

Frank Cicela founded Sustainable Indiana, Inc.

Below is an abridged archive of events that were either promoted or hosted and sponsored by Sustainable Indiana, Inc.

These events took place between September 2006 and October 2007.

Sustainable Indiana, Inc. is a 501 (c) 3 Not for Profit organization based in Crawfordsville, Indiana. It is designed as a Community Resource Center for Sustainable Living in the state of Indiana.

Sustainable Indiana, Inc. is an 'umbrella organization' that provides services geared toward networking, education, sharing, outreach and building community with regard to various aspects of sustainable living. A goal of Sustainable Indiana, Inc. is to become an incubator for alternative, progressive and most importantly practical sustainable living ideas.

This resource center of ideas will be made available to individuals wishing to replicate the program in communities across the State of Indiana.

Third U.S. Conference on "Peak Oil" and Community Solutions

Submitted by Chris Hardie on Sun, 2006-09-10 14:30.

Representatives from Sustainable Indiana, Inc. will be attending the Third U.S. Conference on "Peak Oil" and Community Solutions: Beyond Energy Alternatives. The event is being hosted in Yellow Springs, Ohio from Friday, Sept. 22 to Sunday, Sept. 24, 2006

The conference organizers invite you to join them for this annual educational and networking opportunity for all individuals concerned about Peak Oil and working to make the change in their lives and communities.

At the event participants will be able to learn the latest information on Peak Oil and climate change and how it will affect our economy and our lives. You can discover the truth about the proposed energy alternatives. Hear about solutions for food & farming, housing, and transportation, and how you can get involved. Explore the concepts of relocalization, sustainability, agrarianism, and more. Strategize with fellow Peak Oil activists, academics and community organizers in the largest gathering of the Peak Oil movement in the country.

More information on the web at: <http://www.communitysolution.org>.

Sustainable Indiana Volunteer Call-out

Submitted by frank on Thu, 2006-09-21 11:52.

A Volunteer Call-Out Meeting for individuals interested in becoming involved with Sustainable Indiana, Inc. will be held on February 11, 2007 at 1:00pm at the Crawfordsville Public Library.

Crawfordsville District Public Library
205 S. Washington St.
Crawfordsville, IN 47933 (765-362-2242)

Map: <http://www.cdpl.lib.in.us/maps/directions.html>

Community Members are welcome to nominate themselves for: Board of Directors Positions; Executive Committee Positions; Volunteer Positions. Be prepared to briefly share a bit about yourself along with your passions. Other topics to be discussed include: Goals and Mission, Governance, By-laws, Bricks and Mortar Office Space and Upcoming Events including Screening of 2005 Bioneers Conference DVDs, 2007 Indiana Energy Conference.

Interested in being involved, but can't make the date? Need more information or aren't from Crawfordsville? No problem! Just email: frank@sustainableindiana.org.

Indiana Building Energy Symposium 2006

Submitted by frank on Thu, 2006-09-21 12:22.

Our growing use of energy, along with its suspected impact on global climate, has quickly become a dominant issue with respect to the health of the global economy and to the earth's overall environmental sustainability. Within this context, the impact of buildings is known to be significant, to the point that many building-allied professional organizations have issued formal acknowledgements of this impact and have challenged their member affiliates to take leading roles in reducing it.

The program and format of the Indiana Building Energy Symposium will educate professionals in the building design, construction, and operation fields with information and expert techniques needed to improve building performance and thereby reduce the negative impact of energy use.

More information on the web including: Program Schedule, Speakers, Dates can be found at

<http://www.bsu.edu/web/capic/ibesymposium/index.html>

11th Annual Heartwood Reunion -- Indiana Forest Alliance Fall Forest Fest

Submitted by frank on Thu, 2006-09-21 16:51.

Please join us for the 11th annual HEARTWOOD REUNION, Oct. 13-15 which this year will again be combined with the Indiana Forest Alliance Fall Forest Fest.

The Reunion/Forest Fest will be held at the Lazy Black Bear, a one-of-a-kind rustic farm and lodge surrounded by the Hoosier National Forest near Paoli, Indiana, and the site of the earliest Heartwood meetings.

