

## New and Improved Master Recycler Website!

The new, highly interactive Master Recycler website is now online! Please, come explore [www.masterrecycler.org](http://www.masterrecycler.org). The site improves our ability to announce key messages, like how to sort plastics for the roundups or how to register for the next Master Recycler class, more quickly.

In addition to increased public outreach, the new website has several features that will be useful for you. There is an enhanced Members Only section with the following features:

- **Calendar of Events:** Find volunteer payback and outreach opportunities between newsletters! You will want to visit this calendar often.
- **Easy Way to Report your Volunteer Hours:** Help keep the program going by showing the impacts we have in the community.
- **Resource Page:** Lists of brochures, literature and demonstration kits you can check out. This page will also feature the updated Master Recycler Manual when it is completed.
- **Electronic Forum:** Network with fellow Master Recyclers on various subjects! Currently, there is a general forum to share your favorite website or ask the group a question, a plastics forum since it's such a popular topic and a job seekers forum. Please let me know if there are other topics you would like created. You will register the first time you use the forum.
- **PowerPoints from the Latest Class:** Keep up with the latest trends and find graphs and statistics.
- **Master Recycler Mentors:** This section is coming soon. Contact experienced Master Recyclers for advice or answers to questions. These experienced folks are great resources!

To get to the member's only page, click on the "Members" tab on the top of the home page. It will prompt you to enter your user name and password. All Master recyclers will have the same user name: **MasterRecycler** and password: **master** (please note, the letters must be capitalized where they are capitalized).

Please check it out, chat with fellow Master Recyclers, and let me know what you think. Your feedback is most welcome – I want the site to be a useful tool for you.

Enjoy!



J Lauren Norris, Master Recycler Program Coordinator

## MASTER RECYCLER PROGRAM NEWS

### Master Recyclers Help Prevent Recycling Contamination!

Twenty tons of recyclables go to the landfill every day because the wrong materials get mixed together at the curb. That's why Metro has launched a regional campaign to raise awareness around contamination.

You may have seen a TV ad campaign that started to run in late July regarding curbside recycling. These ads emphasize two messages: "Keep glass separate from your other recyclables" and "Plastic bags are recyclable - Just not at the curb." If you haven't seen the ads, you can watch them at Metro's website: [www.metro-region.org/article.cfm?ArticleID=20219](http://www.metro-region.org/article.cfm?ArticleID=20219). To view the ads, you will need QuickTime installed on your computer.



Master Recyclers explain Metro's contamination campaign at Pioneer Courthouse Square

Metro and local jurisdictions organized a giant display to demonstrate the importance of properly sorting your recycling. A truck loaded with 20 tons of contaminated recyclables visited popular locations throughout the region. Signs on the truck explained that these recyclables were on the way to the landfill due to improper preparation.

Master Recyclers on-site with the contaminated materials helped deepen the message. Many Master Recyclers volunteered at the last minute to stand next to the truck to hand out literature and answer questions from the public about recycling. These events demonstrated how important Master Recyclers are in making direct personal contact in the region. Thank you to those who rose to the occasion!

### **Thank you to Four Newly-Certified Master Recyclers**

Congratulations to four Master Recyclers who certified in July – only two months after two of them graduated in May! Thanks to Angie Marzano (Class 30), Lonnie Port (Class 31) Joyce Walls (Class 32) and Jac Arnal (Class 32) for your dedication to reducing waste in our community!

## **MASTER RECYCLER VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES**

### **National Night Out**

Tuesday, August 1, 6-8

Peninsula Park 700 N Portland Blvd, Portland

National Nights Out are unique community events that focus on prevention of crime and drug activity, and are held the first Tuesday of August every year throughout the United States and Canada. Neighbors use these events to have block parties, ice cream socials and big picnics. There will be music, entertainment and free food! Come staff a table about recycling at this event.

