

EarthFest 2007!

Climate Change Solutions was a very fitting theme for this year's EarthFest. April's weather was as unpredictable as ever with light snowfall a mere week before EarthFest. But, Mother Nature decided to shine that day and this year's 18th annual EarthFest proved to be a beautiful day for record breaking crowds to celebrate Earth Day.

At the dawn of this beautiful day walkers and bikers began arriving at the Zoo for the Walk or Bike for the Earth kick-off to EarthFest. Jazzercise of Northern Ohio was there to greet everyone with a quick warm up while the Ohio Cheer Squad gave an inspiring performance that had everyone warmed up and excited to step off. Bikers had a couple treats in store for them as well. The first was a guided ride by Go-One Velomobile. The second was waiting at the end of the route, safe and secure valet bike parking provided by Ohio City Bicycle Co-op. A special thanks goes to all organizations that helped support this event including Cleveland Metroparks, Gatorade, Brueggers Bagels, Bialy's Bagels, Einstein Bagels, Frito Lay, The Avenue Deli, Trader Joe's, Giant Eagle, Mrs. Fields Cookies, Original Cookie, Starbucks, Stone Oven, and Dave's Supermarkets. A special thanks goes to Capricorn Printing, Printing Partners and Xpedx for their printing and paper donations.

The EarthFest festivities officially began with the Welcome Ceremonies at the Zoo Amphitheatre. Earth Day Coalition President Allan Dreyer welcomed guests, including Cleveland Mayor Frank Jackson and other dignitaries to this 18th annual celebration. After

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Do It Right 
Change a Light

Over the past few years we have given away almost 5,000 compact fluorescent bulbs (CFL) and we are hoping to give another 15,000 away this year alone to provide *Climate Change Solutions*. Many thanks to our project partner, Technical Consumer Products.

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Walk or Bike Thanks

Thanks to all the individuals, families, groups of friends, teams and organizations that helped make the Walk or Bike for the Earth such a success this year. We appreciate the participation of teams of participants from The Brush High School Environmental Club, the Rocky River Environmental Club, Third Federal Savings & Loan and Renewal by Andersen. Third Federal's 'Commit to Fit' program encouraged employees to take action and walk their way to better health on Earth Day.

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Environmental Profile: Carl Skalak

Carl Skalak, Urban Farmer

Farmer Carl grew up in Parma Heights and went off to college at Bowling Green where he earned a B.A. in English Literature. Carl has a 30-year career in photography under his belt and produced a series of local biathalons and triathlons through the 1980s and 1990s.

Growing his own organic foods, however, has been his passion for more than 25 years. His involvement with the Community Gardening programs led to his being the Garden Leader in, what he believes was, Cleveland's first all organic Community Garde in 1996-97. He attended the premier year of the City Fresh Market Gardener's Training program and

established Blue Pike Farm in 2006 to grow organic produce as a business venture for local Farmer's Market sales.

Blue Pike Farm is an amazing example of creative and sustainable vacant or abandoned lot re-use in our community. Carl secured the right to establish his one-acre business on a site that had been vacant for 15 years. That



Carl Skalak

long-vacant lot now produces a host of farm products including vegetables and honey, and has been transformed into a learning station where city folk can learn more about how organic food is produced.

Carl feels that 'sustainable community' visionaries involved in planning the city's and region's future would be wise to expedite the transfer or lease of vacant properties for green spaces dedicated to the express purpose of feeding, educating and employing the local community.

Blue Pike Farm is located at 900 E. 72nd Street, just south of I-90 (the Shoreway) and north of St. Clair Avenue, 44103. (216) 373-

9461. Produce sales at the farm are on Thursdays from 4:00-7:00 pm. Please call well ahead to arrange farm visits and/or educational tours.

The Farmer's Market is in front of Constantino's Market downtown (1278 West 9th Street in the Warehouse District) on Fridays from 4:00-7:00 pm.

