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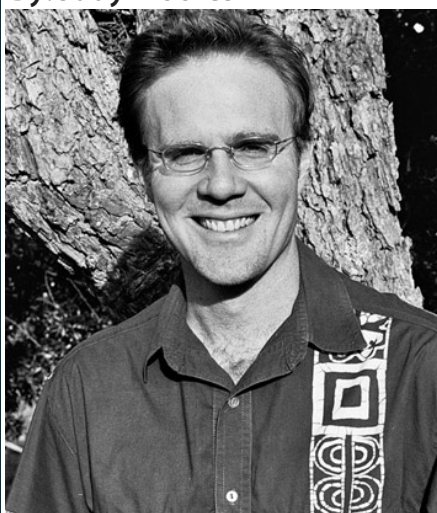
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- Yolo County Housing
- Yolo Federal Credit Union
- Yolo Food Bank
- Yolo Land Trust
- Yolo-Solano Air Quality Management District



Sustainable Living Workshop: How Much Is Enough?

By: Judy Moores



William Powers, national best-selling author of *Twelve by Twelve: A One Room Cabin Off the Grid & Beyond the American Dream*, will present a workshop "How Much is Enough?" from 3 - 5:30 p.m., Sunday, August 14, 2011 in the Fellowship Hall of the United Methodist Church, 1620 Anderson Road, Davis. The workshop will include a lecture, slides and breakout groups, plus local insights from special guest: Spring Warren, Davis author of the *Quarter Acre Farm: How I kept the Patio, Lost the Lawn, and Fed My Family for a Year*. Also, the workshop, with its tips on living sustainably and with a joyful heart, is appropriate for adults and teens. The public is invited. The suggest-

ed donation at the door is \$10-20/person. Simple refreshments will be served. To keep this a zero-waste event, we invite you to bring your own cup. As space is limited, please register at <http://cdihowmuchisenough.eventbrite.com> as soon as possible.

Mr. Powers blends social justice, spirituality, and humor in his presentations – helping us to find ways to “be” in the world that can make our families and ourselves happier. An expert in post-conflict humanitarian intervention, food aid, climate change, deforestation and other topics, Mr. Powers has worked for over a decade in development aid and conservation in Latin America, Africa, Washington, D.C., and Native North America. From 2002 to 2004, he managed the community components of a project in the Bolivian Amazon that won a 2003 prize for environmental innovation from Harvard’s John F. Kennedy School of Government. His essays and commentaries on global issues have appeared in the *New York Times* and the *International Herald Tribune*, and on *National Public Radio*. Mr. Powers worked at the World Bank, and holds international relations degrees from Brown University and Georgetown’s School of Foreign Service. A 2004-2005 recipient of the Open Door Foundation for non-fiction, he is the author of the Liberia memoir *Blue Clay People*, the Bolivian memoir *Continued on next page...*



Whispering in the Giant's Ear, as well as the memoir of living "off-the-grid" *Twelve by Twelve: A One-Room Cabin Off the Grid & Beyond the American Dream*. He is currently based in New York City, and is freelance writer, speaker, and senior fellow at the World Policy Institute. For more information, see <http://www.williampowersbooks.com>.

Spring Warren is a writer with a penchant for art, furniture-making and gardening.

Her novel *Turpentine* (Grove Atlantic, 2008) received Barnes and Noble's Discover Great New Writers Award, the bronze medal in ForeWord Magazine's Book of the Year for Historic Fiction, and was a recommended title for the New York Center for Independent Publishing. In 2011, Seal Press published *The Quarter Acre Farm*, Spring's memoir of living off her suburban yard for a year. She continues to grow most of the food for herself and her family on the quarter acre farm, and to write about the garden, the geese, the rabbits, the chickens, the plants, and the people who live there.



The Cool Davis Initiative presents this event with its co-sponsors: Church & Society Committee of Davis United Methodist Church, Green Sanctuary of Unitarian Universalist Church of Davis, Lutheran Church of the Incarnation, Sierra Club - Yolano Group, Stewards of God's Creation of Davis Community Church, Unity Center of Davis, and others.



One Farm at a Time
By: Doug Walters, Davis Food COOP

The Davis Food Co-op recognizes the importance of a healthy local food system that supports small, organic farms not just for taste and nutrition, but for the health of our soil, water, air and local economy! We know that to continue to enjoy local food, we have to preserve our local farms. Land is expensive, small farms are disappearing, seasoned farmers are retiring, and new farmers cannot afford to buy land to farm in California.

