.rochesterenvironment.com/>
WNY Enviro- <http://groups.yahoo.com/group/WNY-ENVIRO/>
Ecoessentials- <http://ecossentials.wordpress.com/>
DEC State of Green - <http://decstateofgreen.blogspot.com/>
Outdoors Niagara- <http://www.outdoorsniagara.com/>
Environmental Tips- <http://www.globalstewards.org/ecotips.htm>
Good Neighborhood- <http://thegoodneighborhood.com/>
Buffalo Architecture and History- <http://www.buffaloah.com/>
Richardson-Olmsted <http://www.richardson-olmsted.com/>
Examiner Buffalo <http://www.examiner.com/buffalo>
Times Beach Nature Preserve- www.facebook.com/pages/Friends-of-Times-Beach-Nature-Preserve/283210257029
All about Nature- <http://www.meetup.com/All-About-Nature-in-WNY/>
Black Dog Rescue- www.blackdogsecondchance.org
Peace Weavers- <http://peaceweavers.org/>
Eco-Island Nature Center- www.k12.ginet.org/resources.cfm?subpage=6518
NY Sport Fishing- <http://www.fishny.com/>
Erie Canal Trailway- www.ptny.org/bikecanal
Niagara Watershed Alliance- <http://www.had-e-nuff.com/id6.html>
Rochester Roots-<http://www.rochesterroots.org/>
SOLE of Buffalo- <http://peapodriot.blogspot.com/2012/04/food-ethics-for-buffalo-is-now-sole-of.html>
New York Times Green Energy & Environment-<http://green.blogs.nytimes.com/>
South Buffalo CREW- <http://www.southbuffalocrew.com/>
U Save Buffalo/Recycling- <http://www.facebook.com/USaveBuffalo>
WNY Chapter/American Chemical Society- <http://wny.sites.acs.org/>

Green Jobs, Internships and Opportunities

Environmental Internships-<http://environmentalinterns.ncseonline.org/>
Green Careers-<http://www.greencareersny.com/>
Green Jobs- <http://www.greatgreencareers.com> , <http://www.greenjobs.com/>
UB Green Job list- <http://www.ub-careers.buffalo.edu/green.php>
Engineering jobs-<http://www.engineering-job-site.com>
Manufacturing management/supply chain-<http://www.operations-jobs.com>

Grant Opportunities

www.wnygrantmakers.org/

www.grantstation.com

www.grantwatch.com

www.grantwrangler.com

www.youthtoday.org/grants.cfm

www.servicelearning.org/funding-opportunities

www.grantsalert.com

Urban Farms/ Composting/Rural Community-Supported Agriculture/Sustainable Practices-

Arden Farm- <http://theardenfarm.com/>

Becker Farms- <http://www.beckerfarms.com/csa>

Busti Cider Mill- www.busticidermill.com

Canticle Farms-<http://www.canticlefarm.org>

Chicken Worth Eating-<http://www.chickenwortheating.com/>

Erie County Farmers' Markets- <http://www.agriculture.ny.gov/AP/CommunityFarmersMarkets.asp#Erie County>

