

CGE November Newsletter

Thirst for Knowledge, Thirst for Justice: Watershed Learning on the Great Lakes

“A History of the Illinois Lakeshore: A Model for Coping with Sea Level Rise,” with Dr. Charles Shabica, of Shabics & Associates beach builders.

When: Saturday, November 10, 10 a.m. - noon

Where: Arrington Lakefront Lagoon Shelter, 1631 Sheridan Rd.

Ah, Thanksgiving: A Time for . . . Composting

What to do with all those leftovers your family can't finish after the holiday? The simplest approach, of course, is to make less and share more. But you can also reduce both food waste and greenhouse gases by composting. The City of Evanston has [a simple program for backyard composting](#), or you can have your scraps regularly picked up and hauled off by [Collective Resource](#), an affordable Evanston-based service provider.

What is the “Dutch Reach” and Why Will it Save Cyclists’ Lives?

You've just parallel parked. How can you be sure that you won't “door” a bicyclist when you get out? We don't always check our side mirrors. The only way to ensure you don't hit anyone is to use what's known as the ["Dutch Reach"](#) technique – use your right hand and reach *across* your body to open the car door. This forces you to look back for approaching cyclists and other traffic before exiting the car. Research shows it makes drivers and passengers more aware of approaching cyclists, helping to prevent crashes.

Green Drinks: Making Evanston a Zero Waste City

Evanston's new Climate Action Plan calls for the City to reduce waste by 50% by 2025, and be zero waste by 2050. How will we accomplish this? Join us for our next Green Drinks discussion and find out how some groups are starting to address this question.

When: Thursday, December 6, 6:30-8 p.m.

Where: The Celtic Knot, 626 Church St.