

The Kids Ecology Corps

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The Kids Ecology Corps strives to educate youth on the dangers of climate change in Florida with its first ever Climate Change Workshop

This workshop features Florida Wildlife Federation Director and nationally known speaker Capt. Dan Kipnis and focuses on how future climate change could affect Florida and US coasts

FORT LAUDERDALE, FL (January 30, 2008) – On Thursday, February 7th the non profit environmental education organization The Kids Ecology Corps will present National Wildlife Federation speaker Captain Dan Kipnis for his noted environmental presentation and workshop on global climate change. Captain Dan Kipnis serves as a Director for the Florida Wildlife Federation and has been appointed to the South Florida Climate Change Task Force. Additionally, he has served on the State of Florida Marine Fisheries Commission, Biscayne Bay Management Committee, and City of Miami Waterfront Board. Tutored by former Vice President Al Gore, Captain Dan Kipnis has been giving this series of talks on climate change to hundreds of environmental organizations across the country with special emphasis on coastal regions and the effects of climate change on our oceans and communities.

This event, presented by The Kids Ecology Corps, is especially for teachers, middle and high school students, parents and community members who want to learn more about how global climate changes could potentially affect our communities and environment in the near future. Additional emphasis will be placed on educating students and the community on how they can become civic leaders in Florida's environmental movement.

This event will take place on Thursday, February 7, 2008, from 6:00-8:30 p.m. in the Auditorium of the ArtServe Bldg./Broward County Library at 1350 East Sunrise Boulevard Fort Lauderdale, FL 33304. Raffles and door prizes will be awarded to attendees and students, donated by Office Depot. Dinner has been donated by Pizza Fusion and the Victoria Park Diner in Fort Lauderdale.

The Kids Ecology Corps is a non-profit organization funded primarily by donations. To help support future programs such as this, all contributions will be most welcome.

Please RSVP with Toby K. Lopez at: (954) 524-0366, by February 5th, 2008.

As a follow up to this event, a sea oats planting is scheduled for February 16th giving workshop participants an opportunity to become involved in a local hands-on environmental restoration event.

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The Kids Ecology Corps is a non-profit 501 (c) (3) organization whose mission is to inspire young people to make environmental action part of their everyday lives and in the lives of those around them. KEC has reached over 58,000 young people from pre-k through high school, offering unique hands-on presentations and eco-action programs that educate children and youth about: keeping our oceans clean; the importance of trees; the role re-planting our coastal wetlands play in beach conservation; water conservation; pollution prevention; global climate change and energy conservation; and, protecting local natural habitats for native wildlife. Visit them at www.kidsecologycorps.org or contact The Kids Ecology Corps at kec@kidsecologycorps.org . The KEC team can be reached at Tel.: 954-524-0366 to volunteer or to schedule an education or eco-action presentation at your school.

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