Farmer Pirates-<http://www.farmerpirates.com/>

Farmers and Artisans- <http://farmersandartisans.com>

Farmthisway CSA - <http://www.farmthisway.com/>

Fenton's Produce- www.fentonsproduce.com

First Light Farm and Creamery- <http://www.first-light-farm.com>

Flavor Farm- www.flavor-farm.com

Green Heron Growers- <http://www.greenherongrowers.com/>

Good Food Farm- www.goodfoodfarm.blogspot.com

Harvest Patch- <http://www.harvestpatch.com/>

Michigan Riley Farm-<http://michiganrileyfarm.wordpress.com/>

Native Offerings- <http://nativeofferings.com/>

Plato Dale Farm- <http://www.platodalefarm.org/>

Porter Farms- <http://porterfarms.org/>

The Promised Land- <http://www.promisedlandcsa.com/produce.htm>

Queen City Farm- www.queencityfarm.org/

Reigle's on theRidge- <http://www.localharvest.org/reigles-on-the-ridge-M48650>

Roots & Wings Family Farm- <http://www.rootsandwingsfamilyfarm.com>

Root Down- www.therootdownfarm.com

Sinemus Farms- <http://www.sinemusfarms.com/>

Singer Farms Naturals-www.singerfarmnaturals.com

Thorpe's Organic Farm- www.thorpesorganicfamilyfarm.com

T-Meadow Farms- www.heritagebreedsusa.com/TMeadow.html

Wilson Street Urban Farm- <http://wilsonstreeturbanfarm.wordpress.com/>

NY Sustainable Agriculture Working Group- <http://www.farmtraveleronline.com/>

NYSAWG Links to Farmers' Markets, CSA, Other farms- <http://www.nysawg.org/directory-of-farms.html>

Local Harvest (resource site)-<http://www.localharvest.org/>

NY Agri-women - <http://www.newyorkagriwomen.com/>

Local Tourism promoting Sustainability

Buffalo Bites Food Tours- <http://www.buffalobitesfoodtours.com/>

Buffalo Tours- <http://www.preservationbuffaloniagara.org/buffalo-tours/>

Niagara Wine Trail - <http://www.niagarawinetrail.org/>

Niagara Farmers Markets- <http://www.niagarafarmmarkets.org/>

Recycling, Disposal, Green Cleaning Options:

Batteries- Twin Village Salvage Recycling, 4153 Broadway, Depew 683-5373

Batteries, rechargeable- drop offs at Office Depot, Best Buy , Target, Walmart, Radio Shack, Lowe's

Bicycles- Buffalo Blue Bicycle www.greenoptionsbuffalo.org

Books- www.booksforafrica.org, www.operationpaperback.org

Bottle and jar caps-Weisenbach Recycled Products in Ohio. CapsCando.com
Bras- www.donateyourbra.com, www.brarecycling.us
Building materials- www.buffaloreuse.org
Carpet- WNY Professional Flooring, 864-3875
Cars- <http://www.donateacar.com/>
Clothing, general-Goodwill, Amvets, Salvation Army, St. Vincent Depaul Society, Ladies of Charity, Goodwill
Clothing, formal/business- www.donatemyweddingdress.org/, www.careergear.org, www.dressforsuccess.org
Compact Fluorescent Light Bulbs-Accepted at all Home Depot stores, Lowe's
Computer disks, tapes and misc. techno"trash"- <http://greendisk.com/>
Computer equipment- local Goodwill stores and attended donation centers, Best Buy, Sunnking dropoffs
Cell Phones-Buffalo Zoo, Aquarium of Niagara and other charities
Drug disposal best practices- <http://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/45083.html>
Electronics- www.greenergadgets.org/recycling-responsibly.html, most electronics stores, www.sunnking.com
Envelopes, tyvek- < 25: Send to Tyvek Recycle, Attn. Shirley B. Wright, 8401 Fort Darling Road, Richmond, VA 23237. More than 25: call 866/33-TYVEK.
Eyeglasses-Lions Club <http://donateglasses.net/search.html> for sites accepting donations
Fishing line: Berkley Recycling, 1900 18th St., Spirit Lake, IA 51360.
Gift cards and customer loyalty cards- <http://www.earthworkssystem.com/Consumers/>
Green Cleaning programs in the workplace-<https://greencleaning.ny.gov/Entry.asp>.
Greeting Cards- <http://www.stjudesranch.org/shop/recycled-card-program/>
Hazardous Household materials- <http://www.hazmanusa.com/>
Household Goods (Appliances, Furniture, Kitchenware)-Goodwill, Salvation Army, Ladies of Charity, St. Vincent DePaul Society (Main St.) 882-3600
Ink cartridges-RecyclePlace.com and most manufacturers
Medicines, expired or unused- http://www.dec.ny.gov/docs/water_pdf/guidance3.pdf
Packaging Materials (bubble wrap, peanuts)-UPS Store
Pantyhose/tights- NoNonsense.com/PantyhoseRecycling.aspx
Plant pots- Mischler's Florist and Nursery, Lavocats Nursery, Lockwood's Nursery
Plastic shopping bags-groceries, many retailers
Rechargeable Batteries-drop offs at Office Depot, Best Buy , Target, Walmart, Radio Shack, Lowe's
Recycling A to Z - realsimple
Shoes, athletic-NikeReuseAShoe.com, Souls4Souls.org and OneWorldRunning.com
Sports equipment-resell/trade at www.playitagainsports.com
Tennis balls- <http://www.rebounces.com/recycle/>
Toys, plastic- http://dmpgreen.com/mail_in.html
Uses and reuses for many items- <http://www.world.org/weo/recycle>
Water filters-Brita partners with preserveproducts.com/recycling
Yoga mats- RecycleYourMat.com