For this reason, the Davis Food Co-op is proud to support *One Farm at a Time*, a program that gives Co-op shoppers the opportunity to invest in the future of the farms and farmers that provide our food. This partnership is working to raise funds and awareness needed to ensure the sustainability of our local family farms for future generations. *One Farm at a Time* aims to preserve each small farm based on its unique set of circumstances. *Continued on next page...*

Good Humus Produce in the Capay Valley is the first family farm that we are preserving.

Jeff and Annie Main have been working for eight years to establish an agricultural easement that will protect this land as an organic farm into perpetuity. If 40,000 partners (the combined membership of Davis Food Co-op and Sacramento Natural Foods Co-op) give just \$10 per year (3 cents a day), we can save Good Humus within a year and move on to preserving the next farm.

The Davis Food Co-op aims to make community partnership in this project, an investment in the future of local, family farms, as easy as possible for our shoppers. Here are some of the ways that you can be a part of preserving small farms for future generations;

- Drop your spare change in one of the *One Farm at a Time* Piggy Banks at the cash registers at the Davis Food Co-op.
- Eat food from Good Humus Produce and other local farms.
- Through September 15, every \$10 donation to *One Farm at a Time* made through the TPCF account set up by Sacramento Natural Foods Co-op will earn one chance to win two round-trip domestic airline tickets. Make your \$10 donation at the Sacramento Natural Foods Co-op (1900 Alhambra Blvd. at S St. in Sacramento) or online by September 15 at www.community.coop/onefarmatotime. For details, please call 916-868-6399.
- Tax deductible donations can be made anytime via Twin Pines Cooperative Foundation PMB 1844, 216 F St. Davis, CA 95616. Make checks payable to TPCF/OFaT/DFC or donate online at www.community.coop/onefarmatotime/
- Purchase *One Farm at a Time* merchandise at the Davis Food Co-op. All proceeds from the sales of mugs, greeting cards, and cardboard Piggy Banks support the project.

To learn more about *One Farm at a Time* and stay updated on upcoming events, "like" us on facebook at <http://www.facebook.com/OneFarmAtaTime>. In August, events include:

- The Sacramento Natural Foods Co-op's Summer Wine Dinner is Thursday, August 18, from 6-8:30 pm, with tickets at \$65 (\$55 for Co-op owners) benefiting *One Farm at a Time*. Please



pre-register at www.sacfoodcoop.com or 916-868-6399.

- The Good Humus Produce Peach Party on Saturday, August 6, from 1-11pm, will be a celebration of all things peachy! Guests are invited to bring a seasonal pot luck dish to share, an appetite for neighborly fun, their own dishes, silverware and cups and blankets to picnic on. RSVP 530-787-3187 if you plan to attend.
- Guests are also invited to support *One Farm at a Time* at the Peach party with a contribution: please contact Jeff and Annie at (humus@cal.net) or call 530-787-3187 to let them know you plan to donate and inquire about thank-you gifts that may be available at the farm during the Peach Party.
- Good Humus will also be the site of a Hands-on Adobe Oven Building Workshop with Brian Baker, of Bohemian Earth Building, Saturday and Sunday, August 20 and 21, 9 am–5 pm. There is a \$100 course fee, which includes the workshop and a farm-fresh lunch each day. The oven built at the Good Humus workshop will be a permanent addition to this beautiful family farm, to be used at future events for the community. Free overnight camping on the farm is available. Call 916-868-6399 for more information or to pre-register; you can also register for the workshop at www.sacfoodcoop.com.

CDI welcomes new partners

Cool Davis Initiative Partners include local area groups, such as businesses, non-profits, faith groups, school committees, city committees and others. The initial requirement of Partners is that they support and agree with the mission of CDI: to inspire our community to reduce greenhouse gas emissions, adapt to a changing climate, and improve the quality of life for all (and have fun, too). Beyond the mission requirement, CDI partners are welcome to attend special CDI Partner activities to network and learn from each other. Partner representatives are also welcome to attend CDI Meetings.

