

Hello All!

This is the February issue of "Under the Sun," the e-newsletter of the Arizona Solar Energy Association.

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1. Upcoming Events

I'd like to highlight the fact that February kicks off the 2007 season of the Solar and Sustainability Series of Lecture in Scottsdale. Lectures run on the 3rd Thursday of the month from 7-9 from February through November, and are free and open to the public. They are at a new location this year, the City of Scottsdale Senior Center, a LEED certified Green Building. Info here:

15 Feb. Thu. 7-9p Energy: Resources and Realities
Scottsdale Senior Center (address and directions below)

Back by popular demand is speaker Geoff Sutton, energy resources specialist extraordinaire, who will talk about the big issues of energy choices; the state of oil and other resource options in the present; and the role and growth of renewable energy in our energy future. Involved in the arena of resource assessment and economics, Geoff brings a clear, compelling, and sometimes sobering perspective to the major issue which affect our daily lives - energy - and answers to the ongoing questions - what is the current oil picture? how much is there? what will it cost us? what are the conditions and scenarios regarding other energy resources? What are our choices and what are the consequences? how does renewable energy fit into our energy future? Questions and answers will occur after conclusion of Geoff's talk.

1700 N. Granite Reef Rd. Scottsdale.
From the intersection of McDowell Rd. and Hayden Rd. go east on McDowell Rd. to Granite Reef then north approx. 1 block. The facility is located on the west side of the street.

Also in February...

February 14 - [Renewable Energy Monthly Seminar and Teleconference Series, Topic: Wind Projects Update. A multi-site seminar and teleconference \(held monthly\). A forum for examining and disseminating information about the expansion of markets for renewable energy, energy efficiency and distributed generation.](#)

February 15 - Free Lecture in Scottsdale - Az. Solar Energy Association/Arizona Solar Center 2006 Lecture Series. Topic: (TBA) - Held third Thursday of the month at City of Scottsdale Urban Design Studio, NE corner 75th St. and Indian School Rd., 7 to 9 p.m. No registration required. For more information, contact Dan Aiello (ASEA/AzSC) at j2envarch@aol.com or 602-952-8192.
Scottsdale, AZ

February 20 - [Tour the STAR Center, 8:30 a.m. Third Tuesday of each month. Reservations](#)

[required. Call Janet Crow \(602\) 250-4990 for reservations, Tempe, AZ](#)

February 20-21 - [Clean Energy Project Finance, San Francisco, CA](#)

February 28 - ASEA Sedona Chapter Meeting (4th Wednesday of the month). 7:15 p.m. Sedona Winds Retirement Home, 405 Jacks Canyon Rd. For more information, contact Bill Buckner, realtorbill@earthlink.net or (928) 203-1018, **Sedona, AZ**

And in March...

March 1 - [City of Scottsdale "Green Building" Lecture, 7:00 - 9:00 p.m. Topic: Interiors and Indoor Environmental Quality I, Scottsdale, AZ](#)

March 15 - The Solar Series - Free Lectures in Scottsdale. Presented by Arizona Solar Center and the Arizona Solar Energy Association (State Chapter of the American Solar Energy Society). March Topic: TBA. **NOTE NEW ADDRESS:** Granite Reef Senior Center, [1700 N Granite Reef Rd.](#) (NW corner of McDowell and Granite Reef, behind the convenience store). Questions? Contact j2envarch@aol.com or call 602 952-8192, **Scottsdale, AZ**

March 17 - [Introduction to Building with Natural Materials - A Dawn SouthWest Workshop - Adobe, cob, & straw bale, along with earth plasters & finishes will be used in a hands-on workshop to build & sculpt small structures, such as garden walls & benches. Tucson, AZ](#)

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March 24-25 - [Modern Phoenix Home Tour and Expo "Progress + Preservation", including lecture on sustainable retro landscaping, Phoenix, AZ](#)

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2. Other ASEA News

Four things:

One: Legislative updates will begin with next month's e-newsletter. There is so much going on, we don't have a complete update on how all the bills we are following are doing at this point. Stay tuned for a detailed look next month.

Two: The Spring Tour Of Solar Homes is coming to a city near you in April. Tour dates and homes are not yet finalized. If you would like your home to be on the tour, or would like to volunteer to make this season's event the best one yet in your area, please respond to this email. Open tour planning meetings are most likely to start in your area soon.

Three: Elections for 2007 ASEA board positions will be happening very soon. Stay tuned. If you still haven't nominated anyone, you have one last chance to do it now by responding to this email as soon as possible.

Four: The Annual Members' Meeting last week went very well. If you weren't there, you missed out on a great time, and on great information.

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That's all for this month. Stay tuned for lots of updates and a lot more information next month. Until then, have a sunny day.

Ben Marcus
Chairman - ASEA

P.S. If you are receiving duplicate copies of our e-newsletter, please let me know so I can fix the problem.