CWRU's Office For Sustainability E-Newsletter

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# Office of Energy & Sustainability

## **About Us**

The Office of Energy & Sustainability is dedicated to creating sustainable change on campus by reducing greenhouse gas emissions, improving energy efficiency, promoting local food, recycling, and sustainable purchasing, as well as advocating for individual and institutional behavior change.

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## **CWRU EARTH DAY 2020**

To celebrate the 50th anniversary of Earth Day, and for a chance to win prizes, comple bingo squares and post pictures on instagram with #cwruearthday2020. True Bingo earns you a chance to win a big prize. Download your card, use Adobe or another app to mark your five squares in a row, and email to sustainability@case.edu to be ente Most squares can be completed by clicking the 🚥 icon. -С Build a learn about Learn to fix a ominate : CWRU Bat with Wisheyding 6 hear to tainability **Bike Clevelar** ate 8 the it of recycle **Etampion** on Ap 8 കര 8 ŝ œ Read this report on the impact of fast fashion sain who Get to know Give yo presents you 10 you outside! & write te activit a letter of colo തത ß യ യ Get to know the CWRU Farm & the Garden@Cas Participate Learn about a campus Prepare a plant based dish & te Cleanu ha longu a fri ta do the sor enviro group like SSC or FR Garden@Cas COD COD ß ß Start Spendian afternoon Learn about the history of Earth Day Attend a intual Earth ay Week tail Download NG's Healthy composting in your backyard indwatching Living App our back ŝ œ യ B 00 00 Implement ignen Hestyk changes into yourfilfe Take the please Commit to lowering you Learn about Cleveland's Watch this TED talk single-use foto B ŝ 00 യ

## Earth Day at Home: BINGO! Celebrate Earth Day and win prizes!

This year marks the 50th anniversary of Earth Day! Because we can't be together in person to celebrate, we are offering a fun game to win prizes and celebrate together - but separately. Head over to our website and download our <u>BINGO card.</u> Find at least four squares you want to complete on the card. Mark them off and email us at sustainability@case.edu to turn it in. Tag us on <u>Instagram</u> with #cwrueathday2020 to show how you're completing

your squares for another chance to win! Have fun and happy Earth Day!

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While CWRU is shuttered during the COVID-19 pandemic, our staff is still available remotely. Feel free to contact us via email!



# Earth Day at CWRU - Were you here in 1970?

Were you at CWRU on April 22, 1970? If so, you were here for the very first Earth Day and we want to hear about it! We want to feature stories about how our community members celebrated Earth Day for the very first time or your experience regardless of location. Reach out at <u>sustainability@case.edu</u> by Friday, April 17.

## Upcoming Virtual Sustainability Events

<u>Cleveland Metroparks Virtual</u> <u>Classroom</u> Weekdays 11:00am, 1:00pm

<u>The Nature Center at Shaker</u> <u>Lakes: Your Outdoor</u> <u>Classroom Live</u> Mondays, Wednesdays, and Fridays, 12:00pm

<u>Online Nature Classes</u> <u>through Holden Forests &</u> <u>Gardens</u> Any time

The Nature Center at Shaker Lakes 38th Annual Plant Sale, online

Order online through April 17 Deliveries available



## Nominate a Sustainability Champion

Although our CWRU community is not together physically at our campus, we can still celebrate the great, green work being done by our own. If you know someone who has gone above and beyond in their efforts to make CWRU a greener place, we'd love to hear their story. Please <u>nominate your</u>

#### Subscribe

#### Past Issues

#### Webinar

Saturday, April 11 1:00 – 4:30pm Other dates available

#### <u>City Club Youth Forum: The</u> <u>State of Cleveland</u> <u>Sustainability</u>

Wednesday, April 15 12:00- 1:30 pm

OSU Earth Day Celebration Webinar Wednesday, April 15 4:00 - 5:00pm

Animals, Ethics, and the Climate Crisis: A Virtual Visit with David Clough Webinar Friday, April 17 Multiple times throughout the day

DIY Wrenching Virtual Bike Smarts with Bike Cleveland Tuesday, April 21 6:30 – 8:00pm

Earth Day

April 22

24-Hour Webinar on Happiness & Sustainability Around the Earth April 22

EarthRise Digital Earth Day -24 hrs April 22 and a faculty member. <u>Those who have won in the</u> <u>past</u> are ineligible to be named a Champion again. **The deadline is Friday, April 17**. This year's champions will be announced on Earth Day, April 22.



### **Hiring Graduate Assistant**

Our Office is hiring a Graduate Assistant to start Summer or Fall. Find the job description and link to the Google form to apply on our jobs webpage.



**NOACA Carbon Free Challenge** 

During the state's mandated stay-at-home period, NOACA is challenging our region to showcase how much carbon we are saving with their two week <u>Carbon Free Challenge</u>. Log your Participants can view their up-to-the-minute standings on the <u>live leaderboard</u>. The top three participants will take home the grand prizes!

This challenge is open to individuals. Entries are limited to four trips per day.



## Take RTA's Strategic Plan Survey

Our Greater Cleveland Regional Transit Authority (RTA) is putting together a new strategic plan through 2030. They want public input to serve our community as best they can. Please <u>take their brief</u> survey to contribute your ideas.



Bring out the Bikes!

Bike Cleveland has some <u>new videos</u> about bike maintenance from Cleveland area bike shops to help you prep your bike for the new season. These cycling shops are still open during the pandemic as they are considered an essential transportation service. While you are riding, be sure to <u>obey traffic</u> <u>laws</u>. If you are on a trail, give pedestrians room and announce "on your left" or some other audible notification while passing. Check out Bike Cleveland's <u>Getting Around By Bike</u> page for maps, videos, and more.



### Some Recycling Nuances

Our team recently connected with the Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District and have some details to share about recycling in Northeast Ohio. This is specific to our region of Ohio but we encourage you to search out your own local solid waste district wherever you are now.

- Replace all lids on jugs, bottles, and jars.
- Recycle pizza boxes with small amounts of grease, but grease-soaked boxes should be landfilled.
- Flattened cans, bottles, jugs, etc may not pass through Material Recovery Facility (MRF) sorting machines correctly - don't crush or smash items prior to recycling!
- Tissue paper does not belong in mixed recycling.
- Juice boxes count as cartons and can be recycled.
- Clean and empty recycling is more important than dry.

Find a longer list of details on <u>our recent news story</u> on the subject.

Cuyahoga County Solid Waste District recently released on "wishcycling!"

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