



August 6, 2008

## Learn how to save money and energy at green workshop in Spartanburg

*By Nan Lundeen*  
**STAFF WRITER**

SPARTANBURG -- Residents and professionals interested in the practical side of building and renovating homes on green principles as well as learning energy conservation tips may be interested in a free workshop 1-6 p.m. Aug. 28 at the Spartanburg County Public Library.

You'll hear from Upstate residents, including Betsy Teter, executive director of the Hub City Writers' Project, who've built green homes.

Sustainability Institute folks will talk about ways to increase energy efficiency and provide a healthier living environment in your existing home, according to Ned Barrett, in an Upstate Forever prepared statement.

You'll learn about Energy Star ratings and EarthCraft homes -- including building EarthCraft on a budget.

Builder Wendell Miller of Paradise Upstate Inc. will answer questions about building according to LEED residential standards. LEED stands for the U.S. Green Building Council's Leadership in Energy and Environmental Design.

To register, call Upstate Forever's Barrett at 864-327-0090. Barrett says the workshop qualifies for four hours of AIA continuing education units or engineering professional development hours.

The workshop is designed for realtors, builders, architects, homeowners, renovators and residents.

Nan Lundeen can be reached at 298-4316.

---