

We're happy to present the **February 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

Garrett Fitzgerald
2004 Campus Ecology Fellow
UC Berkeley, CA

Project:

Garrett conducted a comprehensive sustainability assessment of the Berkeley campus and launched an awards program recognizing faculty and staff who demonstrated a commitment to improving environmental performance. The 2005 UC Berkeley Campus Sustainability Assessment laid the groundwork for significant progress in various areas such as water efficiency, waste reduction, and greenhouse gas mitigation by evaluating performance of campus operations, identifying opportunities, and engaging key stakeholders. Multiple projects have resulted from the seeds that were planted by this project. The inter-departmental campus sustainability committee that was formed at the time of the Fellowships continues to move forward in identifying and championing projects to make UC Berkeley a more sustainable campus, and the university has hired dedicated staff for this purpose. The Assessment helped to ground much of this work, providing a baseline for comparing future performance, identifying new ideas, and building momentum by celebrating successes, motivating the campus to engage in new and bigger ideas.

What's he doing now:

Garrett joined the City of Oakland, CA in 2008 as the City's Sustainability Coordinator. In his role, Garrett manages the City's Sustainable Oakland program, whose mission is to support Oakland's progress in becoming a more sustainable city through innovative programs and practices addressing social equity, improved environmental quality, and sustainable economic development. He is responsible for facilitating institutional collaboration to improve Oakland's sustainable economic performance, as well as tracking, reporting on and promoting that performance. Garrett established and coordinates an inter-departmental management-level Sustainability Advisory Team, as well as teams focused on individual projects such as climate planning and urban forest planning. He led the development of Oakland's Energy and Climate Action Plan for reducing energy use and GHG emissions, and coordinates implementation of the City's climate protection and adaptation efforts. He promotes Oakland's sustainable city story through and annual Sustainable Oakland report, annual Green Oakland insert in the San Francisco Business Times, and other outreach efforts including an online Green Map.

Beyond his role with the City of Oakland, Garrett is currently the co-chair of ICLEI's effort to develop a Community Greenhouse Gas Emissions Reporting Protocol, a steering committee member for the STAR Community Rating System, and an Planning Committee member for the Urban Sustainability Directors Network.

Garrett on his Fellowship:

[My Fellowship] taught me a lot about how to evaluate the performance of an organization and community through the lens of many sustainability criteria. I apply these lessons every day in my current job, where I am responsible for helping a city government evaluate the sustainability performance of our operations and the community we serve. There are many parallels between a campus and a city.

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 – Now Accepting Applications!

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

Multi-Media Intern, National Wildlife Federation Reston, VA

The National Wildlife Federation seeks a part-time unpaid intern to work with the Multi-Media Content Producer within the Strategic Communications and Marketing Teams. This is a great opportunity to get hands on training within a busy non-profit organization.

[More Information](#)

Climate Action Manager, UC Santa Cruz Santa Cruz, CA

The Climate Action Manager works to ensure that the campus fulfills or exceeds relevant policies, commitments, and regulations such as the American College and Universities Presidents Climate Commitment, Assembly Bill 32, and the University of California Policy on Sustainable Practices and Climate Action Compact. The manager serves as a liaison for the campus with the UC Office of the President, other UC campuses, local government, and community organizations and works in a collaborative manner to develop productive relationships with campus and external constituencies in order to fill above job responsibilities.

[More Information](#)

TAKE ACTION

Keep the [#ForwardOnClimate](#) Momentum Going!

On Sunday, February 17, 40,000+ gathered at the Washington Monument and then marched past the White House, demanding that President Obama block the Keystone XL pipeline and move forward toward climate action. A big thank you to all who participated in person in D.C., in solidarity events around the country and online. Together we made this the largest climate rally in U.S. history! Let's keep the momentum going.

Click [HERE](#) to edit and **send a message to President Obama, urging him to announce strong plans to limit carbon pollution.**

IN THE NEWS

NWF Releases New Report, [Wildlife in a Warming World: Confronting the Climate Crisis](#)

The next report released this month by NWF, [Wildlife in a Warming World: Confronting the Climate Crisis](#), examines case studies from across the country illustrating how global warming is altering wildlife habitats. It recommends solutions to protect both wildlife and communities across America from the growing climate-fueled threats such as extreme weather, sea level rise and wildfires.

You can find the full report [HERE](#). Please feel free to share with your family, friends and peers!

EVENTS

NWF Emerging Leader Professional Development Webinar Personal Productivity and Time Management

February 26, 2013

3:00 – 4:00pm EST

Mika Hernandez from Sierra Student Coalition's Core Training Team will lead a webinar on personal productivity and time management. She will help participants to explore where their time and energy are being spent, how to direct time and energy towards goals that are fulfilling and how to manage time more effectively and learn how to effectively put time and energy into what really matters to you.

[RSVP HERE](#)

C2C Fellows Training: Sustainability Leadership for Policy and Business

University of Colorado, Boulder: February 22-24

University of Michigan, Ann Arbor: March 15-17

Lewis & Clark College, Portland, Oregon: April 12-14

[C2C Fellows](#) weekend training workshops, sponsored by the [Bard Center for Environmental Policy](#), focus on concrete skills development, including fundraising and communication. Graduates of the weekend workshops are eligible for partial scholarships to CEP's masters programs in environmental policy, climate science and policy, and green business, as well as \$1,000 scholarships for follow-on leadership trainings.

[More Information](#)

National Adaptation Forum: Action today for a Better Tomorrow

April 2-4, 2013

Denver, CO

NAF is the first of its kind national convening on climate change adaptation presenting state-of-the art and science adaptation practice. It combines professional development training, individual presentation, peer networking, and working group innovation opportunities, in order to create the most productive event possible in three days!

