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Calling all CAEE Members for the

Colorado EE Advisory Council Meeting

Your chance to help shape the future of EE in Colorado!

Thursday, November 1, 2007 – 1:30-4:30 pm

At The American Mountaineering Center

710 10th St. Golden, CO 80401

*The EE Advisory Council is a twice-yearly assembly of the state's EE leaders.
 Share your vision... Voice your concerns... This gathering is your chance to be heard!*

CALL FOR BOARD MEMBERS!

The Advisory Council will also elect new CAEE Board members at this meeting. CAEE is seeking individuals who are excited about the work that we are doing and want to help CAEE by serving on a personal level. To request a nomination form, contact CAEE at 303-273-9527 or [Email](mailto:admin@caee.org) us or visit <http://www.caee.org>. Self-nominations are encouraged.

RSVP to CAEE at 303-273-9527 or [Email](mailto:admin@caee.org) by October 26

Colorado Environmental Film Festival

November 1-3

At the American Mountaineering Center
 Golden, CO

Tickets will be going on sale September 24 at www.ceff.net

CAEE is excited to present the second annual Colorado Environmental Film Festival! This three day event will offer local and national feature length and short films for all ages, a forum on environmental filmmaking, an evening gala, and an Expo Hall. Throughout the event, informative and entertaining films will explore interconnected ecological, social, and economic themes, and engaging audience discussion with filmmakers, producers, and experts on the films' topics will enrich the experience. Our goal is for movie-goers to leave inspired, surprised, motivated, entertained, educated, and *transformed*.

Updates: The Film Festival schedule has been finalized and is now on our website.

CAEE at 303-273-9527.

www.ceff.net Descriptions of all the wonderful, inspirational films that have been selected are coming soon.

"Change a Light" Competition Winners Announced at Festival: From September 15 through October 15, Denver area schools will be participating in the competition. The goal of the contest is to engage school children on how the simple act of changing an incandescent light bulb to a compact fluorescent light (CFL) can save energy, money, and reduce pollution. Students and schools can pledge to replace at least one light bulb in their home with one that has earned the ENERGY STAR label. Students can pledge to change a light or they can send in the proof of purchases from CFLs purchased for the home. The schools with the highest overall participation rate will be announced as winners on Thursday, November 1, at the Colorado Environmental Film Festival.

CAEE's Annual Environmental Education Celebration – in conjunction with the Colorado Environmental Film Festival: Have a night out with CAEE. Come view the films, browse our exciting exhibition hall, bid on our fabulous auction items, and support CAEE and quality environmental education programs throughout the state. This event is free and open to anyone but please RSVP by October 22. Food and beverages will be provided.

Call for Auction Items!

Every year at CAEE's Celebration and Benefit (see above), many of the most popular auction items are donated by CAEE's highly creative and generous members! Is there something that you could offer to help make this a one-of-a-kind event? If so, please contact CAEE at 303-273-9527 or info@caee.org. Donations are tax deductible, and your generosity supports CAEE's programs to promote environmental literacy in Colorado.

Volunteers

This event will not be possible without an enthusiastic team of volunteers. We still could use more help in the planning stages and also on the actual festival weekend. Be a part of the action, go behind the scenes, and contribute to this exciting community event!

If you are interested in any of these opportunities or would like to learn more about the festival, please contact CAEE at 303-273-9527, [email](mailto:info@caee.org) or visit <http://www.ceff.net>.

Upcoming CAEE Events

For more information on any of these events, visit <http://www.caee.org>, call 303-273-9527, or [email](mailto:info@caee.org). **Please RSVP in advance.**

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Deadline for EE Awards Nominations: September 21. Visit <http://www.caee.org> for more information.

Professional DEvelopment Series: Sustainability, Environmental Education, and American Values with Dan Chiras.

October 24, 4:00-6:00pm. Micro Business Development, Denver

Thursday, November 1, 1:30-4:30 pm. Semi-Annual Advisory Council Meeting. Topic: Communication and Outreach. At the American Mountaineering Center, Golden.

November 1-3. Colorado Environmental Film Festival. Visit <http://www.ceff.net> for more information.

CAEE's Annual Environmental Education Celebration – in conjunction with the Colorado Environmental Film Festival! November 3, 7:00-9:00 pm. American Mountaineering Center, Golden.

Be the Change Breakfast – A fundraiser to support CAEE. December 5, 8:30-9:30 am. All are welcome – no fee to attend. Butterfly Pavilion, Westminster.

