**ON CAMPUS EVENTS**

**End of the Year ES Gathering**

**Thursday May 8 5:30 – 7:00 pm, Boody Johnson House (**Please note the day- Thursday NOT Wed. as previously advertised!!**)

DeWitt John will be stepping down as Director of Environmental Studies this year after serving in this role for 8 years. Please join us for an informal gathering to honor DeWitt John and celebrate the end of the academic year. Please RSVP to Rosie Armstrong so we have a count – x3396 or rarmstro@bowdoin.edu.

**Service Learning Symposium**

Thursday May 8 2:00-4:00 pm, Main Lounge Moulton Union

Eleven academic courses completed community-based projects this semester, working with more than 20 local organizations and community partners. Students applied their coursework to real-world situations around town and provided useful information and services for the agencies, while testing new skills and concepts. Their work will be showcased at the symposium.

**ON CAMPUS EMPLOYMENT**

Consider working for the ES Program! We’ll be posting an office assistant position for next academic year-- tasks include-- assembling information for the ES Newsletter, assisting with event publicity, and ES course support. Please check out the posting on the Student Employee website and apply before you leave campus!

**OFF CAMPUS EVENTS**

"Crafty Local Eating" – Talk by Amy and Jeff Burchstead, Buckwheat Blossom Farm

Thursday May 8 7:00 – 8:30 pm, F.W. Horch Sustainable Goods and Supplies, 56 Maine St.

"Come learn how to eat locally and economically year-round," says Amy Burchstead, who with her husband Jeff has a small, organic, horse-powered farm in Wiscasset. "We’ll explore the ins and outs of farmers’ markets and CSAs and cover the basics of the easiest and most economical crops to grow and store yourself - from container gardening to the kitchen garden."
By some estimates, the average meal in Maine has traveled 1,800 miles before it reaches the dinner table. Only about 20% of the calories Mainers eat come from food grown in state. At their talk, the Burchsteads will discuss the hidden costs of buying out-of-season food that must be transported long distances. Attendees will learn about several options for eating locally-grown food around the year in Maine, including community supported agriculture (CSAs), farmers' markets, and farm stands.

The Burchsteads will also introduce aspiring gardeners to the easiest and most economical crops to grow yourself. The basic steps of testing and improving soil, planting, controlling weeds and pests, watering, and harvesting will be covered. Helpful techniques such as container gardening and lasagna gardening will be described. In addition, the Burchsteads will explain how to plan for winter by storing root crops, freezing and fermenting garden produce, and over wintering crops in the garden.

Other topics that will be covered at the talk are the definitions of "local" and "organic", the importance of knowing your farmer, and the "dirty dozen" conventional crops to avoid.

Talk is free and open to the public. Free informational handouts will be provided. Seating is limited, so those interested in attending are encouraged to call the store at 729-4050 to reserve a seat.

For more information, please call 729-4050 or e-mail (fred@fwhorch.com) Fred Horch, owner. Or visit www.FWHorch.com.

NEW POSTINGS:

JOBS – GRADUATING SENIORS

Alaska Youth for Environmental Action (AYEA) Program Coordinator
National Wildlife Federation seeks a dynamic, innovative and committed individual to serve as the Alaska Youth for Environmental Action (AYEA) Program Coordinator in Anchorage, Alaska.

AYEA (www.ayea.org) cultivates future generations of diverse environmental leaders through skills training, community action projects and campaigns, civic engagement, and workforce development. The Program Coordinator will be responsible for the development and coordination of the AYEA program, working with other program staff and interns/volunteers. Specific duties include: fund-raising program budget; coordinating annual AYEA youth trainings and projects; managing AYEA communication and outreach activities; and cultivating media.

The individual should have a background/familiarity working with diverse populations; should understand and appreciate Alaska's environmental issues; possess fund-raising knowledge, and have some experience managing others. Strong interpersonal, organizational, networking skills and ability to galvanize and motivate others. Strong written and verbal communication skills are required. Innovation, strategic thinking, visioning are a plus. Appropriate technology/media and community organizing experience preferred.
Candidates must have a college degree or be in the process of obtaining a college degree (more experience required if pursuing degree). 3 years experience working with youth populations/programs.

