



# Action News!

The news source for the Department of  
Environmental Studies & Planning at SSU

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For the week of: May 7

- **News & Announcements:** *This section highlights professional training opportunities, speakers, workshops, relevant news items and events.*

A Conversation with Sim van Der Ryn on Visionary & Pioneer of Green Building, Smart Growth and Sustainability, Wednesday, May 9 from 4 ~ 5:40 in the ETC.

ENSP T-Shirts are \$15 in Rachel Carson Rm. 18. Proceeds support your department.

New Study Plan in ENSP: Outdoor Leadership is our newest study plan. This plan is posted on the ENSP website as [www.sonoma.edu/ensp](http://www.sonoma.edu/ensp). Dr. Norwick will be advising during Rocky's absence.

- **Important Dates:**



Don't Miss



May 10 ~ Senior Send-off 2007  
Life is a Circus...Welcome to the Big Top  
11 a.m. ~ 1 p.m. ~ Main Quad  
Prize drawings, free lunch, giveaways, and more....

## Important Dates (cont'd) :

May 18 ~ Last day of instruction

May 21-25 ~ Final Exams

May 26 ~ 3 p.m. ~ ENSP Commencement



ENSP graduating seniors and their families are invited to a reception honoring your success on Commencement Day, Saturday, May 26 from 1 ~ 2:15 p.m. in the ETC. We have decided to host the reception prior to the ceremony because many students have dinner plans after commencement.

ENSP courses for Fall '07 are available on-line at [www.sonoma.edu/ensp](http://www.sonoma.edu/ensp). Check out:

ENSP 307 ~ Environmental History (3) and  
ENSP 428 ~ Conservation Research Methods (2)  
BIOL 497 ~ Environmental Microbiology (4) will examine microbial activities that sustain the biosphere with focus on applied aspects including wastewater treatment, bioremediation of metal- and petroleum-contaminated environments, biological control of plant disease, and the use of microbes in biofuel production. Applies toward the ENSP Hazardous Materials Mgmt. and Water Quality Technology core requirements.

## • Environmental Happenings

**Green Drinks International** hosts an informal gathering the first Tuesday of each month at Seven Ultra-Lounge in Santa Rosa. This is an opportunity to meet fellow environmentalists, catch up on local environmental news, and make friends and contacts.

For more information, visit [www.greendrinks.org](http://www.greendrinks.org)

The City of San Jose will be hosting a **Residential Green Building Summit on June 7<sup>th</sup>**. Discussions will include sustainable rating systems, green building financing, and methods of incorporating green building products and practices. For more information regarding registration, contact Kiyomi Yamamoto at 408/535-8500.

For more information on **Fairfield Osborn Preserve Spring '07 Workshops**



**May 12 – 10:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.**

**Digital Photos – Wildflowers – Dr. B. Hichwa – \$50**

Use your own camera to take close-ups of flowers.

**May 19 – 8 a.m. – 11 a.m.**

**Early Birding – Becky Olsen – \$10**

View Lazuli buntings, other neotropical migrants and residents nesting season. Bring binoculars.

**June 9 – 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.**

**Dragonflies, Damselflies & Insects with K. Biggs &**

**F. Lavoipierre – \$15**

Enjoy a summer morning observing, catching and becoming acquainted with invertebrate beauties.

To enroll, contact Julia Clothier at

[Fairfield.osborn@sonoma.edu](mailto:Fairfield.osborn@sonoma.edu) or 707/795-5069.

**Friends of Copeland Creek** meet on Thursdays, from 2:15 – 3:15 p.m. in the Organic Garden next to the ETC. For more information, contact Julie Bright at 707/664-2717.



