

REAPS



REPORT

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COMING EVENTS

JANUARY

- 1 News Year Day - commit to the 3Rs as your resolution
- 2 Check local papers for Christmas tree round up or call REAPS

FEBRUARY

- 2 Fork over Knife Film @ PG Library Downtown
- 28 Seedy Saturday @ Exploration Place

MARCH

- 3 REAPS Annual General Meeting @ PG Library Main Branch 1 - 3 p.m.
- TBA Travelling World Community Film Festival

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The Day after Christmas By: Steve Johnson

Twas the day after Christmas
and all through the house
people were tossing garbage
Oh what's this all about

The garbage men all scowled
and thought, my poor back

For the many extra tonnes they must load
Why couldn't manufacturers take some of it back?

The trucks all groaned with the loads they had to bear
to take it to a landfill, a MRF, or somewhere
To where some people think, it is out of my way
Just take it somewhere, just take it away

So please stop to think before you get all your treasures
Reusable bags are a must, an environmental measure
And limit the packaging and think Ho Ho Ho
Mother nature will be happy with me don't you know

And when it is time to toss a little away
Source separate the materials for your local WMA
(waste management authority)

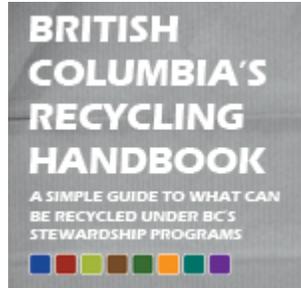
REAPS Annual General Meeting will be held Saturday, March 3, 2012 at the Prince George Public Library downtown branch in the Keith Gordon Room from 1 - 3 p.m. Commencing with year in review, break, nomination of board followed by guest speaker (to be announced).

REAPS NEWS

Web Pick of the Month

<http://bcstewards.com/>

BC Recycling handbook— a simple guide to what can be recycled under BC Stewardship Programs.



Book of the Month

Amanda Agnew

ISBN-13: 978-0955311109

This is a Kid's book that talks about ecology, recycling, environmental sustainability in a fun and interactive way. With lots of suggested activities that help encourage children to think about sustainability in their world. It is easy to understand and introduces environmental subjects without heavy-handedness.



REAPS is a non-profit group dedicated to helping residents, schools, and businesses live a greener life in the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George. Primarily, REAPS provides environmental education, but also assists organizations and institutions develop plans to reduce waste and conserve resources. REAPS was formed in 1989 as a volunteer community group with the original mandate to lessen the environmental impacts of the local waste-stream. Since then, the focus of REAPS has broadened to include conservation of all resources. For two decades, REAPS has been dedicated to helping residents, schools and businesses live a greener life in northern BC. REAPS' mandate has expanded from our original focus on solid waste reduction to encompass all aspects of the urban environment with the broader goal of developing sustainable communities. REAPS is an award winning organization with a very positive public image. As a grassroots, not-for-profit organization, REAPS enjoys strong community support demonstrated by public participation in its environmental education initiatives. REAPS' programs are designed to inspire personal involvement and engagement, strengthening the community. REAPS is partly through the Regional District of Fraser-Fort George to offer Waste Reduction Education and host our Compost Demonstration Garden.

R.E.A.P.S Executive Positions

President: presides at meetings and supervises the Executive Director and the other officers in the execution of their duties. Attends monthly executive meetings.

Vice-President: carries out the duties of the president during his/her absence. Actively seeks candidates for the Executive Positions prior to each AGM. Attends monthly executive meetings.

Secretary: keeps minutes of society meetings, assists with the correspondence of the society, and files society's records and documents at the office. Attends monthly executive meetings.

Treasurer: working with the Book Keeper ensures financial records are maintained / reported / submitted; review financial statements monthly at the executive meeting, assists with preparing charitable reports yearly; provide directions on budget and reviews year end statement to presented at each AGM. Attends monthly executive meetings.

