

The Broward Bulletin October 2023

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Broward Sierra Group PROUDLY PRESENTS

MICHELLE SALAS - Lady Green Miami Recycling



THURSDAY, OCTOBER 5, 2023, 7PM-8:30PM, hosted on Zoom Speaking on "Waste Reduction; Waste Diversion

Registration required:

https://act.sierraclub.org/events/details?formcampaignid=7013q000001orx6AAA

Michelle founded Lady Green Recycling with the goal of protecting the environment and helping people and businesses through waste reduction in our communities. Coming from an entrepreneurial family, Michelle knew she would one day start own business doing something she is passionate about.



TICKETS: \$10 MEMBERS \$15 NON-MEMBERS PRE-PURCHASE TICKETS ONLY DEADLINE OCTOBER 16, 2023

AWARDS BANQUET

SUNDAY, NOVEMBER 12, 2023 6:00PM - 9:00PM



JANICE HAYES
Mistress of Ceremony

E. PAT LARKINS COMMUNITY CENTER
520 NW 3RD STREET, POMPANO BEACH, 33060

HONORING OUTSTANDING LEADERS, ELECTED OFFICIALS AND SIERRA CLUB MEMBERS

ENTERTAINMENT - DINNER



PLEASE SEND ALL PAYMENTS VIA ZELLE TO: MAX GOLDSTEIN (954) 296-3411 BY OCTOBER 16, 2023 CHECKS MADE PAYABLE TO BROWARD SIERRA GROUP & MAIL TO: MAX GOLDSTEIN, TREASURER 220 LAKEVIEW DRIVE-APT. 305, WESTON, FL 33326-1040

FOR MORE INFORMATION CONTACT: LEAH WEISBURD (954) 485-4711



If you prefer to send a check or money order, please send to Max Goldstein, BSG Treasurer, 220 Lakeview Drive, Apt. 305, Weston, FL 33326-1040



YOU CAN MAKE A DIFFERENCE

TAKE ACTION!

The Belews Creek coal plant in North Carolina

SierraClub-CoalUtilityFinancingReport

Behind Banks' Smoke Screen

A new report from our Fossil-Free Finance campaign reveals that major banks like Barclays, JPMorgan Chase, and Bank of America are propping up deadly coal plants across the US despite their high-profile net-zero climate commitments. The analysis reveals a massive loophole in the banks' climate commitments through continued lending for companies operating polluting coal-fired power plants.

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Let's Put Climate and Justice at the Forefront of Our Energy Policies

The National Environmental Policy Act (NEPA) is a cornerstone environmental law that requires federal agencies to assess the impacts of proposed projects and allows communities to have a say when fossil fuel developments are proposed in our backyards. The Biden administration proposed rule changes that will roll back Trump-era restrictions that made it more difficult to participate and will include climate and environmental justice in decision-making.

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A Corrosive Issue

The pipe intended to be used for the Mountain Valley Pipeline has been sitting out in the sun for over six years, corroding the metal and making it more prone to explosions. We need your help to stop the construction of this hazardous pipeline and protect families living nearby from potential catastrophe.

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Thousands Marched in New York City Sunday, September 17, 2023 to Call for a World Free from Fossil Fuels

Thousands of people have joined the biggest climate mobilization since the pandemic to urge President Biden and other leaders to stop fossil fuel expansion and extraction.

The march, endorsed by more than 700 organizations, is taking place ahead of the UN Climate Ambition Summit – a first-of-its-kind meeting hosted by the United Nations Secretary-General Antonio Guterres, who is asking heads of state to come with concrete plans to stop developing new oil, gas and coal and begin phasing out fossil fuels once and for all.

Sierra Club Executive Director Ben Jealous released the following statement:

"Not one new pipeline or drilling rig should needlessly threaten communities and our planet when we know that the end of the fossil fuel era is on the horizon. As communities across the country are ravaged by extreme weather and countless more are threatened by the daily threat of toxic fossil fuel pollution, we simply cannot afford to compromise or sacrifice any more to the fossil fuel industry. President Biden has the power to stop federal approvals for new fossil fuel projects and phase out fossil fuel extraction in our public lands and waters. The Sierra Club is proud to be a part of the diverse movement urging him to break free from fossil fuels."

