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# **Green Space Stakeholder Ceremony**

By Sony Bui

On the side of Christmas, another type of "green" is being celebrated at Cal Poly Pomona during the Fall Quarter. That's right; it is also the time to celebrate the PowerSave Campus Green Space Stakeholder Ceremony! This year, a total of 12 offices and their Green Delegates completed their Green Space Program. From the office of Parking and Transportation to the office of Division of Student Affairs, all these offices are proudly being commemorated for completing their Green Space Certification.

What exactly is the Green Space Program? The Green Space Certification is a simple sustainability assessment and certification program for departments and offices on the Cal Poly Pomona campus. The goal of the program is to award departments and offices with a green certification rating and recognize their outstanding sustainability efforts to lower their environmental impact. In addition, these offices will also be put on the spotlight each year at the Green Space Ceremony to show off some of their innovative methods to sustainability. From having an office bicycle to use for

At the BSC, PowerSave Campus interns, Grace Jane, Brandon Sauer, and Sony Bui, introduced each individual offices while highlighting some of the sustainability acts the office performed during the process of Green Space. Other than being commend for their excellence in the field of greening the workplace, these offices are also rewarded with their own Green Space certificate, personal office window clings, and a place on the wall of remembrance on the Cal Poly Pomona PowerSave website. Shown below are the 12 offices that have gone through and completed the Green Space Certification. The PowerSave Campus Team would like to congratulate these 12 offices for their dedication to strive toward sustainability.

Green Space Office	Green Space Delegate	
Division of Student Affairs: Career Center	Dawn Finley	
Parking and Transportation	Dave Flores	
Division of Student Affairs: Student Health Services	Allen Pearlman	
Division of Student Affairs: Financial Aid	Marcia Starcher	
Division of Student Affairs: University Housing	Elena Aleman	
Division of Student Affairs: Student Support & Equity Programs	Kim McAllister	
ASI: Day Lead Custodian	Jose Saavedra	
Division of Student Affairs: OSLCC Student Life and Cultural Center	Marla Williams	
Division of Student Affairs: University Police Department	Patricia Medina	
Division of Student Affairs: Office of the Vice President for Student Affairs	Christa Sloma	
ASI: Children's Center	Daniela Rodriguez	
Division of Student Affairs: Disability Resource Center	Marina Zapien	

Left: Interns
Brandon Sauer,
Sony Bui and Grace
Jaen with Marina
Zapien.
Right: Interns
congratulating
Allen Pearlman for
recieving a "Green"
level of certification.





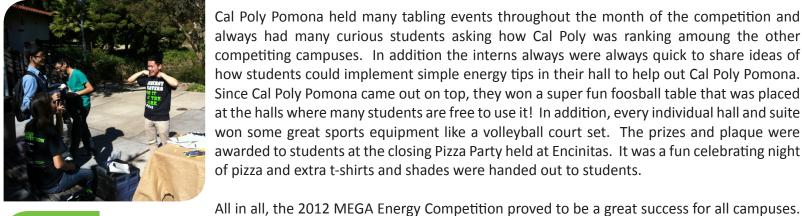
Interested about the Green Space Office Program? You can learn more about it at our website at http://www.powersavecampuscpp.org/greenspace.htm or send us an email at greencampus.cpp@gmail.com if you have any questions!



## MEGA Energy Competition Comes to a Close

By Lynae Salgado

If you have been keeping up with the hype at Cal Poly Pomona, you probably have already found out that Cal Poly Pomona won the 2012 MEGA Energy Competition! The MEGA Energy Competition was a resident hall energy competition between four PowerSave Campus schools in southern California. Cal Poly had outstanding results with nearly a 20% decrease in energy usage, saving 123,372kWh! Coming in second place was Cal State Long Beach with a 11% decrease, followed by University of Irvine with nearly an 8% decrease, and finally Cal State Fullerton with almost 4% decrease in energy usage! All campuses did outstanding work in saving energy and all of the interns efforts to enage students proved to be very successful.