Fish Consumption Advisory



The Ohio Department of Health advises that all people limit eating of fish caught from all waters in Ohio to one meal per week unless there is a more restrictive advisory. Even fish and shellfish purchased or consumed in a restaurant can contain levels of toxic contaminants such as traces of mercury, PCBs and other contaminants that can cause harm. By being informed about mercury and PCBs and knowing the kinds of fish that

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Congratulations Doty & Miller

Doty & Miller Architects' original 1934 Historic Post Office building in Bedford has received the National Gold LEED (Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design) Certification from the U.S. Green Building Council. Doty & Miller is the only architecture firm in the U.S. located in a freestanding Gold Certified building. Their wonderful facility demonstrates the compatibility between adaptive re-use of an historic building and implementation of Green Building principles. Many congratulations to former board member and friend of EDC, Bill Doty, and Doty & Miller. More information is available at www.dotyandmiller.com.



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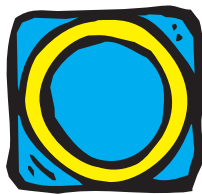
Environmental Justice Update

Three Environmental Justice forums were held in Cincinnati, Columbus and Cleveland to begin the discussion of an Ohio Environmental Justice Policy. Cleveland's meeting titled, "Environmental Justice: Policy Gaps at the Local, State and National Levels, Making Ohio's Polluted Communities Clean and Safe," was held on March 13. A panel presentation was followed by small-group discussions where participants defined an Ohio environmental justice policy. Participants discussed and shared ideas and concerns regarding participation, permitting and enforcement.

Additional community forums are being held in Athens and Bowling Green in the next few months. In 2008, the ideas from all the statewide meetings will be presented to Ohio residents to craft an Environmental Justice statewide policy.

If you were not able to attend the Cleveland Forum there is still an opportunity to present your ideas. Go to our website at www.earthdaycoalition.org and download and mail the "EJ Forum Questions." You can also download a newsletter with information and photos from the first three forums. Or, you can go directly to www.ohioej.org to submit your suggestions and ideas on the interactive Ohioans for Health, Environment and Justice website. Call Chris at 216-281-6468 x227 if you would like more information or to be on a local Environmental Justice email listserve.

Calling All Members and Our Volunteers



Join us for stunning views of the lakefront at a **Full Harvest Moon Hike at the Dike 14 Nature Preserve** on Wednesday, September 26, from 6:00 to 9:00 pm.

We'll start the evening off with a visit to the Blue Pike Farm (read more in the Profile on page 2) at 6:00 pm. Then on to the Dike 14 Nature Preserve followed by some yummy snacks at the adjoining Cleveland Lakefront State Park. Please call the office at (216) 281-6468 x221 to RSVP. You can check our website at www.earthdaycoalition.org for maps and directions. See you under the full Harvest Moon!

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Northeast Ohio Clean Fuels Coalition

The Northeast Ohio Clean Fuels Program has had a very exciting and productive quarter. In early June, the many stake-holders involved with NOACA in creating our region's State Implementation Plan (SIP) for fine particle pollution (PM 2.5) had our final meeting to ap- and stationary sources of PM 2.5. NEO Clean Fuels has been attending the SIP meetings for the last nine months with the majority of our influence presented at our March 1 Conference, "Refueling NEO: Clean Fuels Solutions for Air Pollution," which we coordinated with NOACA with the support of The Cleveland Foundation. The final version of the SIP, which will be presented to the Ohio EPA, contained recommendations for increased usage of the four primary clean fuel alternatives; biodiesel, compressed natural gas, e85 (ethanol), and propane, as well as recommendations for increased implementation of diesel retrofits, idle reduction policies, and electrified truck stops and/or auxiliary power units.

