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The Greener Dub



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Fall Festivities

October is a busy month at Whitewater! Halloween and Homecoming are just a few weeks away but we will be celebrating sustainability all month long. This newsletter will provide tips for being sustainable and events to participate in throughout October.

-University Housing Sustainability

Minimize Waste at Parties

Not only will being environmentally friendly at your party be beneficial to the environment, it can speed up the after party clean up!

- Put a labeled bin for recycling next to the garbage can
- Use paper disposables instead of plastic (cups, plates, etc.)
- · Put out a marker for people to label their cups
- Use an old sheet as a tablecloth

Go Green for Halloween

- Reuse or trade costumes with friends
- Rather than buying a new costume, get creative with clothes and other items at thrift stores
- Use resale groups and pages on Facebook to sell or trade with other students
- Create house and yard decorations from reusable material

October is Campus Sustainability Month

We're joining the international celebration of sustainability in higher education all month long!





Aldo Leopold's shack located in Baraboo WI

Honors program and SAGE students went on a field trip to Baraboo WI to visit the International Crane Foundation and the Aldo Leopold Foundation. The efforts to study and conserve the 15 species of crane birds were shared with the students. The walking tour through the Aldo Leopold foundation allowed the students to relive Aldo's desires to restore prairies and connect humans back to conservation of land.

Game Day Recycling

The Game day victory had the largest crowd attendance in NCAA Division III history, which meant record breaking amounts of trash. Thanks to the work of American Marketing Association organization on campus, the Sustainability office and all the warhawk recycling participates this recycling event was successful!

Go Hawks!



Future Sustainability Events!

Monday October 17th
Film Showing: Planetary
5:30pm-7pm
Summers Auditorium

Bring some friends, eat some popcorn and watch a phenomenal movie about earth and our relation to it

Monday October 24th
Community Clean-up and
Yoga 3-6pm location TBD
Sign off those volunteer hours with
a community clean up and a FREE
optional yoga session with a local
instructor! Contact
sustainability@uww.edu for details.

Get Involved!

Volunteer Opportunities

Campus Organic Garden

Learn about plant maintenance, weeds, pests, and harvesting at the UWW campus garden! Help provide fresh, organic produce to the Whitewater Food Pantry. Volunteer sessions typically run April until mid-October. The garden is located between the Bookstore and Ambrose Health Center on Starin Road.



Prairie Seed Collection

Each fall we collect seeds from native prairie plants to re-establish our 110 acre UWW Nature Preserve with native plant species. Volunteers are assigned one to two plants to search the prairie for during the session.

Stream Monitoring

Students, faculty, and staff take measurements of different variables that help determine the health of Bluff Creek and Whitewater Creek. These measurements include temperature, stream flow, transparency, dissolved oxygen, and biotic index. Takes place bi-monthly from April through October.

No experience necessary! To be added to the Sustainability Office contact list to receive announcements of the volunteer opportunities listed above, email sustainability@uww.edu.

Student Organizations

Students Allied for a Green Earth



Come to meet other students concerned with sustainability on campus. S.A.G.E meets every Wednesday at 6 PM in Hyland Hall 1319.

sage@uww.edu

UW-Whitewater Water Council

A student organization focused on spreading awareness about the importance of freshwater. For interests in joining water council, email watercouncil@uww.edu.



Gardening Club

Learn the necessary skills to grow organic food at the UW-W campus garden and greenhouse. For interests in joining, email sustainability@uww.edu.

Whitewater Student Government

WSG meetings take place every Monday at 7 PM in UC 259. WSG strives to represent the needs of all students at UW-Whitewater. The WSG Sustainability Director is Liberty Wieseman. To contact WSG, email the Speaker at WSGSpeaker@uww.edu.