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*Hello everyone. As fall winds its way down, we have some **great** news to share.*



Single Family Residence
LEED® Platinum



Blue Cross & Blue Shield
of RI LEED® Silver Office
*pending



Potter League for Animals LEED® Gold
1st in the Nation!



Green Building Ribbon Cuttings and Plaque Ceremonies in Rhode Island

Rhode Island now boasts nearly 70 registered green building projects and 20 certified projects with 9 of the 20 completed in 2009! The chapter plans to organize tours of some of these buildings next year. A LEED® project profile template is now available to highlight a structure's green features, project team and the project owner's strategy and perspective. Call us.



Virtual Green Market Place to Launch this Month

Work has been progressing at a feverish pitch to develop a portal for information on green products, projects, and service providers. The site will be populated with vetted information to be supplemented by the user community. This project is made possible by a grant from the Greater Providence Chamber of Commerce and the Greater Providence Chamber Foundation.

§ Green Legislation Passes General Assembly

The Green Buildings Act overwhelmingly passed both chambers of the RI General Assembly and is on its way to the Governor's desk for signing. This caps off a highly successful chapter advocacy campaign. The RIGBC was instrumental in the passage of a second bill requiring an upgrade to the state's energy conservation code.



LEED® Core Concepts and Strategies Workshop Coming Up

Monday, Nov. 23rd - For **anyone** pursuing the new, non-technical **Green Associate** credential, or considering the new **LEED AP+** technical credential, knowledge of the content is a requisite to passing the exams. If you are unemployed, you may be able to take this course and the exam for free! Go to the RIGBC **Home Page** to find out more.

Early bird discount ends Nov. 15th. Continuing Education Credits available.



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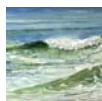
Adobe²¹ Energy Independent Affordable Green Housing Project Underway

Working in partnership with Community Works RI, Chapter members will document the integrated design and construction process of a typical three-family home at 19 Stanwood Street in Providence, RI using a variety of educational media. This project is made possible by a generous grant from The Rhode Island Foundation, the state's community foundation.



LEED[®] for Homes Presentation is Right Around the Corner

Thursday, Nov. 12th 4:30PM-6:30PM @ the New England Institute of Technology, 2480 Post Road, Student Lounge
 Learn about designing, building and certifying a LEED[®] Home through the eyes of a builder and LEED Home provider.
 Cost: Members: Free; Nonmembers: \$5; for those seeking a Continuing Education Credit: \$10. Register @ www.usgbc.org.



New Membership Benefit

The chapter is now working in partnership with AIA-RI to help offer regular educational events for which you can earn continuing education credits toward maintaining your Green Associate or LEED AP credential; for some, this even includes volunteering for the chapter! For members, attending these education sessions is free.



Save the Date for the First Annual RIGBC Membership Meeting

Thursday, Jan. 21st 2010 Please join us for a social gathering where members celebrate the New Year, recognize 2009 chapter leaders and acknowledge the best green projects in Rhode Island.

William Sisson will give the keynote address. Mr. Sisson is presently the Director of Sustainability for United Technologies Corporation and co-chair for UTC in the World Business Council for Sustainable Development Energy Efficiency in Buildings Project. A private reception for Founding Sponsors is planned in advance of the general meeting.



Name that Sponsorship Tier!

By June 1, 2010, you have the opportunity to join the chapter and **Forever** be known as a **Founding Member or Founding Sponsor**. But we need help in devising a nomenclature for our sponsorship tiers unique to the Ocean State. Please send your ideas to info@usgbc.org by Dec. 5th. The person who has the winning design will receive a free chapter membership.



Esprit de corps

Esprit de corps is defined as the spirit of a group that makes the members want the group to succeed. The Chapter *depends* on your continuous support and involvement. **Renew your USGBC or RIGBC membership today!**