This professional development event affords attendees the opportunity to learn more about how to make their work climate smart, share what they have learned with others, and develop a stronger network to be climate savvy in all that they do.

[More Information](#)

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](#)**.

MORE JOBS & OPPORTUNITIES

Director, Common Good City Farm

Washington, DC

Common Good City Farm (CGCF) is a nonprofit organization founded in 2007 with a mission to grow food, educate, and help low-income DC community members meet their food needs. CGCF's half-acre farm in DC's LeDroit Park is the principal site for programs providing hands-on training in food production, healthy eating and environmental sustainability to people of all ages and backgrounds. The Executive Director (ED) runs the organization day-to-day, advances the mission and achieves financial objectives. The ideal candidate will be committed to building sustainable food systems through urban agriculture. S/he will have experience managing a small nonprofit organization and possess excellent verbal and written communications skills

[More Information](#)

Teaching Fellow, Dickinson College

Carlise, PA

Dickinson College seeks a post-doctoral teaching fellow in Earth or Environmental Sciences/Studies with topical interests in Asia; field experience in Asia preferred. The fellowship is for the academic year beginning fall 2013, with the potential for an additional year of support. Funding is provided under a grant from the Luce Initiative on Asian Studies and the Environment (LIASE) and

Dickinson College. The successful candidate will teach one or two undergraduate courses annually, designed in coordination with the host department and with possibilities across a broad range of natural and social science topics. Assistance with organizing a faculty colloquium in his or her field of expertise is also expected.

More Information:

Application reviews will begin on February 4, 2013 and continue until the position is filled. To apply visit: <https://jobs.dickinson.edu>. Please submit a letter of interest and a CV including the names and contact of three references. Questions may be directed to the LIASE Project Coordinator via email liase@dickinson.edu.

***Conference Coordinator Pingree Park Mountain Campus, Colorado State University
Boulder, CO***

Colorado State University (CSU) invites applications for the position of Conference Coordinator for the Pingree Park Mountain Campus in the Department of Housing & Dining Services. The Conference Coordinator is a member of the full-time, year-round Pingree Park staff, and reports to the Assistant Director. The position requires the successful candidate to work and live at the mountain campus from Mid-May until Mid-October, including evening and weekend commitments. The remainder of the year is spent working on the CSU campus in Fort Collins. The Conference Coordinator serves as the primary contact for 70-80 conferences each year, providing administrative and logistical support for all conference visitors. This position is expected to maintain and develop collaborative working relationships with a variety of departments and individuals across CSU in an effort to increase awareness and utilization of the Pingree Park Mountain Campus.

[More Information](#)

2042 TODAY: YOUNG LEADERS RE-IMAGINING CONSERVATION

A 7-Day Retreat at Knoll Farm in Fayston, Vermont: July 6 – 12, 2013

A growing movement of environmental change leaders are thinking about the significance of 2042 – the date when demographers predict that every metropolitan statistical area will be predominantly populated by persons of color. *But few resources are in place today to equip conservationists with the leadership skills that enable us to engage difference of all kinds.* From July 6th – 12th, 2013, [Center for Whole Communities](#) and [Center for Diversity and the Environment](#) will bring together a cohort of young leaders to re-imagine and re-tool a more resilient conservation movement.

Anyone can nominate themselves or someone they know for this retreat. This program is designed for emerging leaders in conservation and social change, ages 20-35, whose work touches both land and people.

[More Information on the retreat](#)

[Apply here](#)

The Farming Institute

Eastern Iowa

May 30-August 16

The Farming Institute is a unique, fast track, 11 week farming immersion program taking place on two vegetable farms using organic practices in Eastern Iowa. It is designed to equip emerging farmers of all ages, such as college students, recent graduates or others wanting to fulfill a dream. The program includes a mixture of hands on and classroom experience. During the program, students will complete a business plan for their future farm and learn about the land, the business of farming and the farming process. Program Topics: The Land: Soil and soil nutrients, crop rotation, farming philosophy, The Business: Business planning, marketing and sales, financial management, The Farming Process: Seed selection and planning, irrigation, weed and pest management and control, cover crops, harvest, packaging, delivery, storage and organic practices. Instructors: Susan Jutz, one of the first CSA farmers in the state of Iowa, Dick Schwab, a proven entrepreneur with experience managing multi-

million dollar companies and Farmer Kate, a successful young farmer who created a profitable business from the start. 2013 Program Dates are May 30-August 16.

More Information:

For an application form or for more information visit the program website at www.thefarminginstitute.com or contact Kate Edwards at kate.wildwoodsfarm@gmail.com or 319-333-2980.

***Viessmann Endowed Chair in Sustainable Technology, University of Wisconsin Oshkosh
Oshkosh, WI***

The University of Wisconsin Oshkosh is seeking nominations and/or applications for the position of Viessmann Endowed Chair in Sustainable Technology. This is a tenured faculty position at the rank of Associate or Full Professor. This position will teach and develop courses in a department appropriate to the successful candidate's background. The anticipated start date is September 1, 2013. Review of applications will begin February 25, 2013 and continue until position is filled.

[More Information](#)

***Sanitation and Recycling Services Supervisor, Duke University
Durham, NC***

Duke Sanitation and Recycling Services (DSRS) is responsible for providing comprehensive sanitation and recycling services to the University (through in-house operations and service contracts), promoting source reduction of solid waste among its work units, encouraging the procurement of recycled content products, keeping track of the amounts and types of University waste disposed and recycled, and establishing and keeping current the University's solid waste management plan.

To apply, click on the following link: <http://www.hr.duke.edu/jobs/apply/external.php> and use requisition number 400686227

Look for the next Young Professionals Listserv issue coming in March 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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