Questions? Contact AYEA Program Manager Polly Carr at (907) 339-3907 or carrp@nwf.org

NWF offers an excellent benefits package. NWF is also an equal opportunity employer committed to workplace diversity.

Please apply online at www.nwf.org/careergateway. All applicants being considered will be interviewed by a team of youth & adult volunteers. We hope to fill this position by June 1, 2008.

**Gulf of Maine Coastal Program - Student Temporary Employee Program**

**Scope of Project:** The Gulf of Maine Coastal Program is seeking to fill a Student Temporary Employee Program (STEP) position beginning in June 2008. The STEP student will be exposed to a wide variety of activities involving conservation and restoration of priority habitats for Fish and Wildlife Service trust species. The position will help implement Atlantic salmon recovery, diadromous fish restoration, migratory bird protection/restoration, and other habitat protection and restoration projects within the Gulf of Maine. It is envisioned that the position would be full-time during summer months and part-time during the academic year.

**Location:** The project will take place primarily in Falmouth, Maine. Work will extend to coastal watersheds and islands.

**Anticipated Projects:** The student will be exposed to a variety of biological assessment, planning and on-the-ground conservation projects that the Gulf of Maine Coastal Program undertakes. Specific projects include conducting stream barrier assessments, undertaking a literature reviews on diadromous fish and bird interactions and on diadromous fish in the St. Croix River, assisting with seabird restoration on Maine coastal islands, and GIS support for habitat protection projects.

The position will provide a unique opportunity for a student to gain a deeper understanding of conservation issues and challenges facing those that are involved in restoring habitats and recovering species. The student will benefit from training in a variety of field techniques, GIS and GPS software, project planning, and habitat restoration and partnership techniques.

**Qualifications desired/required:**
- Currently enrolled in Masters or undergraduate program in biology, ecology, ecological restoration, fish and wildlife science, environmental studies, or closely allied field.
- Highly desired: Geographic Information Systems (GIS) and computing skills
- Valid driver’s license in good standing
- Both interest in, and commitment to, the success of habitat restoration projects
- Ability to work independently and with others
**Physical Demands:** Physical demands vary from office environment to fieldwork involving a considerable amount of walking, stooping, bending and lifting.

**For more information and how to apply:**
For more information on Student Educational Employment opportunities please visit [http://www.usajobs.gov/STUDENTS.asp](http://www.usajobs.gov/STUDENTS.asp). To apply submit a cover letter and resume, the names and current phone numbers of at least two references by May 15, 2008. Submit these items electronically in PDF or MS Word format to stewart_fefer@fws.gov with “STEP Application” in the subject field or mail to:

Stewart Fefer, Project Leader  
Gulf of Maine Coastal Program  
4R Fundy Rd.  
Falmouth, ME  04105

**JOBS – SUMMER JOBS**

This was sent to us by Sarah Close who is working as a Program Associate for Stewardship Partners in Seattle. You can contact her with questions at: [sc@stewardshippartners.org](mailto:sc@stewardshippartners.org)

**Who We Are**
Stewardship Partners is a 501(c)(3) non-profit conservation organization that helps private landowners restore and preserve the natural landscapes of Washington State. We do this by promoting incentive-based programs that encourage landowners to participate in fish and wildlife conservation and restoration activities while simultaneously meeting their economic needs through sustainable land management.

**Internship Overview**
Salmon-Safe certification is an emerging regional eco-label that recognizes agricultural practices that protect water quality, biodiversity, and habitat for fish and wildlife, particularly Northwest native salmon. Stewardship Partners is collaborating with the Oregon-based program to recognize and promote Puget Sound farmers committed to environmental practices. We are seeking a self-motivated, highly organized, creative and enthusiastic intern to assist in educating the public about the Salmon-Safe program in support of Salmon-Safe certified farms. The intern will be responsible for scheduling, setting-up, and staffing an information booth; organizing volunteers, developing educational materials; writing website and newsletter content; compiling and mailing information packets to prospective Salmon-Safe farms, and providing general program support as needed. The candidate will be exposed to habitat restoration and conservation issues, sustainable agriculture, environmental certification and marketing, issues related to local/natural food systems, and non-profit management.

