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RecycleMania

We are now a quarter of the way into RecycleMania, a friendly competition among hundreds of colleges and universities to reduce waste on campus. In years past, only the residence halls participated in this competition, but this year we are hoping to engage the entire campus! Do your part:

- Recycle everything you possibly can during the competition
- Spread the word about the competition
- Follow our [#MOStateRecycleTip](#) on Twitter and Facebook
- Familiarize yourself with the recycling guide featured on the newly updated [recycling section of the sustainability website!](#)

Make a difference!



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The power is in your hands!

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Reusable Bags

Next time you stop by the campus bookstore, pick up a green reusable bag! These bags cost only \$1.50 each, and they get you 2% off your entire purchase at the bookstore (excludes electronics and books). Make full use of these bags by using them whenever you go shopping and show off the Missouri State logo at the same time!



AASHE 2015 Conference

From [AASHE](#): On October 25 - 28, 2015, in Minneapolis, Minnesota, the "AASHE 2015 Conference & Expo, themed Transforming Sustainability Education, will convene a diverse group of campus representatives including faculty, students, sustainability officers, staff, administrators and presidents together with business, non-profit, government and community members for a sustainable celebration. In the 'City by Nature,' a culturally and historically diverse place for thousands of years located on the Dakota homelands, with exquisite green spaces and a cosmopolitan urban culture, we will gather for a look back and into the future to examine:

- How higher education institutions can come together to lead campus and community transformation on local, regional and global levels
- How we can work across disciplines and cultures to lead the charge on identifying educational strategies and solutions for advancing campus and community sustainability efforts
- How we can create learning and teaching opportunities that allow students and community members to work together on current environmental, social and economic issues

Expected to draw approximately 2,100 participants, AASHE's annual conference remains the largest stage in North America for sharing effective models, policies, research, collaborations and transformative actions which advance sustainability in higher education and beyond."

Submit a Proposal

"Are you involved in a sustainable campaign, initiative or activity that that is transforming sustainability in higher education and beyond? AASHE invites you to join us for our ten-year anniversary celebration by submitting a proposal and sharing your knowledge, achievements and ideas on advancing sustainability in higher education!"

Green Teams Update

Congratulations and welcome to our new Green Teams:

Physical Therapy Energizers
Biomedical Sciences
Green PAS
Green Dragons
Green Beans

Congratulations to our first **Leaf Two** Green Team:

CHHS Dean's Office

Please encourage other departments and offices to form a Green Team by visiting the [sustainability website](#).

Have you started thinking about your **Leaf Two** projects?



Eco-Reps

We are excited to announce the launch of an Eco-Rep pilot program on campus! Eco-Reps are student volunteers eager to educate other students about sustainability. They strive to increase sustainable behaviors and student involvement in campus sustainability efforts. We had seven students involved in the initial training earlier this month. These Eco-reps have already participated in their first educational event to raise awareness about RecycleMania. They educated students on the topic of recycling and engaged students with a recycling sort game!

Green Revolution

The Discovery Center generously gifted the University several pieces of the Green Revolution exhibit! This is an educational exhibit that provides information about environmental challenges and ways we can make a difference. Several of the standing displays are located in Meyer Library, Second Level Southwest lounge area. We are still looking for a home for the large Green Revolution sign (pictured left).



Looking Ahead:

Campus Conservation Nationals

MISSOURI STATE UNIVERSITY



FLIP THE SWITCH

for a sustainable future

CCN is right around the corner: April 5 — April 26

This is the largest energy and water reduction competition for colleges and universities in the world.

We will go head-to-head with Mizzou to see who can conserve the most energy.

As the competition nears, look for ways that you can help us Beat Mizzou!



MO Love Conference

Earlier this semester, Students for a Sustainable Future planned and hosted MO Love, a bi-annual intensive weekend conference for members of the Missouri Coalition for Climate Justice (MCCJ). This intra-state coalition unites campus sustainability groups from across Missouri. Through MCCJ, universities are given the opportunity to share their knowledge and progress related to campus sustainability efforts, brainstorm ways to make positive change, build bridges of communication and camaraderie, educate themselves about sustainability, and strengthen their leadership skills. This year, roughly 30 students attended, including representatives from Mizzou, Webster University, Truman State University, Missouri S&T, and even a student from the University of Arkansas. The conference included a workshop from our very own Energy Manager, Pilar Karlen, as well as a trip to the home of Dan Chiles, a Springfield native committed to sustainability (pictured above showing some of the features of his home that is built to LEED standards). SSF students had an incredible time planning and hosting this event, and they look forward to attending this conference next semester at Webster University.