Director(s): 5 positions: Assist with any project of interest (Fundraising; Promotion, Advertising, & Special Events; Membership & Volunteer; Newsletter and Website). Actively involved with project or task with the Executive Director and reports back on results. Attends monthly executive meetings.

Your participation is encouraged. If you are interested in any of the above positions or helping out with any of REAPS activities, please come to the Annual General Meeting or call 250-561-7327 or email garden@reaps.org

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

Contributions from volunteers are fundamental to every community. Exciting opportunities are available with REAPS; join others in promoting the 3Rs & providing Environmental Education in our community.

MANNING COMMUNITY BOOTHS - Various times throughout the year REAPS participates at community events / fairs with a display booth. If you have some time and are interested in responding to participants.

VOLUNTEERS - needed for the annual recycle toy drive November 26th 10 - 2 p.m.

BOARD MEMBERS - are you interested on sitting on a environmentally conscience NGO? Commitment of 2 hours per month.

WRITERS - If you think you have something to contribute to this newsletter, your words would be *greatly* appreciated.

Interested in one of the above? Contact Terri at 250-561-7327 or e-mail volunteer@reaps.org.

LOCAL NEWS

Coldsnap Starts Jan. 20th

Coldsnap is one of Canada's premiere winter music festivals. Its aim is to bring a variety of musical acts to the city of Prince George, British Columbia in the dead of winter. Since its beginnings in the early 2000s, it has made its mark on the cultural map, being featured in media ranging from the Globe and Mail to Westworld Magazine to CBC Radio's Canada Live.

Performers include everything from blues to jazz to hip-hop to indie rock, and everything in between. At its core is a belief that music comes first, regardless of genre.

Coldsnap is an entirely volunteer-driven organization. At its core is the Prince George Folkfest Society, with the help of fantastic private and public sponsors and tireless cast of supporters.

VOICE YOUR IDEAS

EnhancePG is setting priorities for our 2012 program and the City of Prince George is facilitating the development of a community-wide Neighbourhood Strategy. Both Enhance PG and the City of Prince George would like to hear from you! If you have comments or ideas about how to strengthen and enhance neighbourhoods in Prince George, please let us know! Simply send an e-mail with your comments and ideas to clivingstoneleman@city.pg.bc.ca to ensure your voice is included in the development of neighbourhood enhancement goals and strategies.

Building Great Neighbourhoods through partnerships with individuals, groups and organizations will result in a strong city that is clean, green and safe.

Jackie Pement, Chair, EnhancePG



Master Gardener Basic Training Program

January 14 - April 28, 2012 - Saturdays 9:00 am - 4:00 pm (Cost \$675.00 for 12 sessions)

Master Gardeners are individuals with a passion for horticulture and learning who share their knowledge of environmentally sound gardening practices with individuals and groups in the community, through clinics, seminars, public displays and special projects.

This course is offered in collaboration with the David Douglas Botanical Garden Society and UNBC Continuing Studies. This intensive 78-hour course is designed for the enthusiastic home gardener, providing up-to-date information on all gardening basics. The course combines home study, classroom instruction and assignments. Learn from gardening experts about a series of topics all relevant to Northern B.C.

To be certified as a "Master Gardener" 70 hours of volunteering within the community over two years is required after completion of the classroom sessions. Master Gardeners assist in horticultural education within the community by doing gardening clinics, lectures and demonstrations, working on research projects or working on school and community gardening projects and in many others areas.

COURSES – Topics Covered

The Master Gardener Certification program includes a series of 12 courses/topics including:

- Introduction to Northern Gardening including Botany**
- Food Production – Vegetables and Herbs**
- Protected Growing**

- Perennials**
- Landscapes 1**
- Landscapes 2**
- Soils and Water**
- Food Production – Fruits**
- Annuals & Biennials**
- Trees and Shrubs**
- Integrated Pest Management**
- Pruning**



DAVID DOUGLAS

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SELF DIRECTED COMMUNITY VOLUNTEER WORK - After finishing the classroom portion of the training, students must log 70 volunteer hours within a two-year period to be certified as a "Master Gardener." Master Gardeners assist in horticultural education within the community in many ways: providing gardening clinics, lectures and demonstrations, working on research projects, working on school and community gardening projects, and much more. Volunteer opportunities are coordinated and tracked by the David Douglas Botanical Garden Society. More information regarding the volunteer requirements for Master Gardener Certification is available from the David Douglas Botanical Garden Society.

