

We're happy to present the **April 2013 issue** of NWF's Young Professionals Listserv. Please use this listserv to share your own initiatives, pose questions and network by simply emailing youngprofessionals@lists.nationalwildlife.org.

Also, don't forget to check out NWF's alumni/young professionals' networks on [Facebook](#) and [LinkedIn](#).

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ALUMNI SPOTLIGHT

Ariel Diamond
2003 Campus Ecology Fellow
Wellesley College, MA

Project:

Ariel's project proposed creating a sustainable, expandable and convenient campus recycling program. The project was carried out by Wellesley Energy and Environmental Defense (WEED), a multi-constituency campus group Ariel founded. Due in large part to Ariel's Fellowship efforts, Wellesley still maintains a strong recycling program.

What Ariel's doing now:

Ariel currently works as a butcher at an upscale sustainable grocery store. She has worked as a cook, butcher, and baker at some of the best restaurants in Chicago, and is currently working on a book about meat and what it means to eat it. Ariel is in the process of applying for graduate programs in food systems economics.

Ariel on her Fellowship:

My Campus Ecology Fellowship (to re-establish the recycling program at Wellesley) was and continues to be a reflection of some of my most dearly-held values: to recognize the concrete, operations-based sources of problems and work with my hands to solve them, and by doing so, understand the problem in a deeper way. The fellowship also made me recognize the value of working across multiple constituencies to get the job done in the best way possible. My career has reflected this: I started by advocating for sustainable agriculture, but decided to use my hands and my body to work with food IRL instead of simply as a concept. I am just now reaching the point where I am ready to use this on-the-ground knowledge to inform a larger goal of improving our food system.

What are YOU up to? We love to hear all of the exciting and inspiring things NWF alumni are investing their time in. Let us know (cochranc@nwf.org) and you could be featured in the "Alumni Spotlight."

JOBS/OPPORTUNITIES

NWF Fellowships – Application Deadline Extended to 4/14!

National Wildlife Federation is currently accepting applications for **both** our **Campus Ecology Fellowships** (open to current **UNDERGRAD** and **GRADUATE** students) as well as our **NEW Emerging Leader Fellowships** (open to young professionals age 21-35).

Since 2000, National Wildlife Federation has awarded over 150 Campus Ecology Fellowships to undergrad and graduate students across the country working on climate action projects on their campuses and in their communities. This year we are expanding our Fellowship offering by not only supporting student Fellows but also opening the opportunity to young professional, emerging leaders looking to further develop their career and leadership opportunities in the conservation movement.

Please visit www.nwf.org/Fellows to learn more and access application materials

Sustainability Science Communications Faculty Position, Syracuse University Syracuse, NY

Syracuse University's S.I. Newhouse School of Public Communications invites applications for a full-time position in Sustainability Science Communications, a program dedicated to communicating environmental science and sustainability to the public.

More Information:

For additional details or to apply, please go to www.sujobopps.com, Job # 070193.

USGBC Center for Green Schools Fellowship

The U.S. Green Building Council's Center for Green Schools was formed to expand USGBC's efforts to drive change in how schools and campuses are designed, constructed and operated so they will enhance every aspect of student learning experience. The Green Schools Fellowship program provides partner school districts or organizations with a dedicated expert to bring this vision to reality. The Fellow placed within the New Jersey School Board Association will become part of, and work with, the NJSBA's existing sustainability team to assist with and expand their three prong approach to meet the Association's sustainability objectives.

More Information

TAKE ACTION

Say No to the Keystone XL Pipeline

An Exxon Mobil pipeline carrying tar sands oil from Canada spilled in Arkansas on Friday, sending thousands of gallons of heavy crude oil flowing through residential streets outside Little Rock, forcing families to evacuate 22 homes, and threatening a reservoir treasured by sport fisherman. The disaster comes as regulators consider new, expanded or repurposed pipelines across America like [Keystone XL](#) to carry Canadian tar sands to port refineries.

The risks to our wildlife, communities and clean water are just too great – [tell President Obama he should say no to the Keystone XL tar sands pipeline](#).

IN THE NEWS

Celebrate Earth Month by Entering The National Wildlife® 43rd Annual Photo Contest!

The *National Wildlife*® 43rd Annual Photo Contest is now officially open for entries and we welcome your help in promoting it to the public. Photographers of all levels of experience can submit images in seven categories. There also is a separate Youth category for teens ages 13-17.

This year's Grand Prize is an expense-paid trip for two to photograph polar bears in Churchill, Manitoba, Canada, provided by one of the contest's sponsors. All entrants also are eligible to participate in the People's Choice Award, selected by visitors to the contest's website.

The competition runs through July 15, 2013. Entrants may submit 10 photographs per \$20 entry fee, or 15 images if the entry fee is paid by May 15. The fee is tax deductible and includes a one-year NWF membership. The competition is not open to NWF employees.

For more details, visit www.nwf.org/photocontest.