Cool Davis Initiative welcomes the following new Partners:

Church & Society Committee of Davis United Methodist Church - The Church & Society Committee actively pursues social justice and environmental sustainability for the "transformation of the world." Jim Cramer, past chair, reports, "The C & S Committee members are proud that their committee and church have helped found numerous Davis community organizations such as Suicide Prevention, Davis Community Meals, Interfaith Rotating Winter Shelter and Grace House. In addition, the committee has initiated and implemented various energy conservation measures at the church, created Grace Garden to grow food for low-income populations and led 6 Low Carbon Diet groups."

Currently, church members are investigating the installation of solar panels to supply nearly all of the electricity for the church buildings. Finances are a challenge and they would like to see the city of Davis and State of California pass bonds to help finance solar energy for non-profits that cannot benefit from tax incentives. The new chair of C & S, Karen Hudson-Bates, is already helping the Cool Davis Initiative as liaison for the upcoming sustainability living workshop (*See page one for details*). Interested community members are invited to attend.

Davis Media Access - The mission of Davis Media Access is to enrich and strengthen the community by providing alternatives to commercial media for local voices, opinions and creative endeavors. Autumn Labbé-Renault, Executive Director of DMA, notes, "DMA provides support to other non-profits on limited budgets by helping them get their word out, connects our Davis community through documenting and archiving important events, voices and stories, and covers all local elections that would otherwise remain uncovered."

With regard to sustainable living and climate change efforts, DMA helps promote the Cool Davis Initiative and other organizations doing such work. Staff members are concerned about climate change and several minimize their personal carbon footprints by commuting by train and/or bike. In the DMA office, they have eliminated paper copies for newsletters and annual reports and now only do these digitally. As for their building facilities, DMA did an energy audit a few years ago and switched to newer florescent fixtures to reduce their energy use. At this time and because of the large amount of equipment DMA uses that needs to be kept consistently cooled, the DMA leadership is interested in exploring solar for the DMA building. Autumn says that she looks forward to networking with others and learning new ways to help the DMA adapt to climate change.

Yolo County Housing – Formally known as the Housing Authority of the County of Yolo, Yolo County Housing (YCH) oversees more than 2,300 units of affordable housing in the communities it serves. The mission of the agency is "Working Together to Provide Quality Affordable Housing and Community Development Services for All." Lisa Baker is Executive Director for YCH and notes that under the leadership of the Board and current management team, "YCH has adopted green and sustainable planning principles as a guiding tenet of the organization. This has led to actions such as: documenting the carbon footprint of the agency, changing the agency's procurement policy to require purchases to be green/sustainable whenever feasible, extend recycling to include sending scrap lumber to a cogeneration plant instead of to the landfill, and finding partners like Davis Solar to do beta-testing for systems such as solar hot water systems. Also, in the past year, YCH has replaced over 1,700 single-pane windows with ultra high efficiency windows. It has been an active participant in the 'Yolo Climate Change Compact' and in February 2010, adopted a comprehensive Energy Plan to guide future actions. It is no wonder that Lisa is proud to report that YCH was named the HUD SF Office's Public Housing Authority of the Year for 2010. And YCH is " *Continued on next page...*

not going to rest on its laurels. The agency has plans to develop a comprehensive housing strategy for future activities and is in the process of beginning a multi-jurisdictional, multi-million dollar energy retrofit project to further their green efforts and update affordable housing units in Yolo, Butte and Sutter Counties. Lisa and her colleagues are eager to help CDI spread ways to be green to landlords, low-to-moderate income families and other hard to reach populations in the City of Davis.

Cool Davis Festival Planning Meeting

New Volunteers Welcome

Tuesday, August 9

7:00 -8:30 p.m. in the Veterans Memorial Game Room

Focus: Festival Logistics and Publicity

A walk around the grounds

A preview of the festival posters!

More cool snacks!

Bring a friend!!!

This meeting we'll focus on layout and volunteer positions before and the day of the festival as well as how to get the word out to the public. Newcomers are welcome!

- Putting up the posters for the festival and veggie bags
- Tabling at Farmers Market and supermarkets before the festival
- The layout: inside and out
- Sources for Volunteers

To volunteer for the day of the festival or before, contact Mary at marykparton@gmail.com.

To receive sponsorship materials for yourself or to send to businesses or friends, contact Chris at cgranger@dcn.org.

To be notified when Eventbrite is up for the Panel: Healthy Eating-Healthy Planet at 1:00 p.m., contact Judy at jemoores@aol.com.

