



Hi FAU Mission Greenies,

Hope you are having a fun, relaxing summer. In the past year Mission Green has done most of our outreach through Facebook, twitter, and FAU announcements. Starting this summer, we will be sending out bi-weekly updates on what we have going on and anything interesting in the news. We love input from members, so please let us know what you think!



### MGSA News and Events

**350 Home and Garden Challenge** – On May 14, MGSA took part in the 350.org Home and Garden Challenge as part of the Transition US campaign. We took this day to plant new fruits, vegetables and flowers in our beds in the Pearl City Community Garden, remove invasive exotic plants, and improve our composting system.



What is 350?

350 is an organization, a website, a movement, and a goal. From their website, [www.350.org](http://www.350.org):

"350.org is building a global grassroots movement to solve the climate crisis. Our online campaigns, grassroots organizing, and mass public actions are led from the bottom up by thousands of volunteer organizers in over 188 countries.

350 means climate safety. To preserve our planet, scientists tell us we must reduce the amount of CO2 in the atmosphere from its current level of 392 parts per million to below 350 ppm. But 350 is more than a number—it's a symbol of where we need to head as a planet."

**TerraCycle** – Great news! MGSA will be starting a TerraCycle program at FAU.

- We will now be collecting inkjet cartridges, Cell Phones, Digital Cameras, Keyboards, Mouses, Laptops, old MP3s, Elmer's Glue, Scotch Tape rolls and dispenser, and Personal Care and Beauty Products (Shampoo, lipstick, eye liners, etc).
- More for information on the TerraCycle program visit <http://www.terracycle.net>
- To get involved with Terracycle at FAU, contact Johnny Yuen at [jyuen4@fau.edu](mailto:jyuen4@fau.edu)



## Hands Across the Sand – June 25, 2011

Mission Green knows the importance of supporting clean energy sources that will sustain our planet for future generations. We invite you to stand with us on Saturday, June 25<sup>th</sup> at 12:00 PM as we participate in the second annual **Hands Across The Sand**.

Hands Across The Sand is a movement made of people of all walks of life and crosses all borders and political affiliations. This movement is not about politics; it is about protecting coastal economies, oceans, marine wildlife and fisheries from the threats of expanded offshore drilling and the accidents associated with this.

Worldwide participants are joining hands on June 25<sup>th</sup> to say NO to offshore oil drilling and YES to clean energy. They are joining hands to implore leaders and decision makers to end the United States' dependence on oil and coal and embrace a clean energy future for a sustainable planet.

If you are planning to join us at Hands Across the Sand this year please let us know! You can [RSVP by clicking here](#) or on [Facebook](#).

We also need volunteers to help with Hands Across the Sand. If you are interested in giving a few hours of your time to help please e-mail Katie Parrish from Oceana at [kparrish@oceana.org](mailto:kparrish@oceana.org).

*Some of many volunteer opportunities... we will provide you the materials you need!*

- Hang posters and drop off flyers during June
- Phonebankers to help call ocean supporters and urge them to come to the event
- Special assistants to help lead the event the day-of
- Petition collectors during the event
- Media outreach assistants to help create a buzz about the event!
- Community outreach to help us meet new organizations to get involved
- New media outreach to help us promote the event on the internet
- Photographers and videographers for the day-of
- Data entry assistants after the event

**Call your Representative today and urge them to support the No New Drilling Act of 2011 H.R. 261 and protect our oceans from new offshore drilling. You can reach the Congressional Switchboard at: 1-866-306-3552!**



## Volunteer Opportunities

### **Palm Beach Environmental Resources Management**

**Wednesday, June 8 8am – 11am**

#### **Volunteer Event-Royal Palm Beach Pines Natural Area, Royal Palm Beach**

##### **- Description Removing Trash**

**- Directions:** From I-95 exit at Okeechobee Blvd – head west on Okeechobee Blvd. to Crestwood Blvd. (just west of Royal Palm Beach Blvd.) – turn right on Crestwood Blvd. and head north for roughly 1.5 miles to Saratoga Blvd. – turn left on Saratoga Blvd. (you will be entering a housing development) – follow Saratoga Blvd. for roughly 1 mile to Nature’s Way – turn left and follow road to natural area entrance.

Volunteers should wear long pants, t-shirts and old sneakers or hiking boots. We will be working in a recently burned area – so clothing will become covered in soot. Restroom facilities are available on site. The Department will supply all tools, gloves, and refreshments. **Event participation is limited to the first 15 volunteers who register.**

Volunteers can register for an event by either calling 561-233-2426 or emailing Ann Mathews at [amathews@co.palm-beach.fl.us](mailto:amathews@co.palm-beach.fl.us). For more information on ERM's Volunteer Program click [here](#).

**Saturday, June 11 8am – 11am**

#### **Volunteer Event-Juno Dunes Natural Area, Juno Beach-**

##### **Description Removing Trash**

**Directions:** From I-95 exit at Donald Ross Road – head east on Donald Ross Rd. to U.S. Highway 1 - turn left and head north on U.S. Highway 1 for roughly 1/4 mile – the parking lot entrance is on the west side of U.S. Highway 1 (just north of Loggerhead Park).

