## Renewability and Sustainability

Steps Homeowners can take to be "Green" in 2011

## **Learn Ways To:**

- Reduce Energy Costs
- Reduce Local Flooding
- Lower Maintenance Costs
- Improve the Environment

This event is free and open to the public

## Saturday, February 19, 2011

Continental Breakfast: 9:30 am Presentations: 10 am - 12 pm

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**Steve Stevens** retired from a long career with AT&T Bell Laboratories in 2000 to pursue his passions of Bicycle History and Sustainability studies. His home now operates as a Museum dedicated to Victorian Cycling History that is the first museum in the world to be a net Power Plant, meaning it generates more energy than it uses. He recently founded Transition Golden, a branch of the TRANSITION movement, in Golden, Colorado and is a frequent speaker on energy efficiency and sustainability at the National Renewable Energy Laboratory. He is a graduate of both Indiana University and Northwestern University. Steve will discuss both small and large steps homeowners can take to improve the energy efficiency within their homes.

**Bill Bedrossian** is the owner of Bedrock Earthscapes, a native landscape company focused on enriching life through improving our environment. He consults nationally with colleges and universities on how to convert their traditional landscapes to more sustainable earthscapes. He also establishes, restores and stewards prairies, woodlands and wetlands locally. Bill has over 35 years of experience in landscape design and maintenance, grounds management and facility management. His undergraduate degree is in Plant Sciences, and he has a Master of Science degree in Management. Bill will discuss how sustainable site principles can be applied in the home landscape to enhance beauty and bio-diversity, help reduce local flooding problems, reduce ongoing maintenance, and help improve the environment.

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