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(Donations can also be made directly to WIPL by mailing a check to the address at the end of this newsletter. These will also be matched by Interfaith Power & Light.)

Interfaith TelePrayer for Earth

Join with other people of faith for an [Interfaith Teleprayer for Earth](#) on **Wednesday, September 12, 2012, 12:00 pm-12:45 pm**. Click [HERE](#) to register.

Participants include:

Rev. Meru Doug Szper, Still Point Zen Center, Random Lake
Urmila Bharadwaj, The Hindu Temple of Wisconsin, Pewaukee
Dr. Dan Weber, Congregation Anshe Sfard Kehillat Torah, Milwaukee & WIPL
Rev. Susan Zencka, Frame Memorial Presbyterian Church, Stevens Point & WIPL
Rev. Don Niederfrank, St. John's United Church of Christ, Random Lake
Pastor Nick Uthall, St. Stephen's Lutheran Church (ELCA), Monona & WIPL
Sr Maureen McDonnell, O.P., Wisdom's Well Interfaith Spirituality Center, Madison
Sr Janet Weyker, O.P., Eco-Justice Center, Racine & WIPL
Huda Alkaff, Islamic Environmental Group of Wisconsin & WIPL



Wisconsin Interfaith Power and Light and the Islamic Environmental Group of Wisconsin are hosting a series of conference calls in which people from all over Wisconsin can join in praying for a just, healthy, and sustainable future for all.

As the consequences of climate change become all too obvious; as we take action to reduce our own carbon emissions; and as we work for sustainable energy and climate policies, we need spiritual sustenance and the support of companions on our journey.

These calls will include prayers offered by religious leaders from varied faith traditions, followed by time for comments, sharing, and other responses.

We invite you to be part of these calls. Register [HERE](#) or e-mail us at info@WisconsinIPL.org and we will send you the call-in and other information.

If you are a member of the clergy or leadership in your faith community, and would like to lead a prayer in a future teleconference, please let us know at info@WisconsinIPL.org!



Film Screening: Gasland: Connecting the Dots about Fracking

Sunday, September 16, 2012, 1:00-3:00 pm
Urban Ecology Center, Riverside Park,
1500 East Park Place, Milwaukee, WI.53211,
Co-Sponsored by WIPL.

Is fracking safe? When filmmaker Josh Fox is asked to lease his land for drilling, he embarks on a cross-country odyssey to uncover answers about fracking. Join us for this entertaining film with discussion to follow about fracking and frac sand mining in Wisconsin and how this affects our state, with Dennis Grzezinski, Senior Staff Attorney, Midwest Environmental Advocates.

2012 Map of Frac-Sand Facilities in Wisconsin



Register [HERE](#) or e-mail info@WisconsinIPL.org. Free Admission. (Learn more at <http://www.gaslandthemovie.com/>)

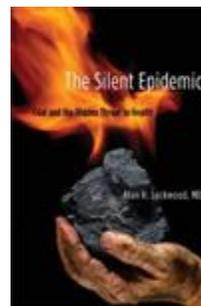


“The Silent Epidemic: Coal and the Hidden Threat to Health” TeleSeminar

Wednesday, September 19, 2012, noon-1:00 p.m. by phone
Speaker: Dr. Alan Lockwood, MD, Neurologist and Board Member of Physicians for Social Responsibility

In his new book, [*The Silent Epidemic: Coal and the Hidden Threat to Health*](#) (MIT Press), Alan Lockwood, a physician, describes and documents the impacts of the coal fuel cycle on human health.

Lockwood's comprehensive treatment examines every aspect of coal, from its complex chemical makeup to details of mining, transporting, burning, and disposal—each of which generates significant health concerns. He explains the impact of global warming on coal-related health problems and discusses possible policy approaches to combat coal pollution.



[Alan Lockwood, MD FAAN](#), is a neurologist and a board member of Physicians for Social Responsibility. An emeritus professor at the University at Buffalo, he has focused his recent work on the impacts of the coal fuel cycle on human health. Dr. Lockwood is a leading voice calling for public policies that protect and assure public health.

Register [HERE](#) or by e-mail: info@WisconsinIPL.org and we will send you the call-in number and other presentation-related information. See <http://wisconsinipl.org/coalandhealth.htm>

WIPL Cool Congregations Training



Saturday, September 29, 2012
The HOPES Center, 507 6th Street, Racine WI 53403

People of faith across Wisconsin are caring for Earth by reducing the sources of climate change in their own homes and saving money in the process. The Cool Congregations stewardship program will provide you with the tools you need to make a difference in your home, congregation, and community.

See <http://wisconsinipl.org/wiplcoolcongregations.htm> for more information.

On **Sunday October 21, 2012, 5:00-5:45 pm**, WIPL Cool Congregations Workshop, Islamic Society of Milwaukee Community Center, 815 West Layton Ave., Milwaukee, as part of Ground for Hope-Wisconsin, <http://greenfaith.org/programs/ground-for-hope/ground-for-hope-wisconsin-event-schedule>

Enter the [IPL Cool Congregations Challenge](#)

Entries for the 2012 Challenge are officially open. If your congregation has been doing work to curb its carbon impact, now is the time to share your story and get the recognition you deserve. Or if you have a project in mind, now is the time to get started, because any energy-saving measures you take between now and **October 18, 2012** will be eligible for recognition. Learn more by clicking [here](#).



Winona LaDuke to Keynote Ground for Hope-Wisconsin on Oct. 21, 2012

See <http://wisconsinipl.org/groundforhope.htm>

Organizers of Ground for Hope-Wisconsin have announced that Winona LaDuke, the internationally recognized Native American speaker and activist, will be the keynote speaker for the Oct. 21-22 event in Milwaukee. A Harvard graduate and Ms. Magazine Woman of the Year, LaDuke has founded and led Native American organizations that work for environmental protection and women's well-being.

[Learn more about Ground for Hope – Wisconsin.](#)

[Register for Ground for Hope-Wisconsin now.](#)

Ground for Hope – Wisconsin is designed for clergy, seminarians, and lay leaders from diverse religious traditions statewide and beyond. Compelling local and national speakers will empower participants to enrich their preaching, teaching, worship and advocacy on behalf of the Earth.

The program includes an Iftar dinner (Iftar is the meal for breaking the fast for Muslims) and a variety of local eco-tours, as well as workshops, plenary speakers, displays, and worship.

Wisconsin Interfaith Power & Light is a co-sponsor of Ground for Hope – Wisconsin, which is organized by [GreenFaith](#), the [Interfaith Conference of Greater Milwaukee](#) and its [Interfaith Earth Network](#). It is part of GreenFaith's national series of Ground for Hope events.

Questions? Contact GreenFaith's Rev. Fletcher Harper at revfharper@greenfaith.org or the Interfaith Conference of Milwaukee's Interfaith Earth Network's Terri Lowder at tlowder@wi.rr.com.

"Health Effects of Climate Change" TeleSeminar Recording now available

You can still see and hear [Dr. Wendy Ring's Presentation on the Health Effects of Climate Change](#) from 8/29/12. Dr. Wendy Ring's slide show presentation is available as a [\[PDF\]](#) and the recording of her TeleSeminar is [HERE](#). See <http://wisconsinipl.org/healtheffectsofclimatechange.htm>

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