*Contact: J Lauren Norris, 503-823-7530, [masterrecycler@ci.portland.or.us](mailto:masterrecycler@ci.portland.or.us)*

### **National Night Out**

Tuesday, August 1, 6-8pm

Unthank Park in North Portland

Come talk REUSE and help kids make their own picture frame out of trailblazer license plate holders at a SCRAP table.

*Contact: Carol Mollet, 503.294.0769, [carol@scrapaction.org](mailto:carol@scrapaction.org)*

### **Hillsboro Celebration**

Saturday, August 5 – Sunday, August 6

Main Street, Hillsboro

Celebrate Hillsboro in two full days of music performances on the Civic Center Plaza Main Stage. The event will feature a variety of local and national performers appealing to Hillsboro's diverse community. Spanish-speaking Master Recyclers especially needed. Come staff a table on recycling and compost. Two volunteers needed for two shifts each day: Saturday 10:00 am - 3:00 pm and 3:00 - 7:30 pm, Sunday 11:00 am - 2:00 pm and 2:00 - 5:00 pm.

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### **Annual Elephant Garlic Festival**

Friday, August 11- Sunday, August 13

30955 NW Hillcrest, North Plains

Games, arts and crafts vendors, a parade, a Smelly King & Queen, music, food and more make up the festival where FUN STINKS! Come staff a table on recycling and compost.

*Contact: Heather Robinson: 503-846-8609, [heather\\_robinson@co.washington.or.us](mailto:heather_robinson@co.washington.or.us)*

## **Clackamas County Fair**

Tuesday, August 15, 2:30 – 6 p.m.

Wednesday, August 16, 6 -9 p.m.

Friday, August 18, 11 - 2:30 p.m., 2:30 - 6 p.m., and 6 – 10 p.m.

Saturday, August 19, 2:30 – 6 p.m., and 6 – 10 p.m.

Sunday, August 20, 2:30 a.m. - 6 p.m.

694 NE 4th, Canby

The Clackamas County Fair is a great fair with something for everyone. Clackamas County's Recycling exhibit is right next to the strawberry shortcake sellers and just around the corner from the homemade pie! Fair admission and parking provided.

Contact Sheri Dow, 503-353-4463, [sherridow@co.clackamas.or.us](mailto:sherridow@co.clackamas.or.us)

## **North Portland Readiness Fair**

Saturday, August 26th 10-1pm

Roosevelt High School, North Portland

Help at a SCRAP table to get kids get ready for school. For more information about the event, check out [www.caringcommunityofnp.org](http://www.caringcommunityofnp.org). Shifts: 10-11:30 , 11:30-1pm or stay the whole time!

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## **Symphony in the Neighborhood**

Saturday August 26th 3-6:30pm

Harrison park, SE 84th and Harrison, Portland

Take the lead in coordinating a SCRAP table at this musical community event!

Contact: Carol Mollet, 503-294-0769, [carol@scrapaction.org](mailto:carol@scrapaction.org)

## **Art in the Pearl**

Saturday, September 2 – Sunday, September 3

Pearl District, Portland

Help staff a SCRAP table by the stage! This is a great outside art show. Cool project and display.

Shifts: 10-1pm, 12:30-3:30pm, 3-5:30pm

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## **BACK 2 SCRAP Event Planning**

SCRAP, North Portland

Interested in event planning? SCRAP's annual day-long school supply give-away and workshop extravaganza BACK 2 SCRAP is September 30th. If you are interested, contact SCRAP to get involved.

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## **Ongoing SCRAP Volunteer Opportunities**

For all you yappers out there, join the Master Scrapper Team! SCRAP has several ongoing volunteer opportunities

- Outreach at Community Events - Talk up your reuse abilities and ecological awareness of all things scrappy. Facilitate creative reuse projects to the children of the community, young and old.
- Tours of SCRAP - There's more than meets the eye to this little reclaimed-materials-sort-land. Lead discussions about Reducing, Reusing and Recycling to inspire proactive sustainable behavior and tell the history of SCRAP. What an opportunity for a learning exchange.