On June 20, NEO Clean Fuels hosted a Biodiesel Roundtable that was sponsored by the Ohio Soybean Council. The target audience was fleet, operations and service managers from the municipal and commercial sectors who are interested in implementing the fuel into their vehicle fleet. Sue Kraus of NASA Glenn Research Center and Don Makarius of Central Ohio Transit Authority did a great job presenting the many benefits as well as some potential downsides of utilizing biodiesel in fleet operations. A great discussion ensued among the attendees and, with a small scale biodiesel refinery ready to open in Cleveland's Flats, great things are on the horizon for the NEO biodiesel community.

On June 22 and 23, a hands-on workshop, "Sustainable Community-Scale Biodiesel Processing" conducted by Appalachian State University students and professors from their trail blazing Appropriate Technology Program was held in Boone, North Carolina. Appropriate Technology "reflects an approach to technological development, characterized by creative and sound engineering, that recognizes the social, environmental, political, economic, as well as, technical aspects of a proposed technological solution to a problem facing a society." Therefore solutions to energy problems are elegantly simple as was the case with the sustainable system for small scale biodiesel production. Among many elegant innovations, the system ASU developed featured such 'appropriate' technologies as solar thermal to provide the heat necessary to catalyze production, a constructed wetland to harvest the caloric energy in glycerin, as well as a production system that enabled anyone with a basic understanding of high-school-level chemistry and physics to operate and modify it.

NEO Clean Fuels offers great opportunities for interns. Do you or someone you know have interest in clean vehicle technologies, clean fuels, and clean transportation solutions? *Please contact John McGovern at (216) 281-6468 x 223 to discuss opportunities or check our website at www.earthdaycoalition.org.*

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You can take action and do your part to get the carbon out. There are seven suggestions in the Seven in 2007 pledge - change light bulbs to compact fluorescents, drive less, lower the thermostat, recycle, reuse and buy recycled, turn off your appliances, buy and consume local and organic foods, and talk to friends and neighbors about global warming. We'll document all contributions in a "Green Book" and announce what Northeast Ohio is doing to reduce Global Warming on our web site. Congratulations to Donald Obermeier, the recent winner of the house full of CFL's! Check our website for a Seven in 2007 pledge and do your part. Download the pledge from our web site, **bring it into the office for your free CFL**, and join together to fight global warming.

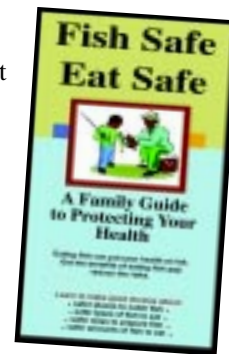




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are safe to eat, you can protect your family. Fish advisories due to mercury are most significant for women of childbearing age, pregnant and nursing mothers and children under 15 years of age. Check our web site for more information regarding fish consumption. Download a brochure that contains a chart showing which kinds and how much fish and shellfish you should eat, both sport fish and commercial fish from the market or restaurant. Check the chart and choose the right fish to reduce the risk to your health. Many things in your home contain mercury - click www.cuyahogasd.org to learn how to properly dispose of household hazardous

waste. Saving energy will reduce the mercury coming from coal burning power plants. Choose energy saving appliances and use compact fluorescent light bulbs. Take the Seven in 2007 pledge on page one.



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We bet you're in favor of enhancing our green spaces, air and water quality, and our transportation systems in order to create a better quality of life for all residents in northeast Ohio. We are too. That's why we ask that you renew your membership, become a new member, or purchase gift memberships online at www.earthdaycoalition.org. Our secure website is where it's fast and easy to become a member or update your membership, purchase Instrumental Evening for the Earth tickets, purchase t-shirts and posters, or even sign up to volunteer, all ONLINE.

Additionally, the second edition of the coveted Culture Connection Members-only booklets are just waiting for you to claim as your very own. Culture Connection is a fabulous local coupon book, filled with \$5 - \$20+ discounts from 16 Northeast Ohio cultural organizations including parks, nature centers, museums, theaters and more. You'll get discounts for admissions, performances, memberships and gift shops. Coupons are valid through December 31, 2008. All new and renewing members starting at the \$50 Contributing Member level will be sent a Culture Connection booklet and an Earth Day Coalition membership card (which is required to use the majority of the coupons).