Board of Directors

Submitted by frank on Sat, 2006-09-23 22:55.

The Board of Directors of Sustainable Indiana, Inc. meets to discuss and oversee the operations of Sustainable Indiana, Inc.

We are currently looking for new board members to help us grow the organization. If you would like to find out more information about joining the Board of Directors, please [contact us](#).

Sustainable Indiana featured in Crawfordsville Journal-Review

Submitted by Chris Hardie on Sat, 2006-09-23 23:03.

The Crawfordsville Journal-Review, a local paper in Montgomery County, featured Sustainable Indiana, Inc. on the front page of today's paper. You can read the full article on their website: "[Sustainable Indiana Inc. will focus on environment](#)." Sustainable Indiana, Inc. founder Frank Cicela was interviewed for the article, which discusses the organization's origins and plans for the future.

Progressive Richmond-Wayne County, Indiana -- An Interactive On-Line Community

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2006-10-02 15:27.

[Progressive Richmond-Wayne County, Indiana](#)

Progressive Richmond and Wayne County, Indiana is an interactive on-line community that promotes and chronicles the progressive efforts of individuals, organizations and businesses in the area. It was founded in 2006 to serve as a central gathering point for all of the amazing and important parts of Wayne County's progressive entities that don't always know about each other, and that aren't always visible to the rest of the population.

The Oil Depletion Protocol - A Plan for a Sensible Energy Future

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2006-10-02 16:16.

[The Oil Depletion Protocol](#) is an international agreement that will enable nations of the world to cooperatively reduce their dependence on oil. It was proposed by Dr. Colin Campbell, a prominent petroleum geologist and founder of the Association for the Study of Peak Oil and Gas (ASPO), in 1996.

By agreeing to reduce oil imports and exports by a specified amount each year, about 2.6 percent, signatory nations will help mitigate the negative consequences of an over-reliance on cheap oil and help prepare for a global decline in the world's oil supply. The premise of the Protocol is inherently straightforward: oil importing nations would agree to reduce their imports by an agreed-upon yearly percentage, referred to as the World Oil Depletion Rate, while oil producing nations would agree to reduce their rate of production by their National Depletion Rate. This simple and sensible formula will produce, in effect, a global rationing system. If the entire world adopted the Protocol, global consumption of oil would decline by almost 3 percent per annum, thus stabilizing prices, preserving the resource base, and reducing competition for remaining supplies.

2005 Bioneers DVD Lecture Series to be Screened at Vanity Theater in Crawfordsville, IN

Submitted by frank on Wed, 2006-10-04 11:04.

Sustainable Indiana, Inc. in cooperation with [Bioneers](#) will be screening the recorded DVD 2005 Bioneers lecture series at the Vanity Theater beginning October 22nd at 1:00 pm. Bioneer is a name given to people who promote practical environmental solutions and innovative social strategies to restore the earth and communities. The lectures range from science to spirit--local to global--academia to the grass roots--farm to city--business to public service--and art to engineering.

Joy Castro to Give 27th LaFollette Lecture -- "Notes against Serotiny: Life-Writing and the Triple Bottom Line"

Submitted by frank on Thu, 2006-10-19 10:47.

Joy Castro, Associate Professor of English and Department Chair at Wabash College, will present the 27th Annual LaFollette Lecture on Friday, October 20 at Wabash College.

"Notes against Serotiny: Life-Writing and the Triple Bottom Line" will be the title of the presentation, which will begin at 4:15 p.m. in Salter Hall of the Fine Arts Center. A reception will follow her talk in the Littell Lobby in the Fine Arts Center.

Friends of Sugar Creek 2006 Fall Creek Clean-up Saturday October 28th 8:00am - Noon

Submitted by frank on Sun, 2006-10-22 10:14.

The Friends of Sugar Creek 2006 Fall Creek Clean-up Day to be held on Saturday, October 28th from 8:00 AM to 12:00 PM.