## Cotati Creek Critters

CCC is a grassroots community group planting native trees and scrubs along the Cotati reach of the Laguna de Santa Rosa. CCC is sponsored by the Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation and the Sonoma County Water Agency. Current projects are funded by the California

Dept. of Water Resources Urban Stream Restoration program, the City of Santa Rosa and the City of Cotati. Community planting day is Sat., May 12 – 9 a.m. to Noon. Contact: [jenny@creeks.cotati.info](mailto:jenny@creeks.cotati.info) or 707/792-4422. In April, CCC's are launching the "Outside" part of the Nature Education series with a program of guided walks featuring local experts, and other outdoor events:

**June 4 – Creeks bike ride in Cotati/Rohnert Park – 6 pm**

Wade Belew & retired Geology Prof. Rolfe Erickson

**July 7 – Explore Laguna trails W. of Highway 101 – 9 am**

Joe Honton, Laguna de Santa Rosa Foundation

**Aug. 6 – What happens to Wastewater?** A tour of

Laguna Treatment Plant with D. Cadman, Natural Resource Specialist for the City of Santa Rosa.

**Sept. 8 – Incredible World of Insects – 2 pm**

Frederique Lavoipierre, garden & nature freelance writer

Want to discover and/or help restore the bay? Check

**Bay Events** on [www.savesfbay.org](http://www.savesfbay.org).

• **Internships:** For more information about any of the listings, please see the "Current ENSP Internship" binder in the ENSP office, Rachel Carson Rm. 18-B.

**Water Conservation Intern (Water Agency's Water Conservation Program)** Conduct water use evaluations for residential water customers, measure landscape areas with a measuring wheel or other method, test for toilet leaks, measure shower flow rates, and check irrigation system leaks. Part time, flexible schedule. Must have computer knowledge of Word, Excel, and Access and strong customer service skills. \$11.68/hour. Email:

[rutan@sonoma-county.org](mailto:rutan@sonoma-county.org)

**“Climate Quest”** needs individuals interested in mentoring high school students. This organization is a network of summer school programs for high school students on college campuses. The program will increase the participant's awareness of and leadership skills for the growing climate crisis through video-reporting and classroom learning. College mentors will share their experiences as active college students involved in climate change studies and activism with the students enrolled in this program. If selected, college mentors will receive 2 units of credit for independent study from Sonoma State University. Climate Quest will pay for the cost of two units and provide lunch daily. Contact [Jessica@climateprotectioncampaign.org](mailto:Jessica@climateprotectioncampaign.org).

**Environmental Management Intern for Point Reyes National Seashore.** For more information view Job Connection at [www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc](http://www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc) and click search for details. Contact person is Ben Becker at [ben\\_becker@nps.gov](mailto:ben_becker@nps.gov). No compensation.

**NOAA National Marine Fisheries Service Office of Law Enforcement in Santa Rosa** is seeking a student intern. For more information view Job Connection at [www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc](http://www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc) and click search for details. Contact person is Dan Torquemada at [dan.torquemada@noaa.gov](mailto:dan.torquemada@noaa.gov). \$12 per hour.

**Greenbelt Alliance** is seeking a volunteer intern. If you are interested, view Job Connection at [www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc](http://www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc) and click search for details. Contact [daisypl@greenbelt.org](mailto:daisypl@greenbelt.org) at 707/575-3661.

**Tree Care Management Trainee** for Cagwin and Dorward in Novato. For more information visit [www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc](http://www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc) and click search for details. Contact Jeff Engelhart at [jeff.engelhart@cagwin.com](mailto:jeff.engelhart@cagwin.com). Compensation is \$10-\$13 per hour.

**SCA Internships are available.** Visit and apply on-line at [www.thesca.org](http://www.thesca.org).

## Summer Internships:

**Planning Intern: Community Development Dept., City of Clayton** is seeking a part-time/full-time intern to provide assistance to the above department. This position will pay \$12 per hour. Filing deadline is May 25, 2007. For more information please contact [ljackson@ci.clayton.ca.us](mailto:ljackson@ci.clayton.ca.us).

**Laguna Foundation, Education Program** is seeking an intern with strong computer skills to create a new curriculum activity called Lucky Laguna which is a visual bingo game. This is an unpaid position and a student could receive at least two credit hours toward their Environmental Education degree. If time permits, other curriculum activities would be available. Interested? Contact Mary Abbott, Education Program Director at 707/527-9277, 102 or email her at [mary@lagunafoundation.com](mailto:mary@lagunafoundation.com).

