Conservation Leadership & Political Training Conference

Please join us for a Conservation Leadership and Political Training Conference Friday, March 19th through Sunday, March 21st. We will be joined by National staff who will help the Chapter refine the Chapter's 2006-2008 strategic plan and working goals. We have a weekend packed full of sessions and fun times and we hope that you can join us.

The training weekend will kick off with registration and a social Friday night in Decatur. Registration will be held at the office from 4:00p.m. until 7:00p.m., with dinner to follow at 7:00p.m. at Leon's Full Service, 131 E. Ponce de Leon.

Saturday morning, join us for breakfast at 8a.m. and conservation planning with Tim Guilfoile, the Deputy Director of the Sierra Club Water Sentinels Program. Tim will guide the Chapter as we assess our progress on the goals that were set in 2006 and what new goals we need to undertake.

Lunch will be provided by the Fundraising Committee and Saturday afternoon we will break out into Conservation committees. The Executive Committee will meet during this time from 1:00p.m. until 6:00p.m. Saturday night, committees will meet for dinner at area restaurants with a bonfire to follow at the office.

Sunday morning, the conference will resume with a political committee break out and training. The cost to attend the training weekend is $10, including breakfast Saturday morning. Several lodging options have been made available for out-of-town attendees. If you have any questions, please contact Ashley at ashley.robbins@georgia.sierraclub.org or to learn more about the training or register online click here.

Register Now!

Quick Links

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.

New Georgia Chapter Calendar! Our efforts to improve our Georgia Chapter communications with our members and volunteers continue. We have improved our Georgia Chapter calendar with a new interface and easier to use design. The calendar now includes all Chapter events, committee meetings, group meetings, and more. To learn what is happening at the Georgia Chapter please visit here.
Sierra Club Meetings

**Fundraising Committee Meeting**, Tuesday, March 9th, 7p.m., Sandy Stewart & Erin Wetty - Co-Chairs, call 404-607-1262 x 225

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

**Executive Committee Meeting**, Saturday, March 20th, 1-6p.m., call Genie Strickland 404-607-1262 x 221, genie.strickland@sierraclub.org

**RAIL Committee Meeting**, Monday, March 22nd, 6:45p.m., Jim Dexter – Chair, call 678-313-2407, jimdex@aol.com

**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

Environmental Events

- **LaGrange Group Meeting**
  Thursday, March 4th, 6:30p.m.
  207 North Greenwood Street - St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, Parish Hall
  Join the LaGrange Group for regularly scheduled monthly meetings on the first Thursday of every month in the Parish Hall of St. Mark’s Episcopal Church, 207 North Greenwood St., LaGrange, GA. Refreshments will be served at 6:30p.m. and at 7:00p.m. Chapter Chair Mark Woodall will give an update on the Georgia Legislature. For more information please click here.

- **Centennial Group Monthly Meeting**
  Thursday, March 4th, 7p.m.
  1269 Barclay Circle SE Marietta, GA 30060 – Life University
  The Centennial Group of the Georgia Chapter of the Sierra Club was organized in 1992 with members from Cobb, Cherokee and North Fulton counties. Meetings are held on the first Thursday of each month at Life University. Joe Cook will join us to talk about the 2010 Paddle Georgia, an 82 mile, 7 day trip that benefits the Georgia River Network. Several Sierrans have participated in this exciting trip and we hope that you can join us this year! For more information please click here.

- **Adopt-A-Stream - Peachtree Creek**
  Saturday, March 6th, 10a.m.
  South Fork of Peachtree Creek
  There will be biologic monitoring at the Metro Atlanta Group’s site on South Fork of Peachtree Creek Saturday at 10 a.m. Biologic monitoring requires lots of eyes to find the macro invertebrates - bugs big enough to be seen without a microscope. For more information, please call Nancy Wylie at 404-256-1172 before 9a.m. on the 6th or click here.

- **Metro Atlanta Group Monthly Meeting**
  Tuesday, March 9th, 7p.m.
  Episcopal Church of the Epiphany
  The Atlanta Group comprises the largest Sierra Club membership in Georgia. Meetings are held the second Tuesday of each month at Church of the Epiphany, 2089 Ponce de Leon Avenue NE in Atlanta. Lee Biola, the president of Citizens for Progressive Transit, will speak about transit plans in Georgia. Shortly after its founding, the group developed a regional transit map for metro Atlanta. The map includes commuter rail, heavy rail, light rail, express buses and streetcars. For more information please click here.

- **Island Ford Hike**
  Saturday, March 13th
Island Ford – Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area

Did you ever want to go hiking on a Saturday and still have time to run your errands? Then consider joining us for a half-day trek at Island Ford, part of the Chattahoochee River National Recreation Area. This trail takes us alongside the Chattahoochee River for about a half hour before turning inland to ascend about 150 feet up a wooded ridge. It then loops back down a long, slippery creek side descent to the river. No pets please. For more information, contact Susan at letsgohiking@comcast.net or click here.

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.

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