

Local Environmental Education Opportunities and Resources
August 2007 - Back to School Issue

Welcome Back to School and Enjoy the NEW ACORN!

We hope you enjoy the changes that have been made to ACORN. We are trying to expand our readership so please

forward this issue to your entire staff. If other teachers and/or staff members would like to be placed on the ACORN

distribution list please have them contact the ACC Recycling Division at suki@acc-recycle.org.

Teacher Reuse Store - 3rd annual open house - TOMORROW

The third annual open house for the Teacher Reuse Store will be open this Saturday, August 18, 2007 from 9:00 a.m. -

12:00 p.m. The Teacher Reuse Store is located at the Athens-Clarke County Recycling Facility, 699 Hancock Industrial

Way, Athens, 30605.

What: This store provides a variety of items to local educators for FREE! These items have been donated from local

business and industry. Most of these items would have been landfilled. Items include: binders, file folders, paper, art

supplies, recycling bins, etc. NOTE: This year businesses and/or industry have provided a variety of office furniture -

chairs, tables, file cabinets, etc. If you are interested in any of these items, please come prepared to take them with you

on Saturday. ITEMS ARE AVAILABLE WHILE SUPPLIES LAST AND FIRST COME FIRST SERVE!

Who: This store is open to any teacher in Clarke, Madison, Oconee and Oglethorpe Counties. Public, private and

homeschoolers are welcome! All teachers must provide official documentation of their teaching status - a school district

ID badge or letter on school letterhead signed by the principal will be accepted for entry. Only teachers are allowed in the

store - no helpers please! NEW THIS YEAR: Leave your bags, buggies, suitcases and wagons at home because we are

providing bags for your shopping pleasure and safety. We only ask that the bags be returned once the material is secured

in your vehicle. For additional information contact the ACC Recycling Division.

Recycling Coordinator Open House

Do you want to expand your recycling program? Need more bins? Have recycling questions? If so, visit the ACC

Recycling Facility at 699 Hancock Industrial Way on Wednesday, September 12 from 3:30 p.m. - 4:30

p.m. to learn more about waste reduction activities planned for this school year. Contact the ACC Recycling Division for more details.

Register to become a 2007-08 ACC Green School

The registration forms for the 2007-08 school year will be out soon and on the ACC Green School website at

www.accgreenschools.org . Details coming soon...

Stormwater Green School Activities

Back by popular demand, the ACC Stormwater Department is offering it's A Day at the Stream puppet show for grades

K-3 and the Stormwater Detective mystery activity for grades 4-6. (See their descriptions below.) For older children,

the department has purchased safe, nontoxic test kits that students can use to learn about the importance of water

quality. Your entire school is invited to participate in a contest to help us name our new stormwater mascot, a

loveable green turtle! Look for details about the contest in upcoming editions of the ACORN, and contact Natalie White

if you are interested in any of these stormwater programs at (706) 613-3440 ext. 383 or nataliewhite@co.clarke.ga.us.

A Day at the Stream Puppet Show

This puppet show educates children about stormwater pollution and how their everyday activities can contribute to or

reduce this environmental problem. This show involves music, sound effects and songs

(as well as some very colorful characters!) and is best suited for grades K-3. ** This is a Green School Activity.

The Stormwater Detective Mystery Book
Have your students become STORMWATER DETECTIVES! Three mysterious cases of pollution are going on in Centerville, and YOU (the reader) have been called to help! This choose-your-own-adventure style storybook lets each student "investigate" sites in town to determine where the pollution is coming from, and what can be done to stop it. Students can work in small groups or individually. Designed for 4th through 6th grade students, this program lasts about an hour. ** This is a Green School Activity.

2007 Toast in the Garden
Sip, Nibble and Stroll at the Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful's Toast in the Garden on Thursday, September 27th
from 5:00 p.m. - 7:00 p.m. at The State Botanical Garden of Georgia Shade Garden.
Proceeds will benefit Loop 10 ramp beautification efforts. For additional information or tickets, contact the Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful office at
(706) 613-3501, extension 312 or e-mail staceefarrell@co.clarke.ga.us .

Radical Reuse Ideas for the Classroom
Plastic Bottle Trellis - http://www.diynetwork.com/diy/cr_garden_patio/article/0,2025,DIY_13757_5477970,00.html

Send us your classroom reuse ideas and receive a recycled surprise, send entries to suki@acc-recycle.org.

This newsletter is a monthly newsletter from ACC Stormwater, Keep Athens-Clarke County Beautiful, ACC Public Utilities Department and ACC Solid Waste Department, Recycling Division. If you didn't receive this newsletter directly and would like to be put on the e-mail list, contact Suki at suki@acc-recycle.org

State Environmental Education Opportunities and Resources
2007 Outdoor Classroom Symposium
Tools of the Trade: The Nuts and Bolts of Outdoor Classroom - Friday, October 12, 2007
Fernbank Science Center
Visit www.eealliance.org for additional symposium information and registration.

Calendar
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Brag Board
If you have a great environmental education accomplishment that you would like to share, contact Suki Janssen, suki@acc-recycle.org. The accomplishment can be for an individual or a school (examples include: awards, grants, prizes, activities, etc).

Out and About in Athens-Clarke County
ACC staff programs and partnership with ACC schools during the month of August.

None scheduled.
Reused News

Items that need mentioned a second time.

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