



Monday, October 5th, 2009

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The Green Connection

Next Green Committee Meeting

Mayor Riley and the City's Sustainability Director Speaking
John Wesley United Methodist Church

626 Savannah Highway

([CARTA Route 30](#))

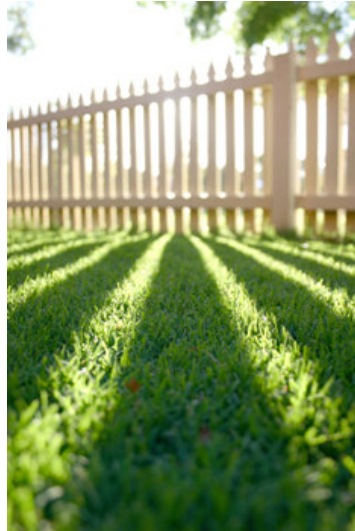
October 13th
Bring Your Own Mug!

The Tri-County Carolina Yard Experience!

Join us for the first ever **Tri-County Carolina Yard Experience!** Based on the Carolina Yards & Neighborhoods program, this event will inspire participants to create attractive and healthy yards by working with the environment, rather than against it.

This is a free, environmental event focused on the home landscape-including environmentally friendly gardening practices, recycling, rainwater harvesting, pond management and much more! In addition, enjoy hands-on demonstrations and educational displays by county extension agents, Master Gardeners as well as groups and individuals like you.

The event is to be held on Saturday, March 13th, 2010, from 9 a.m.—2 p.m.



You can participate with a group of your own by creating an educational display, doing a hands-on demonstration, or having a plant sale! All you have to do is fill out and turn in a form by November 16th, 2009. If interested email or call Amy Dabbs at adabbs@clermson.edu or 843-492-4275.

The 4th Annual Green and Lean 5K!

Lowcountry Earth Force and Keep Charleston Beautiful are proud to announce the 4th Annual Green & Lean 5K taking place on Saturday, October 10th. The race begins at Brittlebank Park and the course leads you by the historic Citadel and through Hampton Park before returning to Brittlebank, where there will be refreshments, a silent auction and an awards ceremony.

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aged to come out and participate in this fun and
exciting event that raises funds and awareness for
two local non-profits that educate our youth about
how to better their community through environmental action.



This year's Green & Lean is sponsored by Knology, Blue Cross Blue Shield, Recovery Room Tavern and numerous other local businesses To register call 720-8525 or visit our website at www.keepcharlestonbeautiful.org. You can also contact Jenn Scales with Keep Charleston Beautiful at 579-7501 for more information in regards to the race and silent auction.

Daily Recycling for City of Charleston Parks!

Keep Charleston Beautiful, a division of the Department of Parks, will be introducing its newest program and bring daily recycling to City of Charleston's parks! This program will start with the installation of 27 collection bins in Marion Square, White Point Garden, Waterfront Park, and Hampton Park. This first phase was funded through a "Recycle on the Go" grant awarded by Nestle' Waters



NA. Additional collection sites will be placed in other parks as funds become available. The bins will be available for commingled recycling (glass, plastic, and cans), and will be serviced by Parks staff. Collected items will be deposited in a large bin provided and serviced by the Charleston County recycling program, with the materials processed at their Romney Street facility.

On Monday, October 5th at 2:00 p.m. Mayor Riley will join *Keep Charleston Beautiful* in Marion Square to officially begin the program. *Keep Charleston Beautiful* is excited about the start of this new program and invites those who are able to attend the press event on Monday afternoon. Please contact Jennifer Scales at (843) 579-7501 for more information.

Get Your Voice Heard Through the City "Comp" Plan Survey!

The City is updating its comprehensive plan for the future. In business language, it is the City's Vision statement. Over the next 8 months the City will be updating the comprehensive plan that is our guide for how our city progresses over the next several decades. While the City's current plan, the Century V Plan, is a flexible, constantly evolving document with many area plans and the-matical plans falling under the Century V umbrella, it needs an update. This is why City Planners want to hear from you! Simply follow this [link](#) to complete a survey. It's on line and quick or you can come to one of the remaining public hearings and receive a fortune cookie for your input!



- Tuesday, October 6, 6:30 PM West Ashley

(West Ashley High School – 4060 West Wildcat Boulevard)

- Thursday, October 8, 6:30 PM Johns Island

(Berkeley Electric Cooperative – 3351 Maybank Highway)

These meetings will be an excellent opportunity for the public to come out and learn about the planning process, speak to planners, and add their input into the vision for the City of Charleston over the next 10 years. The City plans to prepare a draft of the updated comprehensive plan this winter, and have another round of meetings on that draft before it is presented to the Planning Commission and City Council next spring.

For more information on these meetings or the City's planning process, please contact Eugenia Singleton in the Planning and Neighborhoods Division at 973-7249!