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Quit Coal Week -- November 15th - 19th

There is so much coal activity going on that we decided to deem the third week in November **Quit Coal Week**.

Students take a stand for Clean Energy -- November 15th -16th

Students at colleges and universities across the country will be uniting to demand clean energy leadership at all levels of the community and government. In a call for campuses, and our country, to move beyond coal, students will be turning their campuses into clean energy innovation centers. Quads, student centers, hallways and classrooms will be covered with bright, colorful paper pinwheels symbolizing the clean energy transition students are asking school administrators to make.



Pinwheels from all over the country will then be shipped to Washington, DC as part of national demonstration for cleaner, healthier energy choices.

[Sign up your group to participate today!](#)

Living Map Tour -- November 17th



The Georgia Sierra Club in collaboration with Environment Georgia, Greenpeace and Southern Alliance for Clean Energy is hosting a Living Map Tour of all the power plants and coal ash ponds around the state. This is an opportunity to learn about the sources of power in GA and their environmental impact on the state.

The event will take place from 12-2 pm in downtown Atlanta's Woodruff Park at Peachtree and Luckie St. It is easily accessible by MARTA, downtown commuters and students of GSU.

We need your help! Volunteer to hold balloons representing power plant pollution, be a part of our street team collecting coal ash comments, or photograph and blog about it! Contact Erin Glynn, erin.glynn@sierraclub.org, to sign up.

November 18th

The closing arguments will be heard in our appeal of the Plant Washington air permit at 9:30 am in the Office of State Administrative Hearings at 230 Peachtree Street NW Suite 850 ([map](#)). For background on the issues in the case watch our press briefing [here](#). For more info, contact colleen.kiernan@sierraclub.org.



November 19th

Deadline for comments to EPA on coal ash waste! If you haven't submitted yours, click [here](#) to make your voice heard.

Quick Links

The Public Service Commission will be holding a hearing on Georgia Power's **\$1 billion rate increase** and increased profit proposal on Monday, November 8th. For more information go to [Georgia Watch](#).

Beginning at 9 a.m.
Commission Hearing Room

244 Washington Street
Room 110
Atlanta, Georgia 30334 ([map](#))

Sierra Club Meetings

Wildlands & Wildlife Committee Meeting, Tuesday, November 16th, 7:00p.m.,
Phil Zinsmeister - Chair, pzinsmeister@oglethorpe.edu

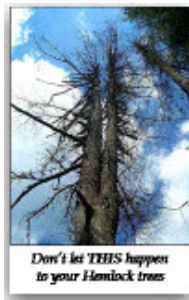
RAIL Committee Meeting, Monday, November 13th, 6:45p.m., Jim Dexter -
Chair, call 678-313-2407, jimdex@aol.com

Fundraising Committee, Wednesday November 17th, , 7:00p.m., Erin Wetty -
Chair, ewetty@seyfarth.com

Inner City Outings Meeting, Tuesday November 30th, , 7:00p.m., Allison
Williams - Chair, adwilliams8@yahoo.com

Smart Energy Team Meeting, Monday, December 6th, 6:30p.m refreshments,
7p.m. start, Colleen Kiernan - colleen.kiernan@sierraclub.org or Erin Glynn -
erin.glynn@sierraclub.org

Environmental Events



Hemlock Festival -- November 5th-7th

The eastern and Carolina hemlock trees are dying due to a spreading infestation of the Hemlock woolly adelgid, an aphid-like insect native to Asia. Hemlock stands are among the only old growth forests in the east and are of great importance to wildlife, water quality, the economy, and our basic quality of life. The Lumpkin Coalition sponsors [HemlockFest](#) to raise money to help support Georgia laboratories raising several types of predator beetles to help control woolly adelgid populations in our national forests.

Primitive camping, live music, arts and crafts and great food will make for a great weekend! Sierra Club is looking for volunteers for our table at

HemlockFest. Contact Genie Strickland at genie.strickland@sierraclub.org or 404-607-1262 x221 to sign up for a shift.

Green Drinks -- November 10th

[Atlanta Green Drinks](#) is excited to announce the November event at FarmStead 303 from 6-9pm. Farmstead is pushing the envelope on offering the most organic and environmentally conscious menu possible. "It's farm fueled comfort food, showcasing locally grown, farm fresh produce, hormone free chicken and pork, and grass feed beef from organic pastures free of antibiotics. Located at 303 E. Howard Ave, Decatur, GA ([map](#)).

Cloudland Canyon 2-for-1 Hike -- November 13th

Sign up for one or both! Rated strenuous due to 600 Steps at the beginning and end of the hike. The trail "officially" begins at the Daniel Creek Bridge at the bottom of the Waterfalls Trail staircase. Following Daniel Creek through open, green hemlock groves, it highlights small waterfalls cascading through limestone crevices. Going down is optional, coming up is mandatory! Back at the top we will have lunch, then for those who want more trail time, the second hike should start about 2pm. Limit of 8 hikers - contact Linda Sealey at bimmy@bellsouth.net (Please include a contact number.)



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