Education Courses or Certificates:

Energy University Website with Schneider Electric- [Courses](#) are free
Green Classroom Professional Certificate- Online courses, info [here](#)

Eco-volunteering with Travel:

<http://www.planetfriendly.net/learn.html>
<http://www.globalteer.org>
<http://www.ecovolunteer.org/>
<http://www.eco-volunteerusa.org/>
<http://www.goeco.org/>
<http://www.woof.org/>
<http://www.americanhiking.org/>

Miscellaneous:

Green America's guide to Socially Responsible Investing- <http://pubs.greenamerica.org/i/116105>

Links to area/state environmental/community sustainability organizations and regularly scheduled activities:

Adirondack Mountain Club-Niagara Frontier Chapter Meetings 7:30, second Tues. from Sept.-June	http://www.adk-nfc.org/home.php
Allegheny Nature Pilgrimage	http://alleganynaturepilgrimage.com/
Alliance for the Great Lakes	www.greatlakes.org
American Planning Association-NY Upstate	http://nyupstateplanning.org
Amherst Greenways	http://Amherstgreenways.org
Amherst State Park Arboretum	http://www.amherststatepark.org/ASP/Welcome.html
Animal Advocates of Western New York	https://www.facebook.com/aaofwny
Aquarium of Niagara	www.aquariumofniagara.org
AWARE-Assoc. for Wild Animal Rehabilitation & Education	www.awarewildlife.com
Bergen Swamp Preservation Society	http://www.bergenswamp.org/
Bless the Beasts Foundation	http://blessthebeastsinc.webs.com/
Buffalo Architecture Foundation	http://www.buffaloarchitecture.org/
Buffalo Audubon Society/Beaver Meadow Nature Center Volunteer Day every Wed. 10am-2pm at Beaver Meadow	www.buffaloudubon.org
Bond Lake Environmental & Beautification Committee	http://www.freewebs.com/bondlake/
Braddock Bay Bird Observatory	http://braddockbaybirdobservatory.wordpress.com/
Brush Up Buffalo	www.brushupbuffalo.org
Buffalo Astronomical Association	http://www.buffaloastronomy.com/
Buffalo Brownfields Opportunities Areas	http://buffalobrownfieldopportunities.com/
Buffalo CarShare	http://www.buffalocarshare.org/
Buffalo Citybration	http://citybration.com/
Buffalo Complete Streets	http://buffalocompletestreets.org/
Buffalo Earth Day	http://buffaloearthday.com/EarthDay/

