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CA HIGHER EDUCATION SUSTAINABILITY CONFERENCE AT UCSB



Every year, the interns attend the annual California Higher Education Sustainability Conference (CHESC) to network, share best practices and learn more on issues focusing on sustainability. This year the conference was on June 23-27 held at the beautiful UC Santa Barbara campus. The first day, the interns attended the Alliance to Save Energy's PowerSave Campus Program's Summer Forum where they were able to meet interns from other campuses, discuss best practices in projects and attend workshops on team building. We also won the Best Newsletter Award! The rest of the conference consisted of various workshops and presentations such as, "Engaging the Campus in Energy Conservation," "Are Green and Labs Mutually Exclusive? Find out!," and "Students Leading the Charge in the Battle Against Water Use." All the presentations attended proved helpful in some way to better infuse sustainability into our campus. CHESC is always the highlight event of the year with PowerSave Campus. It's a great time to see old friends and meet new ones in the program and work together on something that everyone is so committed and passionate about! We can't wait for next year!

Top: Interns Lynae and Brandon with some other PowerSave campus interns from campuses such as UCI, CSULB and Cal Poly SLO! Bottom left: Interns Brandon and Lynae with CPP's Manager of Energy Services George Lwin accepting the Best Practice Award under the category, "Integrative Best Practices for Sustainability Curricula." Bottom right: Intern Lynae and Brandon with our Team Lead, Danielle!



Best Practice in Student Sustainability Award

By Brandon Sauer

Throughout the year, the PowerSave interns implement numerous projects in hopes to make Cal Poly Pomona a more sustainable campus. This past year, the interns began releasing the Sustainability Course Guide, a completely digital compilation of all the sustainability related and focused courses that CPP has to offer. The interns viewed this to be the most successful project created this year and chose to submit it to be considered for a Best Practice Award at this summer's California Higher Education Sustainability Conference under the category of "Integrative Best Practices for Sustainability Curricula". After submitting the application in March, CPP won the award and was asked to give a presentation on the project at this year's conference. Intern Brandon Sauer began working on the presentation to be presented at the conference in the last week of June. He presented the Sustainability Course Guide along with West Valley College's LEED Internship Program and Skyline College's Solar and Building Science Learning Center Laboratory Development on Tuesday morning at the conference. An estimated 50 attendees came to the presentation, including CPP's former Sustainability Coordinator, Meghan Smith of the CSU Chancellor's Office, as well as various other students, faculty, and staff from Universities throughout California. The PowerSave Campus interns are honored to have won this award and would like to thank the judging committee, made up of staff from the UC Office of the President, CSU Chancellor's Office, and Investor Owned Utilities, as well as sustainability-focused non-profit organizations. We would also like to thank the Alliance to Save Energy for encouraging us to participate and helping us along the application and presentation process. And lastly, we would like to thank you, our stakeholders, for helping us to create such a successful program on our campus.

To see more information on our Best Practice award as well as all of the other winners this year, go to <http://cahigheredusustainability.org/awards/2013Winners.php>



Retiring Intern: Julia Hernandez

By Sony Bui

With only halfway through the year, we are sad to say farewell to retiring PowerSave intern Julia Hernandez. Working with the team for almost a year, Julia has been the team's go-to person when it comes to public relation and social media. As a 3rd year English student at Cal Poly Pomona, Julia wanted to use her studies to work closely with many students and staffs on campus. With these experiences, she would incorporate green ideals in her future efforts toward a writing career. Many of her projects included the Green Space program, the Kiosk project, and many more ongoing outreach projects.

