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NEWS

Thursday October 6, 2016

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The University of Dayton will continue working toward a more sustainable world with a week of free, public activities Oct. 15-22 to tout green living.

10 a.m. to 3 p.m., Oct. 15: Hike to clean up Madison Lake Park, 581 Olive Road in Dayton.

7:30 p.m., Oct. 17, Kennedy Union ballroom: James Balog, founder of the Extreme Ice Survey, a photographic study of melting glaciers, will talk about his work as part of the University of Dayton Speaker Series.

Noon to 2 p.m., Oct. 18, Kennedy Union field: The city of Dayton and the University of Dayton Hanley Sustainability Institute will talk about the importance of the region's aquifer and work to "take back the tap" by handing out refillable water bottles to cut down on the use of plastic disposable bottles. The city also will have its "Take Back the Tap" truck there to fill up water bottles. Alongside "Take Back the Tap," the University of Dayton Vegetarian Club will have a vegan ice cream tasting.

Noon to 3 p.m., Oct. 20, Humanities Plaza: Local businesses will be selling cruelty-free products — those not tested on animals.

5:45 p.m., Oct. 20, ArtStreet: University of Dayton New Abolitionist Movement will be having a Fair Trade Fashion Show and Festival.

1 to 8 p.m., Oct. 21, Humanities Plaza: Engineers in Technical Humanitarian Opportunities of Service Learning (ETHOS) and the Food Recovery Network, a national organization which donates excess food from college campuses to people in need, will host a cookout featuring local farmers and produce. Event organizers are encouraging everyone to bike to work that day, too.

10 a.m. to 1 p.m., Oct. 22, Lincoln Hill Gardens in the Twin Towers Neighborhood at 401 Nassau St: The Hanley Sustainability Institute and partners East End Community Services, Mission of Mary Cooperative and the Twin

Towers neighborhood are transforming a former Dayton Public School site into an urban farm and green space. University of Dayton students are working with the Hanley Sustainability Institute to assist with site design, surveys, soil restoration, and logo design and branding.

Throughout the week: Re-volv, a solar ambassador program, will be holding a food drive for a local food kitchen. Donation boxes will be located around campus; all items and packaging must be compostable.

Sustainability Week is part of the University's overall University strategy to move toward a greener campus and become a leader in sustainability education (see related link). Sponsors include the Hanley Sustainability Institute, University of Dayton Rivers Institute, Huntington Bank, Rumpke, University of Dayton Dining Services and the University of Dayton Sustainability Club.

The University of Dayton is a signatory of Carbon Commitment, committing the University to being carbon neutral by 2050, and is listed in The Princeton Review's *Guide to 353 Green Colleges*. The University also has earned a STARS silver rating in the Association for the Advancement of Sustainability in Higher Education Sustainability Tracking, Assessment & Rating System for its sustainability achievements.

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