Barbara Buono Endorsed for Governor

By Richard Isaac, Chapter Political Chair (risaacx@aol.com)

The New Jersey Governor's Election is just about here, and you can help make the difference. Senator Buono has a terrific record of standing up for New Jersey and the environment. Join me and the Sierra Club in making sure we elect Senator Buono to be our Governor. We still need your commitment. The November 5th election is still too close to call. Your vote could make a difference. Senator Buono needs you to vote and to get others to vote for Senator Buono. As the Sierra Club Executive Director Michael Brune said, “This election is about more than just one candidate,” and he is right. Senator Buono has the best record when it comes to fighting for clean energy and the environment. In New Jersey and across the nation she is the leader in taking our country away from dirty energy and towards a clean energy future.

Early Endorsement of 19 Incumbent State Legislators

By Chapter Chair Ken Johanson

The Sierra Club has endorsed 19 incumbent State Legislators — because of their strong environmental records that will help us protect our state’s natural resources for the future. We urge you to support these representatives and vote accordingly on November 5th.

BPU Puts Solar Program in the Shade

By Chapter Director Jeff Tittel (Jeff.Tittel@Sierraclub.org)

New Jersey’s Board of Public Utilities (BPU) met on April 29th and dramatically reduced the number of eligible projects under the state’s landmark solar program. This is a major setback for solar in New Jersey and we need your help to reverse this decision.

BPU’s decision to reduce the number of eligible solar projects was a blow to all those working to make solar affordable in New Jersey. The BPU’s action means that more than 50 projects will not be able to get the support they need to continue.

We think the Christie Administration pressured BPU to change its mind about the solar program and to reduce the number of projects. It is clear that the BPU did not have the best interest of New Jersey in mind when it made this decision.

We are disappointed with BPU’s decision and we are calling on the BPU to reconsider its decision. We also urge you to support Senator Buono in her campaign for Governor and to help us make a difference.

What you can do:

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New Jersey is home to many species of wild animals. So encounters with humans are not to be expected. The rule of thumb, whenever you come across an orphaned, injured, or sick wild creature, is to contact a licensed wildlife rehabilitator quickly. Unfortunately, the number of such individuals is constantly increasing: currently, from 150 in 2000 to a mere 22 today. Nine counties have no rehabilita-

Because few people are willing to drive any distance to a rehabilitator, kind-heart-
ed but uninformed people may take mat-
ters into their own hands.

Bill S-1864, the “Wildlife Rehabilitation Act,” can help solve the problem. Prime sponsors are Senators Jennifer Beck (R-LD 11) and Jeff Van Drew (D -LD 1); co-spon-
sors include Christopher Bateman (R-LD 16), Robert W. Singer (R-LD 10), and Jim Whelan (D-LD 2). The Bill would move supervision of wildlife rehabilitators from the Division of Fish and Game (DFG) to a newly established Wildlife Rehabilitation Act, to the Department of Environmental Protection. The 10-member WRB would include the DPP, New Jersey Department of Environmental Protection, zoologists, aquatic and wildlife veterinarians, special-
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Pity this Busy Monster

Letter to the Editor from Peter O'Malley, of Oakland NJ

It is a beautiful, indeed freakishly warm day in early April, all the more so after several weeks of persistent lower than normal temperatures. I should be out in my yard, that 20 by 40 foot, haphazardly taken plot, with little lawns. Most of those (ours being, again, an exception) are maintained despite their diminutive sizes, by land-

scaping and lawn maintenance service companies, who send their troop shoo dogs and foot troopers around between, say, late March and early November, to assault the tranquility of the postwar years and the “Happy Days” of the 1950s and early ’60s (for those who love their ideas and trends to be ear-

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the consumer money, and reduced toxic fuel consumption by 30% to 50%, saved

The simple act of cooking a meal

In our own community, the 100 million homes around the world by

would indemnify persons trying to help

Is there an environmental issue that we’re MISSING? If so, please call or write to Club officers.

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One of these plots could be maintained – as ours is – by one person, who could move the grass in five minutes or so with a rotary lawn mower – how many of you are so fortunate?...
Prospects for shore is far stronger and more constant ability factor. Offshore wind energy is an is in sight! A conceptual advance (at least about 20%, meaning traditionally that its production requires bright sunlight, thus exacerbates Global Warming.

I grew up at a time when government was not a four letter word. And while it is true that Republicans and Democrats certainly had their differences, everyone agreed that government plays a crucial role in a civilized society and that fixing problems by cutting health and safety costs of fracking. That’s why, I suggest, it’s legitimate for federal and state governments to legislate subsidies to renewable energy projects.

