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**The Nolde Forest Environmental Education Center's
Sustainable Energy Committee Proudly Hosts:
Berks County Solar Tour
October 2, 2010 10:00 am through 3:00 pm
Help Citizens Cut Energy Costs & Improve Property Values**

Neighbors Band Together To Create World's Largest Grassroots Solar Event

Tour the homes and businesses of solar-savvy friends and businesses as the Nolde Sustainable Energy Committee hosts its first annual Berks County Solar Tour, part of the non-profit American Solar Energy Society (ASES') National Solar Tour, the world's largest grassroots solar event.

Slated for October 2, 2010 from 10:00 am through 3:00 pm throughout Berks County, the tour introduces county residents to the solar technologies their friends and neighbors are using to 1) slash monthly energy bills, 2) improve property values, 3) realize rich tax credits and 4) reap cash incentives as they 5) assert their energy independence and 6) create a cleaner community.

The tour also provides an opportunity to talk with professionals about the variety of solar solutions available, costs, incentives, installations and how solar works to create clean, renewable energy to power homes, businesses, public agencies and vehicles.

This year's tour features the opportunity to visit many homes and businesses in the greater Berks County area. Last year's National Solar Tour attracted more than 150,000 people in 49 U.S. states and Puerto Rico.

Register or volunteer today. The self-guided tours will run from 10:00 am through 3:00 PM. This event is free and open to the public. Details are available at: www.NationalSolarTour.org or by calling Nolde forest at 610 796-3699.

BERKS COUNTY SOLAR TOUR IS WEB CONNECTED:

Facebook - go to facebook and search Berks County Solar Tour
American Solar Energy Society <http://www.ases.org/> Click on ASES National Solar Tour "More". Click on To Find A Tour. Click on Pennsylvania. Click on Berks County solar tour
North East Sustainable Energy Association - <http://www.nesea.org/> Click on Green Buildings Open House Tour. Click on Browse Green Buildings Using A Map. Enter Zip Code.

ABOUT THE NOLDE SUSTAINABLE ENERGY COMMITTEE:

The Committee seeks to inform and educate the public about energy issues, to promote energy conservation, and encourage the use of sustainable energy technologies.

ABOUT THE AMERICAN SOLAR ENERGY SOCIETY:

Established in 1954, the non-profit American Solar Energy Society is the nation's leading association of solar professionals and grassroots advocates. Supported by more than 13,000 members, ASES' mission is to speed the transition to a sustainable energy economy. ASES advances education, research and policy, inspiring the nation to go solar. ASES publishes the award-winning SOLAR TODAY magazine, presents the National Solar Conference, and leads the National Solar Tour – the world's largest grassroots solar event. www.ases.org

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