We will assemble at the city parking lot SE of the Lafayette Ave. bridge over Sugar Creek (Adjacent to Elston Park and Creekside Restuarant)! There will be coffee and donuts on hand for those in need of a carb 'n caffeine boost before departure. Maps, trash bags, gloves and instructions will be provided at 8:15, after which we will break into small groups made up of 3-6 volunteers, including one FSC board member. Each group will be assigned to a specific area which may include bridges, public access sites or one of Sugar Creek's major tributaries. Volunteers should be prepared to drive or ride one to six miles from our starting point in Crawfordsville. However, walking/hiking will be limited to 1/4 mile or less at each location.

Sustainable Evansville, IN

Submitted by frank on Thu, 2006-11-09 16:06.

Promoting environmentally sustainable economic development for the Evansville region is the mission of Sustainable Evansville.

Environmentally sustainable economic development is a process of collaborative stewardship of the environment and the regional economy to provide a high quality of life for present and future generations. In order for economic development to be considered environmentally sustainable, long-term consequences must be evaluated in terms of impact on the public health and the environment, impact on the economy, and equity for all citizens. Economic development and environmental protection must be seen as complementary rather than antagonistic processes, both essential to maintain and improve the quality of life of a community through the generations to come. Environmentally sustainable economic development is a process that equitably capitalizes on opportunities to optimize land use, maximize resource efficiency, minimize or utilize waste, and improve overall quality and competitiveness of the region.

Second Annual Indiana Energy Conference - Vanity Theater - Crawfordsville, IN

Submitted by frank on Sun, 2006-11-12 19:40.

The [Indiana Energy Conference](#) is designed for people to explore our culture's relationship with energy. The purpose of gathering together is to discuss our experiences, share ideas, explore action, and build community.

Inspired by the Third U.S. Conference on Peak Oil and Community Solutions we will address issues of sustainable living, food production, population growth, modern culture, human relationships to the land and community building among many other things. You are invited to join us for several weekends of learning, connecting, sharing and doing!

The conference begins at 1:00 PM on Saturday January 6, 2007. Meetings are scheduled for the following 3 Saturdays. Activities will include: several film screenings, DVD presentations by various speakers, discussion, networking activities and more.

Richmond Indiana's Comprehensive Plan: Building a Sustainable City

Submitted by frank on Fri, 2006-11-17 10:03.

[Richmond Indiana's new Comprehensive Plan](#) (in its entirety) is available online in PDF format. The plan is full of progressive goals related to [sustainability and conservation](#), city image and identity, transportation and more. Its vision is bold, and if implemented, could mean great things for the future of Richmond, IN and surrounding areas.

Originally posted at:

[Progressive Richmond-Wayne County, Indiana](#)

The Relocalization Network: Local Communities, Global Connections

Submitted by frank on Thu, 2006-11-30 21:51.

www.relocalize.net

Relocalization is a strategy that has developed in response to the environmental, social, political and economic ramifications of global over-reliance on cheap energy. Climate change, the erosion of community, wars for oil-rich land and the instability of the global economic system have resulted from our dependence on cheap non-renewable fossil fuel energy.

Tenth Continental Bioregional Congress July 12-20, 2008

Submitted by frank on Wed, 2006-12-06 22:34.

www.bioregionalcongress.org

The Tenth Continental Bioregional Congress is scheduled for July 12-20, 2008 at Grailville in Loveland, OH near the Little Miami River in the Central Ohio River Valley Bioregion
www.grailville.org

Beyond Sustainability: Why an All-Consuming Campaign to Reduce Unsustainability Fails

Submitted by frank on Thu, 2006-12-14 11:05.

John Ehrenfeld proposes a radically different conversation about sustainability, one that moves away from mere problem solving, demands a new definition and envisions infinite possibilities.

Article can be read here: <http://www.changethis.com/25.03.BeyondSustain>

BEYOND SUBURBIA lives a spirited, mutually-beneficial neighborhood!

Submitted by frank on Tue, 2006-12-19 17:20.

<http://www.beyondsuburbia.com>

The 21st Century finds Americans waking to the Reality of our unintended consequences of our car-dependant suburban sprawl lifestyle; over consumption of a dwindling supply of natural resources and cheap oil, a health crises of obesity and diabetes, a spiritual crises and lack of purpose, social isolation and lack of connection, increasingly catastrophic weather events and the impending loss of 1/3 to 1/2 of the world's species from global warming, to named a few.

