

# **OS Bear Prints**

# Sustainable Scoop about Treading Lightly on the Planet

### Sustainability Tip of the Week!



Go green with your laundry! Use cold water during your wash cycle and air dry your clothes instead of using the dryer.

### **EcoReps**



Interested in spreading sustainability on campus through peer-to-peer education and fun activities? Join the Ursinus EcoReps! Contact Zach Trauger to find out how to get involved!

EcoReps@ursinus.edu



# Sustainability Week 2014

## September 28th-October 5th

All Week Myrin Library Display Case—Check them out anytime!

Power It Down Initiative-turn it off wherever you are

Sustainability Facts & Tips—Look out for facts and tips around campus all

week long.

Stop before you Drop-Waste Watching in Lower Wismer

Water Awareness—Look for signs in academic building bathrooms to learn

about water conservation around campus

Sun., Sept 28 Farm Volunteer Day-at the Organic Farm, 1p-4 PM

Mon., Sept 29 What Kind of Bear Are You?— Roll out of the 2014 Green Living Certification; visit ursinus.edu/sustainability to take the survey

Tues, Spet 30 Green Roof Planting— Help replant the Green Roof on the Berman Museum, 4—5 PM. Meet at the Berman Museum roof.

Wed., Oct. 1 Let "The Power Games" Begin! Residence Hall Energy Competition, October 1– October 31, 2013

> Sustainability Fair— Olin Plaza, 12—1 PM; Campus Farmers Market, Real Food Challenge Taste Testing, Zipcar & Bikeshare Info Table, Glant Water Bottle, & Games

Thurs., Oct 2 Community Bike Ride—Meet on Olin Plaza, 4 PM-6:30 PM; open to all, BYO-Bike if not a UCBikeshare member.

Organic Farm Meal in Wismer— Look for ingredients from the UC Organic Farm during dinner

Fri., Oct. 3 "No-Tech" Picnic on Paisley Beach, 12:30-1:30 PM

Sat., Oct. 4 Tree Planting with PWC @ Lodal Creek, 8:30 AM—1:30 PM; meet in Lower Wismer. Email sustainability@ursinus.edu to reserve a

ride

Sun., Oct. 5 Fall Harvest Festival, at the Organic Farm, 2-4 PM. Pumpkin carving, music, games, and cider

> Check us out on Facebook: www.facebook.com/UCGreenOS Instagram: www.instagram.com/UCGreeonOS

Check out our website: www.ursinus.edu/sustainability













#### OS Quick News:

Take our Social Media
Challenge!
Help us get:
400 Facebook likes
100 Instagram follows
50 Twitter followers
by October 1st. Tell all
your friends to connect
with us (links below).

Get involved with Sustainability Week (September 25th-October 5th).

Sign up for UCBikeshare and Zipcar for a convenient, affordable, and green way to travel while reducing your paw print!

### Join us at the PWC Tree Planting!



The Perkiomen Watershed Conservancy (PWC) has partnered with Ursinus on many projects, providing hands on experiences for hundreds of students.. The PWC's primary mission is to deliver meaningful environmental education, conservation and outreach programs that enhance quality of life for everyone in the 362-square mile Perkiomen Creek Watershed.

Meet in lower Wismer at 8:30 AM on Saturday October 4th to help out. Email Sustainability@ursinus.edu to reserve a spot in the van!

Follow us on social media and the internet!
Click the bubbles for quick links to our sites!













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#### **Green Rides**

Students, faculty, and staff can sign up for UCBikeshare for only \$10 to ride ALL year. Members can sign out a bike from sun up to sun down. This is a great way to explore our beautiful local scenery while reducing your paw print! Sign up now:

#### ursinus.edu/bikeshare

Ursinus has launched the Zipcar program this year. Zipcar is a convenient, affordable, and green transportation option. Annual membership is \$25 with rates of \$7.50 an hour including gas, insurance, and 180 miles of driving. Sign up now:

zipcar.com/ursinus

\*Photo: Megan Maccaroni ('14) planting a native plant in the watershed. Info and picture from: <a href="http://www.perkiomenwatershed.org">http://www.perkiomenwatershed.org</a>

#### 2014 Power Games Are Here!



October is Energy Awareness month, and at Ursinus we are celebrating with The Power Games. This is an energy competition between residence halls (BWC, BPS, Riemert, New, & Richter-North) to see who uses the least amount of electricity per-person for the month of October. The winning hall will receive a foosball table in their common room, complements of Sustainability and Residence Life. Look for weekly updates and tips on reducing your energy load.

Tips for success for lower energy consumption:

- Turn off lights when you leave your room & common spaces
- Unplug chargers when you are done using them
- When it's cool out, turn off your A/C window units & open windows... or stop using your A/C unit altogether!