Buffalo and Erie County Botanical Gardens	www.buffalogardens.com
Buffalo First	www.buffalofirst.org/
Buffalo Food not Bombs	http://buffalofoodnotbombs.webs.com/
Buffalo Geological Society Meetings 7:30pm, first Fri. Oct-April, Parkside Lutheran	www.bgsny.org
Buffalo Green Code	http://www.buffalogreencode.com/
Buffalo in Bloom	www.buffaloinbloom.com/
Buffalo Maritime Center	http://www.buffalomaritimecenter.org/
Buffalo Microparks	http://www.buffalomicroparks.com/
Buffalo Museum of Science	www.sciencebuff.org/
Buffalo Niagara Green Expo	http://buffaloniagaragreenexpo.wordpress.com/
Buffalo Niagara Riverkeeper	www.bnriverkeeper.org/
Buffalo Niagara 2050 Transportation	www.buffaloniagara2050.com
Buffalo Olmsted Parks Conservancy	www.bfloparks.org
Buffalo Orienteering Club	http://www.buffalo-orienteeing.org/
Buffalo Ornithological Society	http://www.buffaloornithologicalsociety.org/
Buffalo ReUse	www.buffaloreuse.org/
Buffalo Urban Development Corp	http://budc.ecidany.com/
Buffalo Urban Outdoor Education	www.buoe.org
Buffalo Zoo	www.buffalozoo.org
Center for Environmental Information (Rochester)	http://ceinfo.org/
Center for the Study of Art, Architecture, History and Nature	http://buffaloah.com/h/center/index.html
Citizens Campaign for the Environment	www.citizenscampaign.org
Citizens' Environmental Coalition	www.cectoxic.org/index.html
Citizens Regional Transit Corporation	www.citizenstransit.org/

Clean Air Coalition of Western New York	http://www.cacwny.org/
Clean Communities of Western New York	http://www.ccofwny.org/
Community Action Organization of Erie County	http://www.caoec.org/
Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo	http://www.cfgb.org/
Cornell Cooperative Extension for Cattaraugus County	http://www.ccealleganycattaraugus.org
Cornell Cooperative Extension for Erie County	http://counties.cce.cornell.edu/erie/
Cornell Cooperative Extension for Niagara County	http://counties.cce.cornell.edu/niagara/
Daemen College Center for Sustainable Communities	www.daemen.edu/academics/centersinitiatives/CSCCE
Department of Environmental Conservation (NY State)	www.dec.ny.gov/index.html
Designing to Live Sustainably	http://www.d2ls.org/
Earth Spirit Educational Services	www.earthspiritedu.org
Edible Buffalo	www.ediblebuffalo.com
Environmental Education Associates	http://environmentaleducation.com/
Environmental Justice Action Group of Western New York	http://weact.org/Coalitions/tabid/182/Default.aspx
Environmental Protection Agency Local Office (716) 551-4410	http://www2.epa.gov/aboutepa/epa-region-2
Erie Canal Harbor Development	http://www.eriecanalharbor.com/
Erie County Community College Going Green	http://eccgoinggreen.ecc.edu/index.html
Erie County Conservation Society	http://eccs-club.org/
Erie County Department of Environment and Planning	http://www.erie.gov/environment/
Erie County Environment Management Council	http://www2.erie.gov/environment/
Erie County Farm Bureau	http://www.ecfarm.com/
Erie County Federation of Sportsmen's Clubs	http://www.eriectyfsc.org/
Erie County Parks and Recreation	http://www.erie.gov/parks

Erie County Soil and Water Conservation	www.ecswcd.org/
Evergreen-Buffalo State College	www.buffalostate.edu/orgs/evergreen
Excalibur Leisure Skills	http://excaliburl.org
Field and Fork Network	http://fieldandforknetwork.com/
First Hand Learning	www.firsthandlearning.org
For A Clean Tonawanda Site	www.factsofwny.com/
Friends of the Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge	http://www.friendsofiroquoisnwr.org/
Foothills Trail Club	www.foothillstrailclub.org
Gander Mountain Store (seminar listings)	http://gander.distanthorizon.com/seminars/index.asp
Garden Clubs of WNY	www.gardenclubsofwny.com
Garden Walk Buffalo	http://gardenwalkbuffalo.com/
Genesee County Nature Center	www.gcv.org
Good Going WNY	www.goodgoingwny.com
Gooseneck Hill Waterfowl Sanctuary	www.gooseneckhillwaterfowlfarm.com
Grassroots Gardens of Buffalo	www.grassrootsgardens.org/
Greater Buffalo-Niagara Regional Transportation Council	www.gbnrtc.org/
Great Lakes Beach Sweep	http://greatlakesbeachsweep.org/
Great Lakes Center at Buffalo State College	http://www.buffalostate.edu/greatlakescenter
Great Lakes Experience	http://www.thegreatlakesexperience.org
Green and Mean (it)	http://www.greenandmeanit.com/
Green Development Zone	http://greendevlopmentzone.org/
Green Options Buffalo	http://www.greenoptionsbuffalo.org/
Green WNY	http://greenwny.com/
Groundwork Buffalo	http://www.groundworkbuffalo.org/

