

**OHIO WESLEYAN, SUSTAINABLE DELAWARE EVENT EXPLORES 'DIRT'**  
**Sustainability Film Series Screening Also Celebrates Earth Day, Arbor Day**

Delaware, Ohio – Ohio Wesleyan University and Sustainable Delaware invite the public to a free Sustainability Film Series screening of “Dirt, the Movie,” which explores the wonders of the soil and tells the story of Earth’s most valuable and underappreciated source of fertility.

The film, directed and produced by Bill Benenson and Gene Rosow, will be shown at 7 p.m. April 20 in Room 163 of Ohio Wesleyan’s Schimmel/Conrades Science Center, 90 S. Henry St. Free parking is available across the street at Selby Stadium, 45 S. Henry St.

Ohio Wesleyan faculty member and OWU Sustainability Task Force Chair Laurie Anderson, Ph.D., will moderate a panel discussion following the film. Panelists are scheduled to include:

- **Gordon Aubrecht**, Ph.D., professor of physics, The Ohio State University Marion Campus
- **Marianne Gabel**, attorney, sustainability issues writer, League of Woman Voters Green Team
- **Nate Elfner**, organic lawn-care specialist
- **Brad Stanton**, Delaware City public utilities director, or **Brian McCombs**, Delaware City watershed coordinator

Sustainable Delaware is a group of citizens focused on promoting environmental, social, and economic sustainability for the Delaware community through awareness, advocacy, and action. Ohio Wesleyan faculty and students partner with Sustainable Delaware on various projects. The Sustainability Film Series includes films and panel discussions that explore topics related to sustainable living.

Planning for future events is under way. Topics will include community gardens, free recycle days, local food sourcing, and alternative sources of power (including wind and solar). For more information about future events, visit <http://sustainabledelawareohio.org>.

Ohio Wesleyan University is one of the nation’s premier small, private universities, with more than 90 undergraduate majors, sequences, and courses of study, and 23 Division III varsity sports. Located in Delaware, Ohio, just minutes north of Ohio’s capital and largest city, Columbus, the university combines a globally focused curriculum with off-campus learning and leadership opportunities that translate classroom theory into real-world practice. OWU’s close-knit community of 1,850 students represents 45 states and 52 countries. Ohio Wesleyan earned a 2009 Presidential Award for Excellence in General Community Service, is featured in the book “Colleges That Change Lives,” and is included on the “best colleges” lists of U.S. News & World Report and The Princeton Review. Learn more at [www.owu.edu](http://www.owu.edu).

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