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**Savage River Watershed Association**

**Marcellus Shale Follow-up # 8**

**Upcoming Events:**

**Marcellus Shale Webinar - Agricultural Potential Impacts**

**Wednesday, May 11 from 1:00 - 3:30 ET.**

This webinar will focus on the potential impacts on agriculture from Marcellus drilling and how they can be mitigated. George Frantz from Cornell University, Ken Smith from Cornell Cooperative Extension in Chenango County, and Judy Wright from the American Farmland Trust will present.

To register to participate in this webinar, go to or copy into your browser, the following link:

<https://spreadsheets.google.com/viewform?formkey=dEpFdXFJUvBlbVILWjZQMDVKMkZVbEE6MQ>

**We apologize for the late notice on this webinar. It will be archived and accessible later this week at [www.naturalgas.cce.cornell.edu](http://www.naturalgas.cce.cornell.edu)**

**Stories From the Marcellus Shale**

Presentation by David Manthos/Garrett College '09; Bucknell University '11

**Garrett College, Con Ed, Room 224 on Saturday, May 14, 2011 at 6:00 P.M.**

David returns to Garrett College just before he graduates from Bucknell University with a B.A. in Geography and a minor in Environmental Studies. He will share information on his unique experiences with and research into the Marcellus Shale gas drilling and its effects on Pennsylvania's communities and resources. He will present information from his writings entitled "The Fourth Boom: Drilling into the Big Woods". A search for truth by bicycle through Pennsylvania's northern forestlands in the Marcellus Shale drill zone ends up in the halls of Commonwealth government in Harrisburg. Information in the end proves more elusive—but potentially more valuable—than the gas deposits themselves deep below. His full article can be found at

<http://susquehannawritersinstitute.blogs.bucknell.edu/>

For more information, contact Judy at 301-387-3046

**In the News:**

**Gas found in drinking water**

Peer-reviewed study by researchers at Duke University.

[http://money.cnn.com/2011/05/09/news/economy/natural\\_gas\\_fracking\\_duke/index.htm?source=cnn\\_bin&hpt=Sbin](http://money.cnn.com/2011/05/09/news/economy/natural_gas_fracking_duke/index.htm?source=cnn_bin&hpt=Sbin)

**Energy Department Panel to Revise Standards for Gas Extraction**

<http://www.nytimes.com/2011/05/07/science/earth/07frack.html?src=rechp>

**Online petition to send to Governor O'Malley regarding "fracking" in Maryland**

<http://www.change.org/petitions/save-maryland-from-unsafe-gas-fracking>

**Oil and Gas at your door? A guide for landowners.** Download this book at:

<http://www.earthworksaction.org/LOguidechapters.cfm>

Additional information also available at from Marcellus Oil & Gas Accountability Project of Earthwork at [www.ogap.org](http://www.ogap.org)

**Follow-up on earlier webinar:**

***The Economics of Shale Gas Drilling: What are the Real Consequences?***

Susan Christopherson, J. Thomas Clark Professor, Dept. of City and Regional Planning, Cornell University

- A link to the recording of the webinar: <http://breeze.cce.cornell.edu/p87469883/>.
- Links to Professor Christopherson's website with materials from her work in this area: <http://www.greenchoices.cornell.edu/development/marcellus/>
- Links to Cornell Cooperative Extension's Natural Gas Resource Center, with more materials from Cornell on this topic: <http://naturalgas.cce.cornell.edu>

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