

## July News

### Being a Master Recycler is Easier than Ever!

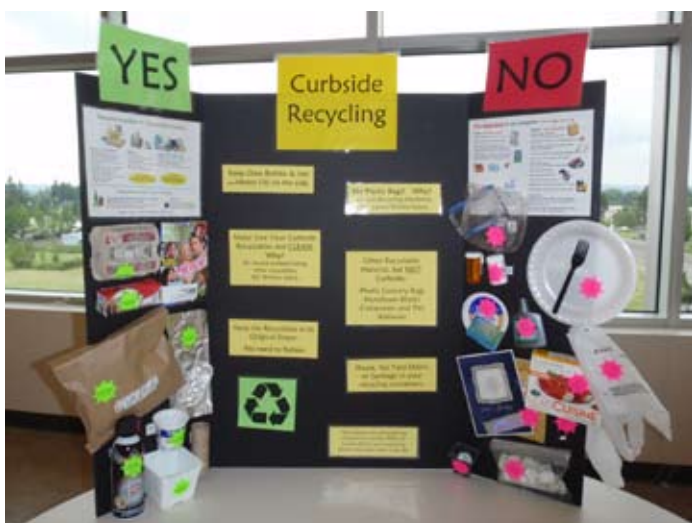
Need to do a presentation on compost and worm bins? Plan on setting up a table at your upcoming school or church event? How about organizing a booth at an upcoming neighborhood ice cream social or National Night Out?

Well, it's now much easier for Master Recyclers in Washington and Clackamas County to check out really cool displays to augment the incredible knowledge you plan to share. No more driving to Portland for a kit on greener cleaners, compost or waste prevention.



KC Aitken demonstrates Washington County kit.

### Clackamas County Master Recycler Team Creates Three New Kits



The new Clackamas County Yes/No kit Master Recyclers created.

A big thank you to **Brian Flores, Sharon Leingang, Ildiko Plesko, and Miriam Reeber** for creating three fabulous new displays. These great looking kits will enable Clackamas County Master Recyclers to better talk about residential recycling, compost and greener cleaners.

Materials available from Clackamas county ([See pictures and full descriptions on web](#)):

- Master Recycler Banner
- Residential Recycling
- Compost/worm bins
- Greener Cleaner
- Computer recycling
- Tote bags
- Literature on all these topics

Clackamas County kit contact: Sherri Dow, (503) 742-4463, sherridow@co.clackamas.or.us

### **New Washington County Kits Available**

Washington County has created several professional looking and easily portable kits for Master Recyclers to check out.

Materials available at Washington County: ([See pictures and descriptions](#)):

- Master Recycler Banner
- Residential Recycling Banner
- Business Recycling Banner
- Plastics recycling display screen
- Kick the Habit durable water bottle vs. plastic water bottle
- Cup a Day durable coffee cup vs. take away coffee cup
- Greener Cleaner Display
- Energy Saved from Recycling kit
- Tote bags
- Literature on above topics

Washington County kit contact: Michelle Pimentel, (503) 846-3651, Michelle\_Pimentel@co.washington.or.us

### **Portland Kits Still Available**

When the City of Portland created a residential recycling coordinator position much like Michelle and Sherri's positions in Washington and Clackamas Counties, Master Recycler **Alicia Polacok (Class 22)** filled that role with flying colors. She is now the contact for the residential recycling kit for Portland. All other Master Recycler kits can go through the Master Recycler Program.

## Materials available in Portland:

- Master Recycler Banner
- Residential Recycling
- Greener Cleaner
- Remodel it Green
- Compost
- Precycle, Durables vs. Disposables
- Yes/No kit
- Literature on all of these topics



*Renee Limon and Beverly Ardueser (both Class 35) demonstrate the Remodel it Green Kit.*

Residential recycling kit contact:  
Alicia Polacok, (503)823-7107,  
apolacok@ci.portland.or.us

All other kits, contact J Lauren Norris (503)823-7530,  
masterrecycler@ci.portland.or.us

## Recycling in Spanish Workshop

Many Master Recyclers speak Spanish but feel a bit nervous about signing up for Spanish-language Master Recycler outreach opportunities because they don't know words like "bin," "Styrofoam," "waste prevention" or "climate change."

