Happy New School Year from SustainVU! It is great to have so much energy and excitement on campus! We wanted to let you know about the exciting green events and sustainability opportunities happening in the near future. More information about each item discussed below can be found at www.vanderbilt.edu/SustainVU. We hope you have a fun and sustainable start to your school year!

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Recycling at Home Football Games

Who's ready for some football? We are! At all home football games this season, plastic and aluminum recycling will be available in Vandyville tailgating areas and inside the stadium on the main concourse. Do your part to help green the Black and Gold! Who you with? VU!

Eco-Fashion Campus Events

Join Students Promoting Environmental Awareness and Responsibility (SPEAR) and the Sierra Club on Thursday, September 10 from 4 to 6pm on The Commons Lawn near Hank Ingram House for the "Gorgeous in Green" Eco-Fashion Show, featuring Nashville-area designers and stores (including Clothing XChange, ASK Apparel, Scarlett Begonia, Prophetik, Whole Body, and Natural Oasis). These local designers and stores have a commitment to sustainability through the products they design and sell. Tickets are \$7 and proceeds will benefit the outreach efforts of Kilowatt Ours and the World Wildlife Fund.

Be sure to stop by the Bishop Joseph Johnson Black Cultural Center to view fashion designer L'Amour Ameer's green couture display of "Art for Wear." The free exhibit is available for viewing Monday through Friday from 8am to 5pm from Friday, September 11 to Friday, October 2.

Employee Garage Sale – Help the environment and make some cash at the same time!

Do you want to help the environment and make a little cash while you're at it? Want to purchase some pre-loved merchandise? Participate in Vanderbilt's Employee Celebration Garage Sale on Saturday, September 12 in the 25th Avenue Garage from 7am to 12pm. A \$20 donation to the Employee Assistance Program Hardship Fund secures employees a table to sell their old and unwanted goods. Any money made on the day of the sale goes directly into your pocket. For more information visit:

http://sitemason.vanderbilt.edu/myvu/news/2009/08/27/looking-for-sellers-for-employee-garage-sale-sept-12.87699.

Humanities Symposium at Belmont: Nature and the Human Spirit

Belmont University will be hosting its 8th Annual Humanities Symposium: Nature and the Human Spirit Sunday, September 13 through Monday, September 21. Featured speakers and performers include: author Mary Oliver, Professor Deborah Janson, singersongwriter Adrienne Young, author John Tallmadge, and author Janisse Ray. For more information and a detailed list of events, visit http://campus.belmont.edu/mp3/bruins/humsympmail.pdf.

National Campus Sustainability Day

Save the Date! Vanderbilt University will be recognizing Campus Sustainability Day on Tuesday, October 20. Stay tuned to SustainVU's website for more information about fun events and opportunities to celebrate sustainability on campus!

Vanderbilt Farmers' Market

Don't forget to visit the Vanderbilt Farmers' Market, which features fresh fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers from local farmers each Thursday (May through October) from 3-6pm on Medical Center Plaza, across from Langford Auditorium.

Live on the Green

Join Mayor Karl Dean and Lightning 100 for Live On the Green on Thursday nights at 6pm from September 3 to October 8 on the Public Square Plaza in front of the Metro Courthouse downtown. The free concert series will feature acts including Citizen Cope, American Bang, The Toadies, Here Come the Mummies, The Derek Trucks Band, and many more. Live On the Green will also showcase environmental stewardship through a number of green features, including on-site recycling, a free bike check, and merchandise made from recyclable and organic materials. For a full list of artists and more information, visit http://www.liveonthegreen.net/.