

Sustainable Community Voices  
Roster of All Programs  
Started May 2010

- May 2010 – **Muskegon Area Sustainability Coalition** (Guests: Arn Boezaart of MAREC and John Koches of WRI)  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=7210>
- June 2010: **Holland Sustainability Committee** – Bob Mihos, Holland BPW; Melissa Peraino, GVSU; Warren Stuk, City of Holland Sustainability Chair  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=7578>
- July 2010: **North Ottawa Sustainability Coalition**: John Nash, Supervisor Spring Lake Township; Ryan Cotton, City of Spring lake, Cal DeLano, Alliance for Environmental Sustainability and Kelly Rice, JF New  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=8023&id=tms>
- August 2010: **Southwest Michigan Sustainability**: Mayor Bobby Hopewell, City of Kalamazoo & Director of Hospitality Services, Borgess Health; Associate Professor Harold Glasser, Western Michigan University; Ken Peregou, President of Southwest Michigan Sustainable Business Forum & President of O'Boyle, Cowell, Blalock & Associates, landscape architecture  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=8391>
- September 2010: **Greentown**. Haris Alibasic, MPA, Office of Energy and Sustainability Manager Haris Alibasic, MPA, Office of Energy and Sustainability Manager and Ron Jimmerson, Cascade Engineering and Tony Campbell, United Way **Seeds of Promise**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=8714>
- October 2010: Stephanie Denton, **Ray and Joan Kroc Salvation Army**
- November 2010: **Students of Sustainability**. Katie Rogala, Student at Aquinas College – Sustainable Business Program; Michael Medonis, Student at GVSU – Liberal Studies, Intern with Facilities Department; Mike Ryskamp – Calvin College <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=9462&id=tms>
- December 2010: **Partnerships** that are assisting the City of Grand Rapids in reaching their sustainability goals: Haris Alibasic, MPA, Office of Energy and Sustainability and Tom Almonte Assistant to the City of GR Manager  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=9790&id=tms>
- January 2011: **Eliminating Waste**. Bill Gurn, Manager of Facility Maintenance at Haworth, Inc. and current Chair of the Michigan Recycling Coalition; Michael Merren, Director of Food Service / Sustainability Officer / Food Pantry Coordinator, Mel Trotter Ministries. Also on the Board of Directors of the Michigan Recycling Coalition  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=10232>
- February 2011: **Grand Rapids Community College Sustainability**. Moss Ingrahm, Director of Sustainability, Grand Rapids Community College; Julie Parks, Director of Workforce Training, GRCC ;Sara Yob, Trainor, Training Solutions, GRCC, Mary Ann Lessert, Associate Professor of English  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=10599&id=tms>
- March 2011: **GVSU Student Senate and their role in Sustainability** at GVSU  
JJ Manser: JJ is currently a Sophomore here at Grand Valley. JJ is an International Relations major with a minor in Middle East Studies. He has worked on campus with the Student Senate as the Vice President of Diversity Affairs. When he is not working on senate matters JJ participates in GV Groove, a co-ed

acapella group on campus; Jarrett Martus: Jarrett is Currently a senior at Grand Valley is from Brown City Michigan, a small town on the east side of the state. He is majoring in Finance and Management in the Seidman College of Business. Jarrett has served on Student senate in multiple roles ( Senator on the finance committee, VP of Finance and President). He is currently an assistant in the Alumni Relations department and enjoys being outside when not working.

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- April 2011: **Grand Rapids CSP**. Christina Keller, Eddie Tadlock, Gail Gunst Heffner <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=11444>
- May 2011: **Green Supplier Network**. Bill Stough, SRG; Steve Burkens, H & L Advantage and Steve Finney, Irwin Seating <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=11798>
- June 2011: **The Role of Transportation in a Sustainable Community**: Andrea S. Dewey is a Transportation Planner for the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council (GVMC) in Grand Rapids, Jay Hoekstra, Senior Planner for the Grand Valley Metropolitan Council (GVMC) in Grand Rapids and Taiwo Jaiyeoba, Transportation Planner for The Rapid <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=12165&id=tms>
- July 2011: **How Community Gardens and Gardening Play a Role in a Sustainable Community**: *Sarah Rinsema-Sybenga*: Director of Community enCompass, a Christian Community Development Organization in downtown Muskegon. *Margaux Drake*, The Giving Gardens, and *Aaron Snippe* is Blandford Nature Center's Farm Manager <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=12589>
- August 2011: **Michigan Benefit Corp and the West Michigan Sustainable Business Forum**. **Kelley Losey**, Kelley Losey is the business unit manager for Quest Sustainable Solutions, Erik Trojian is Director of Policy at B Lab, a nonprofit organization dedicated to harnessing the power of business to solve social and environmental problems. **Eric VanDellen** Amway Corporation <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=12935>
- September 2011: **The Connection between Faith-Based Organizations and Sustainable Communities**. Deborah M. Steketee, Ph.D. serves as Associate Professor of Sustainable Business, and Executive Director of the Center for Sustainability and Julie Lyons Bricker (Julie will participate by telephone and can be reached at 248-280-2086) has served as the Executive Director for the Michigan Interfaith Power & Light (Michigan IPL) since July of 2009 after serving on its Board of Directors since 2007. <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=13395&id=tms>
- **October 2011: Healthcare in a Sustainable Community**. Josh Miller, Sustainability Coordinator Spectrum Health and Alison Waske, Sustainable Business Officer at Metro Health. Alison began working as Metro Health Hospital's Sustainable Business Officer <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=13768&id=tms>
- **November 2011: The latest in alternative and renewable energy in West Michigan and Funding Options** Greg Truex, Michigan Pace Energy Program.

