

Enviro-News

March, 2023

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Articles:

Have a broken small appliance, lamp, electronics or zipper on clothing? The next Dare to Repair Café will be held on **March 4** from 9am to 12pm at PS#99, Early Childhood Center, 1095 Jefferson Ave., Buffalo. Bring your broken items to see if volunteers can fix them for free. Items include small appliances, clothing and tile. See more [here](#). [Register](#) to

Youth Sought for Food Policy Council Seats

The Buffalo and Erie County Food Policy Council (FPC) is seeking applications from youth passionate about food policy and food justice, regardless of experience or background, to join our Youth Working Group. Historically, the FPC has reserved two spots for youth on its council. These seats for young people are important for many reasons: food impacts young people in different ways than adults, youth voices offer a different perspective on our food system, and engaging youth early will promote future food movement leaders. The youth participating in the working group will set their own priority and agenda for their work in the Buffalo and Erie County food system. Open to the ages of 14-25 that would be interested in participating. Apply by **March 13**: [Youth Application](#).

The annual Master Gardener Education Day is **Saturday March 11, 2023** at Classics V Banquet Center. There will be three outstanding presenters: Paul Zammit will present on Container Gardening; Tim Boebel will speak on Growing Hydrangeas and Flowering Shrubs and Dr. Allison Chatrychyan will talk about Climate Smart Solutions for the Home Gardener. [Info and register](#).

Niagara County Pollinator Gardening Classes!

Did you know that gardening can help reduce stress and create opportunities for community building while providing beauty and food for wildlife? CCE- Niagara is offering a FREE gardening series for County residents interested in community building through street facing pollinator gardening. Classes will be held on **March 14 and 21** from 4 to 6pm at Lockport High School. Participants who attend both classes will receive free pollinator plants and planting guidance. This is a FREE program, but registration is required. Please contact app27@cornell.edu for a registration form.

City of Buffalo Residents: Beautify your Community with a Lunenfeld Grant

Each year Gardens Buffalo Niagara gives grants of up to \$1,000 for block clubs & community groups in the City of Buffalo! [Applications are now open and due Wednesday, March 15](#). Community gardens, street side planters, rain gardens and tree plantings are funded. For questions, email us at grants@gardensbuffaloniagara.com.

Climate Action Showcase

Come to a family-friendly event on **Saturday, March 18** from 11am to 2pm where the full draft of the Community Climate Action Plan will be revealed along with climate-impact artwork from students across WNY! We are partnering with the Western New York Sustainable Business Roundtable to hold this FREE event that will be great for the whole family to attend.

Academic Center, Building 5, 320 Porter Ave. Get involved in climate

Guaranteed Ride Home Program Makes Carpooling and Transit Stress-Free

Erie and Niagara County residents who regularly commute by carpool, vanpool, public transit, walking or biking are eligible for the free Guaranteed Ride Home Program (GRHP). When you need to leave work unexpectedly for an

transit up to two rides per month and \$50 per trip, up to \$200 per year (limitations apply). Click the link below to learn more about terms and conditions, and to register for the program. If you have additional questions about the Guaranteed Ride Home Program, please email info@gobuffaloniagara.org. [REGISTER FOR GRHP](#) Find a carpooling partner through [511NY Rideshare!](#) Use the *free* [Commutifi](#) portal! Get rewarded for driving less with \$50 Shop 716 gift card giveaways each month.

DEC's Annual Spring Seedling Sale Now Open

May 12th! Dozens of tree and shrub species are available for purchase for conservation plantings across New York State. [Browse this year's selection](#) on our website, and get your order in early because many favorites go quickly. We recommend [placing your order](#) by phone for the most up-to-date species availability information. Seedlings will be shipped mid-April through May.