For more course information and registration please contact Lisa at UNBC Continuing Studies at www.unbc.ca/continuingstudies/certificates or Sheila Malbeuf, Master Gardener Program Coordinator at smmalbeuf@yahoo.ca

AROUND BC

Could a Building Be More Like a Plant?

In nature, plants get the energy they need from the sun. Their waste benefits the soil and other plants around them. They live on the water that falls nearby. What if buildings could do the same?

Opening their doors on October 19, 2011 the VanDusen Botanical Garden Visitor Centre in Vancouver is Canada's first certified Living Building. The super green visitor center was designed by Busby Perkins + Will to reflect the very nature its botanical gardens, and it relies on plants to amplify its green status. The building has been designed to LEED Platinum standards, featuring a green roof and net-zero energy consumption.



The design for the visitor center was inspired by the leaves of an orchid — its wings consists of 'petals' that shoot off from

the 'stem', which serve as the central atrium and lobby. The stem has been built from rammed earth and features a vaulted ceiling and roof constructed from prefab

wood-glue laminated beams made by StructureCraft Builders Inc. A glass tower in the atrium infuses the center with natural daylight and also serves as a solar chimney that exhausts hot air. Grass and colorful floral bulbs will be planted on the undulating green roof, which will also direct rain into underground cisterns for use around the center.

A photovoltaic system on the roof will generate electricity for the center, and hot water will be provided by a biomass boiler fed by dry wood waste reclaimed from the surrounding area. Totally off-grid, the center will provide all of its own power and will source all of its own water from rain catchment, storm water and black water recycling.

Incandescent Ban to Stay in BC, Delayed Nationally

British Columbia's ban on certain types of incandescent light bulbs will remain in place despite news Ottawa is getting set to postpone a set of similar federal restrictions. This past January, the BC government implemented a ban on 75W and 100W incandescent bulbs. The only province in Canada that has a ban on incandescent bulbs, BC plans to introduce similar restrictions on 40W and 60W incandescent bulbs starting Dec. 31, 2012.

The federal government proposed delaying the start of a proposed national ban by two years. Instead of getting rid of 100W and 75W incandescent bulbs by Jan. 1, 2012, the deadline would be Jan. 1, 2014. The federal government said in its proposal it needs more time to allow for technological innovations and to deal with concerns about compact fluorescent lamps.

Meanwhile, Environment Canada is working on an EPR program for mercury-containing lamps. The program

would very likely not supplant existing provincial programs, but would fill in gaps where provincial programs do not (yet) exist. The program will target lamps from both the residential and commercial sectors and will include recovery targets. The regulations are expected to be released as drafts for public comment at the end of 2011, and will come into force at the end of 2012.

Instead of phasing out incandescent bulbs ahead of the US, Canada will now be behind the US in getting rid of all four wattages of bulbs. The US is scheduled to get rid of 100W bulbs on Jan. 1, 2012, 75W bulbs on Jan. 1, 2013, and 60W and 40W bulbs on Jan. 1, 2014.