Volunteers should wear long pants, t-shirts and old sneakers or hiking boots. Some areas we are working in could be wet and muddy. Restroom facilities are available at Loggerhead Park.

The Department will supply all tools, gloves, and refreshments. **Event participation is limited to the first 25 volunteers who register.**

Volunteers can register for an event by either calling 561-233-2426 or emailing Ann Mathews at [amathews@co.palm-beach.fl.us](mailto:amathews@co.palm-beach.fl.us). For more information on ERM's Volunteer Program click [here](#).

**Tuesday, June 14 7pm – 9pm**

#### **Palm Beach County Reef Research Team**

**Where:** 3323 Belvedere Road, Bldg 509, West Palm Beach FL 334 ([map](#))

**Description:** The Team's mission is to observe, collect, document and record scientific data for use in further enhancing our marine habitats. We hold general and planning meetings monthly which are open to members and the public.

- The team's general meetings are held in ERM's Building 509 at 7:00 p.m. on the second Tuesday of each month. Building 509 is located just north of the Palm Beach International Airport. Take I-95 to Belvedere Road west. After Congress Ave., turn right on 5th Street and Building 509 is on the right.

For more information, please check out the Reef Research Team's web site at [www.pbcrrt.org](http://www.pbcrrt.org)

**Thursday, June 16** 10am – 11am

### **South Lake Worth Inlet Project Grand Opening**

- **Description:** Please join District 4 County Commissioner Steven L. Abrams for this event which will showcase the recently constructed sand transfer plant, renovated north and south jetties, and a new Bird Island seawall.

- **Location** South Lake Worth Inlet Sand Transfer Plant 7020 North Ocean Blvd/A1A, Ocean Ridge, FL 33435 Parking is available at Ocean Inlet Park west of A1A on the north and south sides of the inlet.

- **Directions** From north county --Exit at Lantana Rd. Go east for 1 mile. Go right (south) on US 1 for 2 blocks. Go left (east) on Ocean Avenue for 1 mile. Go right (south) on A1A for 2.6 miles to the inlet.

From south county --Exit at Boynton Beach Blvd. Go east for ¾ mile. Go right (south) on US 1 for 2 blocks. Go left (east) on Ocean Ave. Go left (north) on A1A for 1.3 miles to the inlet.

For more information on the South Lake Worth Inlet Projects, visit

<http://www.pbcgov.com/erm/coastal/shoreline/south-lake-worth-inlet/>.

For more information contact Ginny Powell at the Palm Beach County Department of Environmental Resources Management, Phone 561-233-2452, Email [gpowell@pbcgov.com](mailto:gpowell@pbcgov.com).

## **Arthur Marshall Foundation**

The Arthur R. Marshall Foundation appreciates people like you who are concerned about the future of Florida's environment, and welcomes your involvement as a volunteer! From assisting with office work and special events to helping with trail clean-ups and planting native trees, the Foundation has a place for your special talents and interests.

Volunteer service opportunities are available for people of all ages, and often provide the chance to enjoy intergenerational activities. Working with the Marshall Foundation is a great way to meet like-minded people or earn community service hours, while helping to have a positive impact on Florida's future.

Opportunities include:

- providing administrative support
- working on outdoor environmental projects
- mentoring young people
- serving on event and project committees
- helping with community outreach efforts

For more information on these and other volunteer needs, visit [their website](#).

## **Also Check out:**

[Gumbo Limbo Nature Center](#)

[Pine Jog Environmental Education Center](#)

[Daggerwing Nature Center](#)

[Anne Kolb Nature Center](#)

[FAU S.A.V.I.](#)

## Interesting Green News

- Southern Energy Network joins with group of organizations in condemning Florida voter
- Renewable Energy Can Power the World in 40 Years: IPCC
- What is Fracking – WATCH THIS!!!!
- Powershift: Where Youth Fights for our Future.

## Interesting Green Sites

The I Matter March - <http://imattermarch.org/>

350 - [www.350.org](http://www.350.org)

Southern Energy Network - <http://www.climateaction.net/>

Powershift!! - [www.wearepowershift.org](http://www.wearepowershift.org)

Huffington Post Green - <http://www.huffingtonpost.com/green/>

GreenPeace USA - <http://www.greenpeace.org/usa/en/>

Treehugger – [www.treehugger.com](http://www.treehugger.com)

American Wind Energy Associates - <http://www.awea.org/>

Citizens for Clean Energy – <http://www.citizensforcleanenergy.com>

## MGSA Resources

Website – [www.fau.edu/mgsa](http://www.fau.edu/mgsa)

E-mail – [gomissiongreen@fau.edu](mailto:gomissiongreen@fau.edu)

Advisor – Jill Rosen, [jrosen58@fau.edu](mailto:jrosen58@fau.edu)

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Hope you all have a great summer. Don't hesitate to contact us with questions, comments or ideas



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