

Go Green or Go Home

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On April 22, the whole world will be celebrating Earth Day... will you? Penn State Mont Alto is going green and will be celebrating Earth Day in a whole new way!

The idea of Earth Day was created by Gaylord Nelson of Wisconsin on April 22, 1970. On this day, environmental groups take advantage of this opportunity to teach others about the damages humans inflict on planet Earth.

This year, on March 28, an event called



“*Earth Hour*,” which is a “call to stand up and take control over the future of our planet,” started in Sydney, Australia at 8:30 p.m., where “millions of businesses and homes turned off their lights for a whole hour,” according to <http://www.earthhour.org>; after Sydney, the whole world followed...

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Penn State University is going green as much as it can. In spring 2006, “Penn State Housing and the Office of Physical Plant formed *Take Charge!* to promote responsible energy use in the residence halls and around campus,” according to the website www.takecharge.psu.edu.

So, how can Penn State students actually help? Here are some useful tips on how to go green: print duplex, use cold water while doing laundry, take shorter showers, turn off the faucet while brushing your teeth, turn off electronic devices while not using them, take

the stairs instead of the elevator, and recycle, recycle, recycle as much as you can!

Everyone is asking how Penn State Mont Alto, known for being a forestry school, will be celebrating this awesome day? The campus has scheduled a “Campus Cleanup” for the day, sponsored by the Student Government Association, where students, from 1:00 p.m. to 4:00 p.m., will get to paint the new bleachers from the baseball field and clean around campus.

Some Mont Alto students are already doing their part.

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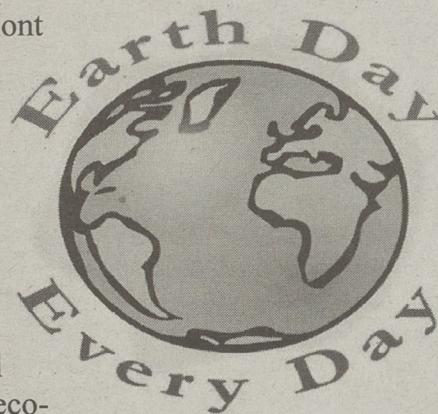
Manotti will

be wearing eco-

friendly clothes and she will be participating in the campus cleanup during Earth Day. Freshman Jonathan Ley recycles as much as he can; Sophomore Athalie McGlothin said she tries to take care of the planet all the time; Freshman Kevin Lewis will try not to use electricity on April 22nd, and Freshman Joseph Flaim will stop smoking for a whole day.

The idea of Earth Day is for people around the globe to help keep the planet clean. There are many organizations worldwide that work every day trying to achieve the same goal: keeping planet Earth alive a little bit longer. Those organizations, such as *Earth First*, *Earthwatch*, *Greenpeace*, and the *World Wide Fund for Nature*, are always looking for new members. Help save the planet! Join them!

Here are some websites with useful information on how to go green: www.gogreeninitiative.org, www.worldwatch.org/resources/go_green_save_green, www.thegreenguide.com, planet-green.discovery.com/go-green/back-basics.

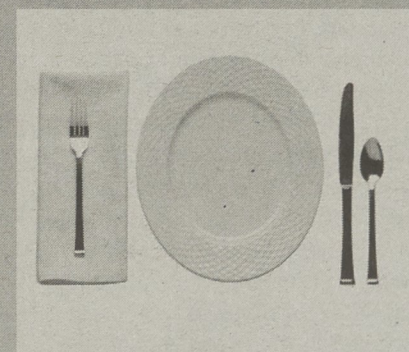


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Etiquette cont.

into great consideration. The first black tie etiquette guideline is to dress appropriately. If a man should receive an invitation to a black tie party, well, his wardrobe is already picked out for him. Men should wear a black tie and a jacket. Woman, on the other hand, should wear an evening gown. Do not try to be the center of attention or try to be unique, for this is not the appropriate occasion. This is a formal event for a black tie event, and the last thing that one should try to do is stand out from everyone else.

Also while at a black tie occasion, one must be able to socialize with his or her guests. The second and third guidelines for black tie events go together, which are greeting someone and giving a handshake. Both of these go together because the shaking of someone's hand is a greeting. When hosting a party, always remember to shake a person's hand whom one meets for the first time. In order to avoid not having a free hand, try to remember to keep an open hand.



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