Rain Barrel Contest for School Classes

Erie County Department of Environment and Planning is sponsoring its annual Rain Barrel Contest. Classes can sign up for a free barrel (limited supply) for the contest. Rain barrels should be painted focusing on a theme of stormwater pollution prevention and/or recycling rainwater and will be judged on three criteria: how well the design fits the theme, creativity, and neatness. You will need to submit photographs of the front and back of your finished rain barrel for judging. For additional details and to register, visit [Registration Form](#). This event is limited based on availability of rain barrels. If submittal form fails, contest limit has been reached. Deadline for photo submission is **March 31**.

topics by Explore Buffalo docents. The Spring 2023 Speaker Series will include two presentations on Zoom and two presentations at historic -

Using Publicly Owned Vacant Land to Advance Sustainability and Equity in Buffalo, New York

In a new Partnership for the Public Good [report](#), Sarah Wooton and Sam Magavern researched the more than 8,000 lots owned by the City of Buffalo. These

Household Hazardous Waste Dropoff

- enables residents to bring up to 50lbs. of eligible hazardous waste to the Hazman facility in Tonawanda at no cost. Again, preregistration for

Clean Energy Communities Program for Towns

Is your WNY town a member of the Clean Energy Communities Program? Check out the map [here](#) to see towns that are in the p

Make Cigarette Butts Part of Your Cleanups

Littered cigarette butts: besides ugly to look at, they are hazardous to our kids, pets, wildlife and gardens. Locally, data from the Great Lakes Watershed Cleanup conducted by Ocean Conservancy indicates that more than 300,000 cigarette butts (35.3% of all items recovered) were collected from the Great Lakes in 2019. When left in the environment, littered cigarette butts leach toxic chemicals, such as arsenic (used to kill rats) and lead, that may be carried as runoff to drains and end up polluting our rivers and lakes right here in Western New York. Because cigarette butts are primarily

bottom of bodies of water. To find out how you can get involved, visit <http://tobaccofreewny.com/>.

Regenerate NY Cost-Share Grants Available for Forest Landowners

Do you own between 10 and 1,000 acres of forest land and Regenerate NY program provides cost-share grants to New York landowners looking to enhance forest regeneration on their property. Landowners who want to plant trees, control competing vegetation, restore a degraded forest stand, or exclude deer are encouraged to apply for project funding. To find out more about getting funding for your forest, please [_____](#). Applicants will need to apply through [Grants Gateway](#). Private landowners are encouraged to team up with a [cooperating forester](#) for application support. Check out the [Regenerate NY webpage](#) for info.

Baby Kangaroos May Hold the Secret to Reducing Cow Methane

Baby kangaroo feces might help provide an unlikely solution to the environmental problem of cow-produced methane. A microbial culture developed from the kangaroo feces inhibited methane production in a cow stomach simulator in a Washington State University study. After researchers added the baby kangaroo culture and a known methane inhibitor to the simulated stomach, it produced acetic acid instead of methane. Unlike methane, which cattle discard as flatulence, acetic acid has benefits for cows as it aids muscle growth. The specialized acetic acid-producing process only occurred in baby kangaroos not in adults. Unable to separate out specific bacteria that might be producing the acetic acid, the researchers used a stable mixed culture developed from the feces of the baby kangaroo. Read [more](#).

Version 2.0 of U.S. Register of Introduced and Invasive Species

The United States Register of Introduced and Invasive Species ([US-RIIS](#) ver. 2.0, 2022) is available for download at <https://doi.org/10.5066/P9KFFTOD>. The US-RIIS is a foundational dataset for invasive species models, risk

Grants for Youth Field Trips

Did you know there is a **grant** -Kids-to-Parks Field Trip Grant Program (Connect Kids) is designed to connect students in New York State with nature and history. Each grant provides reimbursement of up to \$40 per student (and \$80 for Special Education students) for field trips to state and federal parks,

[2022 update of the National Marine Ecosystem Status website](#)-The site provides a view of important data - including

[Tree-Plenish](#) works with high school students in schools throughout the country to plant trees. The trees planted offset the paper used throughout the year in the school. Visit their website to find out how you can work with this organization to plan a tree planting event at your school and tree-plenish your paper usage!

[Sea Turtle Resources-](#)

[2023 New York Flora Association Research Grant](#)- This award is designed to promote botanical research in the state of New York. Proposals may be submitted by NYFA members and non-member students conducting research relating to the flora of New York, especially when a substantial portion of the work occurs within the state. Deadline: **March 31**.

