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### We're Dreaming of a Green Holiday

Whether it's choosing a tree to decorate, buying and wrapping gifts, or stringing lights on the eaves, there are plenty of ways you can make the holidays a bit more "evergreen" this year. The Sierra Club's Owen Bailey shares [tips and money-saving facts in this video](#), like how using LED holiday lights can cut your energy use, and costs, by 90 percent. While the holiday spirit is upon you, visit our Green Life blog to see [a great selection of green gifts](#) and [ideas for making your holiday travel a bit more eco-friendly](#). Want more? A whole stocking-full of ideas can be found on our "[Green Holiday Tips](#)"

page. Happy Holidays!

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### Give a Gift That's Truly Wild!

Now you can give a green holiday gift and at the same time help protect the Arctic National Wildlife Refuge, Yosemite, or another spectacular wild place. A Sierra Club [Wild Places sponsorship](#) is a special gift that also helps preserve America's wild legacy. Sponsorship gifts cost as little as \$25 and include a plush puppet and/or rucksack that will delight fledgling environmentalists as well as the grownup tree-huggers in your family -- and shipping is FREE! By giving a symbolic sponsorship gift, you can affirm your environmental values, while sharing those values with a family member or friend in a way they are sure to enjoy.

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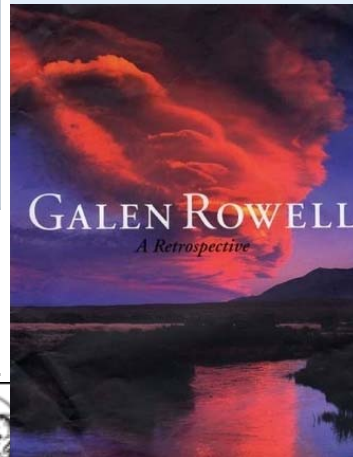
### EXPLORE



### Tune In to Sierra Club Radio

Listen up: Every week [Sierra Club Radio](#) delivers provocative interviews, green tips, and more. This week: [Joan Baez on 50 years of music and activism.](#)

### ENJOY



### Remembering Galen Rowell

The stunning retrospective of nature photographer Galen Rowell's work



As the new presidential administration begins taking shape, it's critical that they hear from you. Right now we have a great opportunity to create a clean energy future -- by getting all of our energy from clean sources, cutting our dependence on oil, creating clean-energy jobs, and reducing global warming by 80 percent. Are you looking forward to working with President-elect Obama on these critical priorities? Then let him know by [signing our petition to repower, refuel, and rebuild America.](#)

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### Blink and You'll Miss It

Psst! Wanna see what [clean-coal technology really looks like](#)? A brand new Reality ad campaign is ready to debunk the myth of "clean coal" from the coal industry. Environmental experts agree that coal is the dirtiest fuel America uses to produce electricity. The Reality Coalition, a joint project of the Sierra Club, Alliance for Climate Protection, League of Conservation Voters, Natural Resources Defense Council, and National Wildlife Federation, is challenging the coal industry to come clean in its advertising and in its operations.



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