Habitat for Humanity Buffalo Intro to Volunteering 9am-3 rd Saturday each month	http://www.habitatbuffalo.org/
Hawk Creek Wildlife Center, Inc.	www.hawkcreek.org
Healthy Kids Healthy Communities	http://food.b-ap.net/hkhcbuffalo/
Heart of the City Neighborhoods, Inc.	www.hocn.org
Iroquois National Wildlife Refuge	http://www.fws.gov/refuge/iroquois/
Jamestown Audubon Center & Sanctuary	www.jamestownaudubon.org
Jamestown Community College	http://www.sunyjcc.edu/sustainability
JNK's Call of the Wild Sanctuary	www.jnkscallofthewild.org
Junior Solar Sprint Buffalo	www.jssbuffalo.com
Lake Erie Forum	http://www.lakeerieforum.org/
League of Women Voters of Buffalo Niagara	http://www.lwvbn.org/
Local Initiatives Support Corporation	http://www.buffalolisc.org
Maddie's Pet Rescue Project	http://www.maddieseriecounty.org/
Massachusetts Avenue Project	http://mass-ave.org/
Messinger Woods Wildlife Care and Education Center, Inc	www.messingerwoods.org
Nannen Arboretum	ww2.cattco.org/tag/nannen-arboretum
National Buffalo Garden Festival	http://www.nationalgardenfestival.com
Nature Conservancy-Central and Western New York Chapter	http://Nature.org/centralwestern
Nature Ed-Ventures	www.natureed-ventures.com
Nature Sanctuary of Western New York	http://nsswny.org/
Net+Positive	www.netpositivefoundation.org
New York Farm Bureau	http://www.nyfb.org/
New York Flora Association	http://www.nyflora.org/

New York Forest Owner's Association	www.nyfoa.org
New York Interfaith Power and Light	www.newyorkipl.org/
New York Power Authority	www.nypa.gov
New York Public Interest Research Group	http://www.nypirg.org/
New York State Association of Conservation Commissions	http://www.nysaccny.org/index.php
New York State Parks	www.nysparks.com
New York State Sea Grant	http://www.seagrantsunysb.edu/
New York State Soil and Water	http://www.nys-soilandwater.org/
New York Upstate Chapter of the Green Building Council	http://www.greenupstateny.org/
New York State Wetlands Forum	http://www.wetlandsforum.org
Niagara County Farm Bureau	http://niagarafb.org/
Niagara County Landfill and Recycling	http://www.niagaracountylandfillrecycling.com/
Niagara County Parks	http://www.niagaracounty.com/Parks/
Niagara County Soil and Water Conservation District	www.niagaraswcd.com
Niagara Frontier Botanical Society	http://faculty.buffalostate.edu/pottsd1/
Niagara Frontier Wildlife Habitat Council	http://www.nfwhc.org/
Niagara Heritage Partnership	http://www.niagaraheritage.org/
Niagara Restoration Council	www.niagararestoration.org/
Niagara River Anglers Association	http://www.niagarariveranglers.com
Niagara River Greenway Commission	www.niagaragreenway.org
Niagara University Sustainability	http://www.niagara.edu/green/
Northeast Organic Farming Association of New York	http://nofany.org
Oakmossed Education	http://oakmossed.com
One Region Forward	http://www.oneregionforward.org/

