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Welcome to the first issue of *WREN E-News*

We hope to make this a monthly update providing you with timely info on upcoming events in the water education field. Please send us info on events you have planned.

WREN Grants Available

WREN has issued its application guidelines and forms for community water education projects that take place July 1, 2009- June 30, 2010.

Visit <http://wren.palwv.org/grants/local.html>

to download the files, or call 1-800-692-7281 to receive a paper copy.

Penn State offers Web series on gas exploration issues

Penn State's College of Agricultural Sciences and Penn State Cooperative Extension will offer a five-part series of online seminars to address the opportunities and challenges of exploring for natural gas in the Marcellus shale. The series start Jan 22 and run through May 2009.

Jan. 22: "Landowners' Perspective - What Should Be Considered When Negotiating a Lease?"

Presenter: Tom Murphy, Penn State Cooperative Extension educator.

Feb. 19: "Third-Party or Off-site Impacts: Water Use and Water Quality Issues." **Presenter:** Bryan Swistock, Penn State water resources extension specialist.

March 18: "Above the Marcellus Shale - Minimizing Negative Impacts of Natural Gas Development on Forests and Wildlife." Presenter: Margaret Brittingham, Penn State professor of wildlife resources and extension wildlife specialist.

April 16: "The Marcellus Shale Resource." Presenter: Terry Engelder, Penn State professor of

geosciences.

May 21: "Governments' Roles." Presenter: Ross Pifer, director of the Agricultural Law Resource and Reference Center at Penn State's Dickinson School of Law.

Register for each webinar online at <http://naturalgas.extension.psu.edu/Events.htm>. Shortly before the webinar date, registrants will receive an e-mail from Penn State Cooperative Extension with additional information about how to connect online.

WREN Website adds Search Feature

Want info on rain barrels or rain gardens? A contact name for riparian buffer projects? Or how to keep geese out of your water supply reservoir?

All this and much more can be found on the WREN website, and we hope our new search feature will make info easier to find. Please try it out, and let us know if you have problems, or successes.

Social Market page added to WREN website

Visit the new Social Marketing page on the WREN website for helpful resources

<http://wren.palww.org/library/SocialMarketing.html>

Questions on Social Marketing?

Join the discussion forums on the Community Based Social Marketing website; you can join just the water forum, or five other topic areas.

<http://www.cbsm.com/forums/>

Save the Date

April 8 WREN Source Water Protection Workshop

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Quick Links...

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