

# This Month on Energy Savers: September 2011

Energy Savers Blog

September is a month full of changes: it marks the switch from summer to fall, and from vacation to school. But it also means something really exciting - the DOE Solar Decathlon! We've been tracking the event and showing you what's going on over the past couple of weeks. See what's been happening on the blog:

## New or Notable on Energy Savers

- [Solar Decathlon 2011](#) [1]: The event runs Sept. 23 - Oct 2 in West Potomac Park in Washington D.C. Check it out if you have a chance!
- The [seasonal switch to fall](#) [2] has begun on Energy Savers. Read our tips to help you get prepared for saving energy and money in the cooler weather.

## On the Blog, In Case You Missed It...

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- [Hey There. Would You Like to Buy a Thneed?](#) [16]

## Comment Spotlight

- Recycle Gal commented on [See you Friday at the Solar Decathlon?](#) [17]: "This is a fantastic way to build awareness, sounds like the event will be

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educational and fun! Would love to do something like this."

And Tony commented: "I think this is a tremendous initiative from the Department and it is good to see that the young participants are putting everything into creating designs for today. I would like to see similar initiatives here in Australia and I will apply pressure to the Australian Government, through my web site, to encourage innovative design and construction along these lines. I hope that this is something I will see with some regularity and I take my hat off to you at the US Department of Energy."

- Nirupama commented on [Are You Interested in a Clean Energy Career?](#) [18]: "I have a Masters in Mechanical Engineering and am working with a nonprofit to help small businesses become energy efficient by conducting comprehensive energy audits. I also have experience with using energy modelling tools, benchmarking, billing analysis. I have good knowledge of the incentive programs for the state and the city. I'm looking to work for a contractor as an Energy Engineer."

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