

August News

Portland Recycles! Roll Cart Campaign is a Success!

Fifty two Master Recyclers spent 328 hours over the last four months contributing to Portland Recycles! outreach and education. Master Recyclers made over 9,000 contacts including conversations at the door, presentations at 19 community meetings, and tabling at 20 events. Thanks to all who have worked hard on the campaign.

Prior to the roll cart roll-out, some Master Recyclers joined a leadership team to take on planning and organizing outreach opportunities and spreading the message about the changes. They recruited community groups, other Master Recyclers and volunteers and kept information flowing. A special thank you to these leaders:

North Portland

Mike Salmond – canvassing leader

Northeast Portland

Molly Chidsey – canvassing leader

Jim Maddry – presentation leader

Rachel Zarfes – canvassing leader

Southeast Portland

Pauline Freeman – canvassing leader

Serena Ross – canvassing leader

Kristin Wildensee – presentation leader

East Portland

Sarah Dyer – canvassing leader

Brad Kuntz – canvassing leader

Kelly Schneider – canvassing leader

Northwest Portland

Mary Ann Pastene - tabling leader



Molly Chidsey trains a group of volunteers before canvassing in the Cully Neighborhood

We continue to get the word out about Portland Recycles! and can always use your help. Please sign up for outreach events because it is vital that we continue to educate the public about waste prevention and recycling. Check out the great volunteer opportunities included in this newsletter.

Portland Recycles! Appreciation Potluck Picnic

Laurelhurst Park - Site C, SE Ankeny and Burnside, Portland

Wednesday, August 6th

6 – 8 p.m. (come when you can even if it isn't at 6 p.m.)

Families welcome

For those who participated in the roll cart campaign, we want to acknowledge and thank you! Join us at an appreciation picnic at Laurelhurst Park. This event will be a potluck – please bring something to share. OSD will provide drinks and dessert.

A map of the park denoting sites can be found [here](#).

RSVP: Alicia Polacok, 503-823-7107, apolacok@ci.portland.or.us

Portland Recycles! Take a Bag. Take the Pledge.



Planning an Eco-party, neighborhood gathering, presentation, or green team meeting? Why not give attendees a tangible object that will help them reduce their waste? As part of the Portland Recycles! Plan, the Office of Sustainable Development is offering residents fantastic new tote bags to be reused instead of paper or plastic. All we ask in return is a pledge to use the bag it when they go to the store.

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Certified Master Recyclers

A great group of dedicated volunteers became official Certified Master Recyclers in the last month.

Doug Martin (Class 36) used his Spanish skills to talk to residents about recycling and waste prevention. Doug has also been instrumental in improvements in recycling and waste prevention at Pacific University in Forest Grove. Doug plans to integrate a student involvement program soon.

Mary Ann Pastene (Class 37) has been busy setting up tables at Farmer's Markets and a Neighborhood Cleanup talking to downtown and NW Portland residents about the new carts, worm bins and composting. As if being a Master Recycler isn't enough, Mary Ann took the Master Gardener Program at the same time and is spreading the word for them as well!

Rachel Zarfes (Class 37) split her payback with two projects. She organized about 17 AmeriCorps Volunteers to canvass various neighborhoods on Portland Recycles! Her efforts resulted in 320 conversations. Rachel also helped the City of Gresham offer technical assistance in Mount Hood Community College stadium recycling. She set up signs and organized dozens of students to staff the recycling at the large Track and Field event. This will be a great model for future events at MHCC.



Harris with classmate Susan Mead Sunday in the Parkways.

Harris Orem (Class 38) is the first of class 38 to complete his hours! It seems Harris participated in every event in Portland this summer. He staffed tables at Good in the Neighborhood, Sunday Parkways, and the Eastbank Farmer's Market. He canvassed in Cully neighborhood on the cart campaign and joined the North Portland team at the roundup. Harris even danced with roll carts at the Starlight Parade.

