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**BEC will be at the Farmers Market this Saturday, March 18!
Stop by the booth and learn about FREE gifts for NEW members,
volunteer opportunities, and upcoming events!**



PRESENTED BY
BUTTE ENVIRONMENTAL COUNCIL

SPROUT N' SHOUT!

**A FUNDRAISER TO GROW A NEW
GENERATION OF ENVIRONMENTAL
ADVOCATES!**

SATURDAY, APRIL 8TH

**5:00PM-8:00PM
THE ARC PAVILION
2040 PARK AVE, CHICO**

TICKETS AVAILABLE ON OUR WEBSITE AND ON FACEBOOK

Adult: \$30

Child: Sliding Scale

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Don't miss BEC's **Sprout n' Shout Fundraiser**
Saturday April 8th, 5:00pm to 8:00pm
at the [Arc Pavilion, 2040 Park Ave](#)

Tickets are on sale now!

\$30 for adults. Children will be charged on a sliding scale.

Help grow a new generation of environmental advocates! Proceeds from this event will support BEC's efforts to involve future generations in defending our land, air and water! **Get your tickets online now**, or stop by the BEC office open M-Th, 9am-4pm at [116 W. 2nd Street, Suite 3](#). in beautiful downtown Chico!

This Way to Sustainability Conference XII
BEC Presentations Not to Miss

Thursday, March 23

BMU 303 - 9:00-9:45 - Watershed Connections

Natalie Carter, Butte Environmental Council

This presentation will show how the components necessary for sustaining a healthy watershed are interconnected in complex ways...

BMU 303 - 10:00-10:45 - The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act and the Sacramento River Hydrologic Region

Alison Divine, Community Legal Information Center at CSU, Chico and Natalie Carter, Butte Environmental Council

...The Sustainable Groundwater Management Act (SGMA) gives local agencies, Groundwater Sustainability Agencies (GSAs), the authority to manage groundwater with limited state intervention... Many opportunities to get involved in the initial GSA formation process have already passed, but there are still decisions left to be made, it is important for the public to get informed so they can be meaningfully involved.

2:15-3:00 - Community Forum

Colusa Hall, Rm 100B - The Future of Wild Places

Environmental Coalition of Butte County

In this session, five environmental leaders with various perspectives will discuss how to protect and maintain wild spaces from impacts of human uses...

Friday, March 24

BMU 204 - 9:00-9:45 - Youth Climate Leadership Off Campus

Kevin Killion, Butte Environmental Council

This presentation will create a space for participants to engage in a collective discussion about Youth Leadership Off Campus...

More information and the full schedule [here](#).

Environmental Coalition Gathering

BEC and a coalition group of local environmental organizations will host the Environmental Community Gathering on

Friday, March 24th

Chico Women's Club

5:00 - 8:00 p.m.

The reception will provide an opportunity to learn more about the many amazing organizations that do environmental work throughout Butte County.

The public is invited to attend! Activities for the kids. Participating organizations will provide free appetizers. Beer and wine will be available for purchase at the event.

The Environmental Coalition was formed as an effort to unite the various local environmental groups around the biggest environmental issues taking place in Chico and Butte County!



Join us!



This year at BEC we are hard at work tackling issues like oil trains running through the Feather River Canyon, renewing and

expanding Chico's urban forest, combating potentially damaging development plans and so much more! **It is with YOUR support that we are able to:**

- Build awareness of environmental issues
- Give a voice to the environment
- Educate and empower the public

Join us in advocating for all of the natural resources that Butte County has to offer.

The future of environmental protections and progress is at risk. Take a stand for the environment, **Become a BEC Angel!** Angel's monthly gifts continue the fight against environmental degradation and give BEC needed support in the coming months. **Help BEC now by becoming a BEC Angel!** For more information call 891-6424.

Seeking local artists and community members to



create large size puppets for the [Procession of the Species!](#)

The [procession](#) is a parade with hundreds of elementary school students and community members carrying handmade puppets and masks that represent endangered

species at the [Endangered Species Faire](#) in lower Bidwell Park. The fun and educational Faire raises awareness for Endangered Species, and other important local environmental issues. This year the 38th annual Faire will be on **Saturday, May 6 from 11am - 4pm.**

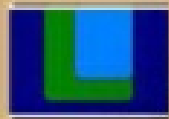
If you are interested in making a puppet for the procession... large or small we would be thrilled to have you join us! **We are asking for more LARGE puppets** (at least 4 feet tall). Multiple people can carry the puppet if necessary. If you need assistance constructing your puppet, there are puppet making helpers and puppet making workshops available. For more information or to sign up for a workshop, please contact Katie at katieb@becnet.org or you can reach her by phone at 891-6424.



We need supplies for puppet-making!

- ***wire coat hangers***
- ***nylon stockings (new or used, even with runs!)***

Have some lying around? Drop em by our downtown office as soon as you can so we can get to work on some eco-tastic puppets!



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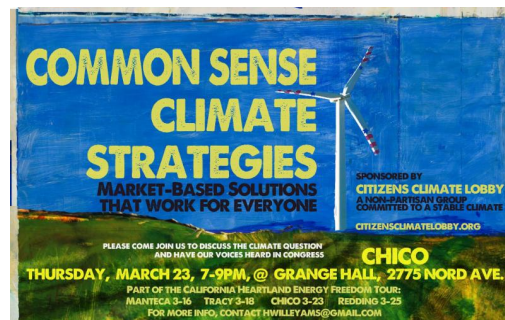
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As many of you know, BEC was awarded the 2016 Top-Rated Nonprofit award by Greatnonprofits.org! **We just need 8 more reviews** to qualify as a 2017 Top-Rated Nonprofit and get a chance to win a \$5,000 PR grant from Greatnonprofits.org. Please [leave us a review](#) by clicking "Share Your Story" and please share with your friends!

Common Sense Climate Strategies - CCL Chico Kickoff!

Citizens' Climate Lobby (CCL) is a non-partisan group dedicated to a stable climate. With chapters around the world and an impressive record, CCL is doing something right! [Join CCL Thursday evening at the Chico Grange](#) for a presentation on common sense climate solutions - strategies for climate action based on respectful relationship-building and personal political empowerment.



Thursday, March 23 at 7 PM - 9 PM
at the Chico Grange, 2775 Nord Ave, Chico, CA 95973

Last month I joined the Carriers of the New Story for the first meeting of the Spring semester. The program gives local youth a place to experience mindful communication and find new opportunities to get involved. At the beginning of the meeting we went around the room and each person shared why they had come. Some shared about who had invited them, some spoke about their childhood. I did a little bit of both. One by one, each of us shared openly and without judgement. I left thankful for my community and optimistic about the future.

Now is the time to stand together and make our voices heard, for the environment, and for future generations! Carriers of the New Story is

connecting a new generation of activists with their local community and the issues that matter to them. I am so excited to welcome this new group to join us in our work protecting the land, air, and water. I hope you will join us too! Come to one of our [upcoming events](#) to learn more about BEC and how you can get involved.

Happy Friday!

Natalie Carter, Executive Director
Butte Environmental Council

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