



# CONSERVATION BULLETIN

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## HELLO JERSEY JUNIORS!!

Happy New Year & Happy Valentine's Day

As we begin a new year, let's renew our commitment to our conservation efforts. I am really looking forward to reading your reports, so I can hear about what your clubs are doing.

Let's begin the new year with a new project. Email me any time [Conservation@JerseyJuniors.com](mailto:Conservation@JerseyJuniors.com).

In Junior Spirit, *Tammy*

In the winter months—do you have some ways to conserve energy? What do you keep your thermostats at? You may want to consider dropping it a degree or 2 and wearing a sweatshirt...you'd be surprised how the bills can decrease!

From Paskack Juniors:

[Free One Year Subscription To Plenty - The World In Green Magazine](#)

Visit: <http://liveearth.org/pepsi/> "Every issue of Plenty brings you the world in green. From the latest in clean tech, to new advances in sustainable design and cutting edge eco fashions, Plenty will take you inside the modern green revolution." *To get the free subscription, visit the site above. When the live earth site opens, hover over the green character second from right and you will see "get free plenty". Click on the green guy and then fill out the form.*

Earth Day is coming up...Now's the time to plan some fun Conservation events.

Work with your town & plan a Tree Planting or Town Wide Cleanup. Invite vendors to speak about Green Ideas.

MANY resources are out there for your use!

Thanks to PJWC Member Jacqui Riordan for sharing her Blog @ [www.gogreenlight.com](http://www.gogreenlight.com).

It's not too early to start planning a Ladybug or Butterfly Release. [www.ladybuglady.com](http://www.ladybuglady.com) is a resource we have used. Educational materials can be ordered as well.

Add a conservation booth to all your events to help educate attendees.

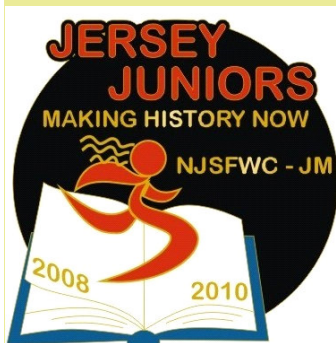
Request for donations of the reusable bags—use as a goody bag for families in attendance.

Many "green" fundraisers are available too—Human-i-Tees & reusable bags can be imprinted on. Sandwich wrappers & more. Share your ideas with me & I can include in the next bulletin!

### WHAT DOES YOUR CLUB DO?

- > LADYBUG RELEASE
- > BUTTERFLY RELEASE
- > REDUCE REUSE RECYCLE
- > TREE PLANTINGS
- > TRIPS TO THE ZOO
- > NATURE WALKS
- > FUNDRAISING IDEAS

*Share your projects here...other Clubs can recycle your ideas in another part of the State !! So share & let Clubs learn from your successes!*



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### State-wide Recycling Fundraiser (benefits FAFS)

Recycling :

- Unused Cell Phones
- Empty Ink Jet Printer Cartridges
- Other Electronics (Laptop Computers, Apple iPods, Digital Cameras, Digital Video Cameras)

Hold a collection in your Club & Community. Simply collect these items & give to your District Advisor. We will send them in together on the State Level. Just include your Club info on the bag or box & a contact Name & email address in case we have questions.

### Are you supporting your Local County Zoos?

North: Bergen County Zoo

Central: Turtleback Zoo

South: Cape May County Zoo

- Did you know you can join as a member or sponsor an Animal?
- Visit Year Round—Animals love the snow! Just throw on your jacket & gloves & enjoy a nice crisp walk at the Zoo!

TUNZA INTERNATIONAL YOUTH CONFERENCE ON THE ENVIRONMENT ORGANISED BY THE UNITED NATIONS ENVIRONMENT PROGRAMME IN COOPERATION WITH THE UNEP COMMITTEE FOR THE REPUBLIC OF KOREA DAEJEON, REPUBLIC OF KOREA 21 - 26 AUGUST 2009  
THEME "CLIMATE CHANGE: OUR CHALLENGE"

The United Nations Environment Programme (UNEP) in collaboration with the UNEP National Committee for the Republic of Korea will be organizing its Tunza International Youth Conference on the Environment, from 21 to 26 August 2009. It will bring together 200 youth, to learn about the environment through plenary sessions, workshops and field trips. The Conference will be in three segments, Global townhall meeting on 21 August, Regional Meetings from 22 to 23 August and Conference from 24 to 26 August. The daily themes include, Climate change: Limiting theFootPrint, Youth and Green Jobs, Disasters and Conflicts and their Impact on the Environment and Sustainable Lifestyles .

For more information on the Conference, and to submit a nomination from your organization, please visit website:  
[http://www.unep.org/tunza/youth/conferences\\_events/TIYC2009/](http://www.unep.org/tunza/youth/conferences_events/TIYC2009/)

#### ? Question

Where do all those plastic baggies, plastic water bottles, juice boxes, milk cartons, paper napkins, aluminum foil and food wrappers go?

#### ! Answer

**IN THE TRASH.** The average child generates 67 pounds of lunchtime trash per year.

**IN LANDFILLS.** 38 billion plastic water bottles end up in landfills each year-taking 700 years before they start to decompose.

**IN OUR OCEANS.** Trash is often mistaken for food and eaten by sea life.

### ***Still looking for some new ideas??***

*Survey your community to determine its needs with regard to litter prevention. Spring will be here soon enough...plan an Earth or Arbor Day Celebration in Town or simply organize a town clean up and litter prevention project in your town. (Beautification)*

*Adopt a Park or Street & clean it quarterly!!*

*Assess your Town & School Recycling Programs in the buildings & grounds!  
Sporting events potentially generate recycling from sports drinks—are you recycling???*

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