A huge congratulations and thank you to **Amy Steve** (Class 24) who is the newest member of the Century Club! Amy's 100 volunteer hours has amounted to over 500 direct conversations at tables and events. She has also been involved with the plastics roundups since their inception, taking on a leadership role at times. Thank you, Amy, for your continued commitment to resource conservation!



Amy at 2005 Plastics Roundup in Hillsboro.

Volunteer Opportunities

It's been a fun summer in all corners of the region! From Washington County Fair, Good in the Neighborhood, Cracked Pots in Troutdale, and the West Linn Old Time Fair, Master Recyclers have enjoyed loads of music, great food and conversations about recycling, consumption, worms, greener cleaners, green building and more. How often do you get the opportunity to roll recycling and yard debris containers through streets packed with bicycles and hand out tote bags, or even dance with roll carts in front of 250,000 people?



Susan Mead (Class 38) hands out tote bags on the bike course of Sunday in the Parkways

Don't miss out! There is still plenty to do this summer. Some of you are just getting started on your hours (you know who you are!) so please check out ways to help get the word out on the three R's before all the summer fun is gone!

Portland Recycles! Canvassing

This is the final effort for the rollcart campaign. If you thought you would have canvassed this spring or summer but didn't, now's your chance!



Molly Chidsey trains a group of volunteers in Cully Neighborhood

St. Johns Neighborhood

Anna Bannanas Coffee House North, 8716 N Lombard St., Portland
Tuesday, July 29th 6 – 8:30 p.m.

Meet at for a quick coffee or snack and to get the canvassing overview and your kit.

www.annabannanascoffee.com/north_store_pages

Portsmouth Neighborhood

Portsmouth Pizza, 5262 N Lombard St., Portland
Wednesday, July 30th 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Meet quick slice and to get the canvassing overview and your kit.

www.portsmouthpizzapub.com

Contact: Alicia Polacok, 503-823-7107, apolacok@ci.portland.or.us

Pickathon

Pendarvis Farms, 16581 SE Hagen Road, Happy Valley
Friday, August 1st – Sunday August 3rd

Shifts available:

Friday, August 1st 2 – 6 p.m.

Saturday, August 2nd Noon – 3 p.m. and 3 – 6 p.m.

Sunday, August 3rd Noon – 3 p.m. and 3 – 6 p.m.



Volunteers will receive a day pass for this “Indie-Roots” music festival for taking 1 shift, and a weekend pass for taking shifts on 2 days. Driving to his event is discouraged due to lack of parking. A free event shuttle runs from Gateway Transit Center to the Farm.

Visit www.Pickathon.com for more event info and a detailed map. Please contact Shaunna Sutcliffe by Monday, July 28th.

Contact: Shaunna Sutcliffe OSD, 503.823.7632, Shaunna.sutcliffe@ci.portland.or.us

Celebrate Hillsboro annual event

Hillsboro Civic Center Plaza (1st and Main)
Saturday, August 2nd 10 a.m. – 9 p.m.
and Sunday August 3rd 11 a.m. – 6 p.m.



Shift times:



Bev Ardueser (Class 35) at Washington County Fair

Saturday – August 2nd:

9:30 a.m. – 12:30 p.m. (includes booth prep)

12:30 – 3 p.m.

3 – 6 p.m.

Sunday – August 3rd:

10:30 a.m. – 1:30 p.m. (includes booth prep)

1:30 – 4:30 p.m. (includes breakdown)

Help Washington County staff a recycle information booth. This community event draws thousands of individuals from nearby communities (and some far away) to enjoy music, craft/food/service vendors, setting World Records, and great summer fun for the whole family!

Contact: Michelle Pimentel, (503) 846-3651 michelle_pimentel@co.washington.or.us

National Night Out Events

National Night Out is a unique community event, celebrated in the United States and Canada that focuses on prevention of crime and drug activity. There are many opportunities to get involved in neighborhood events throughout Portland.

