

MEMBERSHIP FORM

Ways YOU can support the Idaho Earth Institute:

I. Become a Member -- at whatever level you can.

- \$35 Member \$250 - 499 Sustainer
 \$50 - 99 Supporter \$500+ Patron
 \$100 - 249 Earth Steward Other \$ _____
 \$15 Living Simply

2. Become a Mentor, Join a Committee, Find your Niche:
Volunteer!

- new board members book inventory manager
 special events mailings
 newsletter articles community resources
 mentoring & presenting fundraising
 Turtle Talks (monthly gatherings) media & graphics
 Plant Sale IEI Yard Sale

3. To start a discussion course in your neighborhood, church or workplace, call or email IEI -- or select a course below and we will contact you.

- Voluntary Simplicity
 Choices for Sustainable Living
 Exploring Deep Ecology
 Globalization and Its Critics
 Discovering a Sense of Place
 Healthy Children, Healthy Planet

Name _____

Address _____

City/State/Zip _____

Phone (day) _____

Phone (evening) _____

E-mail _____

- Check here if you prefer to receive the Turtle Times newsletter via e-mail only.

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VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES OR OTHER IEI ACTIVITIES

IEI is primarily a volunteer-run organization. Participating is fun and a great way to connect with others in your community. Our activities include monthly turtle talks on a variety of sustainability topics, green home audits, quarterly newsletter, annual xeric and native plant sale, and an annual yard sale.

Volunteer opportunities include:

- mentoring discussion groups,
planning and working on special events,
leading hikes and walks, data entry,
helping with mailing
and general office support.

To take a course, volunteer,
or obtain more information contact:

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IDAHO EARTH INSTITUTE

Purpose

Founded in 2004, the Idaho Earth Institute is part of a national network of Northwest Earth Institute organizations. We provide resources for individuals who seek to accept personal responsibility for the earth. NWEI's work has been featured in two PBS documentaries and has received numerous awards for work with individuals and businesses.

(Visit www.nwei.org)

Discussion Courses

IEI offers six discussion courses, with a comprehensive reading and discussion guide for each. To reach busy people, IEI takes these innovative programs to people where they spend their time - the workplace, home, school, and church.

How To Sponsor A Course

Sponsoring a course is easy. All you need to do is get at least eight people together in a workplace, home or church for a one-hour introductory meeting. An IEI volunteer will describe the course, and those who are interested will form a discussion group. The group will continue to meet for 8 to 10 one- to two-hour sessions. Courses are offered free of charge. There is a cost for the course book. IEI sells these at cost, making no money on the sale.

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Voluntary Simplicity

Explore how life can be enriched through the practice of simplicity.

Course topics include:

The Meaning of Simplicity Do You Have the Time?
The Practice of Simplicity How Much is Enough?
Living More with Less Your Money or Your Life
Swimming Against the Tide

Exploring Deep Ecology

Address core values and how they affect the way we view and treat the earth.

Course topics include:

Deep Ecology The Gaia Hypothesis
Spirituality and the Earth The New Physics
Native American Wisdom Feminist Perspective Simplicity
Bioregionalism Ritual

Discovering A Sense of Place

Focus on knowing and protecting your immediate environment.

Course topics include:

A Bioregional Perspective A Sense of Place
The Land Ethic Knowing Your Bioregion
Living in Place Mapping Your Bioregion Community
Empowerment

Choices for Sustainable Living

Explore the meaning of sustainability and offers ideas for living lightly on the earth.

Course topics include:

A Call to Sustainability Ecological Principles Sustainable
Communities Sustainable Food Sustainable Buying Sustainable
Lifestyles Business & Economy Visions of Sustainability

COURSE DESCRIPTIONS

Globalization and Its Critics

Understand the institutions, processes and effects of globalization. Examine how personal choices affect globalization. Explore a variety of possible future visions and how they can be cultivated.

Healthy Children, Healthy Planet

For parents and educators.

Course topics include:

Cultural Pressures Family Rituals & Celebrations
Advertising Food & Health Time & Creativity
Technology & The Media Exploring Nature

WHAT PEOPLE ARE SAYING

“I have more questions than answers, but the IEI has given me a community for discussion and support. I'm learning to disengage from this consumer juggernaut, to live life more simply, to respect my place in the web of life, and to love and protect the place I call home.”

– Attorney, Public Utilities Commission

“The course has given me a sense of hope and support for a happier, healthier more balanced life.”

– Communications Consultant

“Bonds have been forged among folks who never had the opportunity to share their values before. The Deep Ecology course has been both an eye-opening and morale-building experience.”

– EPA employee