BROWARD SIERRA GROUP JUNIOR TEAM

Do you know a 14-18-year-old who is interested in the environment?

The Junior Team might be for them! We are a group of high schoolers who are extremely passionate about preserving the environment, educating others, and promoting sustainability.





What have we done?

- Met with various elected officials
- Written letter to the editors and been published
- Collected signed petitions for the Right to Clean Water
- Lemonade stands for extreme heat alleviation

JOIN TODAY!

School service hours are available, and active members get free Sierra Club membership!

Email pl222722@ahschool.com with any questions



Friday December 8th to Sunday 10th 2023 Myakka River State Park

- Adriene Barmann, Outings Chair and Vice-Chair

Myakka River State Park near Sarasota is one of the oldest state parks and one of the biggest, and it has the most alligators, and a variety of wildlife which includes deer, a variety of wading birds, wild boar, and lots of owls. Adventurers head for the 39 miles of hiking trails, excellent paved and unpaved biking trails, and the wild and scenic rivers and lakes for kayaking. There is also the canopy walkway and the waterfront café near the lake in the main park. At 37,000 acres, Myakka is one of Florida's most complete outdoor experiences.



We will be camping at Big Flats Campground inside the park. Each campsite has an electrical outlet, and there is a men and women's bathroom with heated showers. There is running water at the campsite.

We will meet at the Big Flat campground on Friday, December 8th at 12:00 Noon to set up camp. There are only two tents allowed per campsite, and we have three campsites reserved. We are asking our participants to only have one tent per family. Each campsite can hold up to 8 people, so space is limited. More information to come. Stay tuned.

Leaders:

- Adriene Barmann 954-328-9447 Email: Adrienesierraleader@gmail.com
- Max Goldstein 954-296-3411 Email: Maxsgoldstein@gmail.com.

Sign-up deadline and payment are due December 1st.

Solar Power

Have you ever thought about putting solar panels on your roof?

This is a great time to do it! We're teaming up with nonprofit group Solar United Neighbors (SUN) to bring you the Broward Solar Co-op 2023 — a free group to help you go solar.

The solar co-op will help area homeowners and small business owners learn about solar together and purchase solar panels at a **group rate** from a single installer.

Together, co-op members will learn about solar energy and leverage their numbers to get competitive pricing and quality solar installations. After a competitive bidding process facilitated by SUN, a group of volunteers from the co-op will select a solar company to complete the co-op's installations.

Joining a co-op does not obligate members to purchase solar or chargers. Instead, each member will have the option to individually purchase panels and electric vehicle chargers based on the installer's group rate.

JOIN FOR FREE: Sign up for the Broward Solar Co-op 2023 at: solarunitedneighbors.org/broward.

Don't miss the next info session! Tuesday October 24 at 6pm. Register for the online event at:

SolarUnitedNeighbors.org/Broward/Events



MEETING WITH DEBRA HIXON, BROWARD COUNTY SCHOOL BOARD VICE-CHAIR



WHAT DID WE DISCUSS?

- Banning of PragerU climate denial videos
- Electrification and clean energy
- Sustainability classes at schools
- Plastic and paper reduction

Saturday, September 2, 2023



Volunteering with Broward Sierra feels this good! Today's your lucky day because our amazing team has the perfect spot for you!



Essentials 101" New Member Orientation/Meet & Greet



- All are welcome Experienced and new members.
- Come and learn the tools.
- Enjoy breakfast

When: Saturday, October 21, 9:30-11:30 AM

Where: Visitors Center-Multipurpose Room, A.R.M. Loxahatchee National Wildlife refuge, 10216 Lee Rd. Boynton Beach, FL 33473

Join us for breakfast from **9:30-10:00 am!** Hear an informative "Essentials 101" presentation (history of the group; Campfire resources; social media tools; listserv subscriptions) by our Membership Chair. Core Committee chairs and leaders will be present to provide project overviews & speak about their volunteer needs. Think Conservation, Political, Public Lands, Publicity, Communications, ICO (Inspiring Connections Outdoors), Events & Social Media! The program will conclude with a brief talk with Supervisory Park Ranger, Jennifer Brown.

Meet your Sierra Club Loxahatchee Leaders, explore the Arthur R. Marshall Loxahatchee National Wildlife Refuge

Please register <u>HERE</u>.