Answer questions about Portland's new roll cart recycling in these target neighborhoods while promoting waste prevention with OSD's new grocery tote bags.

Kerns Neighborhood

Oregon Park, NE 30th and NE Oregon, Portland
Tuesday, August 5th 5:30 – 9:30 p.m.

Historically, this is the largest event in the city for National Night Out. Pick up materials at OSD the day before the event.

Argay Neighborhood

Argay Park, NE 141st & Shaver, Portland
Tuesday, August 5th 5:30 – 9 p.m.

Materials will be delivered and picked up by OSD staff the day of the event.

Reed Neighborhood

SE Raymond between SE 33rd Pl. and SE 34th Ave,
Portland
Saturday, August 9th 3:30 – 8:30 p.m.

Pick up materials at OSD the Friday before the event.

Contact: Alicia Polacok, 503-823-7107, apolacok@ci.portland.or.us

Portland Parks Summer Concert Series

Join Susan Mead (Class 38) to staff a booth at one or both of these Concerts in the Park Series events to talk about residential recycling and waste prevention. Both evenings will have great music, a lovely setting, and important conversations.

Couch Park

NW 19th and Glisan, Portland
Thursday, August 7th 5:30 – 8 p.m.

Washington Park Amphitheater

Head of SW Park Place, Portland
Saturday, August 16th 5 – 7:30 p.m.

Contact: Susan Mead, Susan.Mead@xerox.com

Clackamas County Fair

County Fair Grounds, Canby
Tuesday through Sunday, August 12th – 17th

Shifts:

Tuesday – Thursday 2:30 – 6 p.m., 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.



Friday 2:30 p.m. – 6 p.m., 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Saturday 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. – 6 p.m., 6 p.m. – 9 p.m.

Sunday 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m., 2:30 p.m. – 6 p.m.

Help Clackamas Staff a booth with a “use less cups” display, a section on reusable bags, a display with the recycling “YES & NOs”, the newest info on E-Waste recycling, and an activity for kids. Fair admission and parking is provided.

Contact: Sherri Dow, 503-353-4463, sherridow@co.clackamas.or.us

Hawthorne Day Street Fair

3522 SE Hawthorne Ave, Portland

Saturday, August 16th 10 a.m. – 5 p.m.

second shift volunteer needed 1:30 – 5 p.m.

Answer questions about Portland’s new roll cart recycling while promoting waste prevention with OSD’s new grocery tote bags. First shift will pick a kit up at Ecotrust Building 721 NW 9th beforehand and second shift will return the kit the Monday after.

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

Powellhurst-Gilbert Neighborhood Fair

Raymond Park, SE 118th Ave & Raymond St., Portland

Saturday, August 16th 11 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. and 2 – 5:30 p.m.

Answer questions about Portland’s new roll cart recycling in this target neighborhood while promoting waste prevention with OSD’s new grocery tote bags. Pickup and return of materials is required for this event.

Contact: Alicia Polacok, (503)823-7107, apolacok@ci.portland.or.us

Lents Founders Day

Lents Park, SE 92nd and Holgate near Gazebo, Portland

Sunday, August 17th 11:30 a.m. - 4:30 p.m.

Answer questions about Portland’s new roll cart recycling in this target neighborhood while promoting waste prevention with OSD’s new grocery tote bags. There is a parade that kicks off the event. Pickup and return of materials is required for this event.

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**Don't forget to log
your volunteer hours**
Visit www.masterrecycler.org
and click on the Members tab.
Username: MasterRecycler
Password: master

Cedar Hills Kiwanis Club Presentation

Elks Club 3500 SW 104th, Beaverton

Thursday, August 21st 12:45 p.m.

Offer a presentation on residential recycling at this weekly community luncheon (lunch is provided).

