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There's only one thing more traumatic than having a fire or pipe break in your building. Finding the right people to help you.

We've recently discovered a company headquartered in Pottstown, PA that responds quickly to commercial/industrial disasters. Recently, they handled the flood at King of Prussia Mall, receiving good grades from property management. They also have offices in Baltimore, Sterling, VA, Atlanta, and Tampa.

Unlimited Restoration, Inc. (URI) will arrive with equipment and personnel to stabilize the building with containment, cleaning, and structural drying services and get the area ready for the re-construction phase.

"Some property managers like the idea of having a vendor agreement up front, before something happens. It's a good idea", says Glenn Davis, expeditor at URI. "No one wants to be dealing with rates and contract language after a disaster."

To set up a vendor agreement, you can reach Glenn at 484-576-3152. Their website is www.URInow.com

Products We Love!

The first step in going green is to borrow, buy used or make your own. When you decide to make a purchase – make it green. Try out these great green travel supplies.



☀ Solar backpack – Charge your iPods, cell phones, GPS, cameras, and other electronics while you're on the go, from Reware. www.rewarestore.com

☀ The safest water bottle – The latest stainless steel water bottle includes a bamboo cap and laser-etched label, avoiding all plastics and paints. Check it out at www.kleankanteen.com



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- Nationally, only 10% of plastic water bottles are recycled.
- 90% end up as either garbage or litter.
- 30 million single-serve non-returnable containers end up in landfills or as litter every day.
- We spend millions annually to clean up plastic bottles that litter our highways, parks and open spaces. To shed some light on the issue, recycling a single plastic bottle can conserve enough energy to light a 60-watt light bulb for up to six hours. Producing new plastic products from recycled materials uses two-thirds less energy than is required to make products from raw (virgin) materials. It also reduces greenhouse gas emissions. Reuse your water bottle. In fact, reuse everything at least once, especially plastics.

Remember April 22nd is Earth Day!

Here are some great ideas to incorporate Earth day into everyday!

Go paperless. Consider reading your newspaper and magazine subscriptions online. Switch to electronic banking and credit card payment, too.

Reuse. Plastic food containers make good pen and pencil holders.

Limit the length of your showers. Even better, take a “navy shower,” shutting off the water while soaping up and shampooing.

Turn off lights and electronics when you leave the room. Unplug your cell phone charger from the wall when not using it. Turn off energy strips and surge protectors when not in use (especially overnight).

Recycle your technology. Dell, Hewlett Packard, Apple, and IBM, among others, offer recycling programs.

Buy foods locally. Check out Eat Local Challenge and FoodRoutes to get started. Buy locally made products and locally produced services.

Turn your car off if you’re going to be idle for more than one minute.

Do full loads of laundry and set the rinse cycle to “cold.”

Start a compost in your back yard or on your rooftop.

Don’t run the water when brushing your teeth.

Wash towels after several uses.

Car pool. Ride a bike. Walk, jog, or run.

Go to your local library instead of buying new books.

Buy products that use recyclable materials whenever possible.

If you use plastic grocery bags, recycle them for small trashcan liners.

Bring your own bags to the grocery store. Given a choice between plastic and paper, opt for paper.



Fuel for Thought

Written by: Staff Contributor Samantha Griffith

In light of recent events, it has become abundantly clear how important it is for nuclear power plants to adhere to safety standards. It needs to be noted that these safety precautions were enacted for a reason and it is irresponsible to ignore them. However, as a nation, we need to keep in mind that while a nuclear power plant disaster is scary, dangerous and has the potential to result in numerous deaths, our other options are taking lives every day and have been consistently for quite some time.

Nuclear power scored in the "No or Negligible" category on its impact to biodiversity, human health and human social and socio-economics in the International Energy Agency's 2002 review on the Impacts of Electricity Generation. The only category in which nuclear power scored "Impact Crucial to Option" was in its Human Risk Perception.

In a recent discussion, a US Military Nuclear Disaster First Responder mused that, "We trust nuclear submarines to carry our intercontinental ballistic nuclear missiles but not to generate our electricity. What has coal or gas energy given us?"

According to the most recent report from the US Energy Information Administration, nuclear power accounts for only 20.2% of our nation's electricity while coal makes up 44.5%. In 2010, the Clean Air Task Force estimated that our nation's coal-related death toll was 13,200 people. In 2004, the estimated coal energy related death toll was 24,000. While there have obviously been improvements made, in just 2 of the last 10 years, more people died due to the fallout of coal energy production than have ever died in the history of nuclear power plant disasters.

In a recent interview, a Control Room Supervisor at a US nuclear power plant commented, "There have been 3 nuclear power plant accidents in the last 50 years - bet you can name all 3. Yet, a coal mine accident in the last year killed 29 people. Can you even name the country?" (The accident referred to happened at the Upper Big Branch Mine in West Virginia, USA)

We need to approach coal and natural gas energy production with the same scrutiny, voracity and passion that we have found for nuclear power plants. We should continue to demand the highest safety standards for not only our nuclear power plants but also the coal and natural gas power industries.



HERE'S A CLEAN-ENERGY FACT! AMERICA'S 104 NUCLEAR POWER PLANTS PRODUCE ABOUT 20-PERCENT OF THE NATION'S ELECTRICITY--ENOUGH TO MEET THE NEEDS OF NEARLY 62-MILLION PEOPLE.



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GREEN GLOSSARY **Know Your** **Green Lingo**

Renewable:

Resources that can be replenished quickly after use so that they are not permanently diminished or depleted. Renewable energy sources include the sun (solar power), wind, flowing water and geothermal heat. Renewable material resources include algae, grasses and some fast-growing trees. Substituting renewable resources for nonrenewable resources (e.g., coal, oil, gasoline and other fossil fuels) is the key to sustainability.

Building Envelope - Elements (walls, windows, roofs, skylights, etc.) and materials (insulation, vapor barriers, siding, etc.) that enclose a building. The building envelope is a thermal barrier between the indoor and outdoor environment and is a key factor in the "sustainability" of a building. A well-designed building envelope will minimize energy consumption for cooling and heating as well as promote the influx of natural light.

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- More great tips on staying Green.
- How to properly close up your Chapter House for the Summer.



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