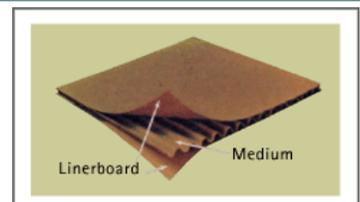
Source: The Vancouver Sun and Recycling Canada



Cascades to Close Recycled Linerboard Plant

Cascades Inc. is closing a containerboard mill in Burnaby, BC, that makes 100% recycled linerboard, a type of paper used to make cardboard boxes. The mill, operated through Cascades' Norampac division, is slated to close on December 1 and nearly 100 people will lose their jobs, the company said. "This decision was made to mitigate the negative impact of several factors such as the strength of the Canadian dollar, as well as very high labor and recycled fiber costs," Normapac CEO Marc-Andre Dépin said in a statement. "In addition, the mill's profitability has been below our expectations for a few years and we could not pursue our operations under such conditions."

Source: Waste & Recycling New



AROUND CANADA

Canada Working With the United States to Address Emissions from Passenger Cars and Light Trucks for Model Years 2017 and Beyond

OTTAWA, Ont. -- November 16, 2011 -- Today, the Honorable Peter Kent, Canada's Environment Minister, released a consultation document on the development of proposed regulations to limit greenhouse gas (GHG) emissions from passenger cars and light trucks for model years 2017 and beyond. These proposed regulations are an extension of the close work Canada has already completed in alignment with the U.S. government to establish common North American standards for regulating GHGs from new passenger cars and light trucks for the 2011-16 model years.

"Given that our economies are deeply integrated, alignment with the United States is a key part of Canada's overall approach to reducing greenhouse gas emissions," said Minister Kent. "This effort will also lead to greater fuel economy for consumers, innovation in the auto sector and increased economic competitiveness for Canada."

This consultation document will seek early input from stakeholders on the main elements of the proposed regulations. These comments will be taken into account during the development of the proposed regulations, which are expected to be available for a formal public comment period in 2012. The consultation document has been posted on the *Canadian Environmental Protection Act* Registry for a 30-day public comment period.

On Oct. 1, 2010 Canada released the *Passenger Automobile and Light Truck Greenhouse Gas Emission Regulations*, which are aligned with the United States and establish progressively tighter emissions standards for cars and light trucks over the 2011-16 model years.

Canada also issued a notice of intent to continue working closely with the United States towards the development of more stringent standards for new cars and light trucks for model

years 2017 and beyond.

Strong action in the transportation sector is a key component in the Government's plan to reduce total greenhouse gas emissions by 17 percent from 2005 levels by 2020. The transportation sector accounts for about 25 percent of greenhouse gas emissions in Canada, and so reducing emissions in this sector will do a lot to help us achieve our total emissions reduction goal.

In addition to passenger car and light truck regulations, the Government is also developing regulations to reduce greenhouse gas emissions from heavy-duty trucks and has mandated a requirement for an average of five percent renewable content in gasoline, and two percent content for diesel and heating oil.

Source: www.ec.gc.ca

Sea Ice Shrank Throughout Canada's Arctic Waters

Source: <http://www.canadaka.net>

A new report appears to add to the mounting evidence that global warming is changing the face of Canada's North. Statistics Canada says the average area covered by sea ice during summer has declined in all nine of Canada's northern sea-ice regions over the past four decades.

The agency says summer sea ice has also declined in two of three northern shipping route regions, which are not normally navigable because of ice cover. The largest declines occurred in five southern and eastern sea ice regions:

- Northern Labrador Sea, where sea ice decreased at a rate of 1,536 square kilometres, or 17 per cent, per decade,
- Hudson Strait (down 4,947 square kilometres, or 16 per cent, per decade)
- Davis Strait (down 6,581 square kilometres, or 14 per cent, per decade)
- Hudson Bay (down 16,605 square

kilometres, or 11 per cent, per decade)

- Baffin Bay (down 18,658 square kilometres, or 10 per cent, per decade). The two shipping route regions that recorded declines were:

- The Canadian portion of the Arctic Bridge route, over which ice cover fell at a rate of 14,147 square kilometres, or 15 per cent, per decade
- The southern route of the Northwest Passage, over which it fell by 6,986 square kilometres, or six per cent, per decade.