Our Water Future	http://ourwaterfuture.org/
Partnership for the Public Good	www.ppgbuffalo.org
Paths, Peaks and Paddles	www.pathspeakspaddles.com
Penn Dixie Paleontological and Outdoor Education Center Open Sat. 9am-4pm May-Oct. for fossil collecting	www.penndixie.org
Pfeiffer Nature Center (Portville)	www.pfeiffernaturecenter.org
Preservation Buffalo Niagara	http://www.preservationbuffaloniagara.org/
People United for Sustainable Housing	http://www.pushbuffalo.org
Regional Councils NYS	http://regionalcouncils.ny.gov
Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve 10am Sat. guided tours, Self-guided trails 9am-5pm M-Sat, Env. Educ. Ctr M-F 9am-4:30pm, Sat. 1-4:30pm	www.dec.ny.gov/education/1837.html
Renew Erie County	http://reneweriecounty.org/
ReNU Niagara	http://www.niagara.edu/renu/
Reptile Adoption, Rehabilitation and Education, Inc. (RARE)	http://rarerehab.org/
Retree Western New York	www.re-treewny.org
ReUse Action	http://reuseaction.com/
Rochester Permaculture Institute	http://rochesterpermacultureinstitute.org
Roger Tory Peterson Institute	www.rtpi.org
Sierra Club (Niagara Group of Atlantic Chapter)	http://newyork.sierraclub.org/Niagara
Slow Food Buffalo Niagara	http://www.slowfoodbuffaloniagara.org/
South Buffalo Alive	http://www.southbuffaloalive.com/
SPCA serving Erie County	www.yourspca.org
Street Synergy	http://www.streetsynergy.org/
SUNY Fredonia	http://www.fredonia.edu/gogreen/
Sustainable Earth Solutions	www.sustainableeartholutions.com

Tifft Nature Preserve	www.sciencebuff.org/tifft_nature_preserve.php
Tuscarora Environmental Task Force	http://www.tuscaroraenvironment.com
21 st Century Park on the Outer Harbor	http://21stcenturypark.org/
UBEN-UB Environmental Network	http://wings.buffalo.edu/sa/uben/
UB Student Association Environmental Affairs	http://www.sa.buffalo.edu/environmental
UB Engineers for a Sustainable World	http://www.eng.buffalo.edu/esw
UB ERIE Program	http://www.erie.buffalo.edu/
UB Office of Sustainability	http://www.buffalo.edu/sustainability.html
UnwasteNY	http://www.unwasteney.org
Urban Design Project at UB	http://urbandesignproject.ap.buffalo.edu/
Urban Land Institute	http://newyork.uli.org/regional/
Urban Roots	www.urbanroots.org/
US Army Corps of Engineers-Buffalo District	http://www.lrb.usace.army.mil/
US Coast Guard-Boating Safety	http://www.wnyboatsafe.org/
Voice-Buffalo	http://www.voice-buffalo.org/index.html
We Love Outdoors	http://www.weloveoutdoors.com/
Western Chapter New York Water Environment Association	www.wnywea.org/
Western New York AmeriCorps (Service Collaborative)	http://www.wnyamericorps.org
Western New York Earth Day	http://www.wnyearthday.org/
Western New York Environmental Alliance	http://www.growwny.org/
Western New York Herpetological Society	http://www.wnyherpsociety.org/
Western New York Hiking Trails and resources	www.wnyhikes.com
Western New York Land Conservancy	http://www.wnylc.org/
WNY Nursery and Landscape Association (PLANT WNY)	http://www.wnysnla.org/

Western New York Science Congress	http://wnysec.org/
Western New York Service Learning Coalition	www.wnyslc.org
Western New York Stormwater Coalition	www.erie.gov/stormwater
Western New York Sustainability Plan	www.sustainable-ny.com
Western New York Sustainable Energy Association	www.wnysea.com
West Side Ministries	http://www.westsideminstries.org/
West Valley Citizen Task Force	www.westvalleyctf.org
Wild Ones, Native Plants and Natural Landscapes	http://www.wildonesniagara.org/
Wild Spirit Education	http://www.wildspirit.org/
Wind Action Group	http://www.buffalowind.org
Working for Downtown	http://www.workingfordowntown.org/