

# UR GREENNEWS UNIVERSITY OF ROCHESTER October 14, 2012

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#### **UPCOMING EVENTS:**

Grassroots Weekly General Interest Meeting October 15 8:00 p.m.— 9:00 p.m. Ruth Merrill Center, Wilson Commons

UR Biodiesel Research Meeting October 15 8:00 p.m.— 9:00 p.m. Goergen 110

SAVVY General Interest Meeting October 17 7:00 p.m.— 8:00 p.m. Ruth Merrill Center, Wilson Commons

Grassroots Clothing Exchange October 18 12:00 p.m.— 4:00 p.m. Hirst Lounge

E-Cycle Day October 26 6:30 a.m. — 4:30 p.m. Park Lot

Earth and Environmental Sciences Seminar: "The Response of Arctic Ice Sheets to Abrupt Climate Change" November 16 3 p.m. Hutchison 229

## **SUSTAINABILITY SPOTLIGHT**



# Meliora Weekend: University Alumni Discuss Careers During Sustainability Panel

A diploma from the University of Rochester and sustainability-focused work experience united four distinguished alumni on a panel in Meliora Hall this Saturday, October 13, as part of Meliora Weekend. Student organization Grassroots invited Dan Apfel, Paul Schlosser, Emily Reiss, and Morris Pierce to speak to students about working in the fields of sustainability and science. Below is a glimpse into each career thus far. Contact information is provided for those interested in networking.

### **Dan Apfel**, '05: Executive Director, Responsible Endowments Coalition (REC)

At REC, Dan works with student activists and encourages colleges and universities to make financial investments that consider environmental and social impacts. He manages the daily work of the organization and is directly connected to the investment industry and senior administrators of higher education.

#### Paul Schlosser, '82: Chemical Engineer, U.S. Environmental Protection Agency (EPA)

Paul received his Bachelor of Science in Chemical Engineering in 1982 and his Ph.D. in the same field in 1988 from UR. With the EPA since November 2004, Paul currently works in the National Center for Environmental Assessment (NCEA), where he reviews, evaluates, and guides the application of mathematical models in human health risk assessment for chemical exposures — for now almost entirely physiologically-based pharmacokinetic (PBPK) models.

#### Emily Reiss, '08: Doctoral candidate, Cornell University

Emily is in her second year at Cornell University pursuing a Ph.D. in horticulture and agroecology. She previously worked at Bright Power, Inc., a company providing solar and energy efficiency consulting to property owners and managers. Emily also worked at OneToWorld, a non-profit organization that brings students to New York City public schools to promote cross-cultural understanding. While studying at UR, Emily was a Research Assistant in the Department of Biology.

#### Morris Pierce: Professor of History and Past Energy Manager, UR Cogen Plant

Morris came to UR in 1988 to pursue a Ph.D. in History after 15 years of working in the energy conservation industry. While completing his doctorate, he was hired as the Energy Manager of the UR Cogen Plant, a job from which he recently retired. In this position, he helped reduce UR's energy cost and consumption, and led an effort to use a more efficient lighting system. Currently, Morris is working to develop new biomass district heating networks using local renewable fuels, while teaching various history courses at UR.



#### **CONTACTS & RESOURSES:**

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**Facilities** The Green Dandelion

**Dining Services** Team Green

**SA Student Sustainability** Coordinator Will Finnie

The Environmental Sustainability UCIS

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## **HIGHLIGHTS**

# Help Make "Recycle the Runway" a Success

In celebration of America Recycles Day on November 15, GreenSpace, a specialinterest housing organization, will hold its annual event "Recycle the Runway," during which student groups compete for the best outfit crafted of recycled material. GreenSpace currently seeks 2 hosts to entertain the

crowd, introduce the models, and emcee the event. Student performing groups, bands, singers and the like are also invited to audition. Auditions will be held October 21 from 12 to 2 p.m. on the Burton 1 Lounge. If interested, email Sonya Allahyar, GreenSpace Programming Director, to

confirm or determine

slot. For those interested in modeling, student groups of 5 can

enter with a \$10 fee per

group; GreenSpace will table from October 29 to November 2 in Wilson Commons. Groups will be selected by the audience to win in various categories. In addition, audience members may walk away with a raffle prize. Last year's event drew approximately 200 people. This year, "Recycle the an appropriate time Runway" will be held in the Interfaith Chapel on November 15 from 7 to 9 p.m. An entry ticket is \$2. "It's a great time with lots of energy and tons of fun," Allahyar said.

# Fifth Annual E-Cycle **Day Approaches**

University Facilities and Services will hold its annual E -Cycle Day, a day to collect and recycle household electronic devices that are no longer in use, on Friday, October 26 from 6:30 a.m. to

4:30 p.m. Open to all University faculty, staff, and students, drop-off will be located in Park Lot, the long parking lot at the end of Intercampus Drive. Used, broken, and unwanted laptops, cell phones, music players, televisions, computer accessories and more will be accepted. A list of allowable

items can be found here. Event staff will be present to help unload. Though there is no limit to the amount of items to recycle, departmental electronics will not be accepted. To make this day possible, the University partnered with Sunnking, a company that specializes in recycling electronics.

# Winter Registration **Open for Good Food Collective**

The Good Food Collective, a CSA (Community Supported Agriculture) project connecting UR employees with weekly deliveries of vegetables, fruit and other foods from local farmers and producers, currently offers enrollment for its winter membership program.

Beginning in December and running through March, the program provides frozen fruit and vegetables from sustainable, upstate New York farms and delivers them to UR's Medical Center, outside of Goler House (north side), for

Members receive 6 to 12 different types of

pick up.

vegetables or fruit each week. According to its site, the CSA program provides members with enough vegetables each

week to supply a family of two to

four. To learn more about the program and what food comes in each share, click here. Distribution location and delivery times are

available here.



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