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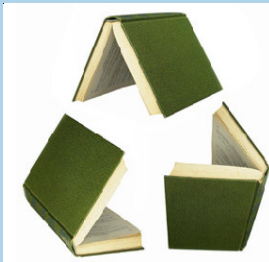
St. Louis City Residential Recycling Newsletter

America Recycles Day Book Swap

This year, the Refuse Division's Recycling Program will once again host its Annual America Recycles Day Expo in the City Hall Rotunda. The event will take place from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m. on Friday, November 14th. To celebrate the day of the year dedicated to promoting reducing, reusing and recycling, we have invited a wide variety of exhibitors to display their services and products, we will raffle off recycled content prize packages and we will hold our first book swap.

While books provide us with a wealth of information, they also contribute to the decline of our forests. According to the Book Industry Study Group, about 30 million trees are cut down annually to supply the U.S. book industry. The felling of those trees destroys wildlife habitat, decreases Earth's oxygen production and disrupts ecosystems that provide us with food and medicines.

Book swaps are a great way to share books that have been collecting dust, while simultaneously updating your home library with new reads. Reusing books in this way conserves trees used to make paper; prevents pollution created during the manufacture of new books; reduces the energy required to cut trees, make paper and manufacture books; and provides a fun way to fulfill your reading needs without breaking the bank.



Bring your books to the Book Swap table the day of the event, or if you would like to donate books before the event, contact the Refuse Division at 353.8877 or recycle@stlouis.missouri.org for arrangements. If you've never been to a book swap, they're typically a one-for-one trade (for each book you donate, you take one new book from the swap table). Any books left at the end of the day will be reused or recycled.

For updates on the book swap and exhibitors at this America Recycles Day Expo, visit our website at <http://stlouis.missouri.org/citygov/recycle/ARD%202008.html>.

Upcoming Events

Friday, September 5, 2008

Native Plant Sale and Landscaping Presentations
4:00 p.m - 8:00 p.m.
Shaw Nature Reserve
www.shawnature.org/documents/pdf/2008OpenGarden.pdf

Thursday, September 18, 2008

Composting Expanded Class
7:00 p.m - 9:00 p.m.
EarthWays Center
www.earthwayscenter.org

Saturday, September 20, 2008

Trash to Art Show
8:30 p.m - 10:00 p.m.
Koken Art Factory
<http://trashtoart.mfbiz.com>

Wednesday, September 24, 2008

Resource Center Network's Fair for Educators
4:00 p.m - 6:00 p.m.
St. Louis Zoo
www.girlscoutsem.org/volunteers/resources.asp

Thursday, September 25, 2008

Home Composting Made Easy Class
6:00 p.m - 6:50 p.m.
Landscape & Garden with Native Plants Class
7:00 p.m - 7:50 p.m.
Nottingham Community Education Center
Phone 314.352.1163

Saturday & Sunday, September 27 & 28, 2008

ParkPalooza
10:00 a.m - 4:00 p.m.
Gateway Arch
www.nps.gov/jeff/planyourvisit/parkpalooza.htm

Saturday, September 27, 2008

Renewable Energy Festival
10:00 a.m - 6:00 p.m.
EarthWays Center
www.greenhomesstlouis.org/festival.html

Sunday, September 28, 2008

Green House Tour
11:00 a.m - 4:00 p.m.
EarthWays Center
www.greenhomesstlouis.org/festival.html



Trash to Art

The Koken Art Factory will host their first Trash to Art exhibit on Saturday and Sunday, September 20th and 21st. The work shown will utilize trash as resources for the creation of sculptures, collages, assemblages, furniture, etc.

On Saturday, the exhibit will open with live music, a cash bar and refreshments. There is no cover charge and at 10:30 p.m. there will be a prize awarded for the best Trash to Art Outfit. Show off your creativity with an outfit made totally from re-used materials and come see what others came up with.

Additional public viewing will be available on Sunday from 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m. For more information visit <http://trashtoart.mfbiz.com>.

Buy Recycled

Pet Litter and Bedding

www.yesterdaysnews.com

They make pet litter and bedding made from recycled newspaper. Check your local pet store.



Check out this month's featured products at <http://stlouis.missouri.org/citygov/recycle/buyreusedrecycled.htm>

Why are aluminum, glass and steel containers ideal for recycling?

Solve the cryptogram to find the answer.

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We Challenge You To Organize A Textile Recycling Drive

Remains, Inc. is a locally owned company that provides an outlet for unwanted textiles and shoes. Of the materials they collect, some are reused as secondhand clothing and some are recycled into products like wiping cloths, sound-absorbing pads, new garments, blankets, paper, etc.



Remains pays by the pound. So, organizing a collection drive can be a great fundraiser for schools, churches, nonprofit groups, and communities. Your group chooses a one-day, weekend, or week-long event at the location of your choice. Remains will supply the storage trailer to collect the materials. You spread the news about your collection event, organize your volunteers to oversee the collection trailer, and Remains pays you for each pound collected. The more pounds you collect, the more money you make. For additional information, contact them at 314.865.0303.

City of St. Louis Refuse Division's Recycling Program



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Reader Submissions Welcome

The Recycling Program invites you to submit material for this monthly newsletter. Would you like to share your "how to" tips, upcoming events, or something else related to residential waste management?

Answer:
 Because they are infinitely recyclable. The recycling process does not degrade them like it does plastic and paper.