GREEN WEEK
APRIL 12-18, 2008

GREEN WEEK, COMING APRIL 12-18, 2008, ushers in spring with a celebration of nature and a variety of ways to learn about the environment and how to make the most of it while participating with neighbors in community activities. Local merchants are invited to join in the fun.

The Second Annual GREEN WEEK will take place this year from Saturday, April 12 through Friday, April 18 to work around the school vacation scheduled for the following week.

In its first year, GREEN WEEK, spearheaded by Town of Mamaroneck resident Elisabeth Radow, was inspired by the need to replant the scores of trees blown down in the summer storms of 2006 and the need to restore our urban forest. Coming one week after the League of Women Voters' sponsored forum: "Climate Change, Storms and the Role of Trees: How Are We Planting For the Future?," GREEN WEEK focused on inviting residents and merchants to share in the restoration of our local tree population through donations to one of the municipal tree funds in Larchmont and Mamaroneck Villages and the Town of Mamaroneck. Community residents were also encouraged to participate in programs at the Sheldrake Environmental Center and incorporate new practices into their daily routine to improve the environment.

GREEN WEEK 2008 takes the theme of GREEN WEEK 2007 to a new level. The Village of Larchmont, the Town of Mamaroneck, the Village of Mamaroneck, the Sheldrake Environmental Center, the Larchmont-Mamaroneck League of Women Voters, students in K-12 at the Larchmont-Mamaroneck schools, community seniors and the libraries will offer environmentally related, hands-on courses and activities. For example, Sheldrake will offer a course in organic gardening and the League of Women Voters is sponsoring a showing of Thomas Friedman's documentary, "Addicted to Oil" at Mamaroneck High School where it is also sponsoring an essay writing contest open to all high school students. Local merchants will highlight organic and environmentally related products.

GREEN WEEK presents an opportunity for all who live, work and play in Larchmont-Mamaroneck to come together through learning to better appreciate the beautiful parks, trails and waterfront in the community we call home and to learn ways to incorporate into our lives a new awareness and new practices toward enhancing our daily living experience and the quality of our environment.

For more information about participating in GREEN WEEK, please call Elisabeth Radow at (914) 761-1300. Thank you for your interest.

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CALENDAR OF EVENTS

SATURDAY, APRIL 12

Nature Poetry and Prose Youth Contest --"Nature and Me" (for Kindergarten through 5th grade). A collaboration between Sheldrake Environmental Center and the Garden Club of Larchmont. All works will be exhibited at **Sheldrake Environmental Center** during GREEN WEEK.

Books on Nature. Explore and take home books on nature featured at **Anderson's Book Shop,** 96 Chatsworth Avenue, Larchmont during April. Celebrate the American Chestnut Tree by purchasing *The Mighty Grant: An Anthology* (view it at acf.org) with 100% of the proceeds being donated to The American Chestnut Foundation.

Be part of a research effort between The American Chestnut Foundation and Cornell University! An American chestnut tree will be planted in late April in a Larchmont Park; its care and growth will be followed by Cornell, Larchmont Parks & Tree Chair Jan Feinman and students in our community.

Organic Wine Tasting at **Post Wine and Spirits,** Boston Post Road at Larchmont Avenue, Larchmont from **2:00 to 4:00 p.m.**

Organic Wine Tasting at **La Cave Wines**, 410 Mamaroneck Avenue, Mamaroneck from **1:00-6:00 p.m.**

SUNDAY, APRIL 13

Touch-A-Truck: Children can tour a Bucket Truck, Tree Care Truck and Plant Health Care Truck at **SavATree**, while all guests learn about SavATree's Go Green initiative, organic plant health care and lawn care programs with Consulting Arborist Stephen Skyer. 531 Fayette Avenue, Mamaroneck from **10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m**.

Art Exhibit:" **From Earth and Fire," s**culptures from wood and bronze by Jacqueline Lorieo, Janet Castronuovo and Joseph Castronuovo. **Sheldrake Environmental Center**. Opening reception from **3:00 to 5:00 p.m.**

"Fine Cuisine for Less Green" at Plates Restaurant, Myrtle Avenue, Larchmont. Plates will feature a special 3-course GREEN WEEK menu featuring farm fresh ingredients. To get the special GREEN WEEK reduced rate, please call Plates for reservations and mention GREEN WEEK (914-834-1244). **Special in effect Sunday April 13; Tuesday, April 15 through Thursday, April 17**. For menu go to www.platesonthepark.com/events.html.