The Northwest Passage links the Atlantic and Pacific oceans and the Arctic Bridge extends across the top of Hudson Bay into Hudson Strait, linking North American markets to European and Asian markets. The Northwest Passage shipping routes are usually blocked by sea ice during all seasons, significantly limiting any navigation.

However, they could cut the distance for shipping voyages and all were navigable in late summer and early fall 2007.

This study also examines multi-year ice cover, which is the area covered by older ice that has survived at least one summer's melt.

Of the seven regions reporting multi-year sea ice, only the Baffin Bay region showed a statistically significant trend, which was downward. Historically, multi-year ice only ever covers a very small part of this region.



AROUND THE WORLD

Puma's New Tack on Sustainable Consumption: Compostable Clothes

By Matthew Wheeland

source: <http://www.greenbiz.com/news/2011/11/14>

In the last 18 months or so, Puma has hit the ground running with a number of industry-leading (and, truthfully, world-leading) sustainability initiatives. From their groundbreaking environmental profit-and-loss statement to green packaging plans to a commitment to zero toxic pollution by 2020, the sportswear company has made big strides on addressing its environmental impacts.

But as with all consumer-facing companies, one of the biggest hurdles to overcome is what happens to your goods when your customers no longer want them. Another sustainability-minded brand, Patagonia, recently took steps to get people to buy used clothes first, but Puma is taking a different tack: Making their clothes compostable.

In The Guardian, Louise Osborn reports on comments made by Puma CEO Franz Koch

suggesting that the company is looking at closing the loop on its products.

Osborn writes:

"We are confident that in the near future we will be able to bring the first shoes, T-shirts and bags, that are either compostable or recyclable, to the market," Puma boss Franz Koch told the German business magazine *Wirtschaftswoche*.

He explained that the company was working with partners on developing products on the principle of the "cradle-to-cradle" design. "It follows two circuits, the technical and the



biological: I can use old shoes to make new ones or something completely different, such as car tires," said Koch, who has led the sports clothing company since July.

"In the biological cycle, I can make shoes and shirts that are compostable so I can shred them and bury them in the back garden. We are working on products that meet these two criteria."

In the context of the Green Trinity, recycling is less preferable than reusing or reducing -- and composting is a kind of recycling, of course. But even if we don't all end up putting our soiled jerseys in the soil, it's interesting to see a company pushing forward on innovative ways to close the loop on their products.

Hasbro Targets Greener Packaging and Supply Chain

By Marc Gunther Published December 08, 2011 Source: <http://www.greenbiz.com>

GI Joe has been green since 1964, when the action figure first went into battle for toymaker Hasbro.

Now the plastic and cardboard package he comes in will be environmentally-friendly, too.

So will the packaging for such classic toys and games as Mr. Potato Head, Play-Doh, Monopoly and Candy Land, all of which, along with more recent phenomena like Littlest Pet Shop and the Transformers, are made by Hasbro, a Pawtucket, RI-based firm that sold about \$4 billion of toys last year.

Hasbro releases its first corporate social responsibility report today, and it should be available here. The company offered me a preview of the report and a chance to talk with Brian Goldner, the company's CEO, and Kathrin Belliveau, vice president of corporate responsibility at Hasbro.

Hasbro was formed by brothers Henry and Helal Hassenfeld (get it, Has-bro?) in 1923, and family member Alan Hassenfeld remains on the firm's board; that kind of long-term family ownership often leads to an ethic of social responsibility and, in fact, Hasbro has been paying attention to its social impact for years, particularly when it comes to overseas factories. It's been slower to look at environmental issues but, even so, the company tops its bigger rival, Mattel, in the rankings released just this

week by nonprofit Climate Counts. [See my blog post yesterday, Big Brands Take More Climate Action, But Policy Needed for Progress] Hasbro also ranks No. 59 on FORTUNE's "100 Best Companies to Work For" List.

Goldner has chaired the board's social responsibility committee since 2006. I asked him why the company is doing a report now.