If you are an exhibitor, send your registration form to Chris at cgranger@dcn.org.

For other inquiries or to share ideas, contact Lynne at lnittler@sbcglobal.net or 756-8110.

A Call Day of Service Projects

By Judy Moores

As part of the Cool Davis Festival Weekend, Saturday, October 15, will be a day of environmental, climate mitigation, and/or eco-justice activities for volunteer participation.

Anyone interested in organizing a Service Project may request a Project Application Form by contacting Judy Moores at jemoores@aol.com, or 530 756-4639 or Manny Rin at jerin@ucdavis.edu. Applications are due on August 15, but will be accepted through August 31. New projects will be posted on www.cooldavis.org, once an application has been received and accepted. *Continued on next page...*



A number of CDI Coalition Partners and others have already begun to schedule work parties. New projects proposed for this year include planting flowers for bees (Davis Bee Charmers), transplanting seedlings for habitat restoration (Putah Creek Council), learning about local farmers and seasonal produce (Davis Food Coop) and preparing winter gardens to feed the hungry [Davis Community Garden and Future Action Reclamation Mob (F.A.R.M)]. All of these organizations welcome volunteers and invite other groups to plan projects too.

Other new project ideas include tree-planting, park clean-up, weatherizing neighborhood homes, food drives, gleaning, making bee houses for native bees, etc. While most projects will be scheduled for October 15, others may be scheduled at other times in the fall, such as such as the ongoing Cool Davis Initiative Veggie Bag Project.

Our goal is to complete projects that will benefit our whole community, our environment, and help make carbon reductions tangible – and fun – for everyone! We will send a photographer to document these service events. Set the day aside to join a service project to lower carbon emissions or beautify the earth, or plan a work party of your own with neighbors, friends, a school, a church, or any willing group.



"I think the environment should be put in the category of our national security. Defense of our resources is just as important as defense abroad. Otherwise what is there to defend?"

Robert Redford

Submitting articles

If you have a carbon reduction or energy efficiency related announcement or article to share please let us know. Cool Davis Initiative Partners enjoy special benefits in announcing their special events and activities in our newsletter. The 15th of the month is the deadline for submitting fully edited articles. Send to: Chris Blackman at cblackman@yolofcu.org.

Endorsements still needed for the CA Clean Cars Program

In the July newsletter, we included an article entitled "Endorsements needed for the CA Clean Cars Program." Although President Obama set emissions standards of 54.5 mpg on July 29, the California Air Resources Board will not set the CA standards until November, and they have the authority to set them higher than the national standards. That campaign continues and endorsements are still needed.

The California Clean Cars Campaign is comprised of public health leaders, consumer groups, businesses, local governments, elected officials, organized labor, faith groups, environmental organizations and other diverse constituencies that support the strongest possible standards for California's ground-breaking Clean Cars Program. The Campaign is led by a diverse Advisory Committee including the controller of the city of Los Angeles, the executive Director of Consumer Action and the President of the American Lung Association in California.

The following endorsement form is available at www.calcleancars.org.

Endorsement Form

California's Clean Cars Program is set to bring the next generation of clean, low-polluting cars and light trucks into the driveways of California's families.

By setting strong standards to reduce harmful emissions from our cars and light trucks and ensuring infrastructure is available for clean alternative fuels, we will reduce our dependence on oil, create new jobs, protect consumers' pocketbooks, ensure our children breathe clean air, reduce global warming pollution and make our state a global leader in clean car technology.

The California Air Resources Board is working in partnership with key federal agencies to develop the next generation of vehicle standards and will soon vote on important updates to the Clean Cars Program. We need to ensure that California continues as a national leader by adopting robust clean car standards.

I urge the California Air Resources Board to adopt the strongest possible standards for the following programs:

- Low Emission Vehicle Program (LEV III-Criteria Pollutant)
- Vehicle Global Warming Standards (LEV III-GHG)
- Zero Emission Vehicle Program (ZEV)
- Clean Fuels Outlet

Your organization's basic information completes the endorsement form, and the organization name is added to the list of endorsements by category.

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Artwork created by budding artist Chloe Sears. Chloe joined her father Mitch Sears of the City of Davis at CDI's partner breakfast held in May during 'Take Your Child To Work' day.