We have got the workshop for you!



*Gabriela Buamscha (Class 27) at Hillsboro Latino Festival.*

Two bilingual Master Recyclers, Astrid Ollerenshaw (Class 41) and Maria Elena Guerra (Class 22) invite you to an interactive workshop that will help build your environmental vocabulary and boost your speaking confidence. It will also engage participants in a brainstorm session on outreach in the Hispanic community. Help get the word out about recycling and waste prevention to the Hispanic community.

## Spanish Recycling Workshop

Metro 600 NE Grand Ave., Portland

Saturday, August 8th

10 a.m. – 12 p.m.

Please RSVP at [masterrecycler@ci.portland.or.us](mailto:masterrecycler@ci.portland.or.us) or (503)823-7530.

## New Century Club Member

**Segeni Mungai (Class 36)** has to be one of the most positive Master Recyclers - and that is saying a lot. He brings a huge smile to all of his 130 hours of volunteer outreach and organizing. Segeni was just getting started when he completed his 30 hour commitment and he's followed that work with a couple of great projects. Segeni formed a Green Team at his local school, Ridgewood Elementary, where they've spent countless hours improving recycling, starting a compost area and getting kids involved in energy efficiency projects.



*Segeni Mungai orients volunteers at Fall Plastics Round up at Intel.*

Segeni contacted the Urban League when he learned they were focusing on green jobs to suggest that they have a Master Recycler table at their Job Fair. Bonita Oswald (Class 39) joined him to talk to participants about how volunteering leads to career development. The Urban League liked the idea so much they invited him to do a presentation, for which he created an innovative power point.

Thanks for being such a great steward of recycling and waste prevention, Segeni!

## Four Master Recyclers Certified in June

**Christine Bloom's (Class 39)** work was recently featured in *The Oregonian* "How We Live" section. She was on a team that organized the company picnic for St. Vincent's and helped make sure it was a very sustainable event. To see the story go to [http://www.oregonlive.com/environment/index.ssf/2009/06/its\\_a\\_recyclable\\_picnic\\_for\\_30.html#more](http://www.oregonlive.com/environment/index.ssf/2009/06/its_a_recyclable_picnic_for_30.html#more)

**Colin Cigarran (Class 38)** has been one of the key organizers for the neighborhood cleanups in Richmond. This neighborhood has become the model on how to recover materials at these community events.

**Morgan Whalen (Class 38)** has been the queen of tabling. She set up a table at events from Mississippi St. Fair to Cascade College. She has recently joined a team of Master Recyclers working to help the Moreland Farmers' Market reduce their waste at their Wednesday evening Market.

**Kip Holstrom (Class 32)** created a very innovative system that allows Clackamas County litter patrol crews to recycle what they find on the County highways. He also led a crew to deconstruct the "Greyhound Adoption" Starlight Parade float. They were able to find a new use for absolutely every piece of the float.

Thanks to all four of you for your creative and enthusiastic approaches to waste reduction outreach!

## Conservation News

### Climate Action Plan Town Halls

The City of Portland and Multnomah County have drafted a new action plan to lead our community forward in the charge against global warming. Join your friends and neighbors to discuss the Climate Action Plan at one of the neighborhood Town Halls. Read and comment on the draft Plan at [www.portlandonline.com/BPS/climate](http://www.portlandonline.com/BPS/climate).