And that’s why Gov. Christie, desper- ate to mend the hole in his state budget, is misguiding in his willingness to scup- per New Jersey’s renewable energy pro- grams. There’s a better way to address that budget hole, at least for those who appreciate American freedoms and opportunities enough to pay for them with increased taxes and fees, most obvi- ously the tax on gasoline. See Jeff Tittel’s expose of BP’s energy malpractice on p. 1 of this Newsletter. Governor Christie controls it through his appointments of malleable members. They mouth his opposition to both solar and wind subsidies. So the pathway to Community Solar joins the pathway to Offshore Wind, and that path risks straight through the election of Governor that will take place on Nov. 5th. See Rich Isaac’s endorsement article, also on p. 1.

We voted (unanimously) to enter the New Jersey Chapter into a national Sierra Club program to encourage installation of residential solar photovoltaic panels. A “preferred” supplier of panels, Sungevity Inc, will offer a discounted price to install- ers, and will pay the Club a fee for each installation on a Club member’s roof. An article describing the program is on p. 1. (April)

Another legal action was authorized: the Eastern Environmental Law Clinic was retained to oppose rate increases requested from the Board of Public Utilities by New Jersey’s electric power suppliers (PSEG, JCP&L), requests which fail to promote energy efficiency, distributed generation and renewable energy sources. (April)

This past February I joined tens of thousands of concerned people of all ages and backgrounds at a climate change rally in Washington DC. What struck me most about the rally, in addi- tion to the enthusiasm and passion of the participants, was the number of young people who clearly cared enough about the environment to make the trip and demonstrate on a bitterly cold and windy winter day.

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Dune-Lowering in Atlantic City is a Losing Bet

Gov. Christie announced on April 16th that he would be supporting the lowering of the dunes on the beach in Atlantic City, and the DEP is authorizing it. The Governor is correct that the dunes will also be cut.

There is Superstorm Sandy stupidity. Dune vegetation functions to hold the dunes in place, and the long grasses grab blowing sand to maintain them. Dunes are an important part of the ecosystem, helping dissipate wave energy, and protecting the beach, the boardwalk, and the property behind them. Hurricane Sandy demonstrated that the areas with dunes did a lot better than the areas where dunes had been lowered or removed. The idea of giving casino patrons a better view of the beach is foolishness. For one thing no casino provides view window views; it would distract people.

When future storms wreak damage, Atlantic City residents and business owners will again be the taxpaying victims. This is not how you revitalize Atlantic City; this is how you end up having more damage from storm surges. Atlantic City will be gambling with the next storm and it will lose.

JCP&L Rate Increase Request Should Be Denied

On April 16th JCP&L has requested a 4.8% rate increase for improvements following Hurricane Sandy. The increase would provide $345 million on top of $51 million from an earlier request. The Sierra Club opposes the need for our utilities to undertake major improvements. As the weather events we have experienced, but we urge that they be funded responsibly. JCP&L supplies electricity to about 29% of NJ’s residents; mostly in Monmouth, Ocean, Cape May, Warren, Hunterdon and Morris Counties.

We urge the attitude that JCP&L should be held responsible for the loss of service, lost business opportunities, and discomfort that accompanied Sandy. This request for a rate increase is like the survivors of the Titanic having to pay an additional fare to use the life boat. Of all NJ’s utilities, JCP&L had the poorest response to the storm. More than 2.5 million customers were left without power, and many were in the dark for more than two weeks. The BPU should hold JCP&L accountable for the power outages and take steps to prevent future outages. Power lines and electrical infrastructure in vulnerable areas should be relocated to less vulnerable areas. The BPU should provide incentives for the utilities to better protect the grid instead of rewarding poor planning with guaranteed rates of return and rate hikes.

The relocation of power lines and infra- structure after a storm should not entitle it to utilities a profit of 12%, paid by customers. Instead, the work should be done at cost, and customers should be compen- sated for their inconvenience.

JCP&L has been required to implement better storm preparation plans. This should include replacing older and vulnerable power lines and underground to prevent blackouts in the future.

Following Hurricane Irene, in late August, 2011, JCP&L said they were caught off guard, and that what happened then would never happen again. They were right; under Irene 66% of cus- tomers lost power but under Sandy it was closer to 90%. The Sierra Club opposed the takeover of JCP&L by First Energy, arguing that the distant (Akron OH) corporate owners would not care about people in New Jersey, that seems to be the case again.

JCP&L has not invested in energy effi- ciency, district energy, and solar energy. Renewable energy such as solar and combined heat and power, or anything to make the grid more resilient and pre- vent brown outs and black outs. Their ratepayers should be paying for these improvements, not the ratepayers.

Fertilizer Bill Goes into Effect

On April 19th the DEP issued a press release touting the implementation of the Fertilizer Bill. Written by Asm. John McKeon and Sen. Bob Smith, and enacted as PL 2010, Chapt. 112, the bill requires residential lawn fertilizer to contain 20% less phosphorus, and other measures, to reduce eutrophication in water- ways that receive runoff from lawns - such as coastlines and beaches.

Although the Sierra Club regards the bill as a legislative achievement, we think Gov. Christie took too much credit for it. It would have been much stronger had the Administration not opposed it.

