SEA Meeting 1 The Sustainable Student 9/2/15

1. SEA Meetings

- a. Every first Thursday of the month at 5:50p, location TBA by email
- b. <u>ugasea15@gmail.com</u>
- c. http://sea-uga.wix.com/sea-uga

2. Officers

a. President: Bailey Shea

b. Events Coordinator: Mahek Virani

c. Comm Service Chair: Evan Alden

d. Secretary: Meredith Herbst

e. Treasurer: Fifi Le

f. In need of Social Media Officer: email ugasea15@gmail.com

- i. Email with 1) a brief message on your interest in the position/why you'd be a good fit and 2) a list of relevant work, extracurricular, and/or leadership experience that demonstrates your qualifications. (This can be a resumé if you'd like or just a list with brief descriptions.)
- 3. Upcoming Service and Educational Events:
 - a. Athens Water Festival Sept. 12
 - i. We will be making toy boats from recycled materials for children to race at our booth!
 - ii. Sign up:
 https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ckrsGChVcOqFiQYPdylt-fest-5lu3aHPhwa-mwVdrQEl/edit?usp=sharing
 - b. Rivers Alive Sat October 10th.
 - i. https://athensclarkecounty.com/1381/Rivers-Alive
 - c. Women and Girls in Georgia (WAGG) Conference Fri-Sat October 9-10
 - i. http://wagg.uga.edu/content/conferences/2015-sustainability
 - d. Harvest at UGArden
 - e. Tours of ACC Recycling Facility, Water Treatment Plant (water reclamation), Bioconversion Center, Eco Farm
 - f. Earth Day/Week: Friday, April 22nd

4. At UGA

- a. Bag the Bag
 - i. Tuesdays at 6:30p

- ii. We are a group of concerned individuals advocating for the reduction of plastic waste while promoting sustainable and reusable alternatives.
- iii. <u>bagthebagUGA@gmail.com</u>
- iv. <u>bagthebag.org</u>
- v. Recycling stations at: Brown, Myers, Busbee, HIII, O-house, 1516, Creswell, Brumby, Kroger, Publix

b. Lunchbox Garden Project

- Wednesdays 3:15 Barnet shoals, 4:00 Rock Springs, Fridays 3:15 Barnet Shoals
- ii. A grassroots initiative in Athens, Georgia that seeks to encourage food literacy among elementary-age students. We're for wholesome, delicious food; not cellophane.
- iii. <u>lunchboxgarden@gmail.com</u>
- iv. http://www.lunchboxgarden.org/

c. Real Food UGA

- i. Wednesdays 5:45p, food science building
- ii. We leverage the power of UGA students to shift 20% of our university's food purchases towards sustainable & ethical food in order to create a market for a just food economy.
- iii. realfooduga@gmail.com
- iv. http://www.realfooduga.wordpress.com/

d. Speak Out for Species

- i. every other Wednesday at 7pm, MLC 247
- ii. S.O.S promotes the protection of all animals. Through education and advocacy, we work to defend animals from cruelty and exploitation, to reduce animal suffering, and to encourage compassion for all living beings. Join us and help be a voice for animals!

e. UGArden

- i. The mission of UGArden is to build a community of students centered on a sustainable food system.
- ii. Open Volunteer: Mon 8:30am-12pm (Harvest), Tue 8:30am-12pm,Wed. 8:30am-12pm (Harvest), Thurs. 8:30am-12pm
- iii. Produce Stand: Thursdays 4:30-6:00pm
- iv. garden.uga@gmail.com
- v. http://ugarden.uga.edu/ugarden4/Welcome.html

f. Energy Concept

- i. The Energy Concept is a new networking organization connecting students interested in energy-related careers with academics, industries, government officials, and NGOs in an interdisciplinary discussion of energy fields and issues.
- ii. kirstieh@uga.edu
- iii. https://www.facebook.com/EnergyConceptUGA
- 5. Sustainable Student Tips
 - a. Use grocery bags as trash bags
 - b. Use reusable bags
 - c. Carpool
 - d. Donate/sell used goods
 - e. Reusable water bottle and dishes
 - f. Try eco friendly restaurants!
 - Preserve, The Grit, Clocked, Trader Joes, Hi-lo Lounge, Earth Fare, Athens Farmers Market, West Broad Farmers market, Heirloom Cafe, Journey Juice, Ben and Jerrys, Mama Bird's Granola and Kitchen, Trappeze Pub, Chipolte, Jittery Joes (bring your own mug 10 cents off)
 - g. Decrease meat consumption (meatless mondays, vegetarian)
 - h. (or) Buy meat from UGA, https://www.facebook.com/UGAMeatScience
 - i. wash clothes in cold water proven gets just as clean and uses less energy
 - j. Stop junk mail, https://www.catalogchoice.org/
- 6. Composting
 - a. "In 2014, dining services eliminated the use of single-use plastics from their waste stream. This significant change allows UGA to compost 100% of its food waste from all dining halls. All organic waste leaving campus dining halls is composted at the UGA Bioconversion Center. The program diverts approximately 10,000 pounds of organic waste from the local landfill each week. The program is a partnership between UGA Food Services, UGA Facilities Management Division Services, Grounds and Office of Sustainability."

Key points:

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- Athens Water Festival September 12th, sign up at https://docs.google.com/spreadsheets/d/1ckrsGChVcOqFiQYPdyItFesL5Iu3aHP hwa-mwVdrQEI/edit?usp=sharing
- Look for an email to sign up for Rivers Alive! October 10th
- 4. Environmental organizations and tips!

Great first meeting y'all! Looking forward to getting to know each of you!