[EPA Environmental Justice Collaborative Problem-Solving Cooperative Agreement Program](#) - provides funding to eligible organizations with projects to address local environmental and/or public health issues in their communities. The program assists recipients in building collaborative partnerships with other stakeholders (e.g., local businesses and industry, local government, medical service providers, academia, etc.) to develop solutions that will significantly address environmental and/or public health issues at the local level. Deadline: **April 10**.

[The Compost Research & Education Foundation \(CREF\) Scholarships](#)- undergraduate through PhD students, studying at a college or university in the US, interested in doing a compost-related research project. The scholarship is for \$4,000 and also includes an invitation to present research findings at a U.S. Composting Council Annual Conference during a CREF research session. Deadline: **April 14**.

[Beginning Farmer and Rancher Development Program](#) (BFRDP) provides grant funding to help beginning farmers and ranchers enter or improve their successes in farming, ranching, and forest land management. The grants may be used to fund projects that provide education, mentoring, and technical assistance to help beginning farmers make informed decisions for their operations and enhance their sustainability. Applications led by or including nongovernmental organizations, community-based organizations, and school-based agricultural education organizations with expertise in agricultural training and outreach for beginning producers will be given priority in funding. Deadline: **April 27**.

[Forest Conservation Grant Program](#)-New York State Department of Environmental Conservation program is open to eligible, accredited land trusts to purchase conservation easements on forested land for the purpose of protecting these lands from future development. Pre-applications are due by **May 11, 2023**.

[Tree Planting in Disadvantaged Communities After Ash Tree Loss Grant Opportunity](#)- two-year grant comes from the US Forest Service and National Association of State Foresters through the State Urban Forest Resilience Grant and from the NYS Environmental Protection Fund. Grant projects must plant trees for urban and community forests in New York State. Applications are due: **May 30, 2023**.

[The Outdoor Recreation Legacy Partnership \(ORLP\)](#) is a grant assistance to help economically disadvantaged urban communities with no, or almost no, access to publicly available, close-by, outdoor recreation. Funds can be used for the acquisition and/or development of, or to substantially renovate obsolete, public parks and other outdoor recreation spaces. Projects are selected for funding by the Director of the NPS. Deadline: **May 31, 2023**.

[T-Mobile Hometown Grant Program](#) - spaces in towns with 50,000 people or less. Submit a proposal for a town project of your choice, and if selected, use the funds to get started. Deadline: **Quarterly**

[Community Heart & Soul Seed Grant](#) - The Community Heart & Soul Seed Grant Program provides \$10,000 in funding for resident-driven groups in small cities and towns to start the Community Heart & Soul model. Grant funding requires a \$10,000 cash match from the participating municipality. Deadline: **Ongoing**

[Power of Youth Summer of Service Grants](#) - The Challenge will provide 201 grants to young people seeking to serve their communities. Young people ages 13-19 across t

[Cornell Douglas Foundation](#)- Its mission is to provide small grants to organizations which promote the vision of the foundation: advocating for environmental health and justice, encouraging stewardship of the environment, and furthering respect for sustainability of resources. Deadline: **Rolling**.

[Food Waste Grants](#) reimburses businesses that generate over one ton of food waste per week to offset cost of select technologies and equipment that reduce or divert that food waste from landfill or incineration. Projects must reduce and/or divert wasted food at a NYS business including, but not limited to, supermarkets, restaurants, and hospitals. Deadline: **Rolling**.

[Saving Species](#)- We help local conservation groups purchase land for conservation and habitat restoration, and may consider projects for restoration of habitat on land that is within an existing protected area. Deadline: **Rolling**.

[VolunTEEN Nation International Service Project Grants](#)- Students (ages 13-22) from the US going abroad to volunteer or study in a developing country are encouraged to apply for an international service-learning mini-grant. Grants are for up to \$300 to create a service project in a developing country while you are visiting that country. Deadline: **Rolling**.

[KEEN Effect](#) is committed to inspiring responsible outdoor participation to help preserve the places we all play. Through the KEEN Effect, \$10,000 grants are awarded to nonprofit organizations around the world who are dedicated to responsible outdoor participation. Projects must increase responsible outdoor participation as a way to work towards building a strong community. Deadline: **Ongoing**.

