

## Master Recycler News

### Happy Earth Day!

You are appropriately receiving this month's newsletter on Earth Day. And there is a lot to celebrate! Throughout the week there are Master Recyclers at businesses, schools and community events. But many got started early in celebrating Earth Day all over the region.

Master Recyclers talked to 300 people at Metro's Billboard Art event at the beginning of the month. Last Saturday Master Recyclers also tabled at Earth

Day events in Clackamas County, Gresham, and three locations in Portland. In total we had over 500 conversations about residential recycling, waste prevention, and green building. Master Recyclers participated in Neighborhood cleanups and electronic collections as well.



*At Rock n Recycle, Lisa Sundby (Class 37) encourages a Portland resident take the pledge to use his new tote bag.*

At a time when people are showing a renewed interest in protecting our planet, it was fantastic to see Master Recyclers share their knowledge and enthusiasm in every corner of the region.

Thank you for your participation!



## Master Recyclers and SOLV Join Together to Spiff Up NE Portland

For the last few months, **Robin Dunitz** and **Rob Kappa** (Class 37) have been hard at work on an experiment that went off smashingly! The Portland Development Commission and Northeast Business Alliance invited them to do something thing never before done: recover the material that volunteers gathered at a SOLV litter cleanup.



*Rob Kappa (Class 37), Elaine Galvin (Class 31), Alicia Polacok (Class 22 & OSD), Sharon Reese and Robin Raffety (Class 35) pose at Spiffn' MLK information booth.*

Robin and Rob researched the types of materials gathered at SOLV events, identified ways to capture the materials, and partnered with recycling businesses to make that happen. Then on Saturday April 19th these two trained the diverse volunteers who participated in the event. One of the community organizers, Mary Harrell stated that the NE neighbors learned a lot about recycling that day.



*Rob and Robin pose with Judy of Agri-Plas in front of recycle box donated by Sunset Garbage and Recycling.*

The pounds of materials recovered has yet to be tallied, but it was visually clear that about one third of the material they picked up got recycled, one third was directed to a yard debris facility and a third was thrown away. A full report on lessons learned will inform future events!

A big thanks to the Rock n' Rob and Robin team!

## April Certificates

**Kelley Carmichael Casey** (Class 35) focused much of her outreach in North Portland. She helped with the Portland Recycles! pilot project canvass, had several different information tables at the North Interstate Farmer's Market and helped at the Kaiser Interstate Roundups. Kelly topped off her certification at the Earth Day celebration at Metro SCRAP table.

**Ivan Camacho** (Class 36) focused his payback in Hillsboro. Ivan did a series of fun classes in schools on how kids can change their ecological footprint. He has also been working with SOLV and even did some Spanish translation on restaurant waste reduction.

Thank you to both of you for reaching deeper into both of your communities to share your messages about waste prevention.

## Join the Portland Recycles! Campaign and Raise Funds for Community Groups

Master Recyclers are needed to canvass at thousands of homes in Portland in May and June to explain the new roll cart system. Residents are receiving roll carts for recycling and yard debris between May and July so it is the perfect opportunity to explain why it is so important to recycle everything they can.

We are working with diverse community groups to help spread the message. Are you a Master Recycler who is part of a community organization? Did you know you could raise funds through this project? The City of Portland has funds available for groups, nonprofits, and associations for canvassing for Portland Recycles! We will provide all the tools you need to get the message out to residents in targeted neighborhoods.

There are a variety of dates and locations available. Come out once or multiple times.



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## Washington County Recognizes Volunteers

Washington County Solid Waste and Recycling held a volunteer recognition event on April 17th in Hillsboro. Master Recyclers were invited and a great time was had by all.



*Michelle Pimentel (Washington County), Tracey Gamely (Class 36), Bev Ardueser (Class 35) and Robin Raffety (Class 35).*

## Master Recycler Plastics Roundups

Help residents of all ages recycle those hard to recycle plastics.