Visit the Earth Day Coalition website today to contribute your support in the most eco-friendly way available. **You can also opt out of receiving a printed copy of the Earth Day Coalition News** and read the latest edition (and archival issues) on our website. Contact Dolores Watson at (216) 281-6468 x221 or via email at: dwatson@earthdaycoalition.org and state your preference to NOT receive a paper copy of the news. Thanks for helping Earth Day Coalition save trees and cut water and air pollution in our membership practices.



No Break from Caring for the Environment

A week into their summer break, students in John Hay High School's Environmental Club were hard at work for their environment. Early College, now part of John Hay, has

been learning about and promoting Cleveland's Dike 14 for several years. They have grown very fond of the Dike 14 Nature Preserve and kept it as a priority, even now that all three schools within John Hay High School attend the club.

As a means to promote the Dike 14 Nature Preserve and educate the community on its value, students designed what they refer to as a 'sample garden.' Located beside the entrance gate, the garden will contain a small sample of plants that grow on the Preserve, allowing those passing by to take better notice of the Dike 14 Nature Preserve as well as educate those groups visiting the Preserve.

Visitors will be able to stop and see some of the plants and learn a bit about their value to the Dike 14 Nature Preserve.

The first phase of building the garden bed has been completed. Currently the plants are being finalized and obtained, and will be planted soon. Signage, the third phase, is planned for August. It is a work in progress, so please come and check it out.

Earth Day Coalition would like to thank The Ohio Division of Natural Resources and the Cleveland Cuyahoga County Port Authority for their approval and support of the project, the Dike 14 Environmental Education Collaborative for their expertise, and the students who are volunteering during their summer break. A special thanks to John Hay Environmental Club Advisor, John

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Fellenstein, for his time and commitment to the project and for his acquisition of all the necessary tools.

Students at EarthFest

The Home Grown Learners' focus on community outreach this year that was inspired by ENERGY STAR's National campaign. "Change a Light, Change the World" led these students to begin a local campaign they titled, "Do What's Right, Change a Light" for their 2007 SEC project.

They reached their goal of giving 500 compact fluorescent light (CFL) bulbs to Cleveland residents after several outreach events. Even though they reached their goal, that did not stop them from volunteering for Earth Day Coalition's 'Seven in 2007'

campaign (See first page for more information). Students worked all day and gave away thousands of CFL bulbs at EarthFest. EarthFest attendees who signed a pledge card and committed to making life style changes in 2007 to be part of EarthFest's *Climate Change Solutions* were

given the free CFL bulbs.

John Hay High School Environmental Club students worked the Dike 14 Nature Preserve exhibit all day, as well as assisted at additional Earth Day Coalition (EDC) exhibits. They talked with the public, handed out brochures, conducted EDC's Test Your E.Q. (Environmental Quotient) Game, and offered support as needed.

Three SEC schools won the 'Recycle Because You Can' contest at EarthFest. Congratulations to the first place winner Notre Dame Cathedral Latin, second place winner Max Hayes High School and third place winner Lincoln-West High School. Thanks for recycling and doing your part for *Climate Change Solutions!*



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Earth Day Coalition Programs

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opening remarks from the dignitaries about *Climate Change Solutions*, Christina Lorenzoni of Novelis announced the winners of the Novelis High School Recycling Contest: Notre Dame Cathedral Latin, Max Hayes Vocational High School and Lincoln West High School. The ceremony closed with the 2007 Art, Poetry and Essay Contest presentation. Thirty-six winners for this year's *Climate Change Solutions* themed contest were chosen. Each student winner received the Hope and Stanley Adelstein Award of Excellence. Thank you to Hope and Stanley for their continued support of this important student project. Thank you to the Art, Poetry and Essay judges, and Elena Tomorrowitz for organizing this year's efforts.