**Duties and Responsibilities**
- Schedule, set up and staff Salmon-Safe information booth at farmers markets, festivals, and other relevant events.
- Create and organize Salmon-Safe display materials.
- Recruit and manage additional volunteers to assist with staffing information booth.
- Assist with organizing website content including writing briefs of Salmon-Safe certified farms and overview of habitat restoration projects.
- Maintain and update informational materials including news articles, photo archive, etc.
- Provide administrative support for the Salmon-Safe program (including filing, photocopying, and mailing information packets).
Minimum Requirements:
- General background in environmental studies or related field with basic knowledge of salmon related issues and personal/professional interest in sustainable agriculture.
- Strong communication skills (verbal and written), outgoing, positive attitude, attention to detail, and a desire to work both individually and within a team environment.
- Willingness to work evenings and weekends.
- Creative design skills helpful

Dates: May through November, 2007 (20 hrs/week) - (dates are negotiable)

Compensation: $400/month

Closing Date: open until filled.

To Apply For This Position: Email a letter of interest and resume to ln@stewardshippartners.org.

Sustainability Assessment Standard Implementation Tools Intern Project

The Business and Institutional Furniture Manufacturers Association (BIFMA) International is seeking sustainability program interns to assist with a project to develop guidance and implementation tools to support the introduction of a sustainability assessment standard for business and institutional furniture.

Background/Situation:
Environmentally preferable products are those that have a lesser or reduced effect on human health and the environment when compared to other products that serve the same purpose. There is increasing market focus on the environment and life cycle impact of products considering all three aspects of the “triple bottom line”, environment, economic, and social. BIFMA noticed the “sustainability” trend several years ago and began working with a broad and diverse group of stakeholders to develop a common measurement tool to evaluate the environmental attributes of furniture products. Our objectives in developing this standard were to:
- focus marketplace demand toward a single, credible, open, consensus-based measurement tool;
- minimize marketplace confusion that can result from a proliferation of independently developed standards and/or proprietary eco-labels based on varying criteria;
- create an environment where access to sustainability assessment is available to all segments of the industry;
- establish a cost competitive environment for conformance verification; and
- provide a reasonable and cost effective path for companies seeking to develop increasingly sustainable products, processes and companies.

The draft standard is nearing completion and we are moving our focus to an implementation strategy and plan that will maximize the project objectives noted above.

Intern Project Goals:
• Develop a companion “guidance document” and a palette of implementation “tools” that will simplify, facilitate and expedite widespread utilization of the standard by furniture manufacturers and suppliers.
• Minimize comparability differences between competing products by providing consistent guidance as well as implementation advise to producers and certifiers.

The Sustainability Assessment Standard addresses sustainability across several areas, including materials & natural resources, energy & atmosphere, human & ecosystem health, and social responsibility. Each section of the standard includes at least one “prerequisite” that all products must meet before achieving various other optional credits.

The prerequisite and credit language contained in the standard constitutes exactly what the product will be assessed against and is very specific. The standard states precisely what the product must do in order to comply, but does not contain any information on how one might accomplish the objective. The commercial furniture industry is considered one of the more progressive industries addressing sustainability. Still, there are many companies in the furniture sector that lack the resources and expertise to efficiently implement sustainability practices into their respective businesses. The guidance document is intended to provide helpful information to a producer by suggesting various methods that one could consider or resources to consult to assist with conforming to the specific credit requirements.

A “Tools” committee has already begun compiling a wish list of implementation tools and an outline for the guidance document. The intern candidate would work closely with this volunteer committee as well as BIFMA Staff on this project, and can have considerable impact on further refinement of the project, if desired.

