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## THE NEW ADDITIONS TO THE GREEN GANG:

In their own words, discover our new program coordinators!



**JEFFERY  
STEBEN**

Born and raised in the foothills of California, I came up to Humboldt State because of the program for the Appropriate Technology major. I think of myself as a fun-loving and laid back type of guy, and no one enjoys hanging out with friends more than I do. I'm incredibly thankful that I can be part of Green Campus Program because I feel like it is a job where I can make a difference in the world and hopefully see the changes we try to make at our school. My favorite energy saving technique is turning off phantom loads because of the satisfaction I get from shutting them down.

I'm a 1st year graduate student here at HSU studying engineering. I plan to focus on renewable energy. While I believe that alternative, renewable energy sources are the only long-term solution for our future energy needs, energy conservation is more than just a mere "personal virtue." Energy conservation, by means of personal behavior changes and energy efficient technologies, is an inexpensive and immediate way that we can reduce our energy use. It is good for the environment, our health, pocket books, and national security, among many other things. I'm excited about joining Green Campus because of its proactive attitude towards energy conservation. My favorite energy saving tip is to line dry your laundry. It reminds me of my time spent in Europe where everybody line dries their clothes, it saves precious quarters (which you can use to wash more clothes). Your clothes last longer when they haven't been subjected to the stress of the drier and if you line dry your clothes inside your house, it smells like fresh laundry. And who doesn't like that?



**ANDREA  
ALLEN**

## USING THE ENERGY OF THE INTERNS

A new year, new semester, new interns, new projects; Green Campus is getting a fresh and exciting start this spring. With the addition of Jeff and Andrea, Green Campus will be moving forward and wrapping up the results of the Green Cup Energy Challenge. In addition, they hope to create a student Intern position within the Department of Housing & Dining that will analyze and monitor the energy consumption of the residents as well as host and create educational programs.

While they see this position through they will also be exploring other projects such as creating an energy "guru" manual, interpretive signs, conducting energy audits for different houses and departments on campus, as well as making classroom presentations.

There are also a few loose ends that the Program aspires to tie up this semester. The most exciting of which is getting a digital tour of the Energy Star Dorm room (created last spring) online.

What would you like to see Green Campus doing? E-mail us.

### ENERGY NEWS: LED LAMPS PROVIDE CLEAN, CHEAP LIGHTING TO RURAL POOR

A handful of villagers in rural India are receiving a life-transforming technology: low-cost, solar-powered light-emitting diode (LED) lamps. Bombay-based Grameen Surya Bijli Foundation has installed the \$55 lamps free of charge in about 300 homes. As many as 1.5 billion people worldwide light their homes kerosene-burning lamps. LEDs are far more efficient than incandescent bulbs, and the solar-powered lamps eliminate indoor pollution from burning candles, paraffin, or kerosene. Says electrical engineering professor Dave Irvine-Halliday, "This technology can light an entire rural village with less energy than that used by a single conventional 100-watt light bulb."

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