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Wild Center Launches Green Building Event for Area Builders

Participants Will Learn from Experts About Green Building's Best New Practices

Tupper Lake, NY - The Wild Center is the most decorated green building in the Adirondacks, and the Center announced today that it would host a special day on October 3rd for builders and regional leaders to learn about the newest techniques and technologies of green building. "There's going to be a ton of economic opportunity in green building," said Chris Rdzanek, who manages The Wild Center's buildings and campus. "We're creating this event because with high energy costs and the fact that green building jobs can't be outsourced, green building can mean jobs and savings, both of which can improve the Adirondack economy."

The *'Building A Greener Adirondacks'* (BAGA) event will take place October 3rd, starting at 7:30 a.m at The Wild Center in Tupper Lake. It will be cohosted by The Energy Smart Park Initiative. The all-day event will feature presentations and chances for regional builders, contractors, interested individuals and community leaders involved in zoning and code to talk with experts and suppliers of green building technologies, including leaders from the United States Green Building Council (USGBC), Community Energy Services, Greenbuilding.com and from Rensselaer Polytechnic Institute and other engineering colleges. There will also be green technology demonstrations.

Seminars will include presentations on current best practices and opportunities in solar power, wind power, geo-thermal, bio-mass and bio-fuel, insulation, glazing, control systems, lighting and other green product technologies and concepts.

Participants will take a walking lunch to look behind the scenes at The Wild Center's green programs. The Center received a Silver LEED Certification, from the USGBC in 2008. LEED is considered the international benchmark for green building design, and The Wild Center is the only museum in New York State, and the only building in the Adirondacks to earn any level of LEED certification..

Registration is available online at www.wildcenter.org/greenbuilding. The cost for the all-day event is \$65 , which includes admission to The Wild Center, continental breakfast, a walking lunch and participation in more than 10 green building educational sessions to be held in the Center's Flammer and Boreal theaters. GBCNYS members receive a \$15.00 discount.

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