- Presentations at Schools - Teachers have the power to inform, inspire and inundate their pupils with knowledge; let's make it eco-friendly. A SCRAP presentation in the classroom is an excellent opportunity to gain teaching experience.
- Teacher Trainings - Practice your public speaking skills while informing the informers (teachers) of the opportunity for Reuse in the classroom. Trainings are held at SCRAP and at education conferences.

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### **Muddy Boot Organic Festival**

Friday, September 8 – Sunday September 10,  
St. Philip Neri Catholic Church, Inner Southeast Portland

Celebrating sustainable and organic living in our local community, this event will kick off with a keynote presentation given by Robert F. Kennedy Jr. – author, environmental activist and son of Robert Kennedy – titled “Our Environmental Destiny.” Staff a table about recycling, compost or worm bins at this festival, which will feature live music, organic foods and beverages, information booths, educational workshops, and walking tours of sustainable projects (for more information, go to [www.muddyboot.org](http://www.muddyboot.org)). Kits are available.

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## **JOBS**

### **Metro, Waste Reduction Education Assistant**

\$12.73/hour; part-time, temporary; no benefits

Deadline: August 15, 2006

Metro is looking for an energetic person to assist in educating middle and high school students about waste reduction with a focus on sustainability. Position runs from September 2006 until the end of June 2007, not to exceed 1,044 hours. Applicant will make presentations to middle and high school classes and assist with soliciting and scheduling presentations. Position requires approximately 10 – 15 hours a week depending on demand for presentations. A fixed number of hours cannot be guaranteed. Hours are between 7:30 am and 5:00 pm.

Preferred qualifications:

- Energetic and creative presenter
- Passion for sustainability and conservation
- Ability to relate well with youth aged 12 – 18
- Ability to take direction and work somewhat independently, in cooperation with Waste Reduction Educator
- Ability to lift and carry presentation materials up to 40 pounds
- Possession of a valid driver's license from the incumbent's state of residence and a good driving record
- Professional appearance and demeanor for working in school classrooms
- High school diploma and one year of related experience. Preference given to candidates holding a Bachelor's degree in environmental science, education, or closely related field

Send resume and letter of interest to:  
Amy Wilson, Waste Reduction Education  
Metro SW&R  
600 NE Grand Ave.  
Portland, OR 97232  
Or to: [wilsona@metro.dst.or.us](mailto:wilsona@metro.dst.or.us)

Metro is the regional government for the Portland metro area. Metro is an AA/EEO Opportunity employer.

[www.metro-region.org](http://www.metro-region.org).

## **City of Beaverton, Solid Waste and Recycling Program Support Specialist**

Closes: July 28, 2006

The Program Support Specialist will provide information about the Solid Waste and Recycling program to residents and businesses by phone and in person with special focus on single-family residents and multi-family communities; represent the City to the public in informational/operational roles; provide fiscal services, such as accounts payable, budget monitoring, purchase orders, and tracking contract payments; serve as a recorder for staff, committee and/or public meetings; format and maintain databases and spreadsheets; participate in program operational/procedural development and implement, including research, compiling information, preparing and distributing materials; provide back-up general office support.

For a complete job description, visit: <http://www.beavertonoregon.gov/departments/hr/docsjobs/SUPPORTSPECIALISTIIRECYCLING.doc>

## **Our United Villages and The ReBuilding Center, Project Manager, Deconstruction Services**

Closes: Friday, July 28, 2006 at 6:00 pm

Job Purpose: To successfully promote and secure the services of Deconstruction Services for contractors, developers, home/property owners, government agencies and other related entities including the public who are engaged in activities that generate construction and demolition waste by sharing the financial, environmental and social benefits of using DeConstruction Services with the primary objective and goal to divert all re-usable material donations to The ReBuilding Center for reuse.

