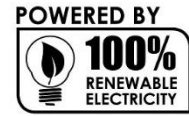


# The Sustainable Point!



## Earth Week(s) 2018

Members of the Office of Sustainability, along with several other individuals have been busy planning Earth Week events since last fall. All of this collaboration has led to a plethora of events occurring during April and we couldn't be more excited!



Earth Week Planning Team

Visit UW-Stevens Point Office of Sustainability on Facebook to view our comprehensive April calendar and more info on specific events!



All events are free of charge and open to the public thanks to collaboration between Student Government Association and the Office of Sustainability!

**April 11-20**

- **"Sustainability in Your Community" Instagram photo challenge**  
(voting April 23 and 24 at Joan Maloof's talk and the Age of Consequences film)

**Wednesday, April 11**  
**Fair and Local Fair**  
10 a.m.-2 p.m.  
DUC, Laird Room

**Monday, April 23**  
**Speaker Joan Maloof**  
**Old-Growth Forests: What They Are, Where They Are, and Why They Matter**  
6:30-8 p.m.  
DUC, Laird Room

**Wednesday, April 18**  
**Speaker Bob Martini**  
**Green Fire Talk**  
5:30-7 p.m.  
CCC 101

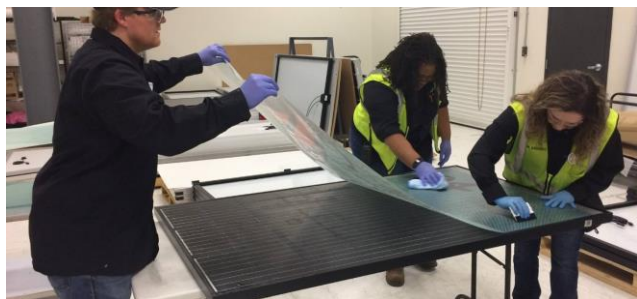
**Tuesday, April 24**  
**Film: Age of Consequences**  
6:30-8 p.m.  
DUC Theater

Earth Week Speaker Joan Maloof will be holding an additional event while in Wisconsin. Joan Maloof, Professor Emeritus at Salisbury University, founded the Old-Growth Forest Network to preserve, protect and promote the country's few remaining stands of old-growth forest. On Earth Day, April 22<sup>nd</sup>, Joan will be traveling to Cathedral Pines in Lakewood, WI for an Old-Growth dedication. Cathedral Pines features one of the finest old growth pine-hemlock stands on the Chequamegon-Nicolet National Forest. All are welcome to attend the event.

For more information on Joan's work and the Old-Growth Forest Network visit <http://www.oldgrowthforest.net/>

## Incorporating Alternative Energy

Senior Resource Management major, Nathan Goeckner, has been volunteering at the Office of sustainability in hopes to bring renewable energy generation to our campus. After an initial meeting with Sustainability Coordinator, Dave Barbier, about “the idea of installing some type of renewable energy generation on campus” Nathan got to work with an aim of finding out if “vertical wind turbines would be cost effective and innovative to perform outreach on campus”. Nathan reported, “As I went further down the wind turbine rabbit hole it became clear that at the current time a vertical wind turbine wasn’t going to be the most cost effective. With that unfortunate news I changed directions towards a solar car port. Justin, an employee of the Office of Sustainability, had been recently working on a project to get an electric vehicle charging station installed in the new parking lot and we figured why not install solar car ports above to directly charge the cars plugged in. Again, after looking into the fine details it was realized that this wouldn’t be a cost-effective option either.” Nathan’s renewable energy journey isn’t over yet as he is now working with several individuals and “looking forward to the hopeful implementation of a solar mural on campus!”



Production of solar mural by Land Art generator Initiative (LAGI)

## SPIN Bike Share

You may have noticed a few dozen bright orange bicycles sprinkled around campus. Here is the 411, the Office of Sustainability is launching a new bike share pilot program this week! We partnered with Spin, a bike-share company that will have 125 orange bikes spread across campus starting beginning on April 2<sup>nd</sup>. You can pick up and ride a bike for \$0.50 every half-hour or unlimited 30 minute rides for \$14/month (when you sign up with your @[uwsp.edu](mailto:uwsp.edu) email address). At UWSP, Spin Bikes must be parked at or within a few feet of a bike rack on campus. Spin Bikes must also "live" on campus -- while you may ride them off campus, you must return the bike to a bike rack on campus by the end of the day. We hope that this program will allow for more students to take advantage of the bikes, be it to get from one end of campus to the other when you are in a rush, or to take them out for a leisurely ride during the weekends.

Spin bikes can be found across all bike racks on campus. Here’s how it works:

- (1) Download the app by searching “Spin Bikes” on the app store and sign up with your @uwsp.edu email address.
- (2) Pull up the app and locate a bike nearby
- (3) Scan the QR code on the bike to unlock it
- (4) Start your ride
- (5) Drop off and lock the bike by an existing bike rack!

