Announcements/Upcoming Events

- **Dues**
  - $5.00 for the semester
  - It’s a bummer, but it helps us get additional funding
  - Pay to Zephyr
- **Ag Conference**
  - Volunteers needed to help break down tables/arrange rooms at times that Buildings and Grounds is unavailable to help.
  - Help needed on Thursday, Jan. 27 at 3:20 – 5:45 and 7:00 p.m. in Chase Center
- **Lisa Stevens** is hosting an informational event about e-Waste in VT and as an international problem.
  - Feb 4
  - Short movie and pizza!
- **Teach-In on Climate Change and the Courts**
  - Professors Echeverria, Clemmer, Parenteau would like to host a teach-in on forthcoming Supreme Court climate change decision
  - Very interesting case about private nuisance claims for climate change-related injuries
  - Would like to schedule for Friday, Feb. 18 @ 12:45
  - Want to help organize?
- **Public Interest Environmental Law Conference**
  - Spring Break in Eugene, OR
  - Presentation or report back when ELS folks get back
- **Katie Thomas**
  - 1L senator and events coordinator
  - Events calendar at VLS is pretty full
  - If you have ideas for events, think about scheduling them for next year
  - Getting updates on Facebook, Website, and Town Crier
- **Power Shift**
  - April 15-18
  - Idea to host an environmental law and policy workshop
- **Bill McKibben** is coming!
  - ELS mentioned on fancy postcards produced by the Environmental Law Center
  - Thurs. Feb 17th
  - Help spread the word to folks you know on campus, around VT, in the region, etc.
o Need some info about Bill McKibben?

o Activist Training Workshop
  ▪ What would you do with an hour w/ McKibben
  ▪ Brainstorming Notes:
    • divide into local, regional and national perspectives
    • how would he use VLS’s and ELS’s resources to make the biggest impact?
    • If he could employ us once we graduate, what would he have us do?
    • Maybe a brainstorm session with Professor Czarneski?
  ▪ Need ideas to email him before he comes. Send ideas or questions to the ELS listserv ASAP.
    • Email Bryan, Ingrid Rosario, Katie Thomas, Sarah Mooney or Andrea Cone

   ▪ Earth Week
    o Margeaux Valenti, 1L, is organizing!
    o Looking for ideas, help, etc.
      ▪ Kickoff event
      ▪ Keynote speaker
      ▪ Energy panel with DEG and others
      ▪ Trashion show
    o Join the committee and let’s hit the ground running!
      ▪ It’s the most fun Andrea Cone has had at VLS

Committee Updates

Ocean and Coastal
  ▪ Marine spatial planning conference on April 1 (this is not an April Fools joke)
  ▪ Planning brown bag lunches to share info about internships, etc. throughout this semester

EEG
  ▪ Teaching to recommence this week at Sharon Elementary
  ▪ Hard to schedule b/c the kids get to ski on Fridays - might change teaching dates to Thursday
  ▪ Lorax performance scheduled for April 13 (week before Earth Week)
  ▪ Email Andrea Cone (acone@vermontlaw.edu) to get involved

Freshwater Working Group
  ▪ Sam Townsend and another cool dude elected as new co-chair for freshwater.
  ▪ Kickoff meeting in Oakes 208 @ 5:00 on Wed. Jan 26
  ▪ New ideas include a conference and pamphlet and water week

Advocacy Committee
  ▪ Organized a panel for the Ag conference about methane digestion/ “cow power”
Friday, Jan 28 @ 3:30 p.m.

**Campus Greening Committee**
- Recently elected two new co-chairs
- Meeting at a new time. Likely Friday at 12:45
  - Email Allie Sileverman at asilverman@vermontlaw.edu if you have a problem with the time or want to get involved.
- Ongoing projects related to compost/recycling/transportation/EE/zero-waste
- EE door-knocking campaign with SBA. Hand out CFLs and info about EE in the community.

**Arborist Society**
- Upcoming plant sale
- Possible Spring planting
- Tree tagging continuing
- Planning nature walks for Earth Week