[Everyday Young Hero Award](#)- young people, ages 5-25, who are improving their communities through service to others and making significant progress in achieving the UN's Sustainable Development Goals (SDGs). Each week, YSA selects one young person to receive this honor and receive \$250 grants to continue and expand their project. Deadline: **Rolling**

[The Fruit Tree Planting Foundation](#)

[J-Serve Start-Up Grants](#)-J-Serve is the International Day of Jewish Youth Service. Grants are available for \$500 micro grant to communities that plan and execute projects that bring a minimum of 10 and maximum of 74 Jewish teens together in partnership with a least two movements or agencies in the community. **Rolling deadline.**

[Organizational Development and Partnership Manager](#)-Partnership for the Public Good. Deadline: **March 3, 2023**

[Communications Manager](#)- Buffalo Society of Natural Sciences. Open until filled.

[Root Down Farm](#)-We are hiring Field Crew positions for the 2023 season. Full and Part-Time positions available. Root Down Farm is a 300 member CSA farm serving greater Buffalo.

[Taste NY: Store Clerks](#)-Cornell Cooperative, Primary responsibilities include assisting with management of inventory, operation of cash register, cash controls, transportation of inventory to the store, food service and record keeping. Clerks will discuss Erie County agriculture and local foods with customers to engage them in these areas and to share information about the food and farm products sold in the store. Applications accepted online only. Deadline: **Feb. 28 or until filled.** Grand Island location.

[Monroe County Environmental Services Sustainability Coordinator](#)- Must be resident of Monroe County at time of appointment. Open until filled.

[Community Workshop Lead Mechanic](#) Go Bike Buffalo. Open until filled.

[Malthouse and Orchard Fieldwork Position: Niagara Malt](#)- Part-time (20-30hrs/week) with flexible hours for orchard work.

[Senior Aquarist](#) -Aquarium of Niagara. Deadline: until filled.

[Zoological Supervisor](#) Aquarium of Niagara. Deadline: or until filled.

[Shelter and Animal Care Giver Assistant: ASHA Sanctuary](#)-\$20/hr. **Open until filled.**

[Animal Keeper 2](#)-Buffalo Zoo.

[Education Assistant](#)-Buffalo Zoo.

[Buffalo Farm to School Americorps Positions](#)- **Open until filled.**

[Aquarium of Niagara Internships](#)-Opportunities for high school or college (n un)lu 0 0 1 td42.36 516.s r rk Pwagh m

Citizen Science

[Become a Water Reporter](#)- Download the App and record signs of water pollution, plastic debris or wildlife issues.

[Global Earth Challenge](#)-Collecting data from multiple citizen science projects. See how you can be involved.

[Hemlock and HWA Hunters](#)-volunteers locate hemlock stands and hemlock woolly adelgid in NY. To join our project please send us an email at cm933@cornell.edu or info@nyshemlockinitiative.info.

[EPA Citizen Science Database](#)-offers a searchable site for ways the public and EPA can partner to collect environmental information.

[Tree Pictures for NASA Data Verification](#)-

Wellness Walks-10am to noon. Drop by Tiff Nature Preserve every Thursday and join us for a casual volunteer-led tour of the Preserve. **Ages:** All Ages, **Cost:** FREE. *Please call 716.825.6397 to confirm walk will take place.*

Free Gardening Classes-Sign up for the two class series in Lockport, 6-8pm (also on Feb 23). Did you know that gardening can help reduce stress and create opportunities for community building while providing beauty and food for wildlife? CCE- Niagara is offering a FREE gardening series for Community members interested in community building through street facing pollinator gardening. Classes in this series will be held on February 23 and March 2nd. Participants who attend both classes will receive free pollinator plants and planning guidance. This is a FREE program, but registration is required. Please contact app27@cornell.edu for a registration form. Registration due February 15th, 2023. CCE Niagara County, 4487 Lake Avenue, Lockport, New York 14094.

Meeting of the Western NY Forest Pest Taskforce Virtual, 8:30am. Register via:
<https://cornell.zoom.us/j/94565593469?pwd=ZTVKSnhqZnJTT3lhK1VldEltMCt5Zz09>

Alternative Proteins 3pm webinar. Rajni Aneja, Managing Director, Cornell Institute for Food Systems

Buffalo Ornithological Society Meeting-7pm in Cummings Room, Buffalo Museum of Science.

