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Climate Change:
Our Health in the Balance



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Get ready. National Public Health Week is April 7 – 13, 2008!

This year's theme is "Climate Change: Our Health in the Balance." To celebrate, the students, faculty and alumni of the Drexel School of Public Health will lead a series of activities to raise awareness of climate change as a public health issue and show how the Philadelphia community can help improve their health by being environmentally conscious.

The School of Public Health's activities next week include:

- **Public Event:** Tuesday, April 8: Public Health Recognition Night and Awards Presentation, 5:30PM, The College of Physicians of Philadelphia.
- **Public Event:** Wednesday, April 9: Environmental Event Fair and Forum, 5:00 PM – 7:00 PM, Drexel University Bossone Research Center.
- **Public Event:** Thursday, April 10: "What is Public Health?" Public Information Fair and Display, 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM, Love Park.
- Friday, April 11: Poster and Essay Contest Awards at the Fairmount Boys & Girls Club.
- **Volunteer Opportunity:** Saturday, April 12: Fairmount Park Restoration and Preservation Project, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM.

REMINDER:

- CPH Exam Registration Deadline – April 30, 2008

National Public Health Week Events:

***** Public Event *****

Tuesday, April 8, 5:30 PM

Public Health Recognition Night and Awards Ceremony

The College of Physicians of Philadelphia

The Drexel School of Public Health representatives to the Philadelphia Public Health Student Council will join The College of Physicians of Philadelphia in its public health recognition night. The evening will feature the presentation, "Physicians' Role in Climate Change," from Erica Frank, MD, MPH, a professor at the University of British Columbia in Vancouver. The College of Physicians of Philadelphia will also recognize local Philadelphia organizations, including PhillyCarShare and the Friends Center Corporation, for their contributions to public health.

To RSVP, visit www.collphyphil.org.

***** Public Event *****

Wednesday, April 9, 5:00 PM to 7:30 PM

Environmental Event Fair and Panel Discussion

Drexel University Bossone Research Center

(Market St. between 31st St. and 32nd St.)

Industry experts from across the region will present ways to live green and hold a conference on green topics impacting our lives. Tours of the Bossone Center's green features will be offered. Free and open to the public.

Event Fair Participants and Activities:

Sierra Club

Microsoft High School of the Future (Philadelphia)

Delaware Valley Earth Force

Drexel Smart House

"Guess the Green Fact" giveaways

"Next Great City" and "Green Pathways Out of Poverty" information booths

Sustainable food and drinks

Panel Discussion Participants:

Darlene Messina, Sustainability and Livable Communities

Lorna Rosenberg, Delaware Valley Green Building Council

James Johnson-Piatt, The Food Trust

Cindy Parker, MD, MPH, Johns Hopkins School of Public Health Professor

David Feldman, Executive Director, Habitat for Humanity

Moderators: Jennifer Taylor, PhD, MPH, and Carol Ann Gross-Davis, MS, professors at the Drexel School of Public Health

***** Public Event *****

Thursday, April 10, 12:00 PM – 6:00 PM

Public Information Fair

Love Park

Students from the School of Public Health will host an event at Love Park where they will organize interactive games to educate the community on what is public health, and feature some of the most significant achievements in public health. The event is free and open to the public.

Friday, April 11, 6:00PM – 8:00 PM

Poster and Essay Contest Awards at the Fairmount Boys & Girls Club

School of Public Health students will present awards to children from the Boys & Girls Clubs of Philadelphia that submitted entries into the school's 2nd annual public health poster/essay contest. The contest is designed to help inspire children and their families to take the first step toward caring for the environment and improving their health.

***** Volunteer Opportunity *****

Saturday, April 12, 8:00 AM – 2:00 PM

Community Alumni Network at Drexel University (CAN DU)

Fairmount Park Restoration and Preservation Project

Fellow alumni, students, faculty and staff, along with friends, family and co-workers, will restore and preserve a section of Fairmount Park. Join others to celebrate Earth Day and National Public Health Week in a series of volunteer projects behind the Mann Music Center (52nd St. and Parkside Ave.). Meet at the Drexel Quad and shuttles to the work site will be provided. The event is rain or shine.

Organized by the Community Alumni Network at Drexel University (CAN DU), activities include: invasive vegetation removal, site clearing, log removal, litter patrol, tree planting and more. Volunteers will be entered for a chance to win a \$100 Driving Credit from PhillyCarShare.

To register and for more information, visit www.drexel.edu/alumni/candu or call (888) DU-GRADS.

Reminder:

[CPH Exam Registration Deadline – April 30](#)

The April 30, 2008 deadline for the Certified Public Health Exam is quickly approaching. To register and for more information, please visit www.publichealthexam.org.

In addition, please contact Dr. Marcus Kolb or Dr. Mary Hovinga at the School of Public Health for more information.



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