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Wanted: Stinky Sneakers

Have old sneakers you don't know what to do with? Perhaps you should attend the Students for a Sustainable Future Expo '06 on Friday at Pace University in Pleasantville.

"Old beat-up stinky sneakers can be dropped off in the Reuse-a-Shoe booth," said Patti Bressman, who organized the program. "Nike has a program where they grind shoes up and turn them into other products like flooring for a gym or safe surface for outdoor playgrounds."

The Reuse-a-Shoe booth, run by a group of students from the middle and high schools in Mamaroneck and Chappaqua, will be one of many booths in the Gottesman Room of the Kessel Student Center at Pace. The event is being presented by the Children's Environmental Literacy Foundation, a nonprofit group dedicated to making awareness of sustainable development a part of all school curriculums, Ms. Bressman said.

Exhibits will include a roof made from grass, demonstrations involving solar panels and green building materials, and displays of fair-trade products from the Whole Foods supermarket.