

Partners For Environmental Progress

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ENVIRONMENTAL STEWARDSHIP AWARDS | UPCOMING EVENTS

Dear PEP Member,

Many of you took a stand last month sending emails and letters of opposition to Senate Bill 244 and House Bill 346, which would prohibit cities and counties in Alabama from regulating, restricting or prohibiting the litter of bags, cups, bottles and packaging. Several stakeholders in Mobile opposed both Bills, including the Mobile City Council and Partners for Environmental Progress. [Please see the letter that PEP sent to State Legislators by clicking here.](#)

Thanks to **YOUR** voices, these Bills did not pass, preventing a ban on plastic bags from coming to vote, allowing local communities to make decisions about how best to deal with plastic waste. We wish to thank all of our members who took action.

Please read on to learn about how you can become even more involved with PEP by taking action on one of our [standing committees](#).

Also, be sure to check out our environmental stewardship feature (below). [This month we highlight the project that BASF completed at their McIntosh, Alabama facility, reducing emissions Through use of alternative fuels.](#) Congrats to BASF on this endeavor and for receiving a PEP Environmental Stewardship Award for their efforts.

Best Regards,

Jennifer Denson
Executive Director

MEMBER NEWS

PEP Standing Committees

Are you interested in making a bigger positive impact on the local environment? Consider joining one of five PEP Standing Committees. Please see the full list of committees and descriptions outlined below and [contact Jennifer Denson](#) to let her know which committee you'd like to join.

20th Anniversary Planning Committee:

Mission to plan for the celebration of PEP in 2020.

Policy and Issues Committee:

Develop content ideas for PEP materials, vet and oversee new projects; deliberate and recommend PEP position on community issues

Membership Recruitment and Retention Committee:

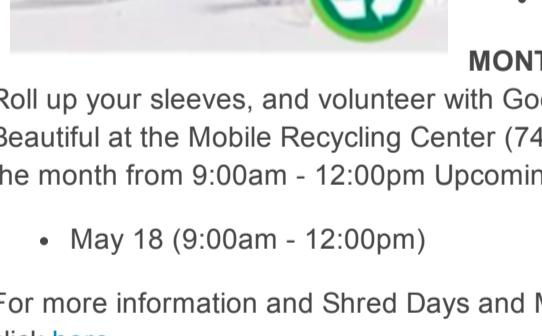
Develop and implement strategies to target and recruit key new members and to enhance the value of membership and the membership experience.

Golf Tournament Planning Committee:

Plan and execute golf tournament maximizing member experience and fund development

Reverse Trade Show Planning Committee:

Plan and execute annual reverse trade show maximizing exhibitor/visitor experience and fund development; plan and execute informative and well-attended public education seminar



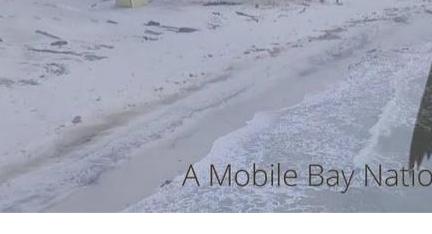
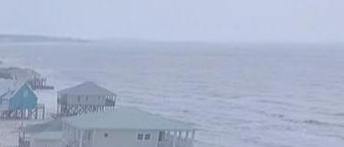
BASF: Innovations in Process - Alternative Fuels and Reduced Emissions

BASF's McIntosh, Alabama facility manufactures Antioxidants and Light Stabilizers that extend the useful life of everyday consumer products. Steam generation and

waste disposal are two indispensable components of production at the site. The site employees and leadership took the initiative to find ways to turn waste into fuel, reducing the amount of waste sent off-site for disposal and reducing the use of Fossil Fuels at the site. [Learn more about this project by clicking this link.](#)

Congratulations to BASF for their accomplishments, which led to a PEP Environmental Stewardship Award.

WELCOME NEW PEP MEMBERS



Mobile Recycling Center Events

SHRED DAYS

Every second Wednesday from 2:00pm - 5:00pm at the Mobile Recycling Center (7450 Hitt Road, Mobile, AL 36695)

- Watch as your files get shredded by the Mobile Recycling Center staff.
- \$5 donation per box - four box limit.

MONTHLY VOLUNTEER CLEAN UP DAYS

Roll up your sleeves, and volunteer with Goodwill Easterseals and Keep Mobile Beautiful at the Mobile Recycling Center (7450 Hitt Road) every third Saturday of the month from 9:00am - 12:00pm Upcoming dates:

- May 18 (9:00am - 12:00pm)

For more information and Shred Days and Monthly Volunteer Clean Up Days, click [here](#).

The Flight of the Frigate Bird

The Mobile Bay National Estuary Program recently put together an informative and beautiful video on Dauphin Island and the threat of rising seas have on the future of the island. This documentary takes a look at how generations of Islanders have adapted to the ever changing landscape of barrier island life. From experience, they knew to protect the dunes, forests, and marshes because those were their greatest protection from hurricanes and storm surge. As development boomed after a bridge was built in the 1950's, many of the tenants of the islanders were ignored. Now the community is faced with daunting decisions about how to best adapt to an eroding shoreline, rising seas and larger storms. Learn more by watching the video (below).

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