Michigan PACE Energy Program, L3C was formed as an incubator company at the Michigan Alternative and Renewable Energy Center (MAREC) in Muskegon Michigan to facilitate awareness, educate, train and provide implementation assistance for stakeholders interested in pursuing a PACE finance program. Arn Boezaart, Director of the Michigan Alternative and Renewable Energy Center at Grand Valley State University. Since being named the director of MAREC in November 2009, Boezaart has positioned MAREC as a public resource for the region and has led the off-shore wind research study to bring wind energy opportunities to West Michigan.

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- **December 2011: Green Manufacturing** – David Meade, WMU (Green Manufacturing Initiative) and Bill Small (MMTC)  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=14574&id=tms>
- **January 2012: Importance of Diversity in a Sustainable Community** Guests: Cindy Irving, **P.E.** • Process Engineer • 616-464-3848 • [ccirving@ftch.com](mailto:ccirving@ftch.com) , Fishbeck, Thompson, Carr & Huber, Inc. • Engineers, Scientists, Architects, Constructors, Alex Thomas, Business Developer, City of Grand Rapids, 456-3449, [athomas@grcity.us](mailto:athomas@grcity.us) ; DeCarto Draper, President, Draper Group USA, [Decarto.draper@drapergroupusa.com](mailto:Decarto.draper@drapergroupusa.com)  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=14911>
- **February 2012: Advanced Battery Technology.** Guests: Arn Boezaart and Suresh Mani from MAREC  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=15282&id=tms>
- **March 2012** – Rich Chapla, The Right Place, **Sustainable Agriculture**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=15734>
- **April 2012** – **Transportation Sustainability Plan** – The Rapid, CEO Peter Varga <http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=16092>
- **May 2012** – **Whitehall Middle School Carbon Busters**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=16483&id=tms>
- **June 2012** – **City of Grand Rapids – Haris Alibasic**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=16950>
- **July 2012** Brian Donovan – **City Manager, City of East Grand Rapids**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=17321&id=tms>
- **August 2012** Eric Foster – **SEEDs of Promise**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=17725>
- **September 19, 2012** James Hurt, **City of GR and Dennis Kmiecik, Kent County DPW** – What happens to our waste  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=18191>
- **November 2012** – **Alan Steinman, Blue Water Economy**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=19051>
- **December 2012** – **Laura Rauwerda, MEDQ**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=19410>
- **January 2013** – **Rachel Hood – Women and The Environment**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=19743&id=tms>
- **February 2013** – **Mayor Heartwell and Ryan Huppert UNRCE**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=20257>
- **March 2013** – **Well House Tami VandenBerg, Executive director**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=20634>

- **April 2013 – Shipping Ports – Jonathan Seyferth, Business Development Manager, Muskegon Area First**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=21014>
- **May 2013 – Public Health Director, Ken Kraus, Muskegon County**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/index.cfm?id=tmsdetail&sty=21426>
- **June 2013 – Kendra Wills and Garrett Zeigler from MSU Extension**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/index.cfm?id=tmsdetail&sty=21901>
- **July 2013 – Dawn Gaymer and Gayle DeBruyn United Nations University Education for Sustainable Development (ESD)**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=22249>
- **August 2013 – Kathy Evans, Lake Michigan Water Trail Project**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=22711>
- **September 2013 – Mayor Pete Buttigieg – South Bend**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=23215>
- **October 2013 – Regional Food Systems work** Rich Pirog, Senior Associate Director, MSU Center for Regional Food Systems and Marty Gerencer, Principal, Morse Marketing Connections  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=23493>
- **November 2013 – Dan Nally, Holland BPW Business Manager**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=24003>
- **December 2013 – Haris Alibasic and Nick Occhipinti – City of Grand Rapid Climate Resiliency Report**  
<http://www.wgvu.org/wgvunews/audio/fplayer1.cfm?styid=24382>