### **Eastside**

Saturday May 3rd

#### Southeast Portland

Floyd Light Middle School  
10800 SE Washington

#### North Portland

Kaiser Permanente  
West Interstate  
3325 N Interstate (off Fremont & Overlook Park)

### **Westside**

Saturday May 17th

#### Lake Oswego

Hosted by Autodesk Inc. & Shorentein Realty Service LP  
5400 Meadows Rd

#### Rock Creek

PCC Rock Creek 17705 NW Springvile Rd

Indicate which shift you would like: 8:30-12:30, 12:00-4:00

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

# Volunteer Opportunities

## **Piedmont Neighborhood Cleanup**

7412 N Mississippi, Portland

Saturday, April 26th 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Hand out information and talk with participant of this neighborhood cleanup on the new roll carts and Master Recycler Plastics Roundup.

Contact: Andrea Davey, (503)544-3996, andreadavey@comcast.net

## **Earth Day Electronics Collection**

Epson Portland Inc. 3950 NW Aloclek Pl., Hillsboro

Saturday, April 26th 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Volunteers are needed for this e-waste collection event.

Contact: Tracey Gamley, traceygamley@yahoo.com

## **Rose Villa Community Fair**

Rose Villa Retirement Community 13505 SE River Road, Milwaukie

Saturday, April 26th 10 a.m. – 3 p.m.

Staff a booth at this community fair focusing on Oak Grove and Milwaukie area residents. Provide general information for business, multifamily and single family residential recycling, along with all the standard Metro handouts.

Contact: Rosalynn Greene, Clackamas County (503)353-4465, RGreene@co.clackamas.or.us

## **Hillsboro Vision 2020 Town Hall**

City of Hillsboro Civic Center 150 E Main St., Hillsboro

Wednesday, April 30th 4 - 7:30 p.m.

Pick up materials at the County prior to the event.

The Open House (5:00 – 6:30 P.M.) will be followed by a special presentation about downtown Hillsboro revitalization and a public discussion. Outreach tables will break down at 6:30 so the public can attend the presentation. MRs will likely be finished by 7:00 p.m.

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

## **Kruse Oaks Recycling Kick Off Event**

Shorenstein Realty Service LP 5400 Meadows Rd Lake Oswego  
Thursday, May 1st 11 a.m. - 2 p.m. (hours are tentative)

The realty company that owns the parking lot for our Lake Oswego Roundup has been actively improving recycling in all of the buildings in their system. They invite Master Recyclers to talk about recycling and the Plastics Roundup at their kick off event.

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

## **Spring Garden Fair**

Canby Fair Grounds, Canby  
Sunday May 4th 1 - 4 p.m.

Staff a Clackamas County booth to talk about residential recycling.

Contact: Sherri Dow,  
(503)343-4463,  
sherridow@co.clackamas.or.us

## **Portland Farmers Market**

PSU Park blocks, Portland  
Saturday May 10th 8 a.m.  
- 2:30 p.m.

Join Mary Ann Pastene (Class 37) to talk to residents about the new recycling system at this lively farmers market.

Contact: Mary Ann Pastene, mpastene@blue-monkey.com

## **Roseway Neighborhood Cleanup**

Roseway Heights School 7334 NE Siskiyou St., Portland  
Saturday, May 10th 9 a.m. to 2 p.m.

Supervise reusables and recyclables, and/or to help educate neighbors on curbside and year-round recycling.

Contact: Jane Rosenstein (Class 14), (503)970-1653, rosensteinj@gmail.com

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

### **St. Johns Parade and Bizarre**

North Lombard & North Burlington, Portland  
Saturday, May 10th 9:30 a.m. – 2 p.m.

As with last year the Bizarre runs concurrently with the St Johns Parade. Vendors will occupy the US Bank lot, music in the plaza and a food court and beer garden will be in the mix somewhere. Last year it was a big hit and this year we expect it to be bigger and better.

