

## 2015 Earth Fest Speaker Schedule–FINAL

Friday, April 17 7:00pm	<p>Earth Fest Kick-Off Event hosted by Congregations Caring for the Earth</p> <p><b><i>The Wisdom to Survive: Climate Change, Capitalism, &amp; Community</i></b></p> <p>Public viewing of new documentary followed by a reception Messiah Lutheran Church</p>		
Saturday, April 18 Earth Fest 9am-4pm with Speakers 9:30-2:30			
Time	MLC Sanctuary	Mt. Iron CC Council Room	MLC Library
9:30		<p><b><i>Solar PV for Home, Cabin, or Business</i></b> Jesse Dahl, RE-Power LLC Solar basics, costs, products and first steps. Also Q &amp; A (2 hour session)</p>	<p><b><i>Basics of Homebrewing</i></b> Wayne Wilberg Discussion of making beer from kits (extracts), partial mash, and a bit about all-grain brewing as well! Q &amp; A session, many tips and hints to make great beer. Overview of equipment needed.</p>
10:30			<p><b><i>Mesabi Range College's Educational Garden using Permaculture ideas</i></b> Alexandra Crum Things are happening near the pond at Mesabi Range! Come hear about this outdoor student learning laboratory!</p>
11:30		<p><b><i>First Iron Range Screening of "Bringing it Home: industrial hemp, healthier houses and a greener future for America"</i></b> BRINGING IT HOME extols the many benefits of industrial hemp for the environment and human health, while revealing the obstacles to what could be a thriving industry for U.S. farmers.</p>	<p><b><i>Community Sustainability Initiative 2014 winners present their successes</i></b> 1.Dawn Trexel, Friends of the Greenhouse Winter Salad Greens in the Olcott Park Greenhouse success 2.Missy Roach, Bear River Farm Pollenator Project success 3.Donna Hanson, Northern Lights Comm. Schl Community Recycling Center success</p>

12:30		<p><b>Heart of the Continent Partnership</b>  Frank Jewell, Heart of the Continent</p> <p>In a regional spirit of cooperation the Heart of the Continent Partnership is bringing land managers, businesses, and municipalities together on both sides of the border for a common goal of sustainable economic, cultural and natural health of the lakes, forests and communities on the Minnesota/Ontario border.</p>	<p><b>Hydroponics – 365 Days of Local Food!</b>  Mark Moliter, Forever Yours Farm</p> <p>The benefits of hydroponics such as the non use of pesticides, water conservation, the ability to provide locally grown food year round even in cold climates and the types of systems and growing methods.</p>
1:30	<p><b>Climate Change in Minnesota</b>  Dan Kraker, MPR</p> <p>Report of a warming climate: evidence of how it changes the way we live, work and play in Minnesota.</p>		<p><b>Backyard Chickens</b>  Janna Goerd, Fat Chicken Farm</p> <p>Meet one of Janna’s happy chickens and find out how you can do this in your own back yard. (We’ll also be asking you to help persuade Virginia to pass a city chicken ordinance!)</p>
2:30		<p><b>Sea Change: Addressing Climate Change on Lake Superior</b>  Mark &amp; Katya Gordon, Amicus Adventure Sailing</p> <p>Through pictures, video, and music, the Gordons will share their stories of sailing the high seas and the big waters of lake Superior while studying climate change and raising a family. They will also talk about their latest sailing project.</p>	<p><b>Basic Winemaking</b>  Lisa Hesse</p> <p>Making wine from fruits you grow or collect yourself is easy and fun! Learn how to get started with basic techniques and tips. Discover how to keep it local, cheap and delicious!</p>