Sustainability is about Economic, Social, and Ecological Sytems and Strategies that leave the world a better place for our children and future generations. Design Elements that support a sustainable lifestyle speak to our current needs, and at the same time create an empowering, more abundant, just, and joyful future for all.

Free Film Screening: An Inconvenient Truth

Submitted by frank on Fri, 2006-12-29 12:52.

A ****FREE**** showing of the documentary film An Inconvenient Truth will be held on January 6, 2007 1:00pm at the Vanity Theater in Downtown Crawfordsville, IN. The screening of this film will be in conjunction with the 2007 Indiana Energy Conference taking place January 6, 13, 20, 27 at 1pm.

Directions along with complete details and schedule of events can be found by visiting:

<http://www.indianaenergyconference.org/>

Michael Richards author of "Sustainable Operating Systems: The Post Petrol Paradigm" to speak at the Indiana Energy Conference

Submitted by frank on Tue, 2007-01-02 21:09.

Michael Richards to Speak at the Indiana Energy Conference on January 20, 2007

Conference Information at: <http://www.indianaenergyconference.org/>

Petitioning Elected Leaders of West Central Indiana to Adopt the Oil Depletion Protocol

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2007-01-08 08:39.

The Oil Depletion Protocol is an international agreement that will enable nations, cities, towns, corporations and individuals of the world to cooperatively reduce their dependence on oil. It was proposed by Dr. Colin Campbell, a prominent petroleum geologist and founder of the Association for the Study of Peak Oil and Gas (ASPO), in 1996.

Read and Sign the Oil Depletion Protocol Petition here:

<http://www.petitiononline.com/2007ODP/petition.html>

Read the protocol itself here:

<http://www.oildepletionprotocol.org/>

January 23, 2007 is Conservation Day at the Indiana Statehouse

Submitted by frank on Tue, 2007-01-16 12:19.

Join representatives of the Nature Conservancy for the third annual Conservation Day at the Statehouse. Meet your state senator and state representative and let them know that the protection of our natural resources is important to you and your family.

More information on the web at The Nature Conservancy:

<http://www.nature.org/wherewework/northamerica/states/indiana/news/news2165.html>

or

Contact Angela Hughes at (317) 951-8818 or ahughes@tnc.org.

2007 Midwest Small Farm Conference

Submitted by frank on Wed, 2007-01-17 08:33.

The 2007 Midwest Small Farm Conference: Methods of Successful Farming, will be held Saturday February 10 at the Montgomery County 4-H Fairgrounds. This is a premier educational event for Organic, Natural and Biological Farmers, and consumers who choose to eat food produced in this manner.

Complete event details and contact information on the web at:

<http://www.sustainableearth.net>

2007 Montgomery County Master Gardener Class

Submitted by frank on Wed, 2007-01-17 14:37.

The Montgomery County Master Gardener Class is offered through the Purdue University Cooperative Extension Service

Learn About:

- Plant Science • Plant Nutrition
- Soil Science • Identification & control of insect pests, plant diseases, and weeds
- Pesticide Safety/Organic Methods • Vegetables
- Flowers • Fruit Crops
- Landscape Plants • House Plants • Lawn Care

Program Director of BioTown USA Project to Speak at Wabash Campus 02/27/07

Submitted by frank on Wed, 2007-02-21 17:53.

Ryan West, Program Manager of Bioenergy Development for the Indiana Department of Agriculture, will be giving a talk entitled "Turning Challenges into Opportunities." West is in charge of the BioTown USA project in Reynolds, Ind., and will be speaking about the implementation of biorenewable resources in Indiana. This talk is sponsored by the Experience Indiana Grant funded by Eli Lilly Corporation.

2007 Indiana Farm Sustainability Tours

Submitted by frank on Thu, 2007-03-08 17:23.

Tours will feature diversified farming across Indiana

The 2007 Indiana Farm Sustainability Tours feature Hoosier farmers leading the way in a variety of innovative practices that add value to their farms and their communities.

The tours will give educators, farmers and other rural residents the opportunity to investigate ways to diversify their operations and to learn from other diversified Hoosier farmers.

