

## Press Release

### Academy for Lifelong Learning CBMM

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#### **Beyond Tree Hugging Towards Cooperative and Sustainable Solutions**

Greg Farley, Director of the Center for Leadership in Environmental Education (CLEEn) at Chesapeake College, will lead a course for the Academy for Lifelong Learning CBMM entitled *“Sustainability: The Intersection of Ecology, Economy, & Culture”*. The course, which will run Monday evenings from January 30 to March 5 at the Chesapeake Bay Maritime Museum, will explore how the environmental movement of the 1950s and 1960s has evolved into a robust, interdisciplinary approach which weaves together the conservation of the environment, economic strength, and preservation of cultures. Participants of the class will look at how we can be fiscally conservative and still work to preserve the Chesapeake Bay and the people who live, work and play on the Eastern Shore.

Since Greg Farley came to the biology department of Chesapeake College in Wye Mills 8 years ago he has been instrumental in developing a campus wide awareness in environmental issues but most importantly he has been committed in creating a multifaceted, collaborative platform for sustainable solutions which will not only be good for the environment but also for the pocket book and the community.

Greg Farley is helping to shape the mission and goals of Chesapeake College’s emerging sustainability institute, CLEEn, which will work to create partnerships with local governments in the five county College service area, secondary school systems, other colleges, state and federal agencies, and the business community, and establish itself as a community resource for green business development, training, and learning. Chesapeake College has an approved degree in environmental sciences and in collaboration with other bay area colleges, offers students opportunities for related, specialized degrees. Courses in wind power, solar, geothermal and electrical systems, have been offered by the division of continuing education and workforce training. CLEEn will allow the College to expand these programs and to design hands-on experiences to compliment the new K-12 Maryland State Board of Education requirement in environmental science.

As both a power-generating tool and a teaching tool, the Chesapeake College Center for Leadership in Environmental Education enhances the College's vision of optimal experiences for its students, while supporting the Maryland Governor's education priority of expanding "the opportunity to learn and to earn; ...and to enjoy the health of the environment we love - to more people rather than fewer."

Greg Farley has a BS from Duke University and a MS from Florida State. He was recently a visiting scholar at Sustainable Living Institute of Maui in Hawaii, and is a resident of St. Michaels.

For more detailed information about this course and the Academy for Lifelong Learning, call the CBMM at 410-745-2916 or download a catalog online at <http://www.cbmm.org/all>. Also on Facebook at [facebook.com/academyforlifelonglearning](https://www.facebook.com/academyforlifelonglearning) at cbmm.



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