Scinight: Behind The Scenes Tour: Geology Rocks!- 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM. Holmes! What kind of rock is this?

Geology Collection. What you see on display is just the tip of the iceberg. Come behind the scenes and see the rock cycle, marvel at our minerals and discover our large fossil collection.

Ages 18+. [\\$30 per participant, 10% off for BMS Members](#)

Olmsted Community Alliance Meeting: West District-6 to 7:30pm at 1st Presbyterian Church, 1 Symphony Circle or via Zoom. [Register.](#)

From Homes to Infrastructure, Building Community Resilience- Noon to 1:30pm webinar. USGBC. Free. [Register.](#)

Monday, March 13

'Climate Action Showcase'-11am to 2pm Open House, family-friendly in D'Youville Academic Center - Building 5 of D'Youville University - 320 Porter Avenue, Buffalo. Showcase of the draft CCAP, kids' activities, climate reflection stations, and a youth art display. Grab a snack and stay to have fun in our creativity corners while viewing youth art.

Maple Sugaring: Past & Present-10:00am-1:00pm at Taylor Road Family Recreation Facility, Hamburg. Come on a journey through time learning about how people have gathered and boiled maple sap throughout history. This will be an interactive program fit for all ages that takes place in a mature hardwood forest loaded with sugar maple trees. We will also be serving pancakes and fruit as a part of the event! Celebrate the coming of Spring with Earth Spirit as we enjoy the sweet gifts of the season and give thanks to those who provide it for us.

Note: Registration is limited. This is not an open-house event. The program begins at 10:00. [REGISTER](#)

March Migrations-10am. Woodland ponds and wetlands are important habitat for migrating wildlife. Join us on this guided walk as we search for migrating ducks, geese, and salamanders. Registration required; call 716-683-5959. Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew.

Woods Walk: Sweet Taste of Spring -1pm. Learn about the maple syrup making process and taste some homemade product, as we check the preserve for signs of trees awakening. No registration required. Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew.

Migration Mania: Wilson Tuscarora- 09:00 AM - 11:00 AM at [Wilson-Tuscarora State Park \(Niagara\)](#). Walk along the shore of Lake Ontario and gaze across its cold surface in search of migratory birds. Birders of all skill levels welcome. For information and registration call (716) 282-5154.

The Sweet Life!- 11:00 AM - 12:30 PM at [DeVeaux Woods State Park](#). An indoor presentation about the maple sugaring process from start to finish, followed by an informal outdoor hands-on presentation. For information and registration call (716) 282-5154.

The Power Of Worms! With Bflo Worm Works-2:30 PM -

Plantasia-

Scinight: Behind the Scenes Tour: Cabinet Of Curiosities- 6 to 7:30pm. Take a peek into the Vertebrate
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unique freaks, morbid mistakes, and seemingly scientific impossibilities! Marvel at obscure oddities, glimpse the wildly unusual, and satisfy your macabre interests. Feeling enticed yet? We invite (dare) you to join us for a hair-raising tour to get an eyeful of all this, and more. You truly never know what you might encounter in the Cabinet! Ages 18+. [\\$30 per participant, 10% off for BMS Members](#)

Scinight: Terrariums- 6:00 PM - 7:30 PM. Be the creator of your own microcosm in this terrarium-building workshop. View beautiful wax models of plants and create a living scene to celebrate the arrival of spring. Cost

Gardening Workshops-2pm. To register, email events@grassrootsgardens.org. Organic Gardening and Integrated Pest Management at Massachusetts Avenue Project. [Info](#).

Spring Symphony-10am. Listen to the sounds of spring and learn to identify animals by the sounds they make. Registration required; call 716-683-5959. Reinstein Woods Nature Preserve, Depew.

Find That Frog-10:00 AM - 12:00 PM at [Evangola State Park](#). Spring is finally here, and so are the frogs! Vernal pools are hopping with toads and salamanders. Use all your senses to find that frog. For information and registration, please call (716) 549-1050.

Sala-meander-7:00 PM - 09:00 PM at [Golden Hill State Park](#). Come enjoy a hike in the forest at dusk and search for our wonderful species of salamander and other amphibians. For information and registration call (716) 282-5154.

