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How far can you go on a gallon of vegetable oil?

Come see the Big Green Bus and find out.

PLANO, (June 7, 2007) Sci-Tech Discovery Center (www.mindstretchingfun.org) and Central Market are hosting Dartmouth College's Big Green Bus as it tours the country with educational programs and demonstration events. What's the Big Green Bus? Just that; a green 37' long 1996 International school bus powered by a DT466 turbo diesel that the Dartmouth students of Hanover, New Hampshire, have converted to run on waste vegetable oil. This is only the group's third summer tour of the country to promote alternative energy sources. It's also one of just two stops the bus will make in Texas. On Sunday, July 1 from 2PM to 4PM the Big Green Bus will be parked at the Central Market located at 320 Coit Rd, Plano, 75075 - (469) 241-8300 (Coit and Hwy 190/George Bush Freeway).

The Dartmouth students will give presentations about how the bus runs on waste vegetable oil, known as WVO for short. There will also be information on other alternative energy sources, as well as music and games for participants to have some fun at the free, drop-in event.

The Dartmouth College students are on the road this summer in pursuit of one principle goal: to encourage a broad shift in American society's conception of energy. They believe that from better resource management, a healthier environment and economy will follow. Their motto is "Change your fuel, change the world." The group of students, which now includes environmental scientists, biologists, engineers, writers and artists, will continue to visit communities across the country to educate the public about issues of sustainable energy. The Sci-Tech Discovery Center is co-hosting the event to bring "mind-stretching fun" to the community and to promote student interest in studying math and science.

The summer of 2007 will be a busy season for the team of Big Green Bus members, as they travel from New Hampshire to Tennessee, Georgia, Texas, California, Chicago, Ohio, and just about every state in between. They hope their presence in a big green bus generates plenty of media attention to better spread their message of going green to help the environment. Sci-Tech Chair, Kelly Palmer says, "This is a great way to increase awareness of science and promote our goal of building a science museum in Collin County. The future Sci-Tech Discovery Center will help promote academic achievement for the students in our community."

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