

Smart Energy Living Expo on tap at NREL

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If this summer's soaring temperatures have made your wallet ache, consider attending the Smart Energy Living Expo.

The event includes 45-minute presentations by state and national experts in residential energy conservation, energy efficiency and solar design. In addition, there will be a book signing by energy expert and author Dan Chiras with his latest release, "The Homeowner's Guide to Renewable Energy."

Kirstin Marr, editor of *Smart Living* magazine, said she wants to give consumers the knowledge and tools to efficiently mitigate the high

WHAT: A free day of energy education

WHEN: 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturday, June 10

WHERE: The National Renewable Energy Laboratory Visitor's Center, 15013 Denver West Parkway, Golden.

COST: \$4 per indoor workshops, or three workshops for \$10.

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costs of energy.

"Consumers have a lot of control over the rising cost of energy," she said. "Regular mainstream ho-

meowners and those struggling at the gas pump can get direction about what they can do, what makes sense and the resources to point them in the right direction."

Workshops will cover natural gas use, cost-effective cooling and other topics. Parents can also enroll children for free in the Smart Energy Living Children's Center, which will feature activities and games, including appearances by the Energy Hog and his Traveling Road Show.

During the expo, the NREL Visitors Center will be open and will highlight passive solar energy features and many other interactive educational displays and activities.