Cal Poly Pomona held many tabling events throughout the month of the competition and always had many curious students asking how Cal Poly was ranking amoung the other competiting campuses. In addition the interns always were always quick to share ideas of how students could implement simple energy tips in their hall to help out Cal Poly Pomona. Since Cal Poly Pomona came out on top, they won a super fun foosball table that was placed at the halls where many students are free to use it! In addition, every individual hall and suite won some great sports equipment like a volleyball court set. The prizes and plaque were awarded to students at the closing Pizza Party held at Encinitas. It was a fun celebrating night of pizza and extra t-shirts and shades were handed out to students.

Above: Intern Brandon Sauer asking some residents to sign the Sustainability Pledge!

Many lessons were learned for the interns and also many relationships were formed! The interns were able to meet with the Inter Hall Council which is a club that holds bonding events for residents, we hope to work with them in the nearby future.

Below: Intern Julia Hernandez sharing some energy tips at a tabling event with an interested resident.

Residents should now be looking out for 2013 Conservation Campus Nationals coming in the spring. Read about it on page 5!

## **Spring Sustainability Course Guide**

By Grace Jaen

The 2nd edition of the Sustainability Course Guide for spring quarter is set to be released in mid January and should be featuring some new elements. The sustainability course guide is a compiled list of sustainable courses offered by Cal Poly Pomona for each particular quarter. The main purpose of the guide is to give students at CPP the opportunity to expand their knowledge of sustainable concepts, theories, and practices so they can take that knowledge with them and be better prepared for the growing green job market. The PowerSave Campus interns created the first edition of S.C.G. last quarter and published it electronically as a way to stay green. The sustainability course guide has compiled over 800 views in outreach via ISSUU, a magazine publishing site, and our PowerSave Campus website.

You can find the course guide by going to CPP's PowerSave Campus website and under the Resources tab click 'Course Guide.' www.powersavecampuscpp.org The link to our ISUU page is http://issuu.com/qcp\_cpp

### JULIA'S CORNER

# CREATIVE EVERYDAY ENERGY SAVING IDEAS THAT BENEFIT YOUR LIFE

With green bean casseroles, roasts, and yams out of the way, it's time to shift our attention over to the New Year. And by the time the count down even begins, we are subconsciously thinking about our new set of New Year's resolutions (whether they're seen through all the way is another issue). So, rather than turning all of our attention to losing those 4 extra pounds we gained over the holidays, why not focus on tackling our green vices?

Of course, the PowerSave Campus team is on the case with a list tailored to be simple and convenient in hopes to inspire all to follow through with this year's green resolution.

- 1. Prevent Food Waste and Recycle: Most of you have a couple of used water bottle floating around the house. Well, this tip can save you a lot of time and money. Though ziplock baggies can be nice, often you are left with a bag that is not resealable. Therefore, if you cut the top of the water bottle as depicted below, you can reuse the upper portion of the water bottle to reseal your bag securely.
- 2. Saving Energy: There are many ways to save energy but the most important step to changing your behavior is remembering to act. An easy way to remember is by posting temporary signs all around your house with saying that help you remember. This will not only help you, but it will also help the visitors of your house in remembering your goal.
- 3. Repurpose, Repurpose, Repurpose: There are always unique ways to reuse old materials and wasted packaging. Here's some ideas to help prevent waste:



Top Left: Use the top of of an old water bottle to reseal a bag easily. Bottom Left: Reuse CD container as a bagel sandwich box. Center: Use old books as shelves. Right: Use old marbles to plug holes in your fence.

#### **Children's Center Event**

By Julia Hernandez

On Thursday and Friday, November 29th and 30th, the PowerSave Campus Team organized an Energy Hog performance for the Children's Center. Each day, various interns demonstrated a short skit to separate classes focused around their favorite topic--saving energy. For those consecutive days, the interns were no longer energy saving interns but rather Energy Hog Busters.

It was a wonderful day, that benefited both parties. The next goal for the interns is to perform the skit quarterly to the Children's Center, in hopes of spreading a valuable message whilst placing a smile upon a child's face.







### **Campus Conservation Nationals 2013**

By Brandon Sauer

Starting in February, Cal Poly Pomona will be participating in the largest energy competition of all time! Campus Conservation Nationals is an annual competition that challenges universities across the United States to save water and energy in their residence halls. In this year's competition, nearly 200 Universities in the US and Canada will be participating in the competition between February and April. The residents at Cal Poly Pomona will begin the competition on February 13th, trying to save as much water and energy as possible until the final reading is taken on March 6th.

