



MONTANA

SEPTEMBER NEWSLETTER

USGBC Montana Chapter Conference on Green Building
Educational Sessions - Green Building Tours - Chapter Networking

New Conference Development: Earn up to 4 Learning Units

HSW credits will be offered for AIA Continuing Education

PDH certificates will be available for Engineers

There's still time to register for the USGBC Montana Chapter Conference, held this year in Billings on Saturday, September 13.

Learn more about the conference at our website,
<http://chapters.usgbc.org/montana/Conference.htm>

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REGISTER

Attention: Early Registration Extended Through Friday, 9/05!

Conference Networking Note: *Tables will be dedicated for display of information about businesses, organizations, projects, and other green building related topics. Please bring along (or send us) brochures, business cards, etc. to share with conference attendees!*

IN THE NEWS!

[From usgbc.org](#)

[Schools Rapidly Turning Green Across America](#)

Smart new designs boost learning, cut school energy bills and provide better indoor environments for students and teachers. As the school year gets underway, nearly 1,000 school buildings will be LEED-certified or registered, exceeding 100 million square feet of space. » [Learn More](#)

If you have local, state, or national Green Building News to share, send it to us at montana@chapters.usgbc.org

Message from the Chair:

I am happy to announce we have climbed to 47 members, and still growing! Thank you and *Welcome* to all our new members! We also have 80 national USGBC member organizations in Montana. And did you know that there are currently over 35 registered LEED projects (not including LEED-Homes projects) in the state of Montana? There are four LEED Certified projects in our state, including the first LEED Platinum project in MT, called "Home on the Range" or HOTR for short. It is located in Billings and will be one of our featured project tours at the upcoming conference.

Over the next year we will listen to our members, and enlist our members to help develop Chapter activities and resources for our members and the greater green building community.

If you would like to help out, please let us know about your interests, strengths, and ideas. Consider getting involved in a committee, or attend our dynamic governance training (still a few spots left-see below). We will need all the help we can get as we grow quickly over the next year and beyond.

Also, we will soon start thanking our Chapter Sponsors in these Newsletters. If you or your business would like to donate to the USGBC Montana Chapter, please visit our [Membership and Sponsorship page](#) to learn more. If you donate within the next week, we may add your name or logo to our Conference Program and thank you publicly during the event.

Thank you all for your continued support of Green Building in the Big Sky State. I look forward to meeting many of you at the conference in two weeks.

Sincerely,
Anya Fiechtl
USGBC Montana Chapter Chair

Dynamic Governance Training - Last chance to sign up!
Thursday/Friday, September 11-12, 2008
Stapleton Loft, Billings,MT

Schedule: Thursday 1pm-5pm, Friday 8am-noon

All Chapter Board members, committee leaders and chapter members invited. This training comes highly recommended by chapter leaders across the country. Space is limited and there are only a few openings left, so sign up soon!

[What is Dynamic Governance? See FAQ here.](#)

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