



PRESS ADVISORY

Green Your House of Worship

LI Interfaith Environment Network Hosts 3rd Annual Educational Workshop

The Long Island Interfaith Environment Network (LIEN) will host its 3rd annual workshop for religious congregations of all faiths featuring speakers on energy efficiency and reducing toxins, on Thursday, **May 14, 2009**, 10:00AM-1:30PM at the Molloy College Suffolk Center, 7180 Republic Airport, East Farmingdale.

This year's event will showcase local success stories of progress made at local places of worship since last year. It will feature experts from the Long Island Power Authority, National Grid, and will cover organic lawn care and "green" cleaners. Financial incentives available for places of worship to become more energy efficient will be covered—with the theme "be green to save green." Last year's event was attended by over 100 people of faith.

The event will also feature alternative energy & energy efficiency vendors who can help address the unique energy demands of the faith community, and other companies who can help your place of worship reduce its environmental footprint.

LIEN was formed in 2006 as the local voice of a growing nation-wide awareness of the ethical call towards care for creation. It is coordinated by the Sustainability Institute at Molloy College and is made up of various faith-based organizations including representatives from St. Martin of Tours Parish Outreach in Amityville, Sophia Garden, the Long Island Council of Churches, New York State Interfaith Power & Light, Hewlett-East Rockaway Jewish Center, Islamic Center of Long Island, Diocese of Rockville Centre, St. Lawrence the Martyr Church in Sayville, Unitarian Universalist Congregation at Shelter Rock, Unitarian Universalists of Stonybrook, First United Methodist Church in Amityville, and the Community United Methodist Church in Massapequa.

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