Contact: Marjorie Meeks, (503)639-3965, marjoriemeeks@comcast.net

Contact for literature: Michelle Pimentel, (503) 846-3651,
michelle_pimentel@co.washington.or.us

Muddy Boot Organic Festival

16th & SE Division, Portland

Saturday and Sunday, September 6th and 7th

Planning starts now

Julie Gefroh (Class 35) invites a master Recycler to plan Recycling and Composting at the Muddy Boot Festival. The festival was able to recycle & compost 89% of the festival waste in 2007! Visit www.muddyboot.org to learn more.

Contact: Julie Gefroh, director@muddyboot.org

How to Be an Agent of Change in Your Circle of Influence

by the Center for Earth Leadership

Thursdays, Sept. 18th, 25th, Oct. 2nd, 9th, 16th, and Nov. 13th

7 – 8:45 p.m.

The Agent of Change course can help you design your own Master Recycler payback waste reduction project. This course increases effectiveness and provides support to work within one of the circles of influence each of us is a member of.

Course free of charge. Advance registration required. For further information: www.earthleaders.org.

Contact: Emily Cain at 503-227-2315 or emily@earthleaders.org.



Visit the
Master Recycler Calendar
online for more volunteer listings
www.masterrecycler.org/members/volunteer-calendar.php

Master Recycler Fall Plastics Roundup

The **Fall Master Recyclers Plastics Roundup** will take place on two Saturdays and four locations, 9 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Shifts are 8 a.m. – 12 p.m. and 11 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Saturday October 4th – two locations:

- **Lake Oswego:** 5400 Meadows Rd. (Co-hosted by Shorenstein Realty Services LP and Autodesk, Inc.)
- **North Portland:** 3325 N Interstate (off Fremont and Overlook Park) (Hosted by Kaiser Permanente West Interstate)

Saturday, October 11th – two locations:

- **Milwaukie:** 9600 SE Main (old Southgate Theatre site) (Hosted by City of Milwaukie)
- **Hillsboro:** (Site will be announced on the web and in future newsletters as soon as it has been approved.)

Sign up for as many locations and shifts as you'd like.

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

Job Opportunities

Application Change for the City of Portland

The City of Portland Bureau of Human Resources has recently announced that, due to high volumes of applications, recruitments may close earlier than the posted deadline if an application cap is met. This means that you may want to move quickly to apply as recruitments may close earlier than the posted close date.

Metro Sustainability Coordinator

This newly created position will be responsible for planning and implementing projects and programs to help Metro reach its goal of being a model sustainable business.

Closes August 8th. For more information or to apply, visit www.oregonmetro.gov/job.

Metro Waste Reduction Education Assistant – Temporary

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 date of hire through the end of June 2009.

Closes July 31st. For more information or to apply, visit www.oregonmetro.gov/job.

Metro RIC Temp

Metro is seeking fill-in operators for Metro's Recycling Information Hotline. The hotline operates six days a week and takes almost 100,000 calls a year about recycling, disposal, hazardous waste and waste reduction.

Contact: Judie Miller Recycling Information Supervisor, 503-797-1503, judie.miller@oregonmetro.gov.

Sustainable Self Part-Time Office/Project Manager

Sustainable Self is seeking a part-time office/project manager who is up to date on current trends in sustainability, green office practices, and has an interest in the relationship between mental health and the environment.

For complete job description or to apply, visit www.selfsustain.com.

NW Coalition for Alternatives to Pesticides Volunteer & Outreach Coordinator

For more information or to apply, visit <http://www.pesticide.org/jobs.html>.

Portland Energy Conservation Inc Lead Energy Analyst (Closes 8/8)

This position will analyze the cost effectiveness of residential energy efficiency programs by conducting measure analysis and preparing work papers.

Closes August 8th. For more information or to apply, visit peci.org/careers.

The Xerces Society Conservation Associate

The Conservation Associate will work on a variety of projects related to rare and endangered species conservation and aquatic invertebrate monitoring in wetlands.

Closes August 11th. For more information or to apply, visit www.xerces.org/jobs.

MORE JOB OPPORTUNITIES

can be found in Job Seekers at the
Master Recycler Forum.
www.MasterRecycler.org

