

Iroquois Celebrates Earth Day



Boonville Tech Pete Cecconi and daughters Alison & Ellexis collect trash on Clean Up Day



Michelle Wieler, Manager-Accounting, spreads mulch at Mondo Ponds during the Milford clean up.

As a company whose respect for the environment is an important part of its culture, Iroquois welcomed the opportunity this year to partner with several of its pipeline communities by participating in their Earth Day activities.

Although officially celebrated on April 22nd, the Town of Boonville, New York got a head start when the Environmental Conservation Council held their 4th Annual Clean Up Day on April 18th. Volunteers were treated to breakfast where they were provided with garbage bags and a designated clean up location. After quickly finishing up at their assignment, Iroquois volunteers headed off to other locations including East Road where our Boonville Compressor Station is located. The event concluded with a lunch at which Town Supervisor Guy Case thanked everyone for their participation.

On April 25th, Mother Nature provided a beautiful day of sunshine and very warm temperatures in Newtown, Connecticut for the 2nd Annual Earth Day Festival held

by the Clean Energy Task Force. Iroquois joined dozens of local businesses, organizations, artists and school clubs for the day long community event which featured a vendor fair, youth activities, live music, ecology walks, educational forums and a litter pick up sponsored by the Lion's Club.

Earth Day activities for the City of Milford, Connecticut kicked off on the morning of May 23rd at Eisenhower Park. Volunteers were transported to various locations across the City where cleanup and restoration projects took place. Iroquois volunteers headed to Mondo Ponds to clear brush and spread mulch on the park's trails. Volunteers were then invited back to Eisenhower Park where lunch and activities such as Lumberjack Olympics and lessons on how to make a compost bin were offered.

Iroquois was pleased to be able to participate in the success of these Earth Day celebrations which shared the common goal of creating a healthy, sustainable environment.

2009 Community Grant Recipients Announced

On June 30th, Iroquois awarded grants to the following organizations through its Community Grant Program which provides funding to applicants with projects that are proposed within an Iroquois pipeline community. For further information please visit our website at www.iroquois.com.

Naromi Land Trust - Sherman, CT
Continued restoration of Babbling Brook Farm, a community farm

Greene Land Trust - Coxsackie, NY
Restoration of the historic Willows at Brandow's Point to be used for environmental education

Town of Norway, NY
Enhancements to the Town Square including landscaping and a gazebo

Town of Duanesburg, NY
Landscape enhancements and handicap accessibility to the pavilion at Shafer Memorial Park

Community Grant Recipient Spotlight

In 2008 Iroquois awarded a grant to the Shelton Conservation Commission to purchase native plant species for the Eklund Native Species Garden. The garden, located on public open space in Shelton, CT, is the site of a former 1930's upscale log cabin. The cabin, the pool, and other buildings are no longer there, but the garden beds and stone work remain. Over 34 native species, purchased through the Iroquois grant, were planted at the site in May 2009.

COMING SOON Iroquois will soon be launching its newly redesigned website! By the end of summer, www.iroquois.com will connect you to Iroquois' website featuring an updated look and easier navigation to pertinent information.

Beach vs. Boardroom: Iroquois' Summer Internship Program

For many college students, summer-time offers a chance to relax on the beach, catch up on sleep, and spend time with friends; but for a select group of motivated individuals, summer can offer much more than that. Pursuing a summer internship can provide an opportunity for them to put into practice what they have learned in the classroom while gaining hands-on experience in the field they aspire to enter.

Eight interns have joined Iroquois this year working alongside staff in our Engineering, Corporate Communications, Environmental Health & Safety, Marketing, Information Technology and Field Operations departments. Welcomed into the Iroquois family, these young adults learn about the natural gas

industry while working in a corporate setting. During their stay here, they are given the full experience of participating in meetings, attending off-site workshops and training, and occasionally getting to venture out into the field for a site visit or to walk the right-of-way.

"Professors can teach about public relations in college, but it's an entirely different experience when you are immersed in the everyday workings of the corporate world. This has been such a beneficial experience for me," said Kate Leibrock, a Corporate Communications intern.

Although hard work is a top priority for the program, the interns are also invited to participate in company activities such as healthy snack days and weekly beach

volleyball challenges. Summer proves to be an exciting time at Iroquois and we are pleased to be able to offer these young professionals an inside look at our industry.



Iroquois interns pose with statue in front of Shelton headquarters. (l-r) Katherine Flynn, Lauren Mozingo, Shawn Bova, Lucas Clunan, Heather Feodorov and Katherine Leibrock. Not pictured Lucas Plungis, Ryan King

Iroquois Named 2008 Natural Gas Star Award Winner

Iroquois is pleased to announce that it has received the 2008 Natural Gas Star Award for continued excellence in achieving the second highest methane emission reductions. The Natural Gas Star Program, established by the Environmental Protection Agency (EPA) in 1993, requests oil and natural gas companies to voluntarily adopt proven, cost-effective technologies and practices that improve

operational efficiency and reduce methane emissions.

Since joining the program in 1996, Iroquois has reported all the technologies it has implemented to reduce methane, a green-house gas. These include, but are not limited to, installing turbines at compressor stations, designing and using station isolation valves to minimize gas blowdowns, injecting blowdown gas into low pressure systems during

maintenance projects, using hot taps for in-service pipeline connections and conducting direct inspection and maintenance on our facilities — all of which go a long way in keeping the methane emissions low.

For more information on the science, emissions, and reduction opportunities for methane, visit EPA's website at:

www.epa.gov/methane.



Iroquois Gas Recognized as a Champion of Youth

Each year at their Service to Youth Award Dinner, the Boys & Girls Club of the Lower Naugatuck Valley acknowledges a corporate entity, and an individual, for their dedication to helping today's youth reach their full potential.

In April, Iroquois was honored with the 2009 Champion of Youth Award for its long-standing support and involvement with the Club and area youth. Iroquois' partnership with the Boys and Girls Club began in 1991 after a devastating fire destroyed their club house. As the Club has grown over the years, so has our support of its many programs and events. Iroquois' dedication has been evidenced by our employee involvement with the



Iroquois President Jay Holm is presented with an Official Citation from Connecticut Attorney General Richard Blumenthal at the Youth Award Dinner.

Club through leadership roles, event volunteers and indirectly through the strong and continued support of the Valley United Way.

Most recently, through team-building workshops held in Albany and Shelton, over 100 Iroquois employees built bikes for 29 children. It was a rewarding experience for both employees and children that stressed the importance of positive corporate citizenship.

"Our goal was to help our employees recognize the importance of teamwork, leadership and community service," said Jay Holm, President. "We all know how important it is to maintain safe and sound operations. Meeting these children added a human dimension that underscores our responsibility to care about and contribute in the communities we serve."