The DEP’s Coastal Rule Changes are for the Worse

The DEP released emergency CAFRA changes on April 19th. “The Coastal Area Management Review Act” (40:15E) as signed by Tom Kean’s Administration (1982-90), applies environmental restrictions to developments generally in the Garden State Parkway in Monmouth and more southerly counties.

These changes allow building after Hurricane Sandy without an application to the Department of Environmental Protection. This will permit completely new construction, even the building of sewer lines for pumpouts, without over- sight. Also the disposal of dredge spoils without sampling for toxic contaminants that may have been deposited by Sandy’s storm surge.

As with so many of the Christie Administration’s environmental initia- tives, these changes were drafted behind closed doors, without public input, and are being rushed into implementa- tion without public review. The changes could jeopardize FEMA funding, since FEMA will only reimburse projects that do not violate environmental laws.

There are positives in the changes. One is called Living Shorelines: expediting res- toration of natural beach and dune habitats as estuaries and dunes. But there is no plan for the coast, and restoration may never actually happen.

The DEP is eliminating oversight and transparency for all JCP&L work that is not on Sandy. By waiving environmental standards we may end up with many prob- lems later. Instead of fixing CAFRA and protecting us better from sea level rise, we could end up building projects that will cause more problems later.

The changes also allow for structural and engineered projects along the coast which may not work long term, or create water quality problems due to run- ning sea walls and rebuilding bulkheads, instead of restoring natural systems. It is not clear why the system that was destroyed, instead of restoring a piece of coastline to nature.

This bill allows expansion of a building by 400 sq. ft., or relocation of a home to the landward side of a parcel, without a permit. They leave the rebuilding of our coast to engineering firms. Given their recent track record we should be concerned about the lack of oversight.

Instead of fixing CAFRA, eliminating loopholes, limiting impervious cover, and restoring and rebuilding natural systems, these rules are really the status quo.

There are no environmental standards for future buildings (e.g. for roof replace- ment), or for prohibiting use of tropi- cal woods on boardwalks. There is noth- ing about restoration or limiting impervi- ous cover. It is not about building better or smarter, it is about trying to rebuild the past and maybe elevate it. The con- cept of Living Shorelines may make us more resilient for the next storm.

Other concerns:

• The changes reinforce bad beach planning,
• They do not fix the inaccurate CAFRA maps, or reflect new flood maps.

This will allow for sewers and overdevelopment in environmentally sensi- tive and high hazard areas.

View the changes here: http://www.nj- dep.gov/rules/proposals/20130416a.pdf

Governor Signs Fake Farmland Reform Bill

On April 15th Governor Christie signed S589 (Sweeney), a bill that changes the Farmland Assessment program: a substantial (99%) property tax benefit that has sustained New Jersey’s Farming since the Depression without sampling for toxic contaminants that may have been deposited by Sandy’s storm surge.

This legislation only increases the agricultural revenue qualification from the current $500 annually, set in 1964, to $1000. Based on inflation, the amount should be $10,000, which is the amount set by New York State, along with a min- imum of 10 acres. The legislation contin- ues tax breaks for developers, land specu- lators, and corporate office parks that hide behind farmland assessment. A property owner can receive a tax break on as little as five acres of land. For example, a former state senator would be able to turn five Christmas trees from her estate to qualify for tax breaks. In central New Jersey the largest customers in the Farmland Assessment program are developers and land specula- tors, the largest being Thompson Land Company The Delaware “farmer” in Hunterdon County is Toll Brothers.

For years the Program has been used by developers to “buy” (property) for future development. They buy it unchanged, and just do enough logging and harvesting of hay to qualify for Program. After paying taxes on less than 10% of the assessed value, they develop the property and cash out with a tre- mendous profit.

At the Merrill Lynch facility in Tippecanoe, 224 acres are grown between the large office buildings. Hercules Chemical in Mt. Olive, owned by the China’s National Chemicals, wishes to buy 120 acres. There are proposals for large shopping centers. The BMW office park in Bergen County purchases 10 acres of Forbes Magazine can attest to this. The Helmsley family of New York owns 400 acres near Hopewell. Meyers Squibb in Hopewell are all con- sidered farmland by the Farmland Assessment program.

Meadowlands in the state. New Jersey’s Farming has lost its credibility.

We think their use of Farmland Assessment to get a 98% property tax benefit for building farms farming the govern- ment, not the land. A5940 does not go far enough to address the need of New Jersey’s Farmland Assessment program. We sug- gest a sprawling tax of $4000 an acre per year, for the “farmers” who simply buy a few acres, and then use a piece of property, as well as to purchase water supply lands. They have proper- ties that are worse than no reform because they are not really farming a piece of coastline to nature.
New Weatherization Program Audit Shows Problems Persist

On April 11th a 3-year audit of the Weatherization Assistance Program was released by the NJ Office of Legislative Services, revealing many continuing problems. The Program originated in President Obama’s American Recovery and Reinvestment Act of 2009, which provided $119 Million to be distributed by NJ’s Dept. of Community Affairs to weatherization services (insulation, sealing) non-profit organizations that provide services to low income families. The Program is overseen by NJ’s Housing Mortgage and Finance Agency so as to preserve the natural resources and views in this environmentally sensitive region of New Jersey. We also sponsor hikes and other outings throughout the region.

