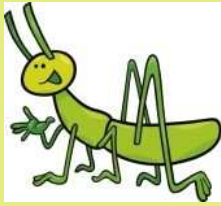


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Master Recycler Newsletter

When thinking is a grey matter!

Like the carefree grasshopper who whiled away the summer while the ants toiled away for the rainy day, you didn't get all those big summer projects done, did ya? And one of those big boys was coating that peeling mess of a house with fresh paint.



We've got good news for you. You still have six, maybe eight, weeks left to get out the ladder, scraper and brushes and get to it. Even better news. We'll give you the paint to do it with...free!

As you are probably aware, Marion County collects paint of all stripes—latex, oil based, acrylic, etc.—both curbside and at the two transfer stations it operates in Salem and Woodburn. All of the usable latex paint gets screened for quality, blended together, and filtered. While supplies last, the paint is given away for free at the two recycling and transfer stations.



The thing is: You just need to accept the idea that grey is a trend setting color. Fortunately, the newly mixed recycled paint is almost always one of 50 shades of grey.

It varies somewhat from batch to batch, so it is recommended that you try to take

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"Keep in mind that the true measure of an individual is how he treats a person who can do him absolutely no good."



- Ann Landers

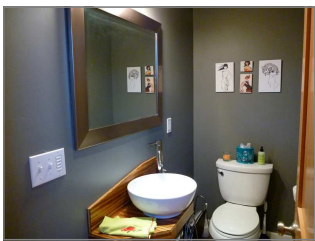


buckets that are located on the same pallet to help increase your chances that the paint from different buckets will be consistent in color. Paint is available on a first-come, first-served basis and is only available while supplies last.

The oil based paint, stains and other items listed below are collected and then processed through the waste-to-energy facility in Brooks where it is used as a fuel to generate electricity. All of the usable latex paint gets screened for quality, blended together, and filtered. The paint may be used in well ventilated interior projects or in exterior settings.



Annually, we recycle and give away 30,000 – 35,000 gallons of recycled paint which is enough paint to cover both sides of a ten foot wall stretching from Salem to LaGrande!



If you would like to use high quality recycled paint but are not interested in grey, you may want to consider purchasing Metro Paint. Metro recycled paint comes in a variety of colors (see their website for examples). Prices depend on color and quantity.

Pringle Creek Community Celebration & Open House

Sunday, September 21

1 - 4 p.m.

Pringle Creek Community

3911 Village Center Dr. SE

Salem, Or 97302

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Pringle Creek
COMMUNITY

Tour the Pringle Creek Community Homes

Come tour one of America's most sustainable communities; explore our green homes and experience our green infrastructure; solar and geothermal energy, pervious pavement, energy efficiency

Celebrate Community

Interact with our community partners, enjoy samples of local fresh produce, taste samples of cheese, coffee, & beer. Learn about local organizations working to increase our community's overall quality of life through music, fun, education, and the airwaves.

Have Fun!

Play lawn games and listen to the unique sounds of Bohemian Enclave!

Live Music

Bohemian Enclave performs original, eclectic music from 3:00 - 4:00



Join us and see what the buzz around sustainable living is all about!

Master Recycler Call to Serve



Sunday, Sept. 21

Pringle Creek Community Open House

Come be part of the coolest sustainable community open house in Marion County! Volunteers needed to spin the wheel of waste and help participate in waste reduction activities with attendees.

Time: 1 p.m. - 4 p.m.

3911 Village Center Drive SE
Salem, Oregon 97302

To volunteer: apennington@co.marion.or.us or
503-365 3188.

Freelance Payback

You are always welcome to design your own payback experience (or call us for ideas!) for any work you do to educate on waste reduction or helping to set up a program in your workplace, school, place of worship, neighborhood, etc.



Don't forget to like us on Facebook!

Events & Occasions



Sunday, September 7, 2014 Noon - 4 pm

Salem Sunday Streets event

Salem Sunday Streets will be the city's second annual open streets event, temporarily closing down city streets to vehicles and opening them up to people on foot, bike, skateboards, roller blade, etc. The year's event will be more intimate, thus increasing the celebratory vibe, and will feature activity centers along the fully hard-closure, car-free route.



equipment selection and outdoor gear tips that will help you make better photographs. Clases are \$5 per person. Call or email Nichole at 503-391-4145 or nichole@straubenvironmentalcenter.org to register.

Thursday, October 2, 2014 7 pm - 8:30 pm

Waterfall Photography with Jason Waicunas: How to Improve Exposure and Composition

Amateur Naturalist Series presented by Straub Environmental Center

Jason Waicunas of Outdoor Viewfinder will conduct a presentation on the art of photographing waterfalls. The focus of the presentation will be on exposure and composition, but Jason will also share his knowledge of the best times and methods to photograph waterfalls as well as

Upcoming episodes of Waste Matters: On the Air

Tune in every other Thursday at 1:00 pm as host Beth Myers-Shenai or Alan Pennington chats with guests about their interesting and innovative waste reduction programs! The show broadcasts on 88.5 FM in the S. Salem/Turner area and streams online at www.kmuz.org



Sept. 11: Environmental Services Manager, Jeff Bickford, discusses how Marion County deals with household hazardous wastes. Listen in to find out what you—and your neighbors—can do to rid themselves of that bottle of who-knows-what under the kitchen sink.

Sept. 25: We have a surprise guest who wishes to remain anonymous (bioscribaphobic - fear of autograph seekers) until the day of the show. If you're ready for some fun and entertaining waste reduction diversion, tune in.

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Beth Myers-Shenai is no longer with us. No, she didn't DEPART depart, she moved on... returned to those lucky folks over at the Department of Agriculture where she has rekindled her love of botany and the great outdoors as a—get this—Integrated Weed Management Coordinator. When it comes to titles, does size matter?

We will miss her creativity, dirt-deep composting knowledge, environmental passion, camaraderie, wit and grace. Did we leave anything out? Take care, Beth!



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