

The Memphis-Shelby County Office of Sustainability would like you to be aware of these upcoming events in March:

**Recycle your Jeans with The Cotton Board at the Farm & Gin Show** – (Feb 28-March

1). Farm & Gin Show is an annual free event at the Convention Center showcasing the latest in agricultural equipment. Take your old jeans to the [The Cotton Board's](#) booth for recycling. All donated denim will be recycled into housing insulation, with a portion being donated to communities in need. You could win a \$300 gift card for your donation! <http://bit.ly/1j44Ft5>



**Volunteers Needed! McKellar Lake Clean Up** – (March 1, 8, & 15 from 9-12pm). Join Living Lands and Waters & Chad Pregracke, CNN's Hero of the Year, in a community clean up on the lake. This is always a fun experience plus you get free lunch & t-shirt! To register: 530-227-7889 or [Justine@livinglandsandwaters.org](mailto:Justine@livinglandsandwaters.org) more info here: <http://bit.ly/1eQek7G>

**Greenprint public meetings** – (March 4, 11, & 25). Memphis and Shelby County Office of Sustainability will host 11 meetings throughout the region to discuss the Mid-South Regional Greenprint and Sustainability Plan. March meetings will be in Raleigh, Cordova, and West Memphis. For the full schedule see: <http://www.midsouthgreenprint.org/meetings/>

**Low Impact Development (LID) Workshop** - (March 6-7). Memphis-Shelby County Office of Sustainability will host a free two-day workshop March 6-7, 2014 at the Botanic Garden. The workshop will be open to the public, but geared toward developers, designers, and municipal stormwater decision makers. Registration is filled but to be put on the waiting list please contact [christine.donhardt@memphistn.gov](mailto:christine.donhardt@memphistn.gov). Agenda is here: <http://www.sustainableshelby.com/LIDworkshop>

**Alternative Fuel for Commercial Lawn Mowers Workshop** (March 7, 9:30am). Free event at University of Memphis targeting landscape contractors, golf courses, purchasing managers, school boards, campus or parks maintenance staff, country clubs, and governments. <http://bit.ly/1f3OeIG>

**State of TN Arbor Day Ceremony** – (March 7, 10am). This year the State Arbor Day ceremony will be in Memphis to recognize the City for earning the designation as a TREE CITY USA. Join the City & the Urban Forestry Council at the Botanic Garden. Tree seedlings will be given away afterward. <http://bit.ly/1dbyqng>



**Dogwood Give-a-way & Fruit Tree Sale** – (March 7). Germantown is celebrating Arbor Day! Dogwood seedlings available to residents and discount coupons for the Bobby Lanier Farm Park Fruit Tree Sale will be available for the first 100. See link for details of location and proof of residency needed (9-11am). The Farm Park will offer fruit trees (\$15 to \$60) and experts will offer training in the selection, planting, care and harvest of the fruit trees (11-2pm). Call 751-5669 for details on event status. <http://bit.ly/1ICJ7VO>

**Gear Up Summit** – (March 7-8, \$145). This Leadership Summit will bring together leaders from across the Southeast for a weekend of training and sharing of best practices. Topics include



nonprofit board training, advocacy, community projects, and more. Register here:  
<http://bit.ly/1fgALOW>

**Conservation Night: RiverKings & Mountain Man** – (March 8, 7pm, \$16). The RiverKings and DeSoto County Greenways are teaming up to raise funds for the outdoor camp at Arkabutla Lake. Meet Mountain Man Tim Guraedy too!  
<http://bit.ly/1bMDRJh>



**Tennessee Naturalist Program** – (March 17-19, 24-26, \$200). Accelerated 40 hours of coursework at Paris Landing State Park Topics include ecology, geology, plants, fungi, invertebrates, mammals, amphibians and reptiles. <http://bit.ly/1j4552F>

**Tennessee Environmental Conference** – (March 25-26, \$50-\$100). This conference is a networking event with over 70 sessions that will share information and ideas to help you make informed smart choices on Health, Industry, Economics, & Environment. Register here:  
<http://www.tnenvironment.com/>

**Energy & Windows lecture** – (March 25, 5:30pm). Free public lecture at the Peabody Hotel. Learn about fenestration energy requirements and code compliance for commercial construction, 2009 IECC, ASHRAE 90.1-2007. CEU credit will be available to AIA members.  
<http://bit.ly/1ckKrqy>

**Energy Efficiency & Renewable Energy Systems for Affordable Housing Development** – (March 25-26). Housing Assistance Council's free workshop will take place at The Hotel Memphis where attendees will learn how to meet Energy Star and WaterSense requirements. Open to the first 30 registrants: <http://bit.ly/1hThABv>

**Rain Garden Workshop** - (March 27, Jackson). Hands-on rain garden construction. More info here: <http://bit.ly/1okNnvF>

**Tree Planting** - (March 29, 9-12pm). Wolf River & Shelby Farms Park Conservancies and TN Urban Forestry Council are joining forces for this annual event. 200 volunteers needed to plant or pot 7,000 seedlings. Sign up here: <http://conta.cc/1iP3XQO>

**Tiny House Building Workshop** – (April 11-13, \$399). TN Tiny Homes of Collierville is hosting a national workshop featuring HGTV's Deek Diedricksen. Hear from many professional builders and architects and build three tiny homes together, the ultimate in small footprint living. There is limited space to sign up: <http://bit.ly/1gtRos1>



**Sustainable Shelby Progress Report 2014** – Earlier this month, the Sustainable Shelby Progress Report 2014 was posted. It highlights recent sustainability initiatives in the City of Memphis and Shelby County Government and provides data and statistics to benchmark progress in various areas. View the work here: [Sustainable Shelby Progress Report](#).

**\*IN THE NEWS\***

EPA Recognizes Medtronic for Green Power Use <http://bit.ly/1gl1rzm>

Urban Sculpture combining solar and wind power to be installed at Agricenter (fundraising campaign) <http://kck.st/1l1u1vl>

Huey's turning vacant land near its home office into a garden <http://bit.ly/1oWOROw>

Memphis Civic Solar has raised over \$8,500 for its solar project <http://bit.ly/193Sgmn>

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