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ACTIVITIES: Presently working with other grassroots organizations to protect the pristine environment and natural beauty of this area, i.e. to preserve open space, maintain water quality, promote clean energy, and address local environmental issues. We oppose new natural gas pipelines, hydro-fracking and the Susquehanna River mental and electrical power line, so as to preserve the natural resources and views in this environmentally sensitive region of New Jersey. We also sponsor hikes and other outings throughout the region.

PROJECTS:
Associate: John Leveille
We want to collect $1.6 million in contributions from landlords to reimburse the state. There was no documentation on waivers. The audit showed that projects overseen by NJ’s Housing Mortgage and Finance Agency were much more costly than weatherization projects by other agencies.

Given the Governor’s raids on NJ’s Clean Energy Fund, this federal money is very important, and we need to use every penny wisely. The audit can be viewed on the web: http://www.njleg.state.nj.us/legislativepub/Auditor/951912.pdf

Is Your Email Address Up-To-Date?

Does the Sierra Club have your current email address on file? This lets the Club send you online membership renewal notices and ballots in our annual elections. Don’t know? You can check at https://secure.sierraclub.org/site/ConsProfileUser. To update your address, please send an email to membership@sierrac.org with your name, address, and (if you know it) your membership number.

There’s a new bi-weekly Chapter Alert Service. Sign up at www.scnj.convio.net.

Outings News

Cleanup of Camden County’s Cooper River Park

By Leona Fluck (Leona@pineypaddlers.com)

May 4th turned out to be a beautiful spring day as more than 40 volunteers from local communities and organizations came together for a land and water cleanup of Cooper River Park. See Michael Hogan’s (hioganphoto.com) group photo, below.

This much-needed cleanup was organized by Delaware Riverkeeper Network, NJ Food and Water Watch and the West Jersey Group of the Sierra Club. The Camden County Parks Department provided garbage bags, gloves and tools.

The Cooper River Park comprises almost 550 acres in Pennsauken, Cherry Hill, Collingswood and Haddon Township. It is a popular destination year-round, especially for families. The Park is also home to many prestigious rowing events.

Participants learned about the dangers of ‘hydraulic fracturing’ (aka fracking) in our Delaware River Watershed, and the potential threat to our waterways from fracking waste. Our paddlers collected trash in the water, especially where it accumulated in coves. Trash was transferred to a ‘cane barge’ which was later unloaded at the shore. Harry Hudson won the ‘trash prize’ of the day with a very heavy television set – see my photo of NJ Sierra Club members Harry Hudson and George Fluck unloading the TV and trash.

Volunteers on land walked the riverside trail on S. Park Drive, snatching old plastic bottles from the brush with ‘grabbers,’ and filling nearly all the bags provided. The bags were later picked up by the County.

We are planning another joint cleanup for October, 2013 - keep an eye on the NJ Sierra schedule!
GENERAL MEETINGS AND GROUP EVENTS:
June 28 (Fri) - 7 pm: Firefly Hike. Join us for a walk on the Landlord Rail-Trail in Clinton. Meet at the peak feature of the rail-trail located at the intersection of Little Lambert, 25 Main St, Clinton, NJ (behind Weichert Realtors). We’ll walk for approximately 3-4 miles on flat trail (but may take a foray into newly preserved adjacent fields) and take a guided tour of the restored former creamery. Optional dessert afterward. To register, contact Jonathan Wall at psychologist@jonwall.com.

JULY 17 (Wed) - 7 pm: at the Hunterdon Medical Center’s Auditorium, Wescott Lane, Flemington. Meet and greet at 7 pm. Movie: Tapped at 7:30. The high cost to both the environment and our health of bottled water is the subject of this documentary that exposes the dark side of the bottled water industry. Americans may rethink their obsession with bottled H2O when they learn of the unregulated industry’s willingness to ignore environmental and health concerns, and the problems that arise as a result. Is it access clean drinking water a basic human right, or a commodity that should be bought and sold like any other article of commerce?

Sept. 18 (Wed) - 7 pm: at the Hunterdon Medical Center’s Auditorium, Wescott Lane, Flemington. Meet and greet at 7 pm. This is a free film. For those interested, after the show, we’ll have an open forum to discuss the environmental issues on the film. For more information, please contact John: jkashwick@optonline.net or Mary Ellen: meshaw.001@gmail.com for more information.

CONSERVATION ISSUES: Join our conservation team and become more involved in the North Jersey group and tell us more about what you are working on. Some issues we are currently working on include preventing overdevelopment of DePerro’s Farm in Montvale and the proposed LG Tower in Fort Lee that would tower over the NJ Palisades vistas. For more information about these issues, to become involved, or alerted to something that is going on, please contact our Conservation Co-Chairs–Mary Ellen: meshaw.001@gmail.com or Beth Ravit at ravit@envconsru.org.

