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Sierra Club 101

Have you always wondered on how to get more involved with the Sierra Club but not sure how? Do you have a desire to learn more about how to get involved with Sierra Club outings, conservation issues or other volunteer opportunities? Do you just want to learn more about the environment or meet other like-minded individuals? **If you answered yes to any of these questions, [Sierra Club 101](#) is the right place for you.**

Throughout the year, the Georgia Chapter of the Sierra Club hosts Sierra Club 101s as a crash course for interested individuals. The 101 features a presentation about the Sierra Club and the opportunities on how to get involved. We strongly encourage new members to attend. However, if you are a long-time member or just an interested individual please join us. Feel free to bring friends and family.



You will be able to meet with volunteer leaders and staff who can answer any questions you might have. Visit us here at the Georgia Chapter and learn about our current conservation issues. Collect Sierra Club and environmental materials to become more informed. Also, breakfast will be provided!



Start off your weekend right and join us for **Saturday, April 10th at 10a.m.** for your crash course on the Club. For questions or to RSVP, contact Ashley Robbins at ashley.robbs@georgia.sierraclub.org. To learn more about the Sierra Club 101, please [click here](#).

Quick Links



Protect Georgia's fresh water turtles! The fresh water turtles of Georgia are about to be faced with a new and serious threat. The growth of the Asian gourmet food market has made turtle meat a very valuable product. It has become so valuable that the wild turtle populations have been decimated on the Asian mainland. With large turtle populations, the states of the Southeastern United States are becoming the next best target of commercial trappers. [Take action now by calling, writing or emailing the chairpersons of the Senate Committee involved to help protect our freshwater turtles.](#)

The Green Half to feature the Sierra Club! The Green Half reflects our values of sustainability, community and education through special offers, newsletters and social networking. They bring eco-conscious people and businesses together. They only present offers from companies committed to becoming more green. Plus, they donate 10% of net certificate sales to various local nonprofits. Keep a lookout for the Green Half to feature the Sierra Club, coming soon. [Click here](#) to learn more.



Georgia Chapter Sierra Club on Facebook! Facebook is one of the most used social networking services and the Georgia Chapter wants to keep you informed at your convenience. The *Sierra Club - Georgia Chapter* Group announces Sierra Club meetings, socials and outings to bring us together for fun times while supporting our campaigns. We hope that you can join us and will invite your friends! [Click here](#) to join now.

Sierra Club Meetings

Inner City Outings Meeting, Tuesday, March 23rd, 7p.m., Allison Williams, call 404-664-4199, adwilliams8@ahoo.com

Smart Energy Team Meeting, Monday, April 5th, 6:30p.m refreshments, 7p.m. start, Colleen Kiernan - Chair, colleenkiernan@mindspring.com

Wildlands & Wildlife Committee Meeting, Tuesday, April 20th, 7p.m., Phil Zinsmeister - Chair, pzinsmeister@oglethorpe.edu

RAIL Committee Meeting, Monday, April 26th, 6:45p.m., Jim Dexter - Chair, call 678-313-2407, jimdex@aol.com

Environmental Events



Earth Hour

Saturday, March 27th, 8:30p.m. – 9:30p.m.

On March 22nd join the Georgia Chapter of the Sierra Club and hundreds of millions of people around the world who will come together to call for action on climate change by doing something quite simple—turning off their lights for one hour. The movement symbolizes that by working together, each of us can make a positive impact in this fight, protecting our future and that of future generations. Earth Hour will take place on Saturday, March 27th at 8:30p.m. For more information or to pledge your support as a Georgia Chapter supporter please [click here](#).

Sweetwater Festival Volunteer Orientation

Wednesday, April 7th, 6:30p.m. – 8:30p.m.

Georgia Chapter Office - 743 E. College Ave., Suite B

Sign up for a shift with Sierra Club's "Green the Governor" effort at the 6th Annual Sweetwater 420 Festival in Historic Candler Park, on Saturday and Sunday, April 17th and 18th. With 2010 as an election year, it is most important that members and friends be active in educating both citizens and candidates about the issues that are of importance to us. The Festival should exceed more than 10,000 people. To sign up now, [click here!](#)



Wild Azalea Festival

Saturday, April 10th, 10:00a.m. – 3:00p.m.

5665 Reynolds Road, Morrow, GA 30260

Reynolds Nature Preserve is hosting their first Wild Azalea Festival this spring. This is a family event with exhibit displays, live animal shows, craft vendors, interpretive museum tours, native azalea showcases, food, and much more! Visitors can also take a hike on the trails and explore the park's natural and cultural history. To help with the Sierra Club booth please contact Genie Strickland at 404-607-1262 Ext 221 for more information. Please [click here](#) for more information about the festival.

Zoo Atlanta Party for the Planet

Saturday, April 24th, 10:00a.m. – 5:00p.m.

Zoo Atlanta – Grant Park

Join Zoo Atlanta for a wild, green bash for wildlife preservation and resource conservation! Recycle, reuse and re-imagine your view of our world with fun family activities, crafts, a super lineup of green exhibitors and more. Help table with the Sierra Club from 10:00a.m. until 4:00p.m. Contact Genie Strickland at genie.strickland@sierraclub.org or call 404-607-1262 Ext 221. Please [click here](#) for more information about the festival.





Sierra Club Office Beautification Day

Saturday, May 1st, 10:00a.m. – 12:30p.m.

Join us for a volunteer work day at the office. We'll paint the fence, landscape and prepare our green space for the summer. Afterwards, we'll head over to the Decatur Greenfest to celebrate. Please contact the Sierra Club Office for more information at 404-607-1262 x 221.

Decatur Green Fest

Saturday, May 1st, 3:00p.m. - 9:30 p.m.

Join your neighbors on the Decatur Square for environmental awareness, children's activities, artists and music. The day ends with the first spring concert on the Square. The festival is free! Help table with the Sierra Club, contact Genie Strickland at genie.strickland@sierraclub.org. or call 404-607-1262 Ext 221. Please [click here](#) for more information about the festival.



Support Your Chapter

The opportunity we have been hoping for is here! With your support we hope to build a smart energy future for Georgia. We will work to reduce our dependence on dirty fossil fuels and increase use of clean, smart technology. We will fight to stop new coal-fired power plants from being built and to clean-up air pollution from old ones.

Consider making a donation now that would help the Georgia Chapter continue using a full time professional lobbyist and many citizen lobbyists. A donation that would help us run ad campaigns, rallies or radio PSAs to educate the public. **Your donation can help organize citizens to influence their elected representatives through emails, letters, phone calls and public hearings.** Your donation can do so much to help us continue to protect Georgia's environment.



Any contribution you make right now supports the work of the Georgia Chapter – and stays right in Georgia! **Donate now to the Georgia Chapter of the Sierra Club by [clicking here](#).**

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