

ES Newsletter, Week of Nov 5, 2007

ON CAMPUS EVENTS

Lecture: "Visual Culture/Memorial Culture: The Berlin Holocaust Memorial"

Tuesday, Nov 6th 7:30 pm

Kresge Auditorium, VAC

Architect Peter Esienmen will discuss creating the Berlin Holocaust Memorial, specifically about his design for the memorial, its realization, and its controversial reception.

Logging in Maine

Schwartz Outdoor Leadership Center

Wednesday, November 7th at 7pm

Chris Austin will give a history of logging in Maine from his point of view as a logger. This will be a picture slide show documenting the history, evolution and a personal experience of logging in Maine. Check out some incredible pictures of past log drives, huge machinery, forest harvesting and enjoy a personal account of one of Maine's most important industries.

Fifth Annual Maine Telemark Film Festival

Friday, Nov 9th 7:00 pm

Kresge Auditorium, VAC

New England Telemark (NET) and the BOC present the fifth annual Maine Telemark Film Festival, featuring the National Amateur Telemark Film Competition and Powderwhore Production's newest telemark ski movie. The event is free and open to the public. A lobby bazaar will feature refreshments, reps from resorts, gear manufacturers, and local ski shops, and raffles for telemark gear, lift tickets, and other prizes. For more information visit www.netelemark.com.

HOLD THE DATE

Next ES Student Advisory Committee Meeting

Friday, Nov. 16th, 12:30-1:30 pm

Boody-Johnson House

OFF CAMPUS EVENTS

Sustainable Living Talk: "Affordable Zero Energy Homes: We Can Get There From Here"

Thursday, Nov 8th 7:00 – 8:30 pm

F.W. Horch Sustainable Goods & Supplies Store, 56 Maine St., Brunswick

Mike White of Island Carpentry will give a talk titled "Affordable Zero Energy Homes: We Can Get There From Here." The talk is free and open to the public.

Discussion topics will include methods of super insulating and air sealing, controlling air exchange, passive solar design, and the introduction of renewable energy systems. Attendees will be encouraged to share knowledge and experience.

Free informational handouts will be provided. Seating is limited, so if you are interested in attending we encourage you to call the store at 729-4050 to reserve a seat.

Go Green Expo

Saturday, Nov 10th 10 am – 4 pm

Mt. Ararat High School Gym, Topsham

Test drive an electric car, learn about green housing options, organic products and food, and regional initiatives. Kids' entertainment, local foods, prizes, and free parking and admission. If you have a green business, you can exhibit at this event. For more information see www.midcoastmaine.com/template.php?cID=90.

OTHER OPPORTUNITIES

Winter Break Mini Grant

The Winter Break Mini Grant was established 4 years ago to allow Bowdoin students the opportunity to serve the underserved and disadvantaged over winter break. You can do direct service, policy making or community organizing. Examples of students “good work” in the past are: the women’s hockey team, over the course of the past two years, has taken hats, mini hockey sticks, and hot chocolate and donuts in addition to spending some invaluable time with children from an adaptive hockey program at Falmouth Ice Arena. Students have also worked in disaster relief kitchens, selected and purchased books for local children, wrote grant proposals in Bulgaria and created a mural in Bath, ME.

The opportunities are endless. Many of the students who have done a Winter Break Mini Grant, have set themselves up for the possibility of earning a PPICF (Preston Public Interest Career Fund) grant at that same organization for the following summer. To learn more about the PPICF and the Winter Break Mini Grant, go to <http://www.bowdoin.edu/cpc/internship/index.shtml>. To talk through ideas or ask additional questions, please set up an appointment with Karen Daigler at the CPC by calling x3717.

Applications for the Winter Break Mini Grant are due on November 28th at noon. Hard copies can be picked up at the CPC between 8:30 and 5 daily.

NOAA Ernest F. Hollings Undergraduate Scholarship Program

Program Description:

The National Oceanic and Atmospheric Administration (NOAA) Ernest F. Hollings (Hollings) scholarship program is designed to: (1) increase undergraduate training in oceanic and atmospheric science, research, technology, and education and foster multidisciplinary training opportunities; (2) increase public understanding and support for stewardship of the ocean and atmosphere and improve environmental literacy; (3) recruit and prepare students for public service careers with NOAA and other natural resource and science agencies at the federal, state and local levels of government; and (4) recruit and prepare students for careers as teachers and educators in oceanic and atmospheric science and to improve scientific and environmental education in the United States.

The Hollings Scholarship Program provides successful undergraduate applicants with awards that include academic assistance (up to a maximum of \$8,000 per year) for full-time study during the 9-month academic year; a 10-week, full-time internship position (\$650/week) during the summer at a NOAA facility; and, if reappointed, academic assistance (up to a maximum of \$8,000) for full-time study during a second 9-month academic year. The internship between the first and second years of the award provides the Scholars with “hands-on”/ practical educational training experience in NOAA-related science, research, technology, policy, management, and education activities. Awards also include travel funds to attend a mandatory Hollings Scholarship Program orientation, conferences where students present a paper or poster, and a housing subsidy for scholars who do not reside at home during the summer internship.

Eligibility Requirements: US citizen; 3.0 GPA or better (cumulative & current); majoring in NOAA related disciplines.

