



# HEASC News Digest

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### **1. AASHE invites HEASC Members to Visit New Web Page for the Campus Sustainability Rating System**

AASHE invites HEASC members to visit the newly launched web page for the Campus Sustainability Rating System (CSRS) project – <http://www.aashe.org/rating/>. HEASC's "Call for a Campus Sustainability Rating System" is among the posted documents. We encourage you and your members to actively participate in the development of the CSRS and join the discussion forum - <http://lists.aashe.net/listinfo.cgi/aashe-rating-aashe.net>. The next Roundtable meeting will be held Feb. 22 in Boulder, CO at the Rocky Mountain Sustainability Summit. For more information, and a brief description you can disseminate to members, contact Judy Walton, [judy@aashe.org](mailto:judy@aashe.org).

*-Judy Walton, AASHE*

### **2. Second Annual Smart and Sustainable Campus Conference -- Please market to your members!**

A collaborative effort among 8 organizations, the 2nd Annual Smart and Sustainable Campus Conference on **April 17 - 19, 2007** in College Park, Maryland, will bring you the latest information and best practices in the areas of campus planning, engaging the campus in sustainability, facility construction and operations, and assessment in measurement.

*Marketing e-mail link:*

[http://www.magnetmail.net/actions/email\\_web\\_version.cfm?recipient\\_id=7041157&message\\_id=270667&user\\_id=NACUBO](http://www.magnetmail.net/actions/email_web_version.cfm?recipient_id=7041157&message_id=270667&user_id=NACUBO)

*-Michele Madia, NACUBO*

### **3. Mark Your Calendars: Campus Sustainability Day V and SCUP-42: Shaping the Academic Landscape: Integrated Solutions**

*Campus Sustainability Day V, <http://www.scup.org/csd/5/> on October 24, 2007*

CSD 5.0 is focused on climate change. The webcast SCUP will offer to support that features Bill McKibben, author of the 1989 seminal work, *The End of Nature*, and of the forthcoming 2007 book, *Deep Economy: The Wealth of Communities and the Durable Future*, which has many implications for higher education institutions and their communities. Our website is not current with this information as it has solidified during the past few days.

*SCUP-42: Shaping the Academic Landscape: Integrated Solutions, July 17-21, Chicago*  
(<http://www.scup.org/annualconf/42/>)

SCUP is offering a carbon offset contribution as an opt-in during the registration process for this summer conference, (see <http://www.scup.org/annualconf/42/>). The conference also has a very strong collection of sustainability-related concurrent sessions.

*-Terry Calhoun, SCUP*

#### **4. Entrepreneurs and Higher Education: Catalysts for Advancing Sustainability**

The Kaufman Foundation, in partnership with Arizona State University, Starbucks, *The New York Times*, and the Society for College and University Planning, will be presenting a complimentary live webcast, "Entrepreneurs and Higher Education: Catalysts for Advancing Sustainability," **March 1, 2007 from 4:00 pm to 5:00 pm EST**. Panelists include Peter Thum, Founder of Ethos Water and Vice President of Starbucks, and Jonathan Fink, Vice President of Research and Economic Affairs, Arizona State University. James Gorman, Deputy Science Editor for the New York Times, will be moderating. The webcast will explore the role of entrepreneurs and higher education in adopting and promoting sustainable practices. More details on the SCUP website soon.

*-Terry Calhoun, SCUP*

#### **5. AGB to Host Roundtable on the Presidents Climate Commitment at its National Conference on Trusteeship**

In addition to a plenary session at its National Conference on Trusteeship in Phoenix **March 3-6** that will feature Michael Crow of Arizona State and David Shi of Furman, AGB will also host a roundtable on the Presidents' Climate Commitment with William Sanborn Pfeiffer of Warren Wilson College and Jerilyn McIntrye of Central Washington University.

*-Rich Novak, AGB*

#### **6. The Presidents Climate Commitment Launches New Website**

The new website is officially up and running at <http://www.presidentsclimatecommitment.org>. Visit the site to get the latest updates on signatories (we're now at 68!), the latest news on the PCC, Frequently Asked Questions and more. Please post a link to it on your respective websites.

*-Mary Reilly*

#### **7. Updates from Debra Rowe**

The working groups for the Disciplinary Associations for Sustainability met to discuss projects in curricula, professional development, standards, cross disciplinary projects and funding.

Al Gore is the keynote speaker at the upcoming joint ACPA and NASPA conference.

Debra will be joining a group of global leaders in sustainability in higher ed at an event

sponsored by MIT to explain the good work of HEASC and the national sustainability trend emerging in the U.S..  
*-Deb Rowe*

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