TRAIL MAINTENANCE: If you’re interested in helping with cleanup work on the AT, please contact Marty Cohen (marchen@garverton.net).

OUTINGS: If you have an idea for an outing you would like to lead, please contact Ellen Manfrinitzke at EllenManfrinitzke@hotmail.com to find out how.

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North Jersey Group
(Bergen and Passaic Counties)

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Ex-Com Member-at-Large: Nancy Wysocki* nwysocki@aol.com

CURRENT ISSUES:
Delaware Water Gap: We support efforts to enhance park protections and funding by upgrading the Delaware Water Gap National Recreational Area to a National Park and Preserve. We are working with local and state governments, outdoor enthusiasts, environmental groups… to work together to conserve and enhance our local park and protect it from the pressures of suburban sprawl, power lines, gas pipes and mineral and gas extraction.

Weeds Issues: Justin Jurek jurek@yahoo.com
Wildlife Issues: Mary Ellen Shaw* meshaw.001@gmail.com

GENERAL MEETINGS AND GROUP EVENTS:
(general meetings are free and open to general public. For more information, directions, or updates, please contact John at jkashwick@optonline.net, check out our Facebook page, or check out the on line calendar listing at http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/nj_calendar.asp.)

June 25 (Tues) - 7 pm at Louis Day 2nd Library, 575 Lafayette Ave, Hawthorne. Tom Belton, author of the book “Protecting NJ’s Environment: From Cancer Alley to the New Jersey Turnpike” will speak about environmental issues in NJ and champion the ways common citizens have sought justice when faced with unseen health threats.

Belton is a scientist with the NJDEP. He has investigated the impact of toxic chemicals on humans and wildlife. (Rescheduled from February)

Sept. 4 (Wed) - 7 pm at Paramus Public Library, 116 East Century Rd, Paramus. More than 90 percent of soybeans and 80 percent of corn grown in the United States contains genetically modified material patented by Monsanto. To make up for the low prices paid by meat companies, many farms raising animals either quit or get bigger. Large scale confined livestock and poultry operations produce half a billion tons of manure each year, more than three times as much waste as that produced. Matt Smith of Food and Water Watch discusses the dangers of GMOs (genetically modified organisms) in our food supply and how it affects your health and the environment.

There are no general meetings scheduled for July or August. Please check our online calendar for hikes and other events at http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/nj_calendar.asp.

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETING: Aug 29 (Thu) at 7pm. (Date and time tentative. Location TBD). The meeting is casual and informative. All members are welcome and encouraged to attend to learn more about the Club, discuss issues, and plan future events. Please check the on-line calendar of events to confirm date and time, or contact John: jkashwick@optonline.net, at any time.

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Gateway Group
(Serving Hillsdale, Essex, Sussex Counties (except for Livingston, Millburn and Roseland), and, tentatively for the present, all of Hudson County."

The Gateway Group was organized in January 2011 to fill a much-needed void after the Essex County Group disbanded. This year it tentatively added Hudson County when the former Hudson-Meadowlands Group lost its leadership. Please contact any of the leaders below if you are interested in joining any of the campaigns to protect the environment. There are several Gateway Group positions open.

Our website: http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/Gateway. We are also accessible from the NJ Chapter website. Follow ‘(and ‘like’) us on Facebook: Gateway Group, NJ Sierra or https://www.facebook.com/pages/Gateway-Group-NJ-Sierra- Club/128998563841782?fref=ts.

North Jersey Group
(Morristown and Union Counties (except for Elizabeth and Hillside), plus Livingston, Millburn and Roseland, approximately)

WEBSITE: http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/Loantaka/

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Outings Chair: Open position
Group ExCom: Open position

ACTIVITIES:
• Contact John Beadle or Barbara Conover, Gateway Chairs, if you have a question about our program listed below or any suggestions for a program in the future. The Gateway Group invites you to join in the activism and asks your support as we strive to address the many issues facing our urban as well as suburban communities. Several vacant positions are listed above. For further information about upcoming activities, volunteer opportunities, or to discuss any concerns please contact David Yenniro dyenniro@msn.com or call 973-844-1384.

EVENTS: None available at press time (May 10). Please check the website.

Loantaka Group
(Morristown and Union Counties (except for Elizabeth and Hillside), plus Livingston, Millburn and Roseland, approximately)

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If you might be interested in getting involved, come to one of our Executive Committee Meetings on the first Tuesday of the month and get to know us. Or come to one of our General Meetings on the second Wednesday of the month. There are no obligations, just fun.

To find out our activities, go to: http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/loantaka/

To join our e-mailing list, go to: http://lists.sierraclub.org/archives/nj/loantaka-news.html

EXECUTIVE COMMITTEE MEETINGS:  are held on the FIRST TUESDAY of the month at 7:30 pm at Library of the Chathams, 214 Main St, Chatham.