Throughout the rest of the day the amphitheatre served as a live musical stage for the 'Party with the Planet' Concert. The afternoon began with vocal stylings of Chittlin'. VA dare continued the momentum, and Mifuné gave an international spin to the show. The day wrapped up with rock n' roll by The Jack Fords. Thank you to the Cleveland Free Times, Kiss 96.5 FM and WKSU 89.7 for their support and promotion of the 'Party with the Planet' Concert.

EarthFest's main entrance was the center of all of the action, surrounded by environmental education displays in all directions. People were busy purchasing their organic Earth Day t-shirts and showing their support for climate change by signing postcards asking Congress to cut carbon emissions 80% by the year 2050. The Novelis staff was busy collecting aluminum cans for recycling while their mascot, Can Man, visited with children and registered people for the hybrid aluminum bike raffle. Around the corner WUAB MY 43 was putting those aluminum cans to use by creating a recycled art sculpture of Cleveland's Terminal Tower.

There were over ten alternative fuel vehicles on display. The Sisters from the Congregation of St. Joseph displayed their natural gas vehicle. Motorcars Honda had a Civic Hybrid and Motorcars Toyota brought a Prius. General Motors displayed their E85 Chevy Tahoe to show potential customers. Two Ford Escape hybrids were on hand from Cleveland Public Power and Cleveland Division of Air Quality representing parts of the city department's road fleet. Everybody's favorite bio-diesel shuttle bus, the Great Lakes Brewing Company "Fatty Wagon," was on

hand, explaining how the restaurant's used vegetable oil is put to good use in alternative fuels. The RTA brought their Clean Air Trolley, and Segway of Ohio was offering test rides and instructional demos on their alternative fuel "Segway" vehicles.

Two fun and exciting additions to this year's EarthFest were a preview of the new Robert Redford series, and the Seven in 2007 pledge. The Environmental Science Area was lit up by a preview screening of Robert Redford's "The Green," courtesy of Sundance Channel and Time Warner Cable. This cable series focuses on the environment, sustainability and modern living. In keeping with the climate change theme, hundreds of visitors took part in the Seven in 2007 pledge. After reviewing seven simple actions to help slow down global warming, those who made a commitment received free compact fluorescent light bulbs from Technical Consumer Products and Earth Day Coalition. Thanks to the terrific Student Environmental Congress' Home Grown Learners for all of their help with the Seven in 2007 pledge.

The Green Home Improvement Area was filled with local businesses providing environmentally friendly goods and services for the home. NOACA was talking about their rideshare and air quality programs. Greeting people showing their great Green Seal window products was Renewal by Andersen. CH2M Hill Constructors was busy meeting people and talking about their sustainability practices and services. A special thanks to Melanie Kintner and the Cleveland Green Building Coalition, the co-sponsor and host organizer of this exciting major exhibit.

The Local and Organic Food Area was filled with people eager to learn about healthful foods, local and organic options, and of course, to try the great samples. Balanced Living Magazine was located outside featuring their monthly publication dedicated to natural and healthy ways of living. Inside, Mustard Seed Market and Café had many great organic samples to give away. Wild Oats Natural Markets brought herb seedlings along with their samples. Giant Eagle's beautiful display of fresh, healthy vegetables and produce was also a hit.

The pachyderm building was also full of a lot more than just elephants. Crowds visited with Ohio E-Check to learn about their role in Ohio transportation and chatted with the Northeast Ohio Regional Sewer District to learn about their electrofishing boat and fish sampling program. Just outside the pachyderm area children of all ages enjoyed face-painting festivities.

A lot was in store for younger visitors at the Children's Area located in the Primate, Cat and Aquatics building. Radio Disney

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Welcome New and Renewing Members

Welcome to the newest members of the Earth Day Coalition and thank you to all who have renewed membership for 2007. We are happy to have you help improve the health, quality of life and environment of the greater Cleveland community.