MONDAY, APRIL 14

Introduction to Tree Pruning. Lou Sebesta, Urban Forester for NYS Department of Environmental Conservation will teach the basics of pruning trees, with hands-on practice. If you have them, please bring pruning tools. **Turtle Park, Larchmont 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. R.S.V.P. (**not essential but helpful**)/questions**: contact Jan Feinman at feinjan@optonline.net

Addicted to Oil: Thomas L. Friedman Reporting. Film followed by speaker Edna Sussman, Esq. who will present recommendations from the Westchester County Global Warming Task Force**. Mamaroneck High School Tiered Classroom, 7:00 p.m.** Evening co-sponsored by Larchmont-Mamaroneck League of Women Voters and Mamaroneck High School.

TUESDAY, APRIL 15

Organic Gardening, Al Krautter of Sprainbrook Nursery will share products that work well without harming the environment. Q and A follows the presentation. **Sheldrake Environmental Center, from 7:00 p.m. to 8:30 p.m.**

WEDNESDAY, APRIL 16

Creating a Rain Garden * NO SCHOOL TODAY* Catherine Wachs from Right Brain Design, will discuss the benefits of rain gardens and will work together with Jan Feinman, Larchmont Parks & Trees Committee Chair and participants to create this type of environmentally helpful and beautiful garden. Bring hand tools/shovel if possible. Come for the entire time or for as long as you can. **Kane Park, Corner of Boston Post Road and Beach, Larchmont from 10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m**. **R.S.V.P./questions** contact Jan Feinman at feinjan@optonline.net. Generous support of labor and materials from **Larchmont Nurseries**.

THURSDAY, APRIL 17

"How To" Recycle & Why It's Important. Organized by the Village of Mamaroneck Committee for the Environment and the Mamaroneck High School Apple Program with Westchester County Department of Environmental Facilities**. Mamaroneck High School, Tiered Classroom** beginning at **9:00 a.m.**

Pamper Your Pet and Care For the Environment. Learn about organic and eco-friendly pet care alternatives during GREEN WEEK. Open house with wholesome samples to take home. **Paws on Palmer**, Palmer Avenue, Larchmont from **10:00 a.m. - 6:00 p.m.**

Six Degrees Could Change the World. National Geographic documentary and introduction of Cool Cities (a Sierra Club initiative) to the community. Refreshments and discussion to follow the film. **St. John's Lutheran Church,** at Fenimore Road and CortlandAvenue, **Mamaroneck** (one block from Boston Post Road) **8:00 p.m.** Evening co-sponsored by the Sierra Club and Village of Mamaroneck Committee for the Environment.

FRIDAY, APRIL 18

Everything You Wanted To Know About Planting A Tree But Were Afraid to Ask! Join Andrew Buccafusca, Road Maintenance Foreman, Larchmont Department of Public Works and Jan Feinman, Larchmont Parks & Tree Committee Chair, to learn proper planting methods and how to choose the right tree for the right location. **Willow Park,** Willow Avenue, **Larchmont 10:00 a.m. - 11:00 a.m.**

Larchmont's Annual BARK for the PARK. Arbor Day Celebration highlighted with tree planting festivities where children will have the chance to shovel dirt, water newly planted trees and learn about nature and the trees that make Larchmont special! Mud boots and shovels suggested for all participating children. **Turtle Park, Larchmont, 3:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.**

VISIT LARCHMONT PUBLIC LIBRARY AND MAMARONECK PUBLIC LIBRARY DURING GREEN WEEK FOR BOOKS AND OTHER MEDIA ON THE ENVIRONMENT TO EDUCATE, INSPIRE AND BE ENJOYED. THEY WELCOME YOU!

ALL GREEN WEEK EVENTS ARE OPEN TO THE PUBLIC AND FREE OF CHARGE!
For Up-To-The-Minute Event Info go to the Loop: www.larchmontloop.com.

Participating Merchants:

Larchmont:
Anderson's Book Shop
Ann Taylor
Larchmont Loop
Larchmont Nurseries
Longford's Ice Cream
Paws on Palmer
Pink on Palmer
Plates Restaurant
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