#### Northeast

Thursday, June 25th 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
Dishman Community Center, 77 NE Knott

#### Downtown/Central Westside

Monday, June 29th 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
Lincoln HS Cafeteria, 1600 SW Salmon St

#### North

Tuesday, July 7th 6:30 – 8:30 p.m.  
University Park Community Center, 9009 N Foss Ave

#### East

Saturday, July 11th 2 – 4 p.m.  
David Douglas High School, 1001 SE 135th



# Volunteer Opportunities

## **Lake Oswego Festival of the Arts**

George Rogers Park, S State St. & Ladd St., Lake Oswego

Friday, Saturday, and Sunday June 26th, 27th, and 28th

Shifts: Friday and Saturday from 11:00am-8:00pm, and Sunday from 11:00am-5:00 pm. Three hours per shift.

Staff a recycling and waste prevention booth at this fun event.

Pete Marfell (503)697-6273, petermarfell@comcast.net

## **Hillsboro Farmers Market**

Historic District, Main Street and 2nd Ave., Hillsboro

First Saturday of every month

Shifts: 7:30 a.m. – 11 a.m. and 10:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Join Heidi Lambek (Class 39) tabling on recycling and Greener Cleaner (and worms later in the season). Times include set up and breakdown.

Contact: Heidi Lambek (503)475-5850, oregontreehugger@gmail.com

**Don't forget to log  
your volunteer hours**

**Visit [www.masterrecycler.org](http://www.masterrecycler.org)  
and click on the Members tab.**

## **Tuesday Concerts at Mount Tabor Park**

Mount Tabor Park, SE 69th & Taylor, Portland

6:30 – 9 pm

Pick a date to staff an informational booth at a community concert. The dates and bands are:

- July 7th Carrie Cunningham – western swing
- July 14th The Stolen Sweets – '30s swing jazz
- July 21st The Ty Curtis Band – blues/rock
- July 28th Craicmore – Celtic

Contact: Kathy Schuman, (503)774-1598, kjschuman@msn.com

## **New Seasons Benefit BBQ for Community Warehouse**

All Nine New Seasons Locations

Saturday – Sunday, July 11th and 12th noon – 4 p.m.

Talk to residents about this important community resource and greet people who are buying strawberry shortcake as a fundraiser.

Contact Andy, (503)235-8786, volunteer@communitywarehouse.org

### **Orenco Farmers Market**

NE Orenco Station, Parkway and NE 61st, Hillsboro

Second Sunday of every month

Shifts: 9:30 a.m. – noon and 11:30 a.m. – 2:30 p.m.

Join Heidi Lambek (Class 39) tabling on recycling and Greener Cleaner (and worms later in the season). Times include set up and breakdown.

Contact: Heidi Lambek (503)475-5850, oregontreehugger@gmail.com

### **Mt Tabor Neighborhood Meeting Presentation**

Mt. Tabor Presbyterian Church, 5441 SE Belmont, Portland

Wednesday, July 15th or August 19th 7 – 8:30 p.m.

Give a 15 minute presentation at one of this neighborhood association's Wednesday night meetings. Pick a date, contact the neighborhood contact and check out a kit.

Contact: Bruce Treat, (503)347-6716, btreat@schwabe.com

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

### **Sunday Parkways - Northeast Portland**

Alberta Park, 1800 NE Killingsworth, Portland

Sunday, July 19th 9 a.m. – 4 p.m.

What do recycling, bikes, and parks have in common? Join in Transportation's fun-filled opportunity to walk, bike, skateboard, run and roll. The 6.6-mile Northeast Sunday Parkways two-way route will showcase portions of the Vernon, Concordia, Cully, Alameda, Sabin, and Beaumont-Wilshire neighborhoods. For more information on Sunday Parkways, please visit: [www.portlandsundayparkways.org](http://www.portlandsundayparkways.org)

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

### **Cracked Pot Art Show**

McMenamin's Edgefield Gardens, 2126 SW Halsey St., Troutdale

Tuesday and Wednesday, July 21st and 22nd

Shifts are 1 – 4:30 p.m. and 4 – 8 p.m.