For a complete job description, visit: [www.rebuildingcenter.org/employment/index.htm](http://www.rebuildingcenter.org/employment/index.htm)

## **Community Cycling Center, Development and Administrative Assistant**

Closes: Open Until Filled

The Community Cycling Center (CCC) is an energetic workplace with a collaborative style and flexible attitude. We are looking for a detail-oriented, enthusiastic Development and Administrative Assistant who can help make big things happen. The Administrative and Development Assistant will provide support for our fundraising and communications efforts. The role is responsible for supporting the Director of Development and Communications, with additional administrative support to the Executive Director as directed. Responsible for researching funding opportunities, researching and preparing grant materials, drafting and proof-reading correspondence, updating website; managing event logistics, and providing basic administrative support.

For a complete job description, visit: [www.communitycyclingcenter.org/](http://www.communitycyclingcenter.org/)

## **Wild Salmon Center, Executive Assistant to CEO/President**

Closes: Not Specified

The Wild Salmon Center's mission is to understand and protect the wild salmon ecosystems of the Pacific Rim. The Executive Assistant is responsible for providing consistent, professional, and confidential support to the CEO / President of the Organization, and to the Director of Development and Communications. This person performs complex administrative duties requiring exceptional organization and prioritization skills, creates and maintains the processes and establishes the systems to effectively track activities. The Executive Assistant exercises independent judgment in carrying out his/her duties.

For a complete job description, visit: <http://www.wildsalmoncenter.org/jobs.php#execAssist>

## EVENTS

### Iron Artist

Saturday, AUGUST 19TH, 2006

12:30 – 8:00pm

Fenced lot behind SCRAP 3901A N Williams, Portland

Iron Artist is SCRAP's annual FUNdraiser where 10 teams of artists compete in a timed sculpture competition. Each team receives the same materials and has three hours to complete a masterpiece which is then judged by a panel of celebrity judges. What else is happening?: Beer Garden sponsored by Lompoc, Food Vendors, Kids Carnival, a HUGE raffle with goods from City Bikes, North Portland Bike Works, Portland Center Stage, Relic Boutique in Atlanta, a copy of Generation-T and music & entertainment by March Fourth and many more. How much will tickets be? \$5-20 sliding scale.

How can I get in for FREE?? Volunteer at the event. SCRAP needs people to help out in every aspect of the event including: set-up, clean-up, entry, recycling, kids carnival, serving beer and wine (OLCC card required), id checkers, scrap info people, runners, and more. Email Kelley with your interest: [Kelley@scrapaction.org](mailto:Kelley@scrapaction.org).

### SCRAP Training

Wednesday August 16, 6:00-7:45pm

SCRAP, 3901A N Williams, Portland

SCRAP staff will discuss the ins and outs of our Reuse Education Programs. This is a great opportunity to work on public speaking as well as to learn more details of our waste system and what we can do about it through Reuse.

### Build It Green! Tour of Homes and Information Fair

Saturday, September 16

Tour: 11am - 5pm

Information fair: 4:30pm - 7pm (hosted by Environmental Building Supplies )

Build It Green! is a self-guided tour of 20 new and remodeled green homes throughout the Portland metro area. After the tour, an information fair hosted by Environmental Building Supplies features green building products and services, entertainment and free refreshments. The event is presented by the City of Portland Office of Sustainable Development in partnership with Metro and the Solar Energy Association of Oregon.

Tickets available August 15. For ticket sale locations and prices visit [www.sustainableportland.org](http://www.sustainableportland.org) or call 503-823-7222.

### Association of Oregon Recyclers Costa Rica Trip

January 17-29, 2007

Join the Association of Oregon Recyclers on a trip to Costa Rica. Spend 12 days immersed in Costa Rica's rain forests, wildlife refuges, volcanoes, and beaches, guided by Costa Rica resident and former AOR member Teri Peterson, who enjoys sharing the beauty of the country with adventurous travelers.

Find more information and sign up by visiting [www.aORr.org](http://www.aORr.org) or email [Mail@aORr.org](mailto:Mail@aORr.org)

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