



USGBC - St. Louis Regional Chapter E-News Focus on Greening the Heartland - June 22 - 24!

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Dear Emily,

Greening the Heartland 2008 is really here! Pre-conference workshops and events as well as conference registration begin **this** Sunday morning, June 22. The Conference Kick-Off and Opening Reception begin Sunday evening. I feel like a broken record when I say that we have an excellent line up of speakers and breakout sessions and a sold out exhibit hall, but it's true!

For the next week or so, you may not receive quick responses from Chapter staff and leadership. Please understand that we are deep in the organization and execution of GTH08 as volunteers, speakers, moderators, exhibitors and more.

I look forward to seeing you at [Greening the Heartland 2008!](#)

Emily Andrews
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GTH08 REGISTRATION NEWS

On-line Registration Ends Wednesday at Midnight

But don't worry! There's still space and you can still register on-site at the Conference. Registration begins at 8 am on Sunday morning at America's Center.

We have added a **one day, Exhibit Hall-only pass for \$20**. If you plan to purchase this at on-site registration, please be prepared to pay by cash or check (made out to USGBC-STL). We have also added a one-day conference registration option.

JOIN US AT THE CITY MUSEUM ON MONDAY!

We're throwing a party at the [City Museum](#) on Monday, June 23 from 7:30 - 10:30 pm featuring drinks, dessert and live music by [Kim Massie!](#)

Full conference attendees and volunteers can attend for free with their conference badges. If you cannot attend the entire conference, come to the party! It's \$30 per person. Please be prepared to pay cash or check (made out to USGBC-STL) at the door.

VOLUNTEER AT GTH08

We Need Your Help!

There are still a number of prime volunteer slots available at the conference - from helping with registration to serving as a breakout session host or an exhibit hall greeter. We can't pull this conference off without lots of volunteers.

If you work a four hour shift, you can participate in conference proceedings that day. Volunteer perks also include a tote bag full of conference goodies and free admission to Monday's party at the City Museum!

Please review the [GTH008 Volunteer Schedule](#) to see what's available. Lucky for us, we have a great volunteer Volunteer Coordinator in Chapter member Robin Paone. Please e-mail [Robin](#) with questions about to sign up!

LIFE AFTER GTH08?

After all is said and done, life still goes on before, during and after an event like Greening the Heartland. Chapter programs, Chapter committee meetings, outreach and more! Here are a few upcoming Chapter events:

Wednesday, June 25 - Booth with EarthWays Center at the Clean Air Festival from 11:30 a.m. - 1:30 p.m. at Memorial Park (S. Central Ave between Forsyth Blvd. and Bonhomme Ave. in downtown Clayton, MO). The Festival features informational booths on what you can do for cleaner air, live music from Alvin Jett and the Phat Noiz Blues Band & free Ted Drewes frozen custard courtesy of the American Lung Association.

Monday, July 14 - LEED for New Construction Technical Review from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm at the Commerce Bank West Olive Operations Center. This is a full day workshop designed to help you gain the knowledge needed to maximize commercial building performance, achieve LEED certification and begin preparing for the LEED Professional Accreditation Exam.

Wednesday, July 23 - USGBC-STL Program on the Dark Skies Initiative. We're excited to partner with AIA-St. Louis and the St. Louis Astronomical Society on this program. It will be held at the Planetarium at the St. Louis Science Center. Look for more details to be announced soon!

Friday, August 8 - LEED for Existing Building Technical Review from 8:30 am - 5:00 pm at the Ameren Headquarters. This workshop will help you gain knowledge on greening the operations and maintenance of your existing building.

Tuesday, August 12 - USGBC-STL LEED Building Tour, featuring the Solae Headquarters. Look for event details in mid-July.