All members are welcome at Executive Committee meetings. Right now, we have open positions on it! If you would like to find out more, please contact Paul Sanderson.

GENERAL MEETINGS:  are held on the SECOND WEDNESDAY of the month at 7:30 pm at the Library of the Chathams, 214 Main St, Chatham.

Come learn something new and make some new friends. We’d welcome the chance to meet you and to introduce ourselves. Please see the schedule, below, and join us!

DIRECTIONS:  Directions are posted on our website: http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/loantaka/.

MEETING SCHEDULE:
July, August:  No Meetings

Sept 11:  Eric Hauser will take a look at the world as the way we may have to function with less energy once the easily accessible fossil fuel reserves have been exhausted. If we are forced to reduce CO2 emissions in order to control runaway global warming, and rely more on renewable energy, how will our daily lives change? Eric will offer a PowerPoint presentation and lead a discussion afterward

ACTIVITIES:  (Consult our website (http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/loantaka/) for more information.)

The Loantaka Group is working with concerned citizens and local environmental organizations to protect open space and wildlife habitat in Morris and Union Counties, and to safeguard the water resources on which we all depend. We are also organizing volunteers to help maintain and improve trails in the Morris and Union County Park Systems. In addition, the Group is actively involved in statewide initiatives involving air quality, transportation, and environmental legislation. Volunteers are always welcome. Call Paul (908-253-2414) or Eric (732-669-9175).
To get to Brookdale, take GSP Exit 109 to Rte 520 West (Newman Springs Rd, which becomes E. Main St in the Littlestown crossing). Exit the traffic circle into the campus and follow the signs to the Warner Student Life Center (SLC), where the meeting usually is held in the Twin Lights I Room. Use parking lot 5. As you walk towards the building complex, Warner will be on your left. If it is fall, use parking lot 6 or a campus map is available at http://www.brookdalecc.edu/PTFFiles/MAPS/MAP_04_08.pdf.

July 21: Group Picnic Noon to 3 pm Sierra (Monmouth) annual summer pot-luck picnic will be held on Sunday, July 21 at Turkey Swamp Park, 200 Georgia Rd, Freehold. Meet in the picnic area behind the main building. No speeches, thank goodness. It's a lot of good company. Bob Grise also can be counted on to offer his world-famous flora and fauna hike around the lake less to expand our ecological awareness than to work off the food. Check with Lois Blake (lBlake@otonline.net, 732-959-5177) on what to bring and get directions. At 7pm, take Rte 51 west to Georgia Rd (Rte 53), turn left (south) on Georgia and follow the signs to the park. From Georgia, at Exit 3, take Jackson Mills Rd north to Georgia Rd, turn left (west) on Georgia and follow the signs.

August – No meeting is planned. Enjoy the summer.

September 23: Do we need more parklands and open spaces? Initially John Mair lobbed Theodore ToDoze to preserve Yosemite to protect nature – the unique landscape, flora and fauna. Today park advocates have greatly expanded their view: Parks are critical in protecting the health and well-being of every living thing – plant and animal, including homo sapiens – by controlling land, air, and water pollution. We have two fighting for technology Southern Utah's spectacular redrock canyon lands, public lands that are a national treasure although they are mostly unprotected. Then Laura Swok, Educational Director of the N.J. Conservation Foundation, will describe the uphill fight to increase our parklands and open spaces. She will discuss such problems as the budget runs that are hurting NJ's parks, commercial "partnerships" that give corporations access to charging parking and other fees in state parks, the race of purchasing additional open space, the status of the NJ Preservation Trust and the nationally recognized Open Space program, and the problem from utilities to build oil and gas pipelines and power lines in parklands.

Meeting House. Park in the lot next to the Meeting House and enter the Meeting House.

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For more information about our activities and events, please visit our website: www.newjersey.sierrascoc.org/ocan.

MEETINGS AND EVENTS: General Meetings are held bi-monthly (i.e., in alternate months) usually on the FOURTH MONDAY at 7pm at the "Skywalk Cafe" in the Ocean County Administration Building, 129 Hoover Avenue (2nd Floor), Toms River. Information meetings in January-March will be posted on the website: www.newjersey.sierrascoc.org/ocan.

West Jersey Group
(Camden, Gloucester and Burlington Counties, approximately)

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Some Possibly Relevant Meetings of Allied Organizations:

- July 3, Aug 7 and Sept 4 (first Wednesdays), 7pm Atlantic County Friends of the Pinelands (WFNC) meetings held in the Meeting House. Park in the lot next to the Meeting House and enter the Meeting House.
- July 11: To be announced. Please check our website for updates
- The West Jersey Group does not meet in June, July or August. Please join us on a bike or paddling adventure. See you in September.

(Atlantic, Cape May, Cumberland and Salem Counties, approximately)

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- Fund-Raising: Jim Murphy

Michele Cooklin (lorax317@gmail.com) is our new Membership Chair, and will be attempting to revitalize the Group.