Career

AmeriCorps: Teaching Opportunity at Arches National Park

Canyon Country Outdoor Education based at Arches National Park and The Youth Garden Project are currently recruiting AmeriCorps volunteers to teach outdoor education to 1st - 6th grade students. AmeriCorps members work approximately 25-30 hours per week, Jan – Dec, teaching

Note: these announcements are only position highlights and are not

intended to be all-inclusive. NAAEE/EE-Link offers a jobs database service for EE job seekers or employers seeking EE staff.

To view job postings, visit: eelink.net/eejobsdatabase.html

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both with Canyon Country Outdoor Education and the Youth Garden Project. CCOE field trips lead local students on science based adventures in Arches National Park, Canyonlands National Park and the surrounding Bureau of Land Management Lands. Members have the opportunities to explore pothole ecology with sixth graders, search for fossils with fifth graders, throw atlatis with third graders, to name a few. More information about these programs can be found at: <http://www.youthgardenproject.org>

Gore Range Nature and Science School: Winter Naturalist Position

The Winter Naturalist internship is designed for those wishing to broaden their experience in the field of interpretation and environmental education. Naturalists work on a rotating schedule which includes: planning and presenting interpretive talks and snowshoe walks, staffing a nature center on Vail Ski Area, preparing and teaching short winter ecology lessons for youth in Vail's Ski School program, assisting with an animal tracking research program within the White River National Forest, teaching lessons for an after school youth program and working on administrative projects and custom programs. Interested individuals are encouraged to go to www.gorerange.org or to contact the office at 970-827-9725 for an application.

Deer Hill Expeditions (DHE): Program Manager

This is a full-time administrative position including responsibilities in the areas of program logistics, public lands permits, conservation service, cross-cultural service, risk management, and curriculum development. See www.deerhillexpeditions.com for more information about Deer Hill.

Deer Hill Expeditions (DHE): Staff Manager

This is a full-time administrative position including responsibilities in the areas of hiring, training, risk management, management of seasonal field staff and Basecamp interns, development and coordination of school and group programs. See <http://www.deerhillexpeditions.com> for more information about Deer Hill.

The City of Fort Collins: Environmental Education & Public Involvement Coordinator

Its a great organization and a great position. Plans, organizes, directs and administers natural areas programs dealing with education, public information, marketing and public involvement. Coordinates the Natural Areas volunteer program. Visit our website at www.fcgov.com/jobs to apply on-line by Wednesday, September 26, 2007. Job #7121.

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Change a Light School Contest:

The ENERGY STAR Change a Light Campaign is a national challenge to encourage every American to help change the world, one light bulb- one energy-saving step - at a time. You can show your commitment by pledging to replace at least one light bulb in your home with one that has earned the ENERGY STAR label. Colorado schools can participate in this important campaign and learn about energy efficiency at school and at home! Find out more at: <http://www.epa.gov/region8/ee/ChangeaLightContest.html>

GreenWorks! Grants deadline October 31, 2007:

This year Project Learning Tree expanded its *GreenWorks!* Service-learning program. A total of \$100,000, spread across two funding cycles, will be awarded to schools and youth organizations for environmental neighborhood improvement projects that involve youth with their community. Visit http://www.plt.org/cms/pages/21_22_18.html for grant guidelines and an application.

The President's Environmental Youth Award:

The U.S. Environmental Protection Agency, Region 8 is inviting students in grades K-12 from Colorado, Montana, North Dakota, South Dakota, Utah, and Wyoming to participate in the PEYA program. Since 1971, the President of the United States has joined with the U.S. Environmental Protection Agency to recognize young Americans for protecting our nation's air, water, land, and ecology. Individuals, school classes, summer camps, public interest groups, and youth organizations are encouraged to promote environmental awareness and positive community involvement. Application Deadline is October 31, 2007

Workshops, Classes, and Trainings

Place-Based Environmental Education:

High School Teacher Workshop: Friday, September 28th 8:30am – 5:00pm You're invited to sample and take back to class some new high school curriculum resources available from **Project WET** (Colorado Watershed Network), **Project Learning Tree** (Colorado State Forest Service) and the **Colorado Division of Wildlife**. Spend the day at the beautiful Aspen Center

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Brownfields voluntary citizen's group workshop:

The Voluntary Cleanup Advisory Board (VCAB), www.vcab-denver.org, a Denver-based community group overseeing the clean-up of the former Gates Rubber Plant, will host a workshop to share community skills for engaging with brownfields redevelopment.

Resources and Announcements

Denver Zoo's Wildlife Film Festival:

Saturday, October 13, 2007 Featuring award-winning wildlife films in three theaters simultaneously, including one theater dedicated to children's films. Tickets available at denverzoo.org, denverfilm.org, or at the Starz FilmCenter

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