Partly, he said, it's because the company is expanding -- in recent years, it opened marketing and sales offices in China, Brazil, Russia and Korea, among other places -- and Hasbro wants to communicate its values to its employees everywhere.

"As we hire hundreds of new people around the world," Goldner said, "we want people to understand that we're not only in the markets to win but we're there to be a good corporate citizen."

"At the end of the day, I think it comes down to, frankly, myself and our senior management team who feel very strongly about this as individual citizens and people who are running a company," he said. CSR at the company is a "long process of continuous improvement."

Most of the news (such as it is) in today's report is about packaging. The company said it would eliminate polyvinyl chloride (PVC) from "all new core toy and game packaging beginning in 2013," it promised

to insure that 90 percent of paper and board packaging will come from recycled material, or from sources that

practice sustainable forest management, by 2015, and it noted that it has already replaced all the wire ties in its packages with ties made from paper rattan or bamboo mix. Fun fact: The company said the changeover to rattan and bamboo "eliminated approximately 34,000 miles of wire ties -- more than enough to wrap around the circumference of the Earth."

In truth, the planet is unlikely to notice much of this. Reducing packaging is all to the good, but it's a bigger issue when it comes to things we consume frequently (fast food, drinks, groceries, etc). Hasbro's packaging reductions were surely driven, at least in part, by Walmart's attempts to get all of its suppliers to cut back on packaging. I asked Belliveau about this, and she replied: "Certainly their scorecard process, which we have been very committed to, has guided us, but we also have our own aspirations and requirements that are driving our business."



Lego Now Made With Wind Power

By [Green Living Tips](#) | Published 11/26/2011 <http://www.greenlivingtips.com/blogs/638/Lego-Now-Made-With-Wind-Power.html>

WindMade is a new consumer label program recently launched signifying companies that have committed to sourcing at least a quarter of their operations power consumption from wind energy. Among the first companies to display the logo will be Lego.

WindMade doesn't require each company to have wind turbines in their parking lots. It can be procured through a company-owned wind power generation facility situated elsewhere, a power purchase agreement for wind power, or the purchase of WindMade approved Renewable Energy Certificates.

Here's the logo to look for that signifies WindMade products:

Aside from Lego, among the other pioneer/founding members of the program are Motorola Mobility, Deutsche Bank, BD, Method, Better Place, Wix, G24 Innovation and Bloomberg.



More on Lego environmental initiatives

According to Lego's corporate responsibility report (PDF) from last year, the company met its short term target for 2010 on energy efficiency and aims to ditch fossil fuels for powering its operations altogether by 2020.

Lego stated it had also reached and exceeded its target for recycling its own waste and started initiatives to reduce waste in the LEGO Group value chain. In 2010, 87% of the company's waste was recycled versus a target of 80%.

While Lego bricks may be made of plastic, they are an enduring product. It appears that even Lego bricks made over 50 years ago still interlock with those made today. It's certainly a pleasant change from the instances of shoddy goods and planned obsolescence so common today.

Lego bricks are made from acrylonitrile butadiene styrene (ABS), a plastic commonly used on car trims and bumpers.

As far as I know, Lego bricks cannot be recycled; but after looking around on a few online Lego com-

munities, the suggestion of recycling the plastic in the bricks generates protest or putting old Lego in the trash, even stronger reactions - the reason being there is a big demand for old Lego and some of it is quite valuable (relatively speaking).

It also seems there is quite a tradition becoming established whereby Lego is passed down from generation to generation.

While Lego may not be green in terms of the plastic used, it's nice to see a product that stirs up such horror when the suggestion of throwing it away is raised - even among those who aren't particularly concerned about the environment.



submitted by City of Calgary to RCA Connector

Green Cart Pilot Gets Green Light

Four communities in Calgary will start using green carts for their food and yard waste in March 2012 after Council unanimously approved a pilot diversion program.

Food and yard waste makes up nearly 60% of residential garbage going to landfill for disposal and represents the biggest opportunity to achieve Council's goal of diverting 80% of waste from landfills by 2020 for the residential sector.