The Cape May County Conservation Committee hosts bi-monthly educational presentations at The Free Meal Center, 1206 Route 9 South, Cape May Court House NJ 08210. Our get-togethers are 7:30pm, each with a guest speaker covering an environmental topic ranging from wind power and solar power to aquifers and habitats. The Chair is Douglas Jewell, 5 Timber Lane, Swainton 08210 1462 (e-mail jewellrebbe@comcast.net, cell phone 609.790.7129), or call Vilma Pombor at 609-465-5655. Look for our meeting notices in the CMC. We hope you will be able to join us.

We strongly recommend GEHWA's website for keeping up with local issues, and for links to many other local, regional, state and national environmental organizations: www.gehwa.org. If you have topics (and places) for meetings, please let the officers know about them. We welcome general comments from Club members in South Jersey. To be placed on a carefully guarded distribution list for local issues and meetings, please e-mail dick.colby@stockton.edu.

Current Issues: In addition to our opposition to the extension of Rte 55 into Cape May County (see article in the previous issue of this Newsletter), two Cape May County Democratic County Committees have been active in opposing a proposed boardwalk, in Ocean City and Wildwood, are being led by Georgina Shanley [shanley2001@yahoo.com]. Club officers and staff have been following closely the several studies seeking to determine sustainable water supply levels for southeastern New Jersey, with the hope that findings will be used by planners (such as those employed by the Pinelands Commission) who authorize development. Other hot issues include damage done to sand dunes at ATVs, a campaign to promote Community Solar (photovoltaic) installations (especially in each municipality in Atlantic County), and support for a New Jersey Bottle Bill, known as the Smart Container Act (H5930/N1467).

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- July 3, Aug 7 and Sept 4 (first Wednesdays), 7pm Atlantic County Friends of the Pinelands (WFNC) meetings held in the Meeting House. Park in the lot next to the Meeting House and enter the Meeting House.
- July 23 and Sep 4 (fourth Tuesday) Great Egg Harbor River Watershed Association: Membership meetings, open to the public, WFNC*. Contact Lynn Maun, 856-453-0416 or email lynnymaun@comcast.net.
- Aug 21 (third Wednesday), 7pm Great Egg Harbor Scenic and Recreational River Project, 12 month plan, 30 +/- member management strategies. Open to the public, WFNC*. Contact Julie Akers, 609-432-5280.
- 530 South Jersey is a recently formed group that opposes Climate Change, and that takes to hold monthly meetings at the Unitarian Universalist Church on Pomona Rd (Rte 575) opposite the Stockton College campus in Galloway Twp. Atlantic Co. Contact Glenn Kleece, glennk1949@gmail.com.

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Singles Section

(A chapter-wide, special interest section offering hikes/cleanups, social gatherings, meetings, etc.)

Please join us! The NJ Singles Section was specifically created to offer a variety of singles-oriented activities to NJ Sierra Club members and those who would like to know more about us. We are not a local group; we are a statewide additional “layer” of Club involvement. Everyone is welcome to attend our events. Come out and meet fellow Club members and others who care about the environment. We can offer as many activities as we have volunteers to run them – if you have the slightest urge to get involved, please give us a visit! WEBSITE: http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/Singles/

The BEST way to be notified of upcoming events is to join our free listserve. Anyone may subscribe by going to: http://archives.sierraclub.org/archives/NJ-SINGLES-NEWS.html and clicking on “join or leave the list.” You may subscribe and unsubscribe at will; directions on how to unsubscribe are at the bottom of each announcement. We recommend joining the listserv as some events are advertised only by email. If you prefer not to receive email, you may view an archive of all prior messages at http://lists.sierraclub.org/archives/NJ-SINGLES-NEWS.html

You can now also “like” us on Facebook: “Singles Group New Jersey Sierra Club”.

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Membership: Position Open, Contact us!
Nominations: Position Open, Contact us!

Volunteer Opportunities: We need volunteers in all areas of the state to run events. Volunteers needed as hike leaders, Fundraising Chair/Treasurers, and members of all committees, including planning social events and conservation activities. Please attend an executive committee meeting or email any of the officers if you are interested. You may co-chair any position with a friend, if desired. We’re happy to help you learn the ropes.

GENERAL MEETINGS: Casual pizza gathering, introduction to club issues and activities, speakers, and letter-writing at the Chatham Library. Dates and topics will be announced on our listserve. See below for subscription information.

ExCom MEETINGS take place once a month at various locations. All welcome. Contact any officer for location.

SOCIAL GATHERINGS:

SOCIAL DINNER: FIRST WEDNESDAY of each month at 7pm. Join us for dinner at a restaurant in the Morristown area. Location will be announced 2 weeks before each social. RSVP required. Join our listserve for further details.

SOCIAL DINNER: THIRD TUESDAY of each month at 7pm. Join us for dinner at a variety of Montclair restaurants. Location will be announced 2 weeks before each social. RSVP is required to jkhaddad@juno.com.

