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Mark Your Calendars

- ◆ OCTOBER IS ENERGY AWARENESS MONTH
More info visit links below!
www.missouristate.edu/facilities/EnergyMgmt.htm
- ◆ 10/2-Watershed Center
Event: Energy and Water
<http://watershedcommittee.org/wp-content/uploads/2013/08/A-Watershed-Event-October-2-20132.pdf>
- ◆ 10/5 - JRBP River Rescue
www.jamesriverbasin.com
- ◆ Green Teams Coming Soon!

Social Media Corner

Missouri State Sustainability

Facebook

<https://www.facebook.com/#!/pages/Missouri-State-University-Sustainability/313494620106>

Twitter

<https://twitter.com/msusustain>

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Website

<http://www.missouristate.edu/sustainability/>

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Campus Garden Still Strong

Interviewing Noelle Mollhagen, Campus Garden Manager

The Missouri State University Campus Garden was established in 2011. Noelle Mollhagen is a senior studying Horticulture at MSU. She is interested in community gardens and interned with the DIRT Project here in Springfield over the summer.

Noelle said the goal of the garden is to, "encourage student and local community education about health and nutrition, agriculture, and the environment, as well as selling to local vendors to maintain and improve the garden in subsequent seasons." She was kind enough to answer a few more questions about the current status of the garden.

Q What are the benefits of having a garden like this on campus?

"One of the benefits, and the reason I was first drawn to the project, is the community engagement and learning opportunities. I appreciate the idea

of involving and teaching people about how and where good, quality, healthy produce can come from."

Q What do you currently grow?

"We are currently growing several varieties of tomatoes. We also have peppers, cucumbers, cantaloupe, watermelon, chard, beans, and strawberries, in addition to herbs such as basil, sage, oregano, and chives. I will be planting spinach, kale, snow peas, lettuce, broccoli, kohlarbi, and brussel sprouts and garlic for the fall."

Q What has the experience working with the garden taught you?

"One of the biggest challenges this summer has been the lack of involvement. The garden could be a wonderful asset to the campus and the com-

munity, but it does take a lot of work and needs to be shared by several individuals. I have gotten to know some great individuals while working in the garden, and a wonderful sense of accomplishment."

Noelle knows the garden could be a wonderful asset to the campus and the community, but it does take a lot of work. To her it is worth it, "I have gotten to know some great individuals while working in the garden and have gained a wonderful sense of accomplishment."

Please check out their Facebook page for more information!



Photo of campus garden workers and the new addition of raised beds.

Shelby Anderson

News from SGA

Maxwell Wagner, SGA Sustainability Director

Maxwell Wagner, this year's Sustainability Director, is a sophomore studying Entrepreneurship and has been an active member in SGA here at MSU.

This past April, Maxwell was, "inspired to join the sustainability committee," after attending the Dr. Eban Goodstein presentation

held by the Student Activities Council. When it came time for electing a new director, Maxwell decided that was a role he would like to take on.

His goal during his leadership this year is to show how sustainability can be successful and impactful on our campus. They have several projects lined up for this year, and he is very excited to move forward with them. So, "look out for some new green additions to Missouri State University this year!"

Shelby Anderson

Energy Update

Shelby Anderson, Sustainability GA & Pilar Karlen, Energy Manager

COMING SOON TO A CAMPUS NEAR YOU!

According to Energy Manager Pilar Karlen, starting this fall the University will have an Energy Dashboard accessible from any computer or device through the MSU Energy Management website!

It will show how much electricity, water, steam, and chilled water each of the involved buildings uses. This information will be in real-time, updating every 15 minutes.

The goal of the "Green Kiosk" is to educate our campus community about our utility consumption, and identify opportunities for improvements in conservation and efficiency.

This new system will also strengthen efforts in promoting sustainability and environmental awareness. Look for more on this in the November issue.

For more information about this project:

<http://www.missouristate.edu/facilities/EnergyMgmt.htm>

Around Town

James River Basin Partnership

OCTOBER 5TH FALL RIVER RESCUE!

If you would like to participate in a clean-up of the James River please go on-line and fill out a Cleanup Registration Form.

Check in is 8:00 a.m. - 8:45 a.m. at Summers at the River: 2142 N. Sports Complex Lane, Nixa, MO 65714.

Bring your own sack lunch and water bottle/drinks and make sure to bring cash for the 52 card raffle items: 1 Large Ozark Adventures North Face Dry Bag and/or a 2 persons North Face tent. We also have a Single Day River Adventure trip from Longboat Outfitters.

The clean-up stretch is the Tailwaters Access below Lake Springfield Dam to Summers at the River just off of State Highway 160 bridge. It is approximately a 4 hour clean-up.

For more information contact:

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Recycling Reminder

from the Recycling Team

Outdoor recycling bins were placed at many different locations across our campus last Spring. The recycling team would like to remind everyone where those bins are located, and what can be placed in these bins. Only **cans and plastic bottles** are allowed in the outdoor bins. Please no food or liquid of any kind! Things are also changing in Meyer library; five new recycling stations are being placed on the second floor.

Locations

Bear Park North (Cherry St.)
Hutchens House/Garst Dining
Garst Shuttle Stop
SE Corner of Lot 25
SE Corner of practice field
Sidewalks of Glass
Sidewalk North of Lot 19
Bear Park S (Bear Line Stop)
Front entrance of Meyer Library

SW corner of McDonald Arena
Patio @ Plaster Stadium and Temple
Carrington Circle Bear Line Stop
Near Carrington & McDonald
SW corner of Pummill Hall
Patio in from of Craig Hall
W Entrance of Cheek Hall
S patio of PSU
NPSU (Bear Stop Line)
W side of Bookstore (near ATM)
Art Annex Shuttle Stop



Parking Lot LED Lighting

Have you seen the light?! The LED light, that is!

Thanks to funding from the Student SustainaFund, old high-pressure sodium lights in Parking Lot 4 (between Temple Hall and Grand Street) and Lot 13 (Visitor Lot) have been replaced with LED fixtures. Lot 15 (north of Foster Rec) is scheduled for LED upgrade in October. Each LED uses 43% less electricity than the old fixtures. That's an estimated energy savings of \$950/year for Lot 15 alone! Not only are they significantly more energy efficient, but they are brighter and show true colors much better. So this is a great improvement for campus all the way around. Look for LEDs coming to a lot near you!

Benjamin's Funny Business

Q: What is Benjamin's favorite dance?

A: The Can-Can

Paper Recycling Questions?

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