First Freshwater Flicks Event!- 1:00 pm - 4:00 pm. Fundraiser for Buffalo Niagara Waterkeeper. Join us for the first Freshwater Flicks fundraiser! Saturday, March 25th from 1 4 p.m., we will show *Lakes Untamed: Source to* at Seneca One Tower, second floor. [Buy Tickets Here!](#) Guests will also enjoy a create-your-own-blend popcorn bar and chances to win great prizes. VIP ticket holders will be treated to a two-hour open bar, premier seating, and a special take-home gift. Tickets are limited and sales end March 24th so *delay!*

Redesigning Our Communities for Life After Fossil Fuels- *1:00 PM EST*. For the fourth event in this series, [Biodiversity for a Livable Climate](#) will host PCI Senior Fellow Richard Heinberg as the keynote speaker along with leading change agents in Cleveland, Ohio. Learn why and how to redesign our lifestyles in a just and equitable way, grow your own food, restore local ecosystems to keep your community cool, and strengthen your connections within your neighbors. [Register for the event on March 25](#).

Maple Fest, In Partnership With 42 North Brewing Company- time to be determined, Location: [Bureau of Forestry - Sugar Shack](#). We are happy to partner with [42 North Brewing Company](#) to bring TreeTap to the Erie County Sugar Shack in East Concord! Stop out for a fun-filled, family-friendly Saturday afternoon including Ranger-guided Tours, Music, food, and 42 North's specialty beers.

Lake Ontario Plain Field Trip for Early Migrants-**Weather Date is Sunday, 3/26/2023**. Meet at 8 AM at Tops Market in Wright's Corners. This is on the east side of Route 78 at Route 104, north of Lockport. Leader: Willie D'Anna (716-751-3637 or dannapotter@roadrunner.com). This popular field trip seeks returning birds, like Killdeer, blackbirds, and Eastern Meadowlark, overwintering birds, like Rough-legged Hawk, Snow Bunting, and Lapland Longspur, and an abundance of waterbirds. We will look for loons, grebes, a variety of ducks and geese, and any goodies that might be around. Seven species of geese have been found on this trip in the past!

Buckhorn Island Birding- 9:00 AM to 12:00 PM. Join us for a walk along the Niagara River at Buckhorn Island State Park. Gulls, Ducks, Geese, and Swans are all getting ready to head north to their breeding grounds and flocking together in the Niagara River, forming one of the biggest congregations of wildlife in the world! Learn about why our region is so important to their survival. Binoculars are available and a spotting scope will be provided. [Register for Buckhorn Island Birding](#)

Migration Mania: Golden Hill-9:00 AM - 11:00 AM at [Golden Hill State Park \(Niagara\)](#). Hike through Golden Hill State Park and search for migratory birds, where we can expect to see a lot of ducks! Bird watchers of any level welcome! For information and registration call (716) 282-5154.

Maple History- 1-4pm. \$12 Adult, \$10 Children, Free for BNHV Members. Join us at the Village for our Family-Friendly guided tours of our Maple History Trail, Maple syrup/sugar demonstrations (both 1800s and 1900s), Taste testings genuine vs. imitation and different grades of maple syrup, Sugar on Snow demonstration and tastings, and Tree tapping discussion and demonstrations! Snack stop with coffee and baked goods for sale at The Bluemerle Bakery onsite! For the adults, enjoy some drinks from Ellicottville Brewing Company. Maple products available for purchase. This event is for all ages. Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village, 3755 Tonawanda Creek Rd, Amherst, NY 14228.

Taste of Maple- 4-7pm. \$30 General Admission, \$25 BNHV Members. Travel around our museum with your free taste-test passports! Each admission will receive a passport that includes one free sample from each of our food vendors. Our vendors this year are: Dirty Bird, Kith and Kin, Fat Bobs, Southern Junction, Sunshine Vegan Eats, and Buffalo Bros Burgers! While you're taste testing all the yummy maple foods, you may want to pair it with an alcoholic beverage from Ellicottville Brewing Company! Please Note: Taste of Maple event is 21 and older. Buffalo Niagara Heritage Village, 3755 Tonawanda Creek Rd, Amherst, NY 14228

