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Vanderbilt Farmers' Market – Thursdays through October 28

Mark your calendars! Pick up some fresh, locally grown fruits, vegetables, meat, and cheese on your way home from work at the weekly Vanderbilt Farmers' Market each Thursday from 3-6 pm on the Medical Center Plaza.

[Read more...](#)

Live On the Green Concert Series – Thursdays through October 14

Beginning September 9, join Lightning 100 and Team Green Adventures on Thursday nights for Live On the Green, Nashville's free, environmentally-conscious outdoor music concert held in Public Square Park near the Metro Courthouse. Performances will feature locally- and nationally-known artists – stay tuned

We've loved seeing so many old and new faces on campus over the last few weeks! Hopefully your fall is off to a great start! There are many green events, opportunities, and news stories in the coming weeks that we would like to tell you about. More information about the stories and events in this newsletter are available on the [SustainVU website](#). Don't forget to become a fan of our [SustainVU Facebook page](#) and hear the latest environmental happenings and join our discussions. Have a sustainable September!

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for the concert line-up. Environmentally-friendly practices at Live On the Green include recycling, reusable materials, healthy food vendors, and organic merchandising. [Read more...](#)

Engage Green at the TN State Fair Green Expo – September 10-19

Stop by the Green Expo at this year's TN State Fair, which will feature displays showcasing sustainable alternatives relating to energy, cleaning, building, transportation, nutrition, and personal care. Attend one of Team Green Adventures' Engage Green workshops, discussing topics such as indoor and outdoor air quality, rain barrels, green-proofing your home, natural beauty skin care, and more! [Read more...](#)

Pro Walk/Pro Bike 2010 – September 13-16

The National Center for Biking and Walking will host this year's Pro Walk/Pro Bike conference, themed "Bringing Livable Communities to Scale," in Chattanooga on September 13-16. Programs will explore planning practices as they relate to bikers, pedestrians, the environment, active transportation, and transportation equity. [Read more...](#)

2010 TP3 Conference – September 23 & 24

The Tennessee Pollution Prevention Partnership (TP3) will host its fifth biennial statewide conference at Montgomery Bell State Park

Get to know VU's new special events recycling coordinator, Lindsay Walker



Lindsay Walker, recycling coordinator for residential and events operations, is the latest addition to SEMO's team! In this role, Lindsay will manage the campus residential recycling program, special events recycling operations, and recycling student workers and volunteers. Walker recently graduated from Belmont University with a Bachelor's Degree in Environmental Studies, where she served as Vice-President of Our Natural Environment (O.N.E. Club), Belmont's environmental club, and conducted research on composting and local food systems. Lindsay has also worked at the Shelby Bottoms Nature Center, the Produce Place, and for Nashville's Metro Beautification and Environment Commission. In her free time, you might find Lindsay at Fido or Marche, two of her favorite local establishments that specialize in organic and artisan foods, or seeing wildlife while walking around Radnor Lake. Welcome, Lindsay!

Recycling available at home football games



Are you ready for some football? We are! At all home football games this season, plastic and aluminum recycling will again be available in Vandyville tailgating areas and inside the stadium on the main concourse. Do your part to help green the

Black and Gold! Who you with? VU!

Want to get more involved? If you are interested in volunteering to help with game day recycling at Vanderbilt home football games, [contact Lindsay Walker](#).

Nashville bike share program launched

Nashville Bike Share (NBS), the city's newly-established bike share program, allows Nashville residents and students



September 23-24. Students are welcome! The conference will emphasize good business and living practices with sustainability and pollution prevention ideals, through presentations, discussions, and opportunities to share projects and ideas. [Read more...](#)

National Public Lands Day – September 25

Celebrate National Public Lands Day on Saturday, September 25! NPLD is the nation's largest hands-on volunteer effort to improve public lands through activities such as trail building, trash removal, tree planting, and restoration of water sources. Registered NPLD project sites in Tennessee include: Big South Fork National River & Recreation Area, Bledsoe Creek State Park, Center Hill Lake, Cheatham Lake, Cumberland Trail State Park, Dale Hollow Lake, Cordell Hull Lake, Great Smoky Mountains National Park, and Old Hickory Lake. [Read more...](#)

USGBC LEED Platinum Home Tour and Mixer – September 30

Join the USGBC on Thursday, September 30 from 4:30 – 7:00 pm for a tour of the area's first LEED Platinum home renovation, located at 208 Elmington Avenue. Following the tour, enjoy some food with USGBC members at Tayst Restaurant, Nashville's first and only green certified restaurant. [Read more...](#)

Walk Nashville Week –

over the age of 18 with a valid driver's license (or other approved form of identification) to use bicycles during the day free of charge. Bikes are currently available at two locations: the Music City Star Riverfront Station downtown and Shelby Bottoms Nature Center in East Nashville. The NBS pilot program, launched in mid-August by Mayor Karl Dean and Metro Public Health, aims to provide alternative transportation and healthy recreation opportunities to the Nashville community. Over the next year with the use of stimulus grant funds, NBS plans to expand this year's pilot program to include 100 bikes with GPS technology that can track calories burned at 10 locations throughout Davidson County. All bikes are equipped with a helmet and must be returned to the originating station one hour prior to closing. [Read more information about Nashville Bike Share!](#)

Become a Field Trip Leader for Great Outdoors University Nashville



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Great Outdoors University (GOU) Nashville has openings for Field Trip Leader (FTL) positions beginning Fall 2010. GOU is a conservation education and outdoor experience program of Tennessee Wildlife Federation whose mission is to connect kids to the great outdoors in meaningful, lasting, life-changing ways. GOU works with organizations which serve low-wealth children, youth and families to provide Saturday field trips and overnight outings to forests, rivers, farms and off the-beaten-path outdoor locations. Qualifications for FTL positions include: a bachelor's or master's degree in environmental education, biology or a related field and/or at least two years' experience as an environmental educator, naturalist or science teacher; passion for experiencing the outdoors; general knowledge of Tennessee's natural resources, flora and fauna; and communication skills. For more information and to apply, please contact Anna Ransler, GOU Nashville Program Coordinator, [by email](#) or phone (615.353.1133).

Media outlets feature Vanderbilt's greening efforts

Media Immersion 2010, a Vanderbilt Student Media program aimed at providing first-year students with hands-on media experience, recently produced a video featuring a variety of

October 1-8

Join the Nashville Community Health & Wellness Team for Walk Nashville Week. Increase your participation in physical activities while reducing your impact on the environment! In past years, events have included Walk to the Titans Day, Walk Your Neighborhood Day, Walk to Work Day, Walk to School Day, and Walk at Lunch Day. [Read more...](#)



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green initiatives all over campus. The “Green Vanderbilt” video features the Stevenson greenhouse, campus recycling program, green dining efforts, and Vanderbilt Biodiesel Initiative. [Watch the video now!](#)



News Channel 2 visited Vanderbilt during Move-In weekend to catch a glimpse of cardboard, Styrofoam, and plastic film and bag recycling. See Jennifer Hackett, Campus Recycling Coordinator, and Katie Ullmann, SPEAR Vice-President, discussing student and staff efforts to reduce the environmental impact of Move-In weekend. [Check out the News Channel 2 article and video.](#)



For more information on any of these stories, events and more, visit the SustainVU website at www.vanderbilt.edu/sustainvu or contact the Sustainability and Environmental Management Office at sustainvu@vanderbilt.edu or (615) 322-2057.

