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DEVENS IN THE NEWS:

45 Jackson - Azzur Ribbon Cutting:

On Thursday, April 27, 2023, Azzur Clean Rooms On-Demand held a groundbreaking ceremony for their facility that is already well under construction in the first building that is part of King Street Properties Pathyway Campus at 45 Jackson Road. Azzur is fitting-out the space with 30 clean rooms that will be available for bio-tech companies to lease. This is Azzur's largest building in their company. They have locations in Vermont, Boston, North Carolina, and California. Azzur expects to be open and leasing clean rooms in Devens by March of 2024.



BioPharma Article: Azzur Group Hosts Groundbreaking for Devens, MA Cleanrooms on Demand Facility

Yahoo Article: Azzur Group Hosts Groundbreaking for **Devens**, MA Cleanrooms on Demand ... - Yahoo Finance

Earth Day Open Streets and Greenways, April 21, 2023: Ayer, Devens, the Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge and partners celebrated Earth Day on April, 21, 2023 by closing down MacPherson Road to vehicle traffic and opening it up for all to enjoy the beautiful scenery of the Oxbow National Wildlife Refuge and the Nashua River. More than 12 local environmental organizations participated and offered fun activities for all ages. Over 150 people attended and many indicated they would like to see more events of this kind. Attendees were invited to check out the draft signs for the new Nashua River Trail and native pollinator meadow to be installed nearby.











Yale University – School for the Environment Graduate Program Visit:

On Friday, April 28, 2023 Yale University School for the Environment graduate students and faculty visited Devens for a presentation on and tour of the Eco-=Industrial Park. They are part of a seminar studying Industrial Symbiosis with Dr. Marian Chertow and were excited hear of the sustainability principles in practice and creative reuse of materials at Devens. Tours of The Great Exchange, Little Leaf Farms, and Commonwealth Fusion Systems were provided.







Ayer/Devens Pocket Forest Planting Day:

After months of preparation, the Ayer-Devens Pocket Forest Project Team held a pocket forest planting day at the project pilot site on East Main Street in Ayer on Saturday, April 29, 2023. Over 100 people attended to install what is believed to be the first pocket forest in Central Massachusetts. We look forward to watching it grow and help make the community more climate resilient. Project website: https://climateresilient.wixsite.com/ayerdevens



Farmers Market:

We are once again offering specials for businesses and residents who wish to pre-order bags of seasonal, fresh, local produce this year. Learn more here.



SmartWays Event:

Dear Devens Business Partners,

Please join us for a free program sponsored by the <u>Devens Enterprise</u> <u>Commission to raise awareness of services, strategies and funding that can help your business and its partners achieve sustainability and cost savings.</u>

Devens Sustainable Freight Forum

Advancing shipper and carrier efficiency and sustainability

May 12, 8:30-10:00 (networking, refreshments at 8:00) Vicksburg Square Conf. Room, 33 Andrews Parkway, Devens

Guest speakers will present:

EPA's SmartWay - Tools for carriers and shippers with trucks or delivery fleets that improve freight transportation efficiency

Trucking Association of Mass. - Encourages the healthy growth of the industry and benefits from being a SmartWay Partner

Intelligent Labor and Moving - Shares experience of transitioning a fleet to electrification and proven strategies to control the costs of fuel

Mass Fleet Advisor - Free assistance to help commercial fleets evaluate their efficiency and prepare for a cleaner and cost-effective future

CALSTART, Inc. - Free fleet electrification planning, including site assessment, cost of ownership analysis, vehicle inventory, charging

MOR-EV Trucks - Programs and incentives to facilitate the increased use of medium duty/heavy duty electric trucks, buses and vans

For more info, to RSVP: dawnbabcock@devensec.com, 978-772-8831





