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Tuesday May 11 8:00 am

1088 Quail Drive

Green Committee Meeting

ALL ARE WELCOME

Clean Energy Economy Report

Repowering Jobs, Businesses, and Investments
Across America

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Green Jobs Meet Up

Don't forget your corks! For the greatest number of corks, you will win free trip to the Aquarium with a behind the scenes tour!

Want to participate in the May 11 Green Jobs Meet Up?

Green Jobs Meet up is a chance for businesses to talk about

- Green jobs they are trying to fill
- Green internship positions openings
- Experience in creating green jobs
- Skills and education required to break into the new economy
- Training opportunities
- Franchise opportunities



If you would like to showcase your goods and service and join the conversation, contact terry@meadorsinc.com for more information at 723-8585 and ask for Terry. We have limited space so call soon.

**Charleston City Council passes ordinance creating Sustainability
Advisory Committee**

The Charleston City Council passed an ordinance that creates the Sustainability Council/Citizen Advisory Committee. The committee will be comprised of 11 voting members, consisting of 6 City Council members, the Mayor, one representative of the Metro Chamber of Commerce, one representative of SCE&G, one representative of the SC State Ports Authority, and one person to represent the collective group of the Homebuilders Association, the Trident Board of Realtors, and the real estate development community. There will also be 2 non voting members of the committee one of whom will be a representative of Berkeley- Charleston- Dorchester



Council of governments and the director of the Department of Planning, Preservation, and

Sustainability. The City Council members will be chosen by a drawing of names and serve one year terms. The committee will act as an advisory board to City Council and will consider sustainability proposals which may be considered by City Council. For the first year the members are Council Members Jimmy Gallant, Timothy Mallard, Kathleen Wilson, William Dudley Gregorie, Louis Waring and Gary White. Other members will be Mayor Joseph P. Riley Jr., Danny Kassis from SCE&G, Kenneth Canty from the Metro Chamber of Commerce, Barbara Melvin from the South Carolina Ports Authority and Jim Davis is representing home builders and realtors.

Lobby your Congressman for Conservation!

What: 7th Annual Conservation Lobby Day

When: Tuesday, May 4 9:30 AM to 10:00PM

Where: Columbia Museum of Art, SC State House, and 701 Whaley St.

Sponsored in part by USGBC- SC Chapter, invites you to travel to the state house to meet, greet, and encourage elected leaders to support conservation efforts. Speak with legislators about the importance of water resources, energy efficiency, and green jobs in our state during this activities packed day of advocacy and networking.



Click here to register online today: <https://conservationvotersofsc.org/events/upcoming/2010/05/04/annuallobbyday/register/>

Turtle Love Bike Ride on the Greenway

What: Turtle Love Bike Ride on the Greenway

When: Saturday May, 8 9:30 AM

Where: South Windermere, 3 Little Birds Café

Celebrate National Bike Month with some City Council members! Depart from 3 Little Birds Café and ride to Charleston Bicycle Company. This is the chance to talk with elected officials about your concerns and what policies and programs they can support to make Charleston a more bike friendly community. Prizes for those who spot the most turtles! For more information contact Vonie Gilreath at 529-0400 or by email at vonieg@bcdkog.com



Upcoming BALLE Annual Conference in Charleston!

What: "Be Your Own Bailout" Business Alliance for Local Living Economies (BALLE) to Address Economic Self Reliance and Local Change at Annual Conference

When: May 20- 23

Where: Charleston, SC

Check out the list of speakers. There are some national standouts like Annie Leonard, the creator of the *The Story of Stuff*. Regular conference rates are: general registrants: \$515 through April 15, \$565 through May 13; BALLE Network Leaders: \$465 through April 15, \$515 through May 13. Detailed information regarding specific events, speakers, dates and times can be found on the conference website: <http://livingeconomies.org/conference/2010-conference>.



First Off Shore Wind Farm in the U.S. Receives Approval

The first off shore wind farm in the U.S. received approval by regulators and will be located off the coast of Cape Cod. The proposal has spent the last nine years under regulatory review. The approval allows for the creation of a 130 turbine



farm “to boost to the nascent offshore wind industry in the United States, which has lagged behind far Europe and China in harnessing the strong and steady power of ocean breezes to provide electricity to homes and businesses.” Read the full NY Times article here: <http://www.nytimes.com/2010/04/29/us/29wind.html?emc=na>



Green Tip of the Week:



Spring has sprung! Need an earth friendly alternative to killing weeds? How about water? You have to boil it first, but it is extremely effective at killing those weeds that creep up in your expansion joints in your driveway or sidewalk!

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