HIKES AND OTHER OUTINGS:

The Singles Section sponsors many outings, ranging from beginners’ level to advanced difficulty. Some of these are listed in this newsletter; other are announced only on our listserve. Included below are several outings led by Jim Oleksiak (July 15 and Sept 14) and Jeff Sovelove (July 14 and Aug 17; see Sept 21). Please join the listserve to receive notification of all of our outings (see above for instructions on how to subscribe).

Gay and Lesbian Section

(AIts January, 2013, meeting, the Executive Committee created this new, chapter-wide special interest Section which will offer new outings and even more including hikes, clean ups, social gatherings, dinner-get-togethers, and other functions intended for those members of the GLBT Community.)

The mission of this Section is to support Sierra Club groups, and to promote activism through letter writing, phone calls, and other active support for environmental issues. Please check our listings on our online calendar at http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/nj/calendar.asp. For more information or to get involved in the Section, please contact John Kashwick at jkashwick@optonline.net

Senior Section/Fifty-Plus Section

(A chapter-wide special interest section which offers a monthly calendar of activities and events, including hikes, clean ups, social gatherings, dinner-get-togethers and other functions intended for those members over fifty)

In this month, a monthly Bay & Self newsletter is sent out to members free of charge, in which you can list items they are searching for or want to buy.

The mission of this Section is to support Sierra Club groups, and to promote activism through letter writing, phone calls, and other active support for environmental issues. We work through a “List Serve,” by which members learn about current environmental issues, and how they can be supported.

Arlene Zatza is the editor of the Senior Section/Fifty-Plus Section. She can be reached at arlene@runtravel.com and volunteered members to check her web site at www.runtravel.com for trips and travel information.

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Care for more Club involvement? You can sample (and subscribe to) several specialist Club national electronic newsletters by logging on to: insider@sierraclub.org, current@sierraclub.org, www.sierraclub.org/population, and www.sierraclub.org/globalwarming.

Singles Group News

A special interest section for Sierra Club Members in their 20’s & 30’s, providing Socials and Outings to inspire a sense of community, appreciation for the environment, and involvement in preserving our future. Many events are open to all Young Sierrans regardless of marital status, so whether you are single, dating or married, please come join us! WEBSITE: http://newjersey.sierraclub.org/YoungSierrans/

Position Open.

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Outings Chair: (South Jersey) Jacky Oleksiak jackyoleksiak@hotmail.com

We need Young Sierra Outing Leaders for all areas, but extra especially for the Northern and South Jersey areas. We will help you step-by-step through the training process to properly lead hikes and outdoor activities. Reimbursement, insurance and guidance are provided under the Sierra Club’s membership. If interested contact Chair or Young Sierra Coordinator at YoungSierrans@yahoo.com.

EVENTS: Volunteers for events throughout New Jersey wanted. Meet great people in your area! Publicity provided. Contact Coordinator at YoungSierrans@yahoo.com for information.

All Events will be announced via The Young Sierrans’ EMail List Serve. To be put on it, send an email to YoungSierrans@yahoo.com with subject heading “Young Sierrans EMail List” — or to subscribe directly go to : http://lists.sierraclub.org/archives/NJ/YOUNGSIERRANS-NEWS.html. Events for 20’s only are available for those wanting to volunteer to host 20’s only events. Young Sierra Event Volunteers always needed and welcomed.

Sierra Student Coalition

(a semi-autonomous organization of college and high-school students)

National Website: http://www.soc.org/

CHAPTER: Youth Section

An officer and chair and a cadre of younger members to take the lead in organizing various ICO promotional activities. (You don’t even have to go on a hike.)
be taken. Always prepare adequately and enjoy if you feel like it. Your personal health and safety are the primary focus. Taking a pill, drinking a glass of water, or eating a meal will help ensure a safe and pleasant outing.

Please arrive at the meeting place so that the outing can start on time. For day hikes, lunch, salt (at least 1/2), extra clothing, rain gear, and emergency supplies should be provided for each participant. If the weather is interesting, stand-by over-the-counter drugs or toiletries should be worth it. (Rte 524 west to Georgia Rd (Rte 53), turn left (south) on Georgia Rd and follow the signs to the park.)

Unless registration is required, such as for weekend trips or day hikes, don’t have a question about the outing, you may assume that we will take place, unless the organizer indicated otherwise.

If you have a question about the outing, you may assume that we will take place, unless the organizer indicated otherwise.

If you have questions, please contact the Contact leaders to confirm trip and participation: George & Leona F: 609-259-3734 or leona@pineypaddlers.com. (W)

There’s a new interactive CALENDAR for outings and Group events - on our website (www.newjersey.sierraclub.org). Click "Events and Outings" as follows:

- West Jersey (NJ) - NJ Chapter
- Central Jersey
- South Jersey
- North Jersey
- Skylaad's Cruises
- Detroit Valley
- East Jersey
- NJ- Chapter
- NJ Cruises
- NJ Cruises (Snug Harbor) - OCC (OCSAC - Atlantic Chapter)
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