

EARTH WEEK EVENTS

*= Cultural credit

April 12, 7:00 – 8:30 pm **“RAIN: A HISTORY FOR STORMY TIMES”***
Rinker Environmental Welcome Center

The Institute for Water and Environmental Resilience and the Department of Environmental Science and Studies are co-hosting the final event in the Florida Humanities Council Speaker Series. Cynthia Barnett, nationally acclaimed environmental author will be giving a talk, "Rain: A History for Stormy Times" in the Rinker Welcome Center on April 12 from 7:00-8:30pm. Cultural Credit is available.

April 14, 10 am – 12 pm **EARTH DAY BEACH CLEANUP AND MICROPLASTICS TALK***
Winterhaven Park in Ponce Inlet

Students will meet at the beach cleanup location (Address: 4589 S Atlantic Ave, Ponce Inlet, FL 32127). This cultural credit beach cleanup event will feature a professor led discussion by Stetson Professor David Griffis on microplastics and their effects on coastal ecosystems. Cleanup supplies will be provided, just bring a reusable water bottle!

We hope that this event opens participants' eyes to the many surprising sources of microplastics and beach litter and inspires people to think twice about the products they purchase and how they dispose of those items. The ultimate goal is to encourage both Stetson students and Volusia County residents to live sustainable lifestyles.

April 16, 1:30 – 3:30 pm **EARTH FAIR***
Sage Science Center lawn

A coalition of student organizations will host Stetson University's third annual Earth Day Fair. This year's activities will include live music, an array of outdoor games, information booths, and an eco-printing workshop. Stetson Beekeeping will sell honey, and interns of the Volusia Sandhill Ecosystem restoration will offer wildflower seeds and instructions on making origami bumblebees. There will be environmental-themed giveaways, and tickets for the Hatter Harvest Potluck on April 19 will also be on sale.

April 18, 2:00 – 4:00 pm **WILDFLOWER WEDNESDAY***
Volusia Sandhill Ecosystem/
Gillespie Museum, Rinker Environmental Learning Center

Plant a native wildflower, change our urban ecosystems. We'll be planting wildflowers, creating native seed bombs, and painting pollinator boxes in the Volusia Sandhill Ecosystem.

April 18, 6:00 – 8:30 pm **DOLPHIN TALE MOVIE SHOWING AND DISCUSSION***
Sage 213

On Wednesday, April 18th, Honors students Kathryn Moran and Stephanie Hanson will be hosting a movie showing of *Dolphin Tale*, followed by a question and answer session with a staff member from Clearwater Marine Aquarium, and a representation from Hubbs-Seaworld Research Institute. This event is intended to educate people about fishing-related pollution and its impact on marine life. It will be approved for a cultural credit.

We hope that those who participate in this event will learn about ways to be more proactive in keeping marine life in Volusia County safe. We also hope they come away with a better understanding of how important our Marine ecosystems are, how human impact is harming them, and how we can all do better to preserve them.

April 19, 5:00 – 6:30 pm **SMOOTHIES FOR HEALTH***
Elizabeth Hall 319

Food Recovery Network will be presenting three varieties of healthy, easy smoothies students can make on their own! The event is cultural credit approved. Once the smoothies are done we will show a few clips from a variety of documentaries based on sustainable lifestyles, personal health, & community health.

April 19, 5:00 – 7:00 pm **VIRTUALLY GREEN***
Gillespie Museum

Join us for the opening reception for two senior exhibits by Gillespie Museum staffers: Annette Morton, WeAreOne, and Mac Thomson, Virtual Sage.

April 19, 5:00 – 7:00 pm **HATTER HARVEST POTLUCK***
Hatter Harvest Garden/Rinker Environmental Learning Center

Hatter Harvest, the organic gardening club for Stetson, will be hosting a Potluck in the RELC and in the Hatter Harvest garden behind the RELC. This event invites people to bring homemade food dishes to share (nothing store-bought), and strongly encourages that those dishes include some local ingredients like items from Artisan Alley or vegetables grown in your own garden. The members of Hatter Harvest will provide cucumber water, lemonade, trilogy coffee, and some specialty dishes. There will also be activities including a garden scavenger hunt, a raffle, and the showing of a documentary promoting the local food movement. Lettuce from the garden and seeds will be available.

Tickets will be available at the Hatter Harvest Table in front of CUB from 4/9 through 4/13: (\$5 each) and at the door (\$7). Only cash and Venmo payments will be accepted. For more information: hatterharvest@gmail.com or contact the co-president Allison Terry: 417-234-6103.

April 21, 10 am – 1:00 pm **EARTH DAY @ the Gillespie Museum**
Gillespie Museum

Science Saturday for Young Scientists. The University's earth science museum hosts its annual celebration, outdoor fair and environmental teach-in.

April 26, 7:00 – 8:00 pm **SCIENCE CAFÉ***
Gillespie Museum

Professor Gregor Falk, Freiburg, Germany, will be presenting on "Alexander von Humboldt: A Liberal Ecologist."

April 27, 2:00 – 4:00 pm **ARBOR DAY**
Gillespie Museum/Rinker Environmental Learning Center

Co-sponsored by the Stetson Environmental Club and the Gillespie Museum, a celebration of the importance of trees. We will be planting trees on campus and hearing from an expert in sustainability. Volunteers will receive cultural credit for attending the brief talk and participating in the planting. The Organization Stewardship Award will be presented to the Fraternity, Sorority, or student org that shows up with the most members, while the Individual Stewardship Award will be presented to the student that participates in the most Earth Week events and also volunteers for Arbor Day.

Greek Life and other students are encouraged to participate in this event because it leaves a tangible, lasting legacy at Stetson University. In the fall, when we return, these trees will have grown already, and will continue to grow and provide Hatters with a beautiful, sustainable campus for generations to come.