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Hello and happy summer to our friends and supporters of AFFEW!

Lots of news, and we're getting it out today in abbreviated email newsletter fashion. Please feel free to visit www.affew.org for more details!

First, thanks much to all of you who participated so enthusiastically in our April 17 Earth Day celebration. We estimate the attendance at between 400 and 600 walk-ins during the day and into the evening keynote, a new record for AFFEW's Earth Day!

To mark the 40th birthday of Earth Day, we hosted nearly 20 exhibitors and 19 workshops/keynote sessions. Lots of learning, high-energy conversations and information exchange, lots of new attendees and kids who helped to spread our core group of supporters. We are definitely experiencing growth in participation and interest. You are most welcome to volunteer for our activities all through the year — while it is thrilling that the volunteer base is increasing, we still need YOUR help!

The months ahead hold more exciting events and milestones, so please STAY INVOLVED! Here's how to keep the momentum going:

- Join one of the upcoming Beach Sweeps, starting at Stearns Beach -

Thurs, June 10 at 7pm TWO DAYS FROM NOW!!!

Tue July 6 at 7pm

Tue Aug 10 at 7pm

Sat Sept 18 at 10am (International Beach Sweep Day)

- Join us in marching for the environment during the Ludington July 4th Parade (see last year's event here: http://www.affew.org/05_About_AFFEW/02_Newsletter/AFFEWnews.pdf)
- Donate items and come for the sale at our AFFEW Fundraiser Storage Unit Sale, August 24-28. We start collecting donated items for sale in July!
- Volunteer for or attend Mason-Lake Household Hazardous Waste Day on August 21, from 9am to 2pm

- Attend our Oct 2 AFFEW Annual Dinner and 20th Anniversary Party, featuring the Ragbirds (space limited)

- Continue to recycle your household batteries at any of the following convenient locations

Evergreen Natural Foods Market
Ludington and Scottville city libraries
West Shore Community College
Mason County Middle School and Lower Elementary School
Ludington Peoples' Church
Ludington United Methodist Church
Briggs Hardware Store

It's very gratifying that more and more local events are contacting AFFEW to find out how to recycle their waste and keep their carbon footprint small. If you are hosting an event and need advice, feel free to contact us to find out how to tread lightly on the earth!

Thanks, and we hope to see you at a future event! Please respond to this email if you want to be contacted for involvement in any of the above!

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