

15th Annual Green Tie Affair



This year's *Green Tie Affair Auction and Party* will start at 6:30 on Thursday, April 28, 2011. More than 300 guests are anticipated at the new Good People Brewery at 114 14th Street South in Birmingham. **\$50 Tickets are limited** before April 23th, \$60 after that.

Green Tie Affair has historically been one of THE spring social events not to miss with a robust Silent AND Live Auction, great music, and fabulous food. We will begin with the acclaimed Silent Auction with an open bar and quiet cocktail music by the band Menewa before the Live Auction at 8 o'clock. After the auctions have concluded, the band will turn up the volume a notch. The Auction items this year include art from local and regional artists; vacation packages to near and far locales; tickets to local events, musical shows, and theater; jewelry and other wearable items; gift certificates to local restaurants; and more. [Purchase tickets at this link.](#)



In this newsletter:

Please Protect Forever Wild!

Forever Wild reauthorization has passed the Alabama House of Representatives and has made it out of committee in the Senate. But, we cannot rest on our laurels and assume it will pass. Opponents have been using all the tricks and bits of disinformation they can and will not give up.

If you are like me, you have had numerous requests from similar groups asking you to contact your legislators. Do not assume other people have already done this. Every call, email, and visit is important and yours could be THE request that convinces your Senator. Please take a moment now and contact them to ask them to protect and reauthorize Forever Wild AS-IS. [Click Here](#) to visit the State website and find your Senator. Then call them and make sure they support YOUR interests.



For more information, visit www.alforeverwild.com

FREE ELECTRONICS RECYCLING DAY

The Keep Birmingham Beautiful Commission invites you to the culmination of the Great American Cleanup with a FREE ELECTRONICS RECYCLING EVENT in Downtown Birmingham. You are encouraged to bring E-waste to Linn Park on THURSDAY, MAY 12th, 8AM-Noon.

FREE TO THE PUBLIC

Accepted Items: TV's, LCD TV's, Monitors, VCR's, Radios,

Welcome Alan Gurganus as New Recycling Director

Alan is an Alabama native whose history with the AEC goes back to his undergraduate days as a student of AEC's Dr. Ed Passerini at the University of Alabama. While working on his B.S. in Environmental Studies and Bioethics, Alan spent much of his time advocating sustainability by helping organize direct action campaigns for campus recycling, bicycle lanes, and stopping the sale of old growth lumber. Upon graduating, Alan taught environmental education at McDowell Environmental Center before moving to Boulder, CO to obtain an M.A. in Environmental Leadership at Naropa University. As a graduate student, Alan volunteered with the Prison Dharma Network, helping to reduce recidivism through contemplative practice.

Alan's experiences eventually led to attending the Zen Peacemaker's Street Retreat, where he experienced life as a homeless person sleeping on the wintry streets of Denver. Coupled with his studies, this experience deepened Alan's understanding and passion for sustainability, enabling him to see sustainability from a quadruple bottom line of environment, economy, equality, and equanimity. From here, Alan was able to craft his thesis research: A Sustainable Approach to Addressing Issues of Energy and Poverty in the Southeastern United States.

Now, after serving as both the Volunteer Manager and Environmental Education Manager at the McWane

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- Forever Wild Renewal Nears Last Step, but not done
- AEC Hires New Recycling Director
- Electronics Recycling Day in Downtown Birmingham

[this link to contribute](#)

Science Center, Alan is excited to bring his experience and passion back to the Alabama Environmental Council as the Recycling Director. Having observed both the road blocks and progress of recycling in Alabama, Alan is poised and ready to move recycling forward and position Alabama as a leader in sustainable waste management. He will lead our new Recycle Alabama Campaign as well as oversee other waste reduction programs of the AEC. Please join us in welcoming Alan "back" to the team!

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