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## My GREEN Cranford E - News for May, 2009



### Create a Certified Wildlife Habitat™

From the White House to your house, new gardens are springing up all across the nation. Learn how you can attract wildlife to your garden!

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### Greenhouse Gases Endanger Health

U.S. Environmental Protection Agency administrator Lisa Jackson officially announced that the emission of greenhouse gases "endangers" human health.

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### Do-Over Sporting Goods Get Your Gear Recycled By Brandon D. Shuler

As more and more companies get green-savvy, the sporting goods that were once destined to haunt the shelves of Goodwill in our yearly closet-cleaning mission are getting a "do-over" of their own. To see a list of the top five sporting good recycling programs E discovered to

### From the Desk of Nelson Dittmar

On Saturday, **May 9 from 9:00 to 4:00**, we will be handing out free compact fluorescent light bulbs at the Riverwalk, a flower show, which is being held at the Community Center. Look for our table in the Senior Meeting room on the first floor. These bulbs use 75% less energy than incandescent bulbs and last up to 10 times longer.

Recently, at our recommendation, the Township Committee adopted a "no net loss of trees" policy. This policy recognizes our goal to preserve trees and to maintain the appearance of a wooded suburban community, while not imposing the burden of permits, fee, or approvals on residents removing their trees. Residents who remove or lose a tree are encouraged to contact voluntarily the Township's Tree Advisory Board. (Call Mike Rediger at 868-8236.) The Township will then either replace the tree as a street tree on your property or elsewhere in town. It is our sincere hope that everyone takes advantage of this policy and helps keep our town green.

We have donated to the Cranford Public Library an energy conservation film *Kilowatt Ours*. This award-winning movie explores the true costs of power generation and offers solutions to today's energy problems. So, check it out and see how you can reduce your energy bills and improve the environment at the same time.

Thanks to everyone who took the ENERGY STAR pledge during the last year. The pledges reduced greenhouse gas emissions by 1,309,475 pounds and saved \$95,611!

A new year began on Earth Day, April 22. So, please pledge either again or for the first time. The link to the pledge site is [www.energystarcranford.2ya.com](http://www.energystarcranford.2ya.com). By taking the pledge, you can take small steps that make a big difference in the fight against global warming.

help get those old, beat-up fleeces and sneakers out of the closet and back outside, click on the read more link.

[Read More](#)

Nelson Dittmar  
Chair

## Nature Photography Seminar Focused on Our Natureal World

The first **My Green Cranford** Nature Photography Seminar was held on Saturday, May 2. Fifteen Cranford residents registered through the MyGreenCranford.org web site. Several members of the Cranford Millburn Camera club also attended. Based on the feedback from the audiance, we can declare the event a big success.

I would like to thank **Ben Venezia** and [Roman Kurywczak](#) who did a great job presenting the skills needed to create compelling images of our natural world. Anyone interested in learning more about photography are invited to attend a Cranford Millburn Camera Club meeting. For more information visit their web site at [www.cmcameraclub.org](http://www.cmcameraclub.org).

David DesRochers

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