

#### Upcoming Chapter Events

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**February 21** - LEED CI Technical Review at Maryville University

**February 21** -The Costs and Benefits of Green Residential Certification

**March 4** - LEED NC Technical Review at RCGA Regional Collaboration Center

**March 11** - Lighting Controls \*  
*In Partnership with IFMA*

**March 12** - LEED AP Class

**March 14** - LEED for Homes Technical Review \*  
**Registration Now Open!!**

**April 3** - Green Schools 101 \*

**April 8** - Kath Williams \*  
In Partnership with the St. Louis Council of Construction Consumers

\* Sponsorship opportunities available!  
Contact USGBC-STL at (314) 577-0854 or [usgbc-stl@mobot.org](mailto:usgbc-stl@mobot.org) for more information.

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#### **LEED for Commercial Interiors Technical Review, Thursday, February 21**

LEED for Commercial Interiors is the green benchmark specifically for the tenant improvement market. Attend the LEED for Commercial Interiors Technical Review Workshop to gain the knowledge needed to enhance project performance, achieve certification and to begin to prepare for the LEED Professional Accreditation Exam.

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 21, 2008, 8 am - 5 pm

**WHERE:** Maryville University, 650 Maryville University Drive, 63141 - Gander Hall, President's Conference Room

**COST:** \$375 for national USGBC members, \$495 for non-members

To register, go to [www.usgbc.org/workshops/register](http://www.usgbc.org/workshops/register)

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#### **Benefits & Challenges of Building Green-Certified Homes - Thursday, February 21**

Join USGBC-STL and the Home Builders Association's Green Building Council for a great program featuring:

- Dan Miesner – Building Manager, Innsbrook Resort and Conference Center
- Phil Fingerhut – The Meyer Company for St. Louis County Department of Planning
- Paul Henckler – CEO, Trumpet Builders and Land Services
- Ed Fieser – Owner, Max Home Performance

Each speaker will give a brief presentation touting current projects and their take on the challenges and benefits of green certification. EarthWays Center's Jean Ponzi will moderate a discussion expanding on these issues, including audience Q & A. Jean serves as the Green Homes Advocate for the USGBC-St. Louis Regional Chapter and also serves on the HBA's Green Building Council Steering Committee.

**WHEN:** Thursday, February 21 - Registration at 5:15 pm, Program at 6:15 pm, networking in between

**WHERE:** Monsanto Center 4500 Shaw 63110

**COST:** Free to USGBC-STL Members, \$10 for HBA & HBA-GBC members, \$20 for non-members

**RSVP** to [usgbc-stl@mobot.org](mailto:usgbc-stl@mobot.org) or (314) 577-0854

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Solar Design Studio and Solid Surface Resources*

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#### **Conservation Lobby Day 2008 - Tuesday, February 26**

Conservation Lobby Day brings together concerned citizens from across the state of Missouri to talk with state legislators about environmental issues facing this year's General Assembly. This annual event draws citizens who represent a diversity of conservation interests - from environmentalists, scientists, students and business owners to hunters, anglers and farmers. They meet with senators and representatives from their own districts, and with other lawmakers who hold key positions on various legislative committees that deal with conservation issues. You don't have to know a lot about the legislative process or about upcoming bills in order to participate. You just have to care about a clean, healthy future for Missouri!

Two bills (and maybe more) have been filed related to green building:

[Senate Bill 1100](#), Sponsored by Sen. Joan Bray:

Requires that after August 28, 2008, any state or local government building over 10,000 gross square feet that is constructed or substantially renovated shall obtain certification under the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design (LEED) Green Building Rating System.

[Senate Bill 1117](#), Sponsored by Sen. Jeff Smith

Creates requirements and provides incentives for environmentally sustainable buildings

**WHEN:** Tuesday, February 26, 2008, 9:30 a.m. – 3:30 p.m.

**WHERE:** House Hearing Room 2, State Capitol Building, Jefferson City

**COST:** Free

Find out more register at: <http://www.moenviron.org/Lobbyday.asp>

*Sponsored by Missouri Votes Conservation, Missouri Coalition for the Environment, Missouri Sierra Club*

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#### **LEED AP Class - March 12**

Due to popular demand, the Chapter is launching a LEED AP Class. Paul Todd Merrill, Vice Chair of the Chapter Board and Director of Sustainable Development at Clayco, will teach the class. While we cannot guarantee that taking the class will guarantee that you pass the LEED AP Exam, we can guarantee that it will get you one step closer! The class will give an overview of the LEED AP Exam, the LEED Certification Process, and the LEED for New Construction Rating System.

*DISCLAIMER: You will still have to study for the LEED AP Exam after this class!*

**WHEN:** Wednesday, March 12, 8:00 - 11:00 am

**WHERE:** Missouri Botanical Garden's Commerce Bank Science Education Center  
4651 Shaw, 63110 (at Kingshighway)

**COST:** FREE to Chapter Members, \$25 for non-members

**RSVPs are a must as space is limited** - please RSVP to [usgbc-stl@mobot.org](mailto:usgbc-stl@mobot.org) or (314) 577-0225.

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#### **Building Operator Certification Training - Begins March 12**

Building Operator Certification (BOC) is a hands-on training and certification program covering building operation and maintenance for building operators, managers and consultants. It offers an in-depth look at the best ways to manage a facility, from the latest technologies to trade tips. BOC training includes nearly 80 hours of classroom and project work in building systems operation and maintenance. Each course in the series is completed in a one-day training session, except BOC 103 – HVAC Systems and Controls, a two-day course. To become certified, participants must pass an exam at the end each day of training and complete assigned projects. Upon certification, 5.6 CEU's can be earned.

For more information or to register go to <http://www.boccentral.org/> or contact David Harrison at the MDNR Energy Center at (573) 571-7057.

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#### **Save the Date for Green Schools 101 - April 3**

The Chapter's newly formed Green Schools Subcommittee will be hosting their first educational session in early April. Mark your calendar, plan to attend and look for more details soon!

**WHAT:** Greening Your School & District 101: What do you need to know to take the first steps?

**WHEN:** April 3, 8:00 to 10:00 AM

**WHERE:** Crossroads Preparatory School

**WHY:** Green schools on average save \$100,000 per year—enough to hire 2 new teachers, buy 500 new computers, or purchase 5000 new textbooks.

For more information or to get involved, contact the Chapter's Green Schools Advocate Julia Feder at (314) 577-0281 or [julia.feder@mobot.org](mailto:julia.feder@mobot.org).

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