## Resources for Bicycling in Fort Collins April 29, 7-9 p.m.

Make bicycling your method of transportation. Learn about local bike advocacy and recreation organizations. Test ride '09 bikes and enjoy helmet giveaways, bike prizes and music.

#### Climate Change: What's the Scoop? May 6, 7-9 p.m.

What's fact or fiction when it comes to climate change? This nuts-and-bolts presentation will explain climate change, what it means to us and what we can do. Then draw your own conclusions.

### Home Composting Seminar May 13, 7-9 p.m.

Learn how to compost yard waste and kitchen scraps to create soil amendments. Follow up at the Get Down and Dirty Festival, Saturday, May 16.

### Soapstone and Red Mountain Preview May 20, 7-9 p.m.

Discover something for everyone—wide open vistas, 30 miles of trails, cultural history and wildlife—at the preview of the Soapstone Prairie Natural Area and Red Mountain Open Space, both opening June 6.

For more information, call (970) 221-6700 or visit www.fcgov.com/utilities/eps.php.

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New Venue - Drake Centre, 802 W. Drake Rd.

### Sustainability 101 January 28, 7-9 p.m.

Learn to live more sustainably and make your home into a more eco-conscious place. Local vendors will discuss home and yard tips, food choices, green purchasing and volunteer opportunities.

#### Net-Zero Energy Homes February 4, 7-9 p.m.

Join Paul Norton, National Renewable Energy Laboratory, and Jeff Lebesch, Fort Collins netzero home owner, to learn about local and regional net-zero energy homes and the lessons learned in building them.

#### Peak Oil: Challenges and Responses February 11, 7-9 p.m.

Specialists Steve Andrews, Morey Wolfson and Kyle Saunders will discuss world oil production. Experience a Google-Earth fly-over of the world's energy hot spots, learn the history and current state of oil supply, and potential responses.

### Your Electric Bill: Take Control February 25, 7-9 p.m.

Take control of your home's electricity bills by learning how your usage stacks up, when and where those electrons are used and how to reduce costs. Bring your electric bill.

#### Innovative Transportation Projects March 4, 7-9 p.m.

Discover new and exciting projects and developments in Fort Collins and how these sensible modes of transportation can fit your lifestyle.

#### Nature Next Door: Discover New Places

March 11, 7-9 p.m.

Fort Collins has a unique network of natural areas and trails to hike, bike or ride your horse. Take a virtual tour to learn about the recreation opportunities of your favorite and new sites.



#### Tree Pruning Basics March 18, 7-9 p.m.

Learn tree-pruning techniques from City Forester Tim Buchanan that will prepare you to do your own pruning or to hire a licensed arborist. Follow up field demonstration on Saturday, March 28.

#### Xeriscape Basics: Gardening with Nature March 25, 7-9 p.m.

Put nature to work. Susan Tweit, garden designer and award-winning author, will explain what Xeriscape is and illustrate the basic principles that are sustainable and good for the earth.

#### The Nature of the Poudre River April 1, 7-9 p.m.

Virtually explore areas along the Cache la Poudre river from headwaters through Fort Collins. Discover fascinating wildlife, top-notch recreation and a respite from the urban environment.

#### Xeriscape by Design April 15, 7-9 p.m.

Join Jocelyn Chilvers, garden designer and author, to discover how to design smart Xeriscapes for existing and new areas.

#### Dandy Doable Plants for a Xeriscape April 22, 7-9 p.m.

Great choices exist when selecting plants that suit our local landscapes. David Winger, The Hudson Gardens horticulturist, will share his favorite Xeriscape flowers, shrubs and trees and introduce new varieties.

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