Hoosier Environmental Council Spring Activities -- Lafayette Area

Submitted by frank on Sat, 2007-03-17 12:10.

The Hoosier Environmental Council -- Indiana's Voice for Clean Air, Safe Water and Wild Places is supporting a great line-up of events this spring. Activities include: film screenings and discussion, Childrens activities, River Clean-ups and more! See below for a complete listing with dates and times.

"Global Perspectives on the Environment" Regional Conference

Submitted by frank on Wed, 2007-03-28 08:40.

Host: Topics on the Environment discussion group

What: "Global Perspectives on the Environment" Regional Conference

Where: Merry Lea Environmental Learning Center, Wolf Lake, IN

When: March 30-31

Cost: \$10.00 GC students, \$20.00 students, \$30.00 non-students

A regional Conference inviting regional Colleges and University, featuring seminars on topics such as indigenous people and environment, sustainable design, conservation, and grass roots environmental action. Also includes free time to go on guided hikes, watch a documentary film, tour Rieth Village green buildings, all vegetarian meals, and overnight stay in green dorms.

Learning From Nature: Permaculture Workshop May 31 - June 14, 2007

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2007-04-02 16:45.

Learning From Nature: Permaculture Workshop

May 31 - June 14, 2007

Two weeks of camping, course-work, and camaraderie, featuring great meals prepared on site using fresh, local and organic foods at the Lazy Black Bear in the heart of the Hoosier National Forest.

Enrollment is limited to 25 IU students and 10 participants from the larger community.

2007 West Central Indiana Tox Away Days

Submitted by frank on Tue, 2007-04-10 09:37.

2007 Tox Away Dates Include:

April 14th 8:00am - 1:00pm North Montgomery High School

May 5th 8:00am - 1:00pm Putnam County Fairgrounds

June 16th 8:00am - 1:00pm Mooresville High School

Sept 29th 8:00am - 1:00pm Parke County Fairgrounds

More information on the web at: <http://www.westcentralswd.com/toxaway.htm>

Permaculture Workshop with Peter Bane in Crawfordsville, Indiana

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2007-04-30 20:55.

The Sustainable Indiana team is looking for immediate feedback on an upcoming potential workshop.

The workshop would be titled "Introduction to Permaculture", and the instructor will be the World renowned founder of Permaculture Activist Magazine, Peter Bane. Peter was one of the key note speakers shown at the 2007 Indiana Energy Conference. This workshop will be an all day (8 hr) hands-on workshop held on a Saturday this summer right here in Montgomery County! Peter has been gracious enough to offer this class here in Montgomery County at The Moon Dance Ranch. The workshop will combine indoor classroom time and hands-on design planning while we discuss the potential of property where the class is held.

Oil Depletion Protocol to be presented at Crawfordsville City Council Committee Meeting

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2007-04-30 20:59.

Oil Depletion Protocol to be presented at Crawfordsville City Council Committee Meeting

When: Monday May 7th 2007 at 6:00pm

Where: Crawfordsville City Building

What: Board Members of Sustainable Indiana, Inc. will present to Crawfordsville City Council Committees a brief 15 minute presentation on the phenomenon of Peak Oil. Additionally, the board will introduce the Oil Depletion Protocol as a countermeasure to Peak Oil. The board will request the Council be leaders in the State of Indiana and create a resolution to adopt the Protocol for our Community.

WE NEED YOU IN ATTENDANCE TO SHOW YOUR SUPPORT FOR THIS IMPORTANT RESOLUTION.

2007 De-Trash the Wabash May 19th

Submitted by frank on Fri, 2007-05-18 14:47.

De-Trash the Wabash River Cleanup

Taking Place 8:30am-1pm

Meet at the Big Four Depot located at 200 N. Second Street in Lafayette, Indiana.

Contact the Wabash Riverkeeper at (765) 714-4829 for more information.

2007 3rd Annual Celebrate the Wildcat Creek at Adams Mill Saturday, June 2nd

Submitted by frank on Fri, 2007-05-18 14:52.

