

Local Items of Interest

Susfest 2005

October 8 and 9 at the Athens County Fairgrounds

THE HEART OF IT

ALL: Susfest will cap Athens County's sustainability week. The two-day event will feature live music, a terrific children's program (learn how to compost using live wiggly worms... make games out of discarded rubbish... eat warm cookies heated in a solar oven... and a lot more!), dozens of exhibits from folks who work each day to make this planet a little greener, lots of terrific food (you won't find any fast food franchises here) and of course, literally dozens of workshops, roundtable discussions and presentations.

The workshops will explore everything from biodiesel to beekeeping - from exploring the wisdom of the hills to dealing with the horrific results of those that are destroying those hills in search of coal - from school gardens to cooking in a (and making your own) solar oven... the weekend promises to inspire you (or at least give you a few new ideas) plus possibly make a few new friends.

So mark your calendar now for October 8th and 9th and plan to join us. All of us involved in this activity are volunteers and all money raised will be donated to charity. Hope to see you at this worthwhile event.

For complete program information, information on exhibiting or to sign up as a volunteer (you get free admission, free food and a nifty tee-shirt), check out our web site at www.susfest.org.



and to raise money and food donations for local food pantries

Tickets are \$3, plus a non-perishable food item. Please call APJN at 592-2608 if you'd like to join us!

You'll either eat as if you live in the United States or other wealthy nations, you live in a newly independent post-soviet country, or you live in the least economically-advanced nations, such as an African or South American country.

Sponsored by Black Diamond Council of Girl Scouts, Girl Zone, APJN and Students for Peace and Justice.

Blue Rock Station Events

October 15, 11 AM to 1 PM

Victorian Cottage Gardening

Blue Rock Station Tea & Talk Series

\$15 includes lunch, tea with cookies

If you like gardening then you'll want to attend the Victorian Cottage Gardening workshop at Blue Rock Station. Annie Warmke, a writer and gardener will talk on how to create a Victorian Cottage Garden. She will also show over 200 photos of cottage gardens she visited and wrote about during her stay in England. Reservations are required. See contact information below.

October 22, 11 AM to 2 PM

Llama Trekking in the hills of the Blue Rock Region

\$35 includes lunch

A visit to Blue Rock Station is not complete without a walk through the forest. Join the llamas for a guided tour along approximately 1.5 miles of trails to a scenic destination for a hearty lunch. The guides will tell the stories associated with Blue Rock Station, and some local history as well.

The llamas will carry the packs. Reservations are required. Trek takes place rain or shine. Inquire about family rates.

For any of the Blue Rock Station events, please contact: (740) 674-4300

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Experiencing World Hunger

October 15, 5:00 - 7:00 p.m.

First Christian Church (corner of Congress and State) event to learn about the hungry peoples of the world