Schedule
The standard is likely to be approved as an ANSI standard by September. Our goal is to have the guidance document and implementation tools in place to coincide with the release of an approved ANSI standard.

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PREVIOUS POSTINGS:

JOBS – SUMMER JOBS:

Internships
Governor’s Office of Energy Independence and Security
The Maine Energy Office of Independence and Security is looking for students interested in unpaid internships in their office to help draft the State Energy Plan. Student would work independently and be expected to meet in Augusta once every two weeks to meet with staff from the Office of Energy Independence and Security. The internships will start in June. If you are interested in getting some great experience, and will be around this summer, this would be a great opportunity to be involved in developing Maine’s Energy Plan. To apply, send a letter of interest, resume and a writing sample of any length to:

Jennifer Puser, Deputy Director of Research & Legislation
Governor's Office of Energy Independence & Security
22 Statehouse Station
Augusta, ME 04333
287-6250
jennifer.puser@maine.gov

If you have any questions, contact Eileen Johnson at ejohnson@bowdoin.edu

**ECOlogical Internships with ANTERNA of Sausalito, California**

ANTEenna is interviewing for three unpaid intern positions for summer 2008. In exchange, Antenna offers free housing in a stunning national park setting, only ten minutes from San Francisco.

Two interns will work with Artistic Director, Chris Hardman, on The ECOlogical Calendar for 2010. This will be the sixth edition to be published and distributed internationally. View this beautiful and educational project by [clicking here](http://www.eological.org) and visiting our website.

The theater intern will focus primarily on Antenna's artistic performance history and assist Hardman with interpretation projects. Each intern needs a passion for the arts and the environment, effective writing and clear communication skills, plus proficiency in standard computer software (Word, Excel, and internet research).

**ECOlogical Research Intern:**
Research content, select, write, edit text and data for The ECOlogical Calendar's wall calendar (four seasonal panels) and annual engagement book. A great fascination with our environment and the natural world is a must.

**ECOlogical Communications Intern:**
Assist development of longterm business plans and research marketing for The ECOlogical Project, communicate with partner organizations, prepare data and analysis to support mission. Attention to detail, careful follow-through, the ability to juggle multiple projects and contacts at various stages, and an articulate phone manner are important.

**Theater-Archive Intern:**
Coordinate archive project, research history of Antenna as a pioneer in arts technology, conduct interviews, and develop an interpretive narrative through an immersive audio soundtrack. Interest in experimental theater and the creative process, capacity to organize
and prioritize, plus networking talents as a liaison with other non-profits will aid the exploration of new productions leading up to the 30th anniversary of Antenna Theater.

**Time Commitment:**
We are looking for three college interns for this summer session (June through September 2008), who can each work approximately 30 hours a week for eight to twelve weeks. We are flexible as to the exact dates of every internship, and they may start individually during the season.

**The Perks:**
Location! Antenna will provide a furnished house with three private bedrooms in the Marin Headlands, just a ten minute drive to downtown Sausalito and San Francisco. This national park land is part of the Golden Gate National Recreation Area, and is bike and surfer friendly. The offices and studio of Antenna Theater are also located within the Headlands and overlook the Pacific Ocean at Fort Cronkhite. Credit? If your college or university permits credit for internships, Antenna will apply for your school's approval.

**About Antenna:**
We are a non-profit arts organization, which, in addition to producing *The ECOlogical Calendar*, creates site-specific theater adventures. We have a full time staff of four to six people. Our new interactive exhibition, called *Transforming Art*, is currently running at the Presidio of San Francisco. Open to the public, this multi-media experience has just been extended to June 15, 2008. Click here for details on *Transforming Art*.

**How to Apply:**
Email your resume, a statement about why one of these internships would be an excellent opportunity for you, and two academic references to arose@antenna-theater.org. Applications will be accepted through May 9, 2008, and we will interview top candidates as applications are received. So email now to join our team!

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