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Earth Month 2015

Sponsored by: Sustainable UNE and Earth's E.C.O.



Earth Hour Bonfire

Saturday, March 28: 8 - 11 p.m.

Kiosk

Kick off Earth Month and UNE's annual "Do It In The Dark" energy competition by

flipping off your lights and electronics! Join Earth's E.C.O. for music and s'mores by the Kiosk!



Residence Hall Energy Competition

Saturday, March 28 - Friday, April 11

The annual energy competition encourages residents to compete for electricity reductions. Make a commitment to "Tug the Plug", "Go an

Hour Without Power" or "Do It In The Dark" and receive an owl button. The winning residence hall will win a free "Do It In The Dark" water bottle.



Pancake Brunch

Sunday, March 29: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Decary Café

Can't make it to Maine Maple Weekend? Join us for a Pancake Brunch with local maple syrup. Sodexo has generously offered to donate all profits to the Stone Soup Food Pantry. Brunch is open to the public. Tickets are \$8 and available for sale at the Heart of Biddeford Office on Main Street in Biddeford and outside Decary Café during the week of March 23rd.

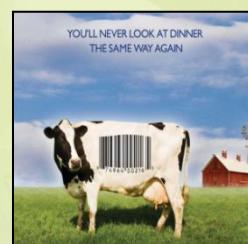


Green Game Night

Thursday, April 2: 7 - 9 p.m.

Campus Center, The Hang

Earth's E.C.O. and UNE Gamers are partnering for a night of fun with green games. Turn off your electronics and come for some good ol' fashioned board and card games.



Food Inc. – movie screening

Friday, April 3: 8 - 10 p.m.

Alfond Health Science Center, room 106

Food Inc. examines how mammoth corporations have taken over all aspects

of the food chain in the United States, from the farms where our food is grown to the chain restaurants and supermarkets where it's sold. The film features interviews with average Americans about their dietary habits, commentary from food experts like Michael Pollan and unsettling footages from inside large-scale animal processing plants.

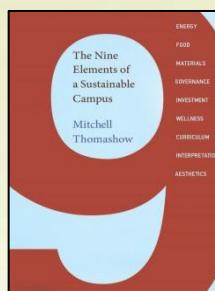


Growing Local – movie screening

Tuesday, April 7: 6 - 8 p.m.

Alfond Health Science Center, room 205

Maine Farmland Trust and Seedlight Pictures collaborated to produce this film with three vignettes following different stories which illustrate the obstacles faced, potential solutions and promise of the local food movement in Maine. The film premiered at the Camden International Film Festival.



Book Discussion Group

Wednesday, April 8: 12 - 1 p.m.

Decary Café, Function Room 2

Please join the Sustainability Office for a book discussion group about The Nine Elements of a Sustainable Campus by Mitchell Thomashow.

We will focus our discussion on the second chapter, titled "Food." His book, published in March 2014, provides a framework for advancing sustainable living and teaching in a variety of campus environments. To RSVP for the discussion (and receive a free lunch), please email acariddi@une.edu. Copies of the book are available through the Campus Center Bookstore and as an e-book at the UNE library. Space is limited to 12 participants.



Local Food Day

Thursday, April 10: 11 a.m. - 1 p.m.

Decary Café

Did you know that Sodexo routinely offers local potatoes, apples, blueberries, ice cream, milk and other foods? Come to Decary to learn what other local foods Sodexo incorporates into recipes. Sustainably sourced seafood will be featured the whole week of March 23-27!

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Food Drive

Saturday, April 11 - Friday, April 24

Decary Café

Sodexo and UNE's Food Recovery Network are partnering with the Sustainability Office and Earth's E.C.O. to bring hope, relief and security to our neighbors struggling with hunger. Drop off non-perishable food donations to Decary Café and help Bon Apetite Food Pantry meet the growing need in our community.



Betting the Farm – movie screening

Tuesday, April 14: 6 - 8 p.m.

Alfond Health Science Center, room 205

Betting The Farm is the story of a group of Maine dairy farmers who - dropped by their national milk company - are suddenly confronted with the real possibility of losing their farms. Banding together, the farmers launched their own milk company. Their plight is documented and discussion following the film will focus on what has happened since Moo Milk dissolved.



Mitchell Thomashow – guest lecture

Wednesday, April 15: 5 - 6:30 p.m.

Campus Center, Multi-Purpose Rooms

Former president of Unity College, Mitchell Thomashow, will be visiting the UNE Biddeford Campus for a full day focused on sustainability and food on college campuses. He will join the Environmental Council meeting for lively discussion at 2:00 and then present a keynote about his recent book, The Nine Elements of a Sustainable Campus.



Earth Flag Raising

Wednesday, April 22: 9 - 10 a.m.

Alfond Health Science Center flagpole

To celebrate the 45th anniversary of Earth Day, Earth's E.C.O. will be raising an Earth Flag to symbolize UNE's vision of and commitment to a sustainable campus. Meet at the Alfond flagpole for coffee and donuts. Feel free to bring a poem or earthly reflection to share.



Deb Soule – guest lecture

Wednesday, April 22: 12:10 - 12:50 p.m.

Portland Campus, Alexander Hall, Wing Lounge

Deb Soule, founder of Avena Botanicals, will speak about the power of medicinal herbs. In a lunch-'n-learn format she will provide an overview about the herbal remedies she grows and creates that support health and healing on her own certified organic and biodynamic farm in Rockport, Maine.



Blueberry Garden Planting

Wednesday, April 22: 2 - 3 p.m.

Compass in front of Ketchum Library

Earth's E.C.O. is sponsoring the installation of a blueberry garden in the heart of campus! Edible landscapes like this demonstrate how local agriculture can be beneficial to health and economics and also be aesthetically pleasing. Join us for the groundbreaking.



Biddeford Campus Clean Up

Sunday, April 26: 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Kiosk

From the kiosk to Freddy Beach to New Town Road, several campus clubs and organizations will gather to make the Biddeford Campus sparkle! RSVP by Monday, April 23rd to acariddi@une.edu for the clean up and receive a ticket for the BBQ that follows the clean up, sponsored by Residence Life. Bags and gloves will be provided. Meet at the Kiosk for directions.



Green Office Program Presentation

Wednesday, April 29: 11 - 11:50 a.m.

Decary Hall, room 205

The Sustainability Lab class is designing a Green Office Program. There will be four levels of certification and six categories of sustainable behaviors to rank your office habits. They are developing the evaluation tool and educational materials to make green offices a reality at UNE. They have chosen creative incentive prizes for each level of certification. Come to the presentation to learn about the work these students have done this semester to improve the sustainability of UNE.

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