



FAIRCHESTER GREEN BUILDING COUNCIL HOSTS LOCAL GREEN HOME HOUSE TOUR

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GREENWICH, CT – The Fairchester Green Building Council (FGBC) will be holding its next monthly house tour and mixer on Wednesday, May 20th from 6.30 p.m. to 8.30 p.m. at Westchester Magazine’s DreamHouse 2009 located in Armonk, NY, a contemporary home incorporating many advanced green building solutions. Advance registration only for this event at www.fairchester gbc.org/calendar. Tickets are \$10 for FGBC members and \$20 for non-members.

This Arts and Crafts style home has been built with many recycled materials such as oak flooring salvaged from a demolished nineteenth century grain mill, and kitchen countertops fabricated from recycled paper with a cork backsplash, all sustainable materials. The house features closed cell-spray foam insulation in all exterior walls, direct exchange geothermal heating and cooling, and a whole-home, battery-based powered, back-up energy system. All exterior doors are fitted with double-pane, low-E glass and finished with low VOC, clay-based interior paints. Built by Murphy Brothers Contracting of Mamaroneck, NY, this home has been gold certified as following the guidelines of the National Association of Home Builders, (NAHB) National Green Building Program.

The FGBC launched its first meeting in January, 2009, with a membership of 700 professionals dedicated to bringing sustainable building into the mainstream through education, resource sharing, and raised public awareness. FGBC programs to date have focused on changes to LEED accreditation, collaboration with other professionals who have incorporated sustainable practices in both commercial and residential real estate design, and cultivation of relationships within the local green community. This is the FGBC's first green home tour.

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