



# SIERRA CLUB



## Lunz Letter

March 2021

### Upcoming Program:

## ***Long-Distance Kayaking From North Carolina to Charleston***

**Mike Sadler**

March 4 | 7:00pm

*Via Zoom*

Outdoorsman and fishing boat captain Mike Sadler will share lessons learned from his kayak journey from North Carolina to Charleston.



Mike was introduced to the world of kayak fishing by his brother and has been hooked ever since. Having become comfortable spending long hours in a kayak, his first long-distance paddle came about spontaneously. Bored and longing for adventure, he started planning a 200 mile journey down the coast. Mike will share stories and valuable lessons for anyone planning similar adventures to come. Read more from this [Post and Courier article](#).

[Click to Register](#) (Required)

*After registering, you will receive a confirmation email containing information about joining the meeting.*

Join this program on [Facebook](#) & [Meetup](#)



**Watch Recording of  
Feb. 4 Program:**

***Protecting Our Salt Marshes***

Speaker Peter Kingsley-Smith discussed efforts to restore salt marsh habitat.

[Click to Stream Recording](#)



**Save the Date**

**April Program:**

Christina Rae Butler will talk about the History of Flooding, Drainage & Reclamation in Charleston

April 1 | 7:00 pm

Find [recordings for all recent programs](#) on the Lunz Group homepage.

## Stop Dominion From Strangling Solar

***Proposal would levy hundreds of dollars in fees against homeowners with solar panels***



In its latest move to discourage solar energy in South Carolina, Dominion Energy wants to impose \$50 million in fees on solar

customers over the next ten years. The utility company is asking the Public Service Commission (PSC) to approve a basic service charge for solar customers that is more than twice as much as the \$9/ month they charge regular customers. On top of this, Dominion wants to charge a new "solar subscription" fee that imposes \$500 or more in annual costs to households with solar panels plugged into the grid. And as if this weren't enough, they also want to slash the amount residential solar generators receive in credit for the excess electricity they supply to the grid.

**Read more:**

- [Post & Courier commentary](#)
- [Southern Environmental Law Center overview](#)

**Don't let Dominion crush solar in South Carolina!**

- Add your name to a [petition opposing the new fees](#)
- Submit a formal [Letter of Protest](#) to the PSC.
- [Sign up and comment](#) during March 23rd public hearing

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## Help the Lowcountry Address the Climate Emergency!



Charleston Climate Coalition is pleased to be working with environmental-justice-minded County Council Member **Kylon Middleton** to develop a Climate Action Resolution for Charleston County. We encourage our Sierra Club members to reach out to their County Council representatives to ask for support of this initiative which can help frame climate-appropriate actions in the future. A final draft of the Resolution is anticipated by February 23.

For more information on how to support this effort, check out CCC at [www.charlestonclimatecoalition.com](http://www.charlestonclimatecoalition.com) or Facebook or contact Belvin Olasov at [belvinolasov@gmail.com](mailto:belvinolasov@gmail.com).

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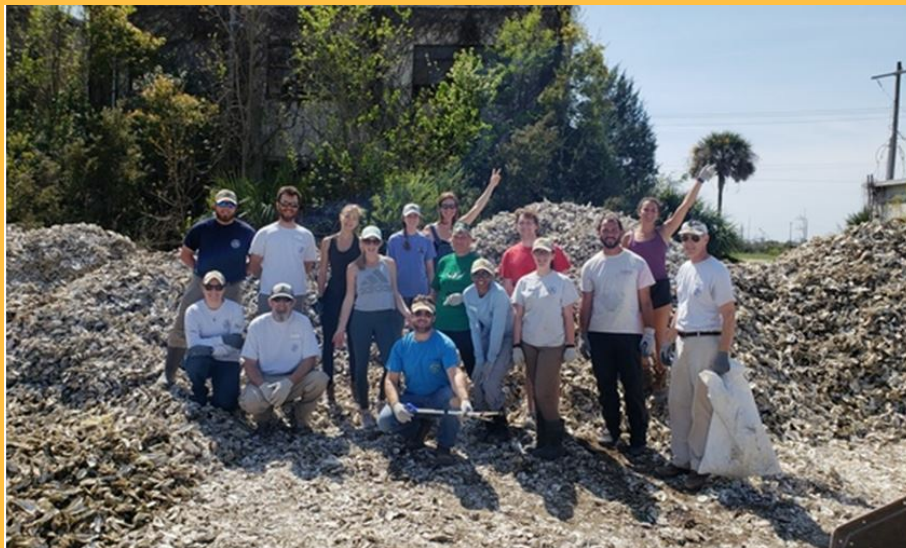
# Sierra Student Coalition

Interested in learning how to organize for climate, racial and economic justice? Looking to meet fellow student activists and make a difference this spring?

Apply to join the Sierra Student Coalition's Climate Justice Academy -- an 8 week fellowship starting in March! The program consists of online interactive trainings, learning about the Green New Deal and THRIVE Agenda, and working together with friends and peers to take action for climate justice on campus or in your community.

Applications are due Monday, February 22.

[Learn More](#)



## Volunteer to Help Recycle Oyster Shells

Join SCORE, AmeriCorps and Charleston Waterkeeper to help sort debris from oyster shells collected from local restaurants and roasts.

The clean oyster shells will then be returned to local marsh areas to help grow the next generation of oysters.

Volunteers are needed for a standing weekly event every Wednesday afternoon from 1-3 pm. All supplies are provided including gloves, grabbers, water, bug spray, hand sanitizer and sunscreen. Please bring your reusable water bottle and come dressed to get dirty in long pants and in closed-toed shoes. All ages are welcome to participate!

**MASKS ARE REQUIRED FOR ALL VOLUNTEERS FOR THE DURATION OF THIS EVENT!**

**Please email [score@dnr.sc.gov](mailto:score@dnr.sc.gov) to RSVP.**

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