EVENTS

*I'm Here, What's Next: Building a Sustainable Career
EcoCareer Conference hosted by DC EcoWomen
May 18th, 2013
Washington, DC*

Join [DC EcoWomen](http://www.dceowomen.org) as we build skills to help women navigate challenges we face in our careers and our personal lives. I'm Here, What's Next? Building a Sustainable Career will have multiple sessions for career skill building, turning your passion into a profession, and strategies for your personal development – it will be a full day of learning how to take that next step. DC EcoWomen is a non-profit for women, run by women.

More Information:

Learn more about the conference, and purchase your ticket by visiting <http://dc.ecowomen.org/conference>. Workshops are filling up quickly. Buy your ticket today to take advantage of the early bird rate of \$40!

*Global Power Shift
June 10 – 17, 2013
Istanbul, Turkey*

Global Power Shift was initiated and is being led by 350.org, a youth-led network co-founded by environmental writer Bill McKibben. We are teaming up with a wide range of friends and allies (listed below) from across the international youth climate movement and climate movement more broadly to prepare for the global kickoff event in Istanbul, Turkey in June 2013, and also to spark rolling national Power Shift events and new campaign mobilizations around the world throughout 2013.

Global Power Shift will begin with an international climate leaders summit of mostly young people in Istanbul, Turkey June 10-17, 2013. The week-long summit will be a chance for us to refine skills, create personal bonds and community, share a global vision for change, and strategize how to organize different actions and similar summits back home. In the months that follow, in country after country we will organize national or regional summits.

To learn more and apply for phase I in Istanbul, click [HERE](#).

2013 Outdoor Nation Summits

For the fourth year in a row, Outdoor Nation will host Summits so that you - the Millennial generation - can fight the growing divide between young people and nature and inspire more Americans to get outdoors and active. Join other outdoor enthusiasts and champions, solve the most pressing outdoor issues and commit to taking action - together.

Signature Summits

[Raleigh/Durham Summit](#): June 29-30

[Chicago Summit](#): July 13-14

[Seattle Summit](#): July 20-21

ON-Its (Outdoor Nation Intensive Trainings)

[Boston Summit](#): September 14-15

[Austin Summit](#): October 5-6

[Los Angeles Summit](#): October 19-20

MORE JOBS/OPPORTUNITIES

Game ON! Challenge Grants

Outdoor Nation is partnering with the Entertainment Software Association (ESA) as well as leaders in the conservation community and entertainment gaming industry to launch **Game ON! Challenge Grants**. This pilot program is investing in youth-inspired projects that leverage entertainment gaming technologies and principles to get a new generation outdoors, active and engaged in conservation challenges.

Individuals and teams - beginners and experts alike - are tasked to create a new app/mobile game or promote an existing game to inspire youth to get outdoors and active. Grants of \$5,000 will be given to the top four projects that are judged to have greatest likelihood of successfully increasing outdoor participation among America's youth.

[**More Information**](#)

Director of Energy Management and Sustainability, Oberlin College Oberlin, OH

Oberlin College invites applications for the position of Director of Energy Management and Sustainability. This is a full-time 12-month Administrative and Professional Staff position reporting to the Vice President for Finance.

[**More Information**](#)

Energy Action Coalition Summer Opportunities Various locations across the U.S.

Summer is a critical time to build and strengthen the movement, and luckily there are many opportunities to get involved in the youth climate movement this summer with Energy Action Coalition and its partner organizations.

More Information:

Visit the [summer opportunities page](#) to learn more

Social Media/Engagement Coordinator, Grist Seattle, WA

Grist is seeking an outgoing individual to help manage Grist's large social media presence. This is an entry-level position for a creative person who thrives in a fast-paced environment, pays strict attention to detail, is quick to take initiative and, above all, is a team player. And a sense of humor doesn't hurt!

[**More Information**](#)

***Sustainable Technology Research Fellow, Oberlin College
Oberlin, OH***

Oberlin College invites applications for the position of Sustainable Technology Research Fellow. The successful candidate will assist in the development and management of “Environmental Dashboard,” a novel technological system that provides community residents with environmentally and socially contextualized real-time feedback on electricity and water flows and environmental conditions through residential and commercial buildings and through cities. More information on the project can be found at: www.oberlindashboard.org. We seek a recent college graduate (or equivalent experience) with substantial knowledge of computer systems and excellent organizational skills who is excited by the opportunity to develop and manage novel technology designed to motivate and empower citizens to take better care of the environment.

More Information:

Applications will be considered immediately until the position is filled (6/1 limit). A full description and instructions for application are posted at:

http://new.oberlin.edu/home/jobs/jobs_detail.dot?id=5184524

Look for the next Young Professionals Listserv issue coming in May 2013.

***Previous and current bulletins are archived and can be found on Campus Ecology’s website, here: <http://www.nwf.org/Global-Warming/Campus-Solutions/About/Alumni-Highlights.aspx>**

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