Without a doubt Julia's work with us here at the PowerSave campus will not go forgotten. We would like to thank you for all your hard work and that you will continue on in your future career with all the success.



reCYCLE Event

By Brandon Sauer

On June 6th, ASI teamed up with various groups, including the Green Team, the CPP Bicycling Club, and our own Architecture department to put on reCYCLE. For their end of the year projects, first year architecture students form groups and design functional and aesthetically pleasing bike racks. In the past, these bike racks have been designed, constructed, and then destroyed for no further purpose. Luckily, the ASI Sustainability Board saw this waste of resources as an excellent opportunity to satisfy the demand for bike racks around campus. At the first annual reCYCLE event, held right after the Tour de CPP bike race, the top five bike rack designs were chosen to be presented and voted on by the student body. Nika, the ASI Secretary of Sustainability, invited the PowerSave Campus interns to table at the event and attract voters with our bike blender. Not only were we able to give out free smoothies to many happy students on the week before finals, but we also sparked their interest in the sustainability concepts of recycling and energy efficiency.



WE'RE HIRING!

The team is looking for CPP self-motivated students that have experience, or a great interest in sustainability for the position of Project Coordinator Intern. The student position is a paid internship working with other PSC interns for approximately 7-10 hours weekly. Interns work on self-implemented projects focusing on educating the campus community on energy efficiency; achieving energy savings; and encouraging the next generation of energy efficiency professionals.

If interested in this great opportunity to gain professional experience in the growing field of green careers;

Please submit a **resume**, **cover letter** and **2-pg writing sample** to greencampus.cpp@gmail.com

For for information please check out our website,
www.powersavecampuscpp.org



Graduating Intern: Grace Jaen

By Sony Bui

This year, the PowerSave Campus Team would like to congratulate PowerSave intern, Grace Jaen, on graduating from Cal Poly Pomona! After working for almost two years, Grace will be retiring from the team leaving with valuable experience in the field of sustainability. Starting the PowerSave Campus internship as a fourth year Business student at Cal Poly Pomona, Grace's works did not go unnoticed and she quickly became the team's manager within a year of work. Many of the successful projects Grace led included the Green Career Panel, Girl Scout Troop Class, and the Sustainability Course Guide.

Though Grace will not be with us this upcoming new quarter, we all know that Grace will be leaving with valuable experiences and memories. Above all the accomplishments achieved, we would all like to wish Grace well in all future endeavors. Thank you for all your hard work, Grace!



SUMMER SCHOOL ENERGY TIPS

By Sony Bui

Living on campus and wondering about some of the ways you might be able to save some energy for your dorm? Take a look at these energy conservation tips!

Approximately 22% of electricity usage comes from lighting at most universities. To ensure moderate usage of electricity, remember to use natural lighting as much as possible, change to compact fluorescent lights (CFLs), and turn off lights when areas are unoccupied. Another energy saving tip is to take the stairs instead of the elevator. You'll save energy and get some exercise. The average elevator consumes 350 watts of electricity to travel from one floor to the next. That's enough energy to light a 100-watt light bulb for 3.5 hours!

Meanwhile heating and cooling buildings account for almost 40% on a regular basis! Keep thermostats set to reasonable temperatures of 75o F in the summer. Remember to close shades and blinds during the hottest period of the day to keep heat out and cool air in. In the laboratory, chemical fume hoods are the biggest energy consumer. While it is important to have the sashes open for research purposes, 20% or more energy reductions can be achieved by closing the sashes when not in use.

Plug-in devices consume roughly 17% of electricity in most universities according to the U.S. Department of Energy. Take advantage of activating sleep or hibernate modes on computers, printers, copiers, and fax machines or turn them completely off when they are not in use. Unplug electronics from the wall when they are not in use, many appliances continue to draw power even when they are turned off. When purchasing or replacing electronics equipment and devices, its best to invest in an Energy Star rated replacement.

Summer Freshman Orientations

By Lynae Salgado

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For another year the interns are attending the club fair at CPP's orientations to meet incoming students and share PowerSave Campuses efforts on campus. In order to talk to and interest as many students as possible, we bring along our educational lighting panel, a monitor with the Sustainability Course Guide easily accessible and a bunch of cool swag! The interns have enjoyed meeting a bunch of curious incoming students and look forward to the orientations upcoming.



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