



*.....keeping watch on
the industry*

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**Pause for a
moment or two on
April 22, 2020.**

**Earth Day was
celebrated 50
years ago!**



Earth Day April 22, 2020

**This is the 50th Anniversary of Earth
Day! How will it be celebrated? What
memories do you have of past civic
action? Did you know that in 1972 nearly
2/3 of the lakes, rivers, and coastal waters
had become unsafe for fishing or
swimming?**

Gaylord Nelson, Governor of WI during the 1950's had passion for environment/poverty. Residents of Wisconsin joined his concern with the dilapidated state parks, exploiting of public resources by private industry and State's polluted waterways. He worked to overhaul the DNR to have them focus on conservation, he established the conservation corps and acquired land to be converted into public parks and wilderness areas.

In the 1960's he became a U.S. Senator. He again built coalitions, fought for environmental issues and through his tenacity Earth Day was created April 22, 1970.

As a U.S. Senator, Nelson championed the legislation below:

1968: National Wild and Scenic Rivers Act (St. Croix River in the original) and by November 2018, 209 Rivers in 40 States protected

1968: National Scenic Trails – There are now 11: WI- *Ice Age and *North Country 4600 miles trek.

1970: Apostle Islands became a National Lakeshore

1972: Clean Water Act

1972: The Federal Pesticides Act was amended

1972: Endangered Species Act was passed.

Currently the Federal Government is focused on rolling back regulations. As of December 19, 2019, 58 rollbacks were completed (16 alone in regards to air pollution and emissions), another 37 in process to make a total of 95 rollback regulations.

Take a moment to pause, think about Mother Earth. How important is clean water and clean air in your family's life? How important is fishing for you? How about other forms of outdoor

recreation and scenic views that you can appreciate? Are you familiar with the Big Blue Marble?

With your family at this particularly vulnerable time, develop a plan to make a difference for our planet that gives life and sustenance, comfort and safe havens for all of us to enjoy.

Plant a tree!

Help your children appreciate the value of clean and safe surroundings.

Feed the birds!

Reduce, reuse and recycle.

Plant a prairie.

Appreciate the works of John Muir, Aldo Leopold, Roscoe Churchill, and other great people including Gaylord Nelson who have written about, spoken about and fought through civic participation and for Mother Earth and

her inhabitants.

Participate in civic engagement to protect our earth and all forms of life vital to a healthy environment for all.

Enjoy a sunset, a sunrise and various other small surprises like the song of a bird or many to bring appreciation and solitude to all of our souls.

Blessings on this Earth Day, April 22, 2020

HAPPY 50TH ANNIVERSARY!

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