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

### **Bear Recycling E-waste Collection**

PCC Sylvania 12000 SW 49th Ave Portland  
Saturday, May 17th  
(Shifts are: 8:30 a.m. – noon and noon – 3:30 p.m.)

E-waste recycler Bear Recycling invites Master Recyclers to meet and greet participants in this e-waste collection event.

Contact: Oso (503)703-0665, oso@bearecycling.com

### **Hillside Neighborhood Clean-Up**

Hillside Community Center, 653 NW Culpepper Terrace, Portland  
Saturday, May 17th 10 a.m. – 2 p.m.

Staff an educational table at this event. Electronics and Housewares. Technology Conservation Group will be there receiving electronics and Community Warehouse will be there to receive houseware donations.

Contact: Alison Wallisch, (503)823-4265

### **Greener Homes and Gardens Show**

Portland Expo Center, 2060 N Marine Drive Portland  
Saturday, May 17th 10 a.m. – 6 p.m.  
Sunday, May 18th 11 a.m. – 5 p.m.

The ReBuilding Center invites volunteers to help staff an informational table at the Greener Homes and Gardens Show. Specifically needed are volunteers who have previous experience with the ReBuilding Center and are excited to share information about the organization.

Contact: Samantha Schongalla, (503)467-4985, volunteer@ourunitedvillages.org

## **South Tabor Neighborhood Cleanup**

Trinity Fellowship Church 2700 SE 67th, Portland  
Saturday, May 24th 9 a.m. – 1 p.m.

Join Pat Murphy and Cory Kniefel (both class 34) in conducting a small plastics roundup at this neighborhood clean up.

Contact: Cory Kniefel, [cmkniefel@yahoo.com](mailto:cmkniefel@yahoo.com)

## **Conservation News**

### **AOR 30th Annual Trade Show and Conference**

Catch the wave! Association of Oregon Recyclers is going back to the beach for the 30th Annual Conference & Trade Show. June 5th - 7th at Seaside Convention Center. Visit [www.aorr.org](http://www.aorr.org) to register today!

*Association of Oregon Recyclers*

*Catch the wave...*

*We're goin' back to the beach...*

**30<sup>TH</sup> ANNUAL CONFERENCE  
& TRADE SHOW**

**June 5 - 7, 2008**  
**Seaside Convention Center**  
**Seaside, Oregon**

Join us for three days of sessions and workshops exploring recycling education, policy, and planning.



## **SPIN! Gardening Workshop**

Learn how to be your own grower AND green grocer in this step-by-step SPIN-Gardening™ workshop. Achieve levels of productivity that go far beyond current home gardening practices. Lawns and lots can be transformed into a steady and dependable supply of vegetables. Class size will be limited, so register soon. Presented by the City of Portland Office of Sustainable Development.

Date: Saturday, May 10, 2008

Time: 9:00 a.m. – 4:00 p.m.

Place: 1900 Building, Room 2500A

1900 SW Fourth Avenue, Portland, OR. 97201

Registration fee: \$40 (includes instructional materials and lunch)

Registration deadline: May 7, 2008



For more information: <http://www.portlandonline.com/osd/index.cfm?c=41480&a=190951>

## **Job Opportunities**

### **PECI Project Coordinator**

PECI (Portland Energy Conservation, Inc.) is a nonprofit corporation with a twenty-year history developing and implementing innovative approaches to energy and resource efficiency. Project Coordinators perform a range of tasks to assist in the maintenance of our high functioning program.

Visit <http://peci.org/careers.html> for more information and job opportunities.

### **Solar Energy Review Field Advisor**

ENERGY STAR® New Homes Outreach with CSG Portland.

Visit <http://jobs-csg.icims.com> for more.

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Master Recycler Forum.  
[www.MasterRecycler.org](http://www.MasterRecycler.org)



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