3rd Annual Celebrate the Wildcat Creek at Adams Mill

Saturday, June 2nd 10:00AM to 6:00PM

Information on the web at <http://www.wildcatcreekfoundation.org/>

BioEnergy Fair June 12th Clay County Fairgrounds Brazil, IN

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2007-05-21 21:37.

Come to the Clay County Fairgrounds Tuesday evening, June 12 from 6:30 - 9:00 PM EDT to learn more about BioEnergy. The Education Committee of Sycamore Trails is offering a seminar on New Opportunities with BioEnergy.

Co-sponsors are Purdue Extension, Altra Indiana, LLC - Cloverdale Ethanol Plant, and RDC Farms of Clay City. Speakers include Gergory Bossaer, Purdue Extensin Educator from White County, home of Reynolds, Bio-Town USA project. Also Chad Pfitzer, Purdue Extension Educator from Daviess County, who will speak to small scale opportunities for entrepreneurs.

Hendricks County Holistic Living Practitioners Support Group

Submitted by frank on Tue, 2007-05-22 15:39.

Join us June 10th at 2:00pm at Panera Bread in Avon at 36 and Raceway Rd. for a Holistic Living Practitioners Support Group Meeting called Be the Change.

Be the Change is a free, volunteer group that meets monthly to support, network and advance local holistic practitioners, local organic or chemical free farmers and other green resources.

We intend to create energy, focus and direction as we share with each other and offer real ways to spread our work for the greater good for Hendricks County and beyond. Please share this information with anyone you know that might be interested in joining us. Drop us an email if you plan to attend.

Bicycle Repair Clinics Saturday June 16th 10am – 2pm Crawfordsville

Submitted by frank on Wed, 2007-06-06 16:48.

Crawfordsville Bicycle Repair Clinic
Saturday June 16th 10am – 2pm
Cycle Sports 100 E. North St. (Located @ Magic Light Neon Sign Co.)

Bring Your Bike! (Working Or Not — Doesn't Matter!)

Learn About Bicycle Safety & Equipment
Hands-On Class Taught by an Experienced Technician
Class size is limited to 10 participants (registration required)
Minimum age for unsupervised youth will be 12 yrs (younger children are welcome but must be accompanied by an adult)

***** Additional Bicycle Repair Clinics *** Saturday August 25th 10am – 2pm Crawfordsville**

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2007-06-25 17:01.

The First and Second Bicycle Repair Clinics held in Crawfordsville this past June and July were so SUCCESSFUL we are pleased to announce an additional clinic to be held on August 25. See program changes below!

!!! FREE !!!

Crawfordsville Bicycle Repair Clinic

2007 Introduction to Permaculture Workshop with Peter Bane on July 28th - Montgomery County, IN

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indoor classroom time and hands-on design planning while we discuss the potential of property where the class is held.

Citizens for a Sustainable Indianapolis

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2007-06-25 17:18.

Citizens for a Sustainable Indianapolis (CSI)

We believe that more progress needs to be made sooner if Indianapolis is to be a sustainable city. We believe that sufficient numbers of our elected officials must understand the serious challenges we face, the opportunities that exist and the consequence of not taking prompt action.

We therefore are assembling a countywide campaign called, Citizen's for a Sustainable Indianapolis (CSI). The purpose is to gather and widely share, the positions and degrees of support for matters of sustainability and stewardship by those seeking local office in this November's election.

2007 Seventh Annual Earth Charter Community Summit

Submitted by frank on Fri, 2007-10-05 20:02.

Seventh Annual Earth Charter Community Summit

Sunday, October 21, 2007

Old Centrum Building—12th and Central in Indianapolis

Sustainable Indiana Inc. Needs Your Help

Submitted by Chris Hardie on Sat, 2007-10-27 22:43.

Sustainable Indiana, Inc. is in a critical time of clarifying our vision, building our volunteer base, and connecting with other persons and organizations who share our goals.

We need your help! If you would like to be a part of the conversation about the future of this important resource, please [contact us](#).

Sustainable Living Library

Submitted by frank on Mon, 2006-09-18 11:02.

The current Sustainable Indiana, Inc Sustainable Living Library consists of the below titles from the Chelsea Green Publishing Catalogue. These titles are currently being catalogued and will be made available for checkout very soon!