**Internships:** Check out - [http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/job-search-c-college?keywords\\_all=intern&country2=USA](http://hotjobs.yahoo.com/job-search-c-college?keywords_all=intern&country2=USA)

## Sonoma State University's Job site:

<http://woodstock.sonoma.edu/users/e/esas/public/JOBS/search.php> lists paid and unpaid internships and employment opportunities. This site is updated frequently. Volunteer or internship opportunities can be found in the **Career Center in Salazar 1070 at SSU** or by visiting [www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc/jobsearch/index.shtml](http://www.sonoma.edu/sas/crc/jobsearch/index.shtml)

**The County of Sonoma** has internships available. For more details visit [www.sonoma-county.org/volint](http://www.sonoma-county.org/volint) or call Renee Rutan at (707) 565-2930.

**Orion Grassroots Network:** This site is a great resource for updated listings of **new internships and job openings**, visit <http://www.oriononline.org/ogn>.

•**Employment:** For more information about any of the employment listings, please see the “Current ENSP Employment” binder in the ENSP office, Rachel Carson Rm. 18-B or visit our employment link on the web: [www.sonoma.edu/ensp/employment\\_links.htm](http://www.sonoma.edu/ensp/employment_links.htm)

Napa County Department of Environmental Management is hiring for two full-time positions:

EHS I - Environmental Health Specialist I - \$49,452

EHS II - Environmental Health Specialist II - \$58,385.

Details including applicant process for both positions can be found at

<http://agency.governmentjobs.com/napacounty/default.cfm>.

To subscribe please go to:

<https://webmail.sonoma.edu/mailman/listinfo/ensp-announce>

**Check out Google.org.** This site includes the work of the Google Foundation, some of Google's own projects using Google talent, technology and other resources, as well as partnerships and contributions to for-profit and non-profit entities. The focus areas of Google.org include global poverty, climate changes and global public health. Browse U.S. openings at

<http://www.google.com/support/jobs/bin/topic>

The County of Sonoma has numerous employment opportunities. Visit their website at

<http://agency.governmentjobs.com/sonoma/default.cfm>

Other sites of interest:

[enews@environmentalcareer.com](mailto:enews@environmentalcareer.com)



## Sonoma State University's Earth Week Events & Movie Fest

Monday, April 16<sup>th</sup>

Focus the Nation Event - 7 p.m. - Darwin 103

SSU is joining over 1,000 colleges nation-wide to host a symposium on "Global Warming Solutions for America". View "The Great Warming" narrated by

If you are enrolled in Peoplesoft as an ENSP Major/Minor, you will automatically be subscribed to this list under your Sonoma.edu email account. Otherwise you may need to re-subscribe.

Keanu Reeves and Alanis Morissette. Discussion will follow.

Hosted by Hutchins Club and Friends of Copeland Creek.

Tuesday, April 17<sup>th</sup>

Earth Week Fair & Nooner – 12 p.m. – Main Quad

Bring your bicycle, dancing shoes, and sunscreen for two hours of festivities with music and mania to rock the plants. Campus clubs will host displays and over 30 organizations and businesses will join the event.

Ceremony will be held to mark SSU's first greenhouse gas inventory and devotion to sustainability. Bring your bicycle to join in critical mass ride.

Hosted by Student Planning Association (SPA) and Project Earth!

For more information, call 707/664-2382 or email [www.sonoma.edu/as](http://www.sonoma.edu/as)

Recognition of sustainability leaders at SSU. This panel will discuss how they incorporate environmental consciousness and practice into their various campus jobs. Followed by an open discussion with audience.

Sponsored by Green Campus and Associated Students.

Thursday, April 19<sup>th</sup>

“Ripe for Change” film – 7 p.m. – Schulz 2015A

This documentary examines the large-scale food industry in California over the past 30 years with the concerns of health and diminishing resources.

Interviews include industrial farms and small landowners to expose the struggles of an increasingly globalized market.

Hosted by Sonoma Earth Action.

Wednesday, April 18<sup>th</sup>

“Stars of Sustainability” Panel at 7 p.m. in Student Union's Multi-purpose Rm.