"Food and yard waste in a landfill does not break down into compost but instead produces methane, a greenhouse gas that contributes to climate change," said Dave Griffiths, Director of Waste & Recycling Services. "By composting this organic material, instead of burying it in a landfill, we can reduce waste and greenhouse gases, extend the life of landfills and produce compost, a valuable product."

Approximately 7500 homes will be included in the pilot, which will collect

a broader range of materials than people can typically handle in a backyard composter. That includes meat, fish, bones and dairy products in addition to fruit, vegetables, leaves, plant clippings and branches. Each home in the pilot will receive a green cart, paper yard waste bags, a kitchen pail and compostable liners for the pail. There will be no charge to those households for the duration of the pilot. The food and yard waste will be taken to a private company for composting.

The green carts will be collected every week, just like the blue recycling carts. Black cart garbage collection in the pilot communities will occur every other week since most of the material that decomposes and produces odours will now be in the green carts. Only two carts will be collected on the same day. The third one will be collected on a separate day. WRS will test different combinations - blue and black carts together or blue and green carts together.

The research firm IPSOS Reid conducted citizen surveys and focus groups in April 2011 and found strong support for this program: 83% of Calgarians support a food and yard waste program and 96% agree that it is important to reduce the amount of household waste going to landfills.

Griffiths said after the successful launch of Blue Cart recycling this program is the next big step towards achieving The City's environmental goals. "Calgarians have embraced Blue Cart recycling, which has doubled the amount of materials recycled each year. Diverting food and yard waste is an important piece in moving us closer to our target of 80% diversion by the year 2020."

Waste & Recycling Services will report back to Council by March 2013 with pilot results and recommendations for a city-wide program that if approved could be implemented in the 2015-17 business cycle.

RECYCLING & ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION & PLANNING SOCIETY

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Website: www.reaps.org

Dumpy's Tip of the Month

Recycle Your Christmas Tree

Instead of taking up valuable space in landfills, where decay is painfully slow because of a lack of oxygen, Christmas trees can be readily ground into wood chips or made into useful compost.



RECYCLE CRAFT CORNER

Materials

•SANDWICH BOX:

- 1-gallon milk jug
- Marker
- Scissors
- Thumbtack
- Adhesive-backed Velcro dot

•SNACK BOX:

- Juice or milk carton, in any size from a half-pint to a quart
- Scissors
- Adhesive-backed Velcro dot

Instructions

- 1. SANDWICH BOX:** Mark a clean 1-gallon milk jug as shown
2. Cut along the lines with scissors. To make the crease lines, use a thumbtack to pierce a row of dots at 1/4-inch intervals across each side of the jug, 1 3/4 inches up from the bottom.
3. Fold the flaps at these dotted lines, then open them and fold them in the opposite direction along the lines (this will make the flaps easier for your kids to open and close). Fold up the box and add an adhesive-backed Velcro dot closure.

- 4. SNACK BOX:** Use a clean juice or milk carton. Cut off the top, then cut the sides into flaps as shown. Carefully crease the flaps, then fold them down and add an adhesive-backed Velcro dot closure.



Recycling and Environmental Action Planning Society (AKA REAPS)

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Deadline for submission is two weeks prior to publication date. Articles, suggestions for articles, or comments in general are *much* appreciated, and can be submitted to the REAPS office via email at newsletter@reaps.org

RECYCLING and ENVIRONMENTAL ACTION PLANNING SOCIETY MEMBERSHIP APPLICATION

Name: _____

Mailing Address: _____

City: _____ Postal Code _____

Telephone: _____

Email: _____

Annual Membership Fee:

- Individual (\$8.00)
 Family (\$15.00)
 Business (\$25.00)
 Student (\$5.00)
 Senior (\$5.00)

I'm interested in volunteering: Yes No

Things that I would like to take part in are:

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 Fundraiser Events
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 Board of Directors

Date: _____

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