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# The Fierce Green Fire

A Newsletter of the Wofford College Environmental Studies Program



Picture of the  
Glendale garden

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## *The Fierce Green Fire Group*



### *The Grape Harvest Is On!*

*Please feel free to pick as many scuppernongs and muscadines as you would like.*

*Enter the Glendale garden through the gate and make sure to close the gate when you leave.*

Now there is also the *Fierce Green Fire*, a new student group focused on environmental issues on campus and beyond!

An interest meeting was held at the end of last semester and the group chose the name in tribute to Aldo Leopold's transformative encounter with a wolf just shot – an iconic moment invoked frequently and memorably by Professor John Lane.

The main goal of the group is to expand the concept of sustainability on the Wofford campus through both practice and raising awareness. All students and faculty are welcome to become involved. Diversity among cultures, areas of study,

and experience in the field are strongly encouraged. The group would eventually like to extend participation beyond the Wofford campus to spread the efforts in partnership with the community.

Another interest meeting is planned on Tuesday, October 4<sup>th</sup> at 7:00pm, in Olin 210, which will be the meeting place for the group for the remainder of the semester. Later meeting dates will be posted in this newsletter and through Daily Announcements. Contact Katie Pearson, ([pearsonkr@email.wofford.edu](mailto:pearsonkr@email.wofford.edu)) or Dr. Savage for more information on how you can get involved. Please come join us and share your ideas. The more the merrier!

*Photos from ENVS 203 Lab in Glendale:  
renewable energy analysis*



## Upcoming Events and Opportunities

- September **Black Science Annex Courtyard:** Your help is needed in the courtyard of the Environmental Studies Department. Please come by any time and pull some weeds in the garden (especially the brick patio). Thanks!
- September 23rd **Natural Science Seminar Series:** *USC Upstate* will host this series at 5:00pm in Tukey Theater. Tonight's topic is *Evolution of Polyandry in the Decorated Cricket* by Wofford Biology professor, Dr. Tracie Ivy.
- September 24th **Community Bike Ride:** *Partners for Active Living* is hosting a bike ride to the Hub City Farmer's Market starting at 9:30am. The group will meet at the Country Club Road Trailhead of the Mary Black Foundation Rail Trail. Helmets required. This is the Market's Apple Day, so remember to bring your own bags. Visit the website, [www.active-living.org](http://www.active-living.org), for more information.
- Each Saturday in September & October **Hub City Farmer's Market:** Each Saturday, 8:00am-noon, located at the Magnolia Street Train Depot (just 2 blocks from campus). Shop for locally grown, seasonal fruits and vegetables, and much more. Visit [www.hubcityfm.org](http://www.hubcityfm.org).
- October 1st **City of Spartanburg's International Festival:** Enjoy food, entertainment, and shopping in Barnet Park, 11:00am-7:00pm.
- October 8th **iRecycle Half Marathon/5K Run:** Starts at 8:00 am in front of the S. Pine Street YMCA. Register online at <http://go-greenevents.com/event/id/241>. Visit their website at <http://www.irecycledoyou.net/> for a race map and more information.
- October 9th **AASHE Student Summit:** Learn how to create a sustainable future for your campus with keynote speaker, Bill McKibben. The summit will take place in Pittsburg, PA from 8:30am-4:30pm. Deadline to register: **September 30<sup>th</sup>**. To learn more about the summit visit. <http://online.nwf.org/site/R?i=Sq-qlMbilrO1-va6kMnehw>
- Spartanburg B-cycle:** *Partners for Active Living* has set up new self-service bike rental stations (*B-stations*) on the Rail Trail and in Morgan Square. Rent a bike for as little as \$5/24 hours. See their website for additional membership options, [www.active-living.org](http://www.active-living.org).

### Career Resources

<http://ncseonline.org/CampusToCareers/>

<http://www.naaee.net/>

## ORGANIZATION PROFILE:

### *The George Melendez Wright Climate Change Youth Initiative*

The George Melendez Wright Climate Change Youth Initiative has two programs that provide undergraduate and graduate students with an opportunity to work in climate change response programs within the US National Parks.

The internship program is a paid, 12-week internship during the summer that works with National Park staff on science, communication, and mitigation projects.

The fellowship program awards a one-year, \$20,000 fellowship to students who are enrolled in

a graduate or Ph.D. program in the US, Canada, and Mexico. Research focuses on issues relevant to climate change impacts in US National Parks.

If you are interested in applying for one of these programs, please contact Dr. Savage, 597-4966 or [savageks@wofford.edu](mailto:savageks@wofford.edu). The internship application process begins in March 2012 and the fellowship program will begin accepting applications in early November 2011.