In order to gain as much interest as possible, we will be recruiting "Dorm Captains" for each residence. Each Captain will be using their resources as a resident to encourage others to save water and energy during the competition. We will be recruiting these Captains after January 7th, so if you are interested or know anyone would make a good Captain, please contact Brandon Sauer at brandonsauer17@gmail.com.

### POWERSAVE CAMPUS BY THE NUMBERS - YEAR 2012

	QUANTITY	WATER	CO2 EMISSIONS	\$\$\$	ENERGY
ENERGY SAVINGS					
Actual - Project	2	12,700gal	79,300lbs	\$14,900	116,000kWh
Potential - Project	2	0	340,100	\$730,100	495,800kWh
Potential - Sustainability Pledge	522				
OUTREACH					
Event	23				
People by Tabling Events	780	Staff Involvement	92		
WORKFORCE					
Energy Hog Events	3	Students	1500		

NOTES: \*Comprises potential, projected savings for this month because these savings were acquired over this past month

# THE GREEN SPACE REPORT

#### **Department of Athletics**

By Grace Jaen

Recently the Department of Athletics, led by green delegate Scott Tsuji, was awarded Green Certification through the Green Space program. Athletics featured several impressive green initiatives in their department, including solar panels which had been installed on the rooftop of the Kellogg Gym. It is estimated by CPP that the solar systems can generate up to 1.8 million kilowatt hours of electricity annually, the equivalent of powering 161 homes for a year. In addition to saving energy, Tsuji's department also took measures to save paper by offering their annual Athletic Media Guides and Department Guides online. Each guide was using approximately 20-40 pages, but now the guides are available as a pdf on the Bronco Athletics website, eliminating excessive printing, while saving paper and ink. Congratulations and keep up the great work!

#### **Orientation Services**

By Julia Hernandez

It is wonderful to announce the certification awarded to Orientation Services. Representing the office was Ja Taun Moore, office manager, who welcomed the interns with enthusiasm and excitement. While inspecting the office, the interns found that Orientation Services had a strong green influence in the category of energy saving. The interns also awarded the office and innovation point for acquiring dual monitors.

#### **Divison of Student Affairs: Enrollment Services**

By Sony Bui

This quarter, the Division of Student Affairs: Enrollment Services, led by Linda Taylor, was Green Space Certified! The PowerSave Campus would like to congratulate Linda Taylor and her office in become certified. As the Green Delegate for her office, Linda went through the Green Space Assessment by presenting innovative sustainable points in her office. Linda utilizes multiple ways of saving papers by using online agendas, email meeting evaluation, and using electronic signatures. These little things in the office can lead to a big impact in the world where papers are constantly being consumed at a significant rate. Again, congratulation to Linda and her office on their certification and their outstanding works leading to higher sustainability!



# **Interns Welcome Young Students to Lyle Center**

By Grace Jaen

It was a beautiful day at the Lyle Center in early November when the interns of PowerSave Campus were honored to participate in the learning activities as part of the Lyle Center Sustainability program, which enables Fellowship students to explore environmental topics and pathways to college. Over 100 elementary school kids from Westmont Elementary in Pomona came to experience environmental science topics through hands-on projects, put on by students at Cal Poly Pomona. The PSGC interns were asked to create and manage one of the four sections in the program, which consisted of a combination of our famous bike blender and energy hog skit. We wanted to show the students how fun being green can be, while teaching them about various tasks they can perform at home and at their schools to help save energy and money. Other sections centered on biofuels and organic agriculture, led by other students at CPP. The event was a major success, with students lining up to ride the bike blender, not to mention wanting a taste of those delicious smoothies they themselves made through just the power of their legs, no electricity. The interns were thrilled to have been a part of such an important program and hope to return soon!



Left: A view of interns Grace Jaen and Julia Hernandez presenting to students and parents from Westmont Elementary.



Left: Interns
Grace Jaen
and Julia
Hernandez
helping out a
young student
ride the bike
blender!









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