Come be a part of a fun, wildly popular recycled art show! Thousands of people attend this show where the emphasis is not just on art, but on creating beauty from recycled and reused materials. Don't miss this fun chance to reach a large audience in a beautiful setting. There are two volunteer opportunities.



*What's In Your Jeans? Robin Raffety (Class 35) and Joe Sixta (Class 28) at Cracked Pot Art Show.*

1. Metro Waste Reduction Education Staff a booth demonstrating innovative products made from recycled materials. Engage the public with a short activity where people match products with the materials they are made from.

Contact: Sara Kirby, (503)797-1521, sara.kirby@oregonmetro.gov

2. Oregon Community Warehouse Staff a table for this non-profit that provides used household goods to families in need.

Contact: Andy, (503)235-8786, volunteer@communitywarehouse.org

### **Portland Kiwanis Club Presentation**

Benson Hotel, 309 SW Broadway, Portland  
Wednesday, July 29th 1 – 1:30 p.m.

Offer a 20-25 minute presentation on recycling (including Q&A) to this down town Kiwanis Club. Free lunch is included.

Contact: Ernie Chapman (503)281-1238, ernie@clowroofing.com  
Portland Recycles! kit check out: Alicia Polacok (503)823-7107, apolacok@ci.portland.or.us

### **Washington County Fair Green Expo – Metro Booth**

Washington County Fair Complex 873 NE 34th Ave., Hillsboro  
Thursday, July 30th – Sunday August 2nd, 10 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.  
Shifts: 10 a.m. – 3 p.m. and 3 a.m. – 7:30 p.m.

In the past, this event has drawn over 100,000 attendees over the four

days! Location is easy to access off MAX line. Have a great time and enjoy the Fair! Family fun rides, multiple stages and, animal shows with two opportunities to table.

### 1. Washington County

This year's table is located in the Sustainability Expo plaza located near the front of the Fair gates! Talk to local residents about residential recycling, greener cleaners, composting and waste reduction. Weekend shifts are a priority!

Contact: Michelle Pimentel, (503)846-3651, [michelle\\_pimentel@co.washington.or.us](mailto:michelle_pimentel@co.washington.or.us)



*Beverly Ardueser (Class 35) at Washington County Fair in 2008.*

### 2. Metro

Help answer questions about green cleaners and composting at Metro's Healthy Homes display.

Contact: Caran Goodall, (503)797-1693, [caran.goodall@oregonmetro.gov](mailto:caran.goodall@oregonmetro.gov)

### **Maplewood Neighborhood Annual Picnic and National Night Out**

Maplewood School, 7452 SW 52nd Ave., Portland  
Sunday, August 2nd noon – 4:30 p.m.

Check out a kit and talk to your neighbors about waste prevention, recycling or other topics.

Or get involved with National Night Out (NNO) events in your neighborhood! These unique community events focus on prevention of crime and drug activity, and allow neighbors to learn more about resources and activities taking place in their community. NNO is held the first Tuesday of August every year, so most events will be held on August 4 this year.

Find out what's happening in your neighborhood through the Office of Neighborhood Involvement: [www.portlandonline.com/oni/nno](http://www.portlandonline.com/oni/nno).

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

## Clackamas County Fair

Clackamas County Event Center, 694 NE 4th Ave., Canby  
Wednesday – Sunday, August 18th – 23rd, shifts available.

Family fun rides, multiple stages, animal shows. Talk to local residents about residential recycling, greener cleaners, composting and waste reduction. Past year events have drawn over 100,000 attendees over the four days! Have a great time and enjoy the fair!

Contact: Sherri Dow, (503)742-4463, sherridow@co.clackamas.or.us

## Job Opportunities

### Far West Fibers General Manager

Visit [www.farwestfibers.com](http://www.farwestfibers.com) for more information.

### Sustainable Psychology Part Time Office/Project Manager

For complete job description and application information see the Employment page at [www.selfsustain.com](http://www.selfsustain.com).

