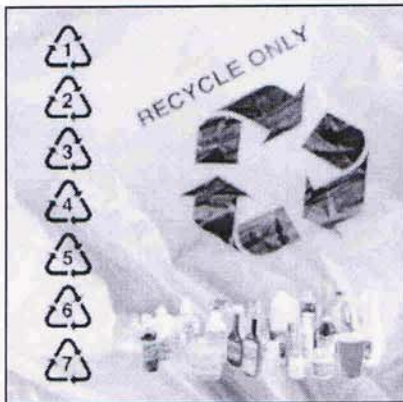


NEWSLETTER



Recyclable Plastics # 1 - 7



Starting June 1, 2011, plastics 3 through 7 will be added to Westchester County's list of mandated recyclables. Recyclable plastics include food, beverage, detergent and shampoo containers and caps, which should be rinsed clean before going in the recycling bin. With the expansion of the County's Source Separation Law, all Westchester residents, businesses, schools and institutions alike will be required to separate for recycling all empty plastic containers marked with the triangular chasing arrows symbol and coded with a number 1 through 7 in the center, with the exception of items listed below.

Plastic bags, all plastic film (e.g. dry cleaning bags and packaging materials), vinyl

Unmarked or non-coded plastics (e.g. toys, clothing hangers, tableware and utensils) Large rigid plastics (e.g. toys and furniture) Plastic foam (e.g. hot beverage cups, trays and packaging materials)

Containers that may have held hazardous materials (e.g. motor oil, solvents and pesticides)

Building materials (e.g. pvc piping and bathroom and kitchen fixtures)

SOMERS ENERGY EXPO



On February 5th, 2011 The Town of Somers was treated to an

Energy Expo produced by the Somers Energy Environment Committee (formerly SEAP). The event was both a financial and community success. We introduced in a low key way the Energize Somers program and obtained 15 applications by interested homeowners.

Energize Somers

Energize Somers, is an initiative of NWEAC — the Northern Westchester Energy Action Consortium. We promote home energy efficiency by acting as a local trusted source guiding homeowners through a sometimes complicated process of making home energy upgrades that save money, reduce carbon emissions, and make homes more comfortable. Find out how to get a **FREE** energy audit + save 20-40% on your energy bills and receive state and federal incentives at www.EnergizeSomers.org



FREE WORKSHOPS

SMS Science Teacher, Bill Block will present three free NYSERDA sponsored workshops for Teachers on Energy Sustainability and Solar, from June 28-30. Information and registration at www.GetEnergySmart.org.

SOMERS SCHOOL DISTRICT ENERGY GRANTS



The Somers School District was awarded a \$275k grant to install a 50kW Solar PV system on the Town's high school. We have engaged an engineering firm and worked with them to design a solar system in accordance with New York State Education Department (SED) architectural criteria. A complete submission to SED was submitted in February for approval. The firm Malcolm Pirnie have been engage by NYSERDA to oversee the grant award and we are working with their project manager to meet the required project milestones. As of this report, the approval from SED is expected by May 1st. An RFP will be circulated in May with a vendor award by early June. Construction of the solar array is expected to begin in July and be completed by mid-August.

The Town of Somers received a NYSERDA grant for \$352,260 to include retrofitting interior and exterior lighting and adding lighting controls in 4 existing public schools owned and operated by the Somers Central School District. Completion of the project is expected by mid-July.

LOCAL FOOD AND FARMS

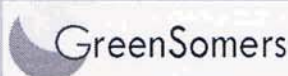
For the best in local and organic foods visit the following:

- Amawalk Farm, Wood Street, Katonah
- Muscoot Farmers Market, Route 100, Katonah
- Stuart's Farm, Granite Springs Road, Granite Springs
- Hilltop Hanover Farm, Yorktown Heights
- Harvest Moon & Orchard, North Salem
- Salinger's Orchard, North Salem
- Ryder Farm, Brewster
- Table, Bedford Hills



www.GreenSomers.org

for all your energy & environmental info and updates. Sign-up today!



SOMERS SUSTAINABILITY FAIR

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BORROW A KILL-A-WATT METER FROM SOMERS LIBRARY



The Somers Energy Environment Committee donated 3 Kill-A-Watt Meters to Somers Library. Take one out and test the efficiency of all the appliances in your home!

FREE CFL LIGHTBULBS

SEEC will give out free CFL light bulbs at Somers Independence Day Celebration!