Applications due February 8, 2008. For more information contact Chantell Haskins at (301)-713-9437 x125 or StudentScholarshipPrograms@noaa.gov or go to <http://www.oesd.noaa.gov>

Mellon International Student Fellowships Environmental Studies Program

The Mellon International Student Fellowships provide Environmental Studies majors and minors with funds for travel, research and living expenses to engage in international environmental research based in a country or region where the student has previously studied, had an internship, or been on a service program. Mellon International Student Fellowships will not exceed \$3,500. The fellowship supports the following opportunities:

- Students who have participated in a study abroad semester in the fall semester and would like to return the following summer of their junior year to continue research on a topic examined as part of their academic program.
- Students who are planning to study abroad during the spring semester of their junior year and have identified a research interest prior to departing campus and would like to extend their stay in the country of interest to conduct research. In certain cases, students can coordinate an application while abroad, however, this is not encouraged
- Other student research projects under special circumstances, with approval by ESCOM

To qualify, students must meet the following criteria.

1. The student must be sponsored or cosponsored by an Environmental Studies faculty member
2. The students’ research work will support either an Honors or advanced (400 level) Independent Study project. Arrangements for the Honors or Independent Study project must be made with the faculty advisor before award of the Fellowship
3. The fellowship is not for the purpose of supporting study abroad programs.
4. The student must identify a sponsoring organization in the country of interest who will assist with arranging housing and other logistics for the student, and a contact person within the organization. The organization must confirm these arrangements prior to final award of the fellowship.

5. The student must make a public presentation of their research upon return to campus.

Research proposals should consist of:

A description of the proposed research and explanation of how it ties both into the students' study abroad experience and proposed Honors/Independent Study, the name of the sponsoring organization in the country of interest, a travel itinerary, a letter of support from an Environmental Studies faculty member, and a budget.

Two annual deadlines:

November 15

April 1

If you are interested, please contact Eileen Johnson at ejohnson@bowdoin.edu

Design Competition for Sustainability

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency requests proposals for the 5th Annual P3 Awards: A National Student Design Competition for Sustainability Focusing on People, Prosperity and the Planet. P3 is a partnership between the public and private sectors to foster progress toward sustainability by achieving the mutual goals of economic prosperity, planet protection, and improved quality of life. P3 supports R&D and design solutions to real world challenges involving sustainability. Areas of interest include: Energy, Water, the Built Environment, Agriculture, Materials and Chemistry, and Information Technology. In Phase 1, \$550K expected to be available, 55 awards anticipated. Responses due 12/20/07. For more info, contact Cynthia Nolt-Helms at nolt-helms.cynthia@epa.gov or go to:

http://es.epa.gov/ncer/rfa/2008/2008_p3.html.

Refer to Sol# EPA-G2008-P3. (Grants.gov 9/5/07)

CONTEST: Create a video promoting electric cars and you could win \$1000 scholarship and Bowdoin could win an electric car!

MILES Revolution is a large-scale action program aimed at broadly communicating the gravity of the pollution caused by internal combustion engines and the solution that electric vehicles present. A university specific interpretive art competition will allow college students to push the limits of their creativity and compete to win an electric car for their school and a cash scholarship for themselves.

The rules of the contest are simple. College students must view the *MILES Revolution* video on YouTube and interpret it in their own, unique style through any medium of expression. However, student interpretations must be recorded and uploaded on YouTube. Contestant videos need to somehow incorporate the "No Gas Required" logo or tagline and have an overarching sustainability theme.

The five students whose videos garner the most views on YouTube will each be awarded a \$1000 cash scholarship and a *MILES Revolution* low speed vehicle for their school.

Eligibility:

To qualify for consideration in the *MILES Revolution* Video Contest, entries must meet the following criteria:

1. **Student Participation:** Students must be enrolled at least part-time at an accredited U.S. college or university.
2. **Message & Artistic Merit:** Each entry must be an original work of art—your style,

your message, your medium of choice—with a clear “No Gas Required” electric vehicle sustainability theme. Submissions must demonstrate quality thought, planning, and artistic effort.

3. **Format & Public Visibility:** Your video must adhere to the *MILES* Revolution format guidelines in order to be uploaded to YouTube.

Important Dates:

- ♣ Video Submissions Accepted: September 15 – November 15, 2007
- ♣ YouTube Video Voting: November 16 – December 16, 2007
- ♣ Winners Announced: January 4, 2008
- ♣ On-Campus Award Presentation: January 16, 2008

For details go to: <http://www.nogasrequired.com/docs/contestoverview.pdf>

Chill Out: Campus Solutions to Global Warming National Competition

Entries Due November 30

National Wildlife Federation’s second annual national competition, **Chill Out: Campus Solutions to Global Warming**, is one of the key ways that NWF and partners are working to advance and recognize innovators of global warming solutions on campuses all across the country. Through energy efficiency, renewable energy, habitat restoration and transportation, students, faculty and staff are leading the way. The purpose of the competition is to highlight positive, practical solutions to global warming on campus and to share these with a national audience. Enter your project to win grant money and a feature in our multimedia broadcast on April 16, 2008. STUDENTS, FACULTY, AND STAFF are all eligible to enter the written OR video contest!

To enter Chill Out, go to: www.nwf.org/chillout

All Entries Due November 30

JOB AND INTERNSHIP LISTINGS

Internships with the Conservancy of Southwest Florida

<http://www.conservancy.org/NETCOMMUNITY/Page.aspx?&pid=374&srcid=354>

Land Preservation Internship

Arc of Appalachia Preserve System, Ohio

www.highlandssanctuary.org

Summer Naturalist

Aspen Center for Environmental Studies, Colorado

www.aspennature.org

Naturalist Internship

Greenburgh Nature Center, Scarsdale NY

www.townlink.com/community_web/gnc/gncintrn.htm

Environmental Educator Positions

Georgia 4-H Clubs

www.georgia4h.org

Orion Grassroot Network

Job and Internship listings

<http://www.orionsociety.org/pages/ogn/viewposition.cfm?action=newpostings>