

TOP OF THE HEAP

Congratulations to Master Recycling Class #29 who recently completed their coursework in Clackamas. You can check out the newest MRs, as well as pdf's of all the class presentations at www.masterrecycler.org/members.html.

And congratulations to **Caryn Dennis** (MR Class #21) who completed her 30 hours of volunteering and attained Master Recycling certificate status.

Thanks to all of you who have volunteered and sent in your hours. Please remember to use the web site and post them to me as soon as possible. A report is created every quarter and it's helpful to include all the work we do.

Our next quarterly MR meeting is at Metro on Wednesday, June 15th, from 7-9 p.m. For those of you who have wanted to volunteer, but feel you need some additional training and tips, this is your night. It's also an evening for veterans to brush up on their outreach skills. We'll have presentations on residential and multifamily recycling, composting and vermiculture, and hazardous waste and greener cleaners. Plus, they'll be information on upcoming outreach events, SCRAP activities, recycled art, food, and a chance to get together with your fellow MRs.

I hope to see you there.

VOLUNTEER OPPORTUNITIES

There are plenty of summertime opportunities to talk recycling and waste reduction. Contact me if you're interested in presenting at farmers' markets, neighborhood groups, or just want to take the word door-to-door in your neighborhood. We can set you up with everything you'll need. A great way to meet your neighbors and make a difference.

Cracked Pots Garden Art Show

This annual event at McMinnamins Edgefield Lodge (2126 SW Halsey, Troutdale) is always a popular volunteer opportunity. More than 40 vendors display and sell their work that is crafted from found and reused materials. Everything from mosaics to metal sculpture to trellises and more. Proceeds from the show benefit Cracked Pots, a nonprofit organization devoted to the creation of garden art from recycled materials. The grounds are beautiful, the art is amazing, and a fun time is generally had by all. This year, there are three ways to volunteer:

Recycling

Staff the "fun-filled" activity booth that features samples of products made from recycled materials and a clever game of "What's It Made From?"—match the product with the recycled material.

Tues, July 19th and Wed., July 20 12:30 - 4:00 (2 people) and 3:30 - 7:00 (2 people)

Contact Amy Wilson at Metro, 503.797.1521 or wilsona@metro.dst.or.us

Composting

Metro will have a worm bin, tabletop display and brochures.

July 19 & 20 Three shifts available: 1-4 p.m., 3:30-6:30 p.m., 6-8-ish.

Contact Freda Sherburne at 503.797.1522 or sherburnef@metro.dst.or.us.

MetroPaint

Help staff the MetroPaint display

Tuesday, July 19—1:00pm to 4:00pm and 4:00pm to 8:00pm

Wednesday, July 20—1:00 pm to 6:00 pm

A gift certificate for a five-gallon pail of MetroPaint will be given for each shift worked.

Contact Paulette Rossi at 503,797.1827 or rossip@metro.dst.or.us.

Explorando el Columbia Slough

Saturday June 25, 2005—1:00 p.m. - 5:00 p.m.

Whitaker Ponds Natural Area, 7040 NE 47th Ave., Portland

Spanish language environmental education festival will feature guided canoe trips on the Columbia Slough and music and dancing by the group Ballet Folklorico Sol Azteca. The event also includes bilingual storytelling, mural painting, face painting, bird watching, and free refreshments. Activities will be offered in both Spanish and English. A Master Recycler is needed (especially if you speak Spanish) to provide curbside recycling information. For more information, contact Steve at 503.823.7530 or masterrecycler@ci.portland.or.us.

Sun Microsystems Employee Fair

Wednesday, July 27, 11a.m.–3 p.m. Hillsboro

Provide information (using Washington County brochures) on waste reduction and recycling to Sun Microsystems employees. Contact Steve at 503.823.7530 or masterrecycler@ci.portland.or.us

JOBS

BRING Recycling-Education Coordinator

The education coordinator represents BRING Recycling in schools and in the community throughout Lane County, and promotes waste reduction, reuse and recycling through presentations, tours, written materials and involvement in a variety of community events. Knowledge of waste reduction, reuse and recycling is desirable. Strong verbal, presentation and written communication skills are essential. For a full job description, see www.bringrecycling.org.