Slow Read: City of My Heart, Buffalo 1967 to 2020-Community Beer Works 520 7th Street, Buffalo, NY. For the second installment of our new Slow Read book club, we're turning to a newer release in Mark Goldman's City of My Heart: Buffalo, 1967-2020, which features Slow Roll! And for Slow Read, Mark and City of Light Publishing will donate \$5 to Slow Roll for every book bought directly through City

Olmsted Community Alliance Meeting: Delaware District-6 to 7:30pm. 84 Parkside Ave. or via zoom.
[Register.](#)

Wednesday, March 29

Auditory Identification-5:00 PM - 07:00 PM at [Golden Hill State Park](#). Identifying species by sound can be challenging, but it doesn't have to be! Come listen and learn the calls of birds and amphibians at Golden Hill State Park. For information and registration call (716) 282-5154.

Thursday, March 30

Wellness Walks-10am to noon. Drop by Tiff Nature Preserve every Thursday and join us for a casual volunteer-led tour of the Preserve. **Ages:** All Ages, **Cost:** FREE. *Please call 716.825.6397 to confirm walk will take place.*

Expanding Narratives: The Erie Canal and Beyond-12:00-1:30 p.m. | [Click here to register](#). This panel will use the iconic Erie Canal as a starting point for a conversation about how organizations can be better about sharing complicated histories, touching on issues related to environmental justice, urban renewal, disinvestment, segregation, and displacement. The panelists will also talk about implementation, how we take steps to truly tell a more complete story through our preservation work.

Climate Conversations: Tipping Points-3-4:15 pm ET. Join us for a conversation about how to prepare for the consequences of abrupt changes in human and natural systems, and how to encourage positive social tipping points. With continued climate change, elements of the Earth system may reach tipping points of abrupt, dramatic change with irreversible consequences, like the rapid collapse of ice sheets or dieback of the Amazon rainforest. Tipping points also exist in human systems; devastation from extreme weather and major stresses on food, energy, and water could accumulate and tilt society into radically new dynamics such as mass migration or major economic shifts. The conversation will be webcast on the [Climate Conversations: Tipping Points webpage](#).

Scinight: Under The Indoor Stars-7:00 PM - 8:30 PM. Bring a friend for an exceptional night under the stars of our huge portable indoor planetarium plus a short outdoor guided hike under the real night sky. Learn to identify

Purple Martin Set-Up Social with Celeste Morien-

Clean Air Coalition of WNY-Help with mailings, phone calls, canvassing and Photovoice (documenting environmental challenges). To help, contact at 852-3813 or www.cacwny.org.

Garden Walk Buffalo helps to rejuvenate neighborhoods, helps make our neighborhoods more walkable, and has an incredible impact on Buffalo's image outside the region. For info, email GardenWalkBuffalo@yahoo.com.

Global Justice Ecology Project- volunteers needed for mailing and office support.
<https://www.dec.ny.gov/chemical/8799.html> <https://globaljusticeecology.org/>

Go Bike Buffalo- If you're interested or want more information, info@gobikebuffalo.org

Habitat for Humanity needs volunteers to help impact lives of families in the city of Buffalo by building simple, decent homes. Call 204-0740 or volunteer@habitatbuffalo.org.

Additional calendars with local events-

<http://www.citybration.com>

<http://www.buffalospree.com>

<http://www.metroyny.com/events.php>

<http://www.buffalo.edu/calendar>

<http://buffalorising.com>

<https://boredommd.com/>

Useful Tools:

Wildlife Rehabilitator Search- https://www.dec.ny.gov/cfmx/extapps/sls_searches/index.cfm?p=live_rehab

[Tree Equity Score Tool](#)- tree cover with social and demographic statistics

[Climate Change and Birds Visualizer](#)- examines how birds are faring across regions

[Cover Crop Selector](#)-select appropriate cover crops for your site

[Crop Condition and Soil Moisture Analytics](#) -high-resolution data that can help plan spring planting, track damage

[Climate Change Solution Simulator](#)-En-ROADS is a policy simulator

BirdCast offers real-

Natural and Working Lands-<https://blogs.cornell.edu/workinglands/> Farming and Climate Change resources
Nourishing Harvest- <https://www.patreon.com/anourishingharvest>
Parks and Trails NY Trailfinder Site- <http://www.ptny.org/trailfinder/Default.aspx>
Recycle Right NY-