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This non-stop day of environmental fun could not be possible without the support of our many sponsors. Thanks to Cleveland Metroparks Zoo, Director Steve Taylor, and Elaine Straka for their continued support. Also, thank you to The Cleveland Foundation, The George Gund Foundation, Cuyahoga County Commissioners, Cleveland Division of Water, Cleveland Division of Air Quality -and Oatey.

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We would also like to thank our wonderful volunteers. Without your time and effort, EarthFest would not have been a success. Thank you to our team leaders and group organizers: Heather Blaha, Tiffany and John Tarnowski, Elena Tomorrowitz, Phil Szabados, Justin Zucker, Kevin Ray, Megan Murphy, David Walker, Dave Brown, Brandy and Fred Carney, Pam Davis, Jim Sheehan, Victoria Avi, Michael Courtright, Sue and Craig Woolf, Debbie Illes, and Cam Margolin.

It's not too early to start thinking about 2008. Mark your calendars for Sunday, April 20, for the 19th annual Earth Day Celebration in Cleveland!

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was on site with their music and performers. Eco-games were all over with plenty of activities for children to take part. The OooEeee Performance Troop gave two performances and the Metroparks own Foster Brown entertained all with his stories and songs. A special thanks to Tiffany Tarnowski for her hard work in coordinating the Children's Area.

EarthFest exhibit areas were not the only places bursting with energy, as there were entertainers stationed and roaming throughout the Zoo. Ragtime music and classic American folk songs were never out of earshot thanks to Pat Tamburro and James Zmrazek, our roaming accordion players. Rhythmic beating drums was also a common sound all day thanks to the Earth Rhythm Drummers performing with visitors all day, and the Thunder Nation Singers who were dancing and singing during the day as well.

With so much going on Earth Day Coalition members and sponsors needed a relaxing place to escape, and the "Very Environmental Person" area was just the place. Thank you to Web of Life from Westlake for providing the fantastic healthy and delicious food for the VEP area. Web of Life had wonderful organic breakfast and lunch delicacies available all day. Thank you so much for your support of EarthFest and Earth Day Coalition, and of course, for the scrumptious and healthy food - what a treat!

Save the Date: The 10th annual *Instrumental Evening for the Earth* Thursday, November 15...Details below



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Program Updates

10th Annual Instrumental Evening for the Earth Benefit Concert

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Earth Day Coalition is celebrating its 10th annual chamber music gala. This year's Instrumental Evening for the Earth will be held Thursday, November 15th, 2007 from 6:00-9:30 p.m. Members of the world-famous Cleveland Orchestra, Daniel McKelway and Lembi Veskimets will welcome friends in a stunning donated chamber music performance.

The evening includes a gourmet reception, and exceptional silent auction in the green building renovation of the West Shore Unitarian Universalist Church located in Rocky River (only 8 quick miles from downtown on I-90). Proceeds benefit the year-round environmental education and leadership programs of Earth Day Coalition. For tickets and more information, please call (216) 281-6468 x231 or visit www.earthdaycoalition.org.

Dike 14 Nature Preserve

Thank you to the 31 volunteers who helped make 'Cinco de Mayo Migration' at the Dike 14 Nature Preserve on May 5 such a success. Over 465 people visited the site in just over four hours. Herons, hawks, hummingbirds, gulls, swallows and sparrows, as well as almost 70 species of birds were out and about. Lots of Red Admiral and other butterflies greeted visitors. Thanks to the Cleveland Lakefront State Park for support, and especially the Cleveland Cuyahoga County Port Authority for giving visitors a stunning view of our unique lakefront treasure at Dike 14 and the Cleveland skyline from the water.

Coming Soon:

The Dike 14 Environmental Education Collaborative has been hard at work creating a backpack full of science and inquiry-based environmental education activities related to Dike 14. Check our website for the backpack availability, as well as information on the **next open house on Sunday, September 23.**