Local Businesses with Classes and Workshops

Badding Brothers-

Sports equipment-resell/trade at www.playitagainsports.com

Styrofoam-

Buffalo Women of Env. Learning/Leadership (BWell)	https://bwell.community/
Center for the Study of Art, Architecture, History and Nature	http://buffaloah.com/h/center/index.html
Chautauqua Watershed Conservancy	http://www.chautauquawatershed.org/
Chestnut Ridge Conservancy	http://chestnutridgeconservancy.org/
Citizens Campaign for the Environment	www.citizenscampaign.org
Citizens Coalition for Wildlife and Environment	http://citizencoalitionwe.com/
Citizens for Regional Transit	www.citizenstransit.org/
Clarence Bluebird Trail	https://1ambluebirdtrail.org/
Clean Air Coalition of Western New York	https://www.cacwny.org/
Clean Communities of Western New York	http://www.ccofwny.org/
Coalition of Positively Charged People	https://www.facebook.com/coalitionpositive/
Community Foundation for Greater Buffalo	http://www.cfgb.org/
Cooperation Buffalo	https://www.cooperationbuffalo.org/
Cornell Cooperative Extension for Cattaraugus County	http://cattaraugus.cce.cornell.edu/
Cornell Cooperative Extension for Chautauqua County	http://chautauqua.cce.cornell.edu
Cornell Cooperative Extension for Erie County	http://erie.cce.cornell.edu/
Cornell Cooperative Extension for Niagara County	http://cceniagaracounty.org/
Cornell Cooperative Extension for Wyoming County	https://wyoming.cce.cornell.edu/
Crossroads Collective	https://www.facebook.com/CrossroadsBuffalo/
Daemen University Center for Sustainability	www.daemen.edu/enviro-news
Department of Environmental Conservation (NY State)	www.dec.ny.gov/index.html
Designing to Live Sustainably	https://www.facebook.com/d2lsBuffalo/ https://www.facebook.com/dravesarboretum/
Earth Spirit Educational Services	www.earthspiritedu.org

New York State Sea Grant	http://www.seagrantsunysb.edu/
New York State Soil and Water	http://www.nys-soilandwater.org/
Northeast Sustainable Agriculture Working Group	http://nesawg.org/
New York Upstate Chapter of the Green Building Council	http://www.greenupstateny.org/
New York Upstate Chapter, Landscape Architects	https://www.nyuasla.org/
New York State Wetlands Forum	http://www.wetlandsforum.org/index.html
Niagara County Farm Bureau	http://www.niagaracountyfarmbureau.com/
Niagara County Landfill and Recycling	http://www.rethinkyourwaste.com/

Penn Dixie Paleontological and Outdoor Education Center	www.penndixie.org
Pfeiffer Nature Center (Portville)	www.pfeiffernaturecenter.org
People United for Sustainable Housing	http://www.pushbuffalo.org
Plant WNY	http://www.plantwny.com/
Pollinator Conservation Association	http://www.pollinatorconservationassociation.org/
Preservation Buffalo Niagara	http://www.preservationbuffaloniagara.org/
Primate Sanctuary	https://www.facebook.com/ThePrimateSanctuary
Providence Farm Collective	http://providencefarmcollective.org/
PUSH Blue	

SUNY Fredonia

<http://www.fredonia.edu/gogreen/>

Sustainability at Buffalo State

<http://sustainability.buffalostate.edu/>

Tiff Nature Preserve

Western New York Land Conservancy	https://www.wnylc.org/
WNY Mountain Bike Association	http://www.wnymba.org
WNY Nursery and Landscape Association (PLANT WNY)	http://www.plantwny.com/
WNY Partnership for Invasive Species Mgmt (PRISM)	www.wnyprism.org
WNY Permaculture	www.facebook.com/WNY-Permaculture-1098493876841295/
WNY Raptor Center	Wnyraptor.com
Western New York Science Teachers	http://www.westernstanys.com/
WNY Seed Library	https://www.facebook.com/wnyseedlibrary/
Western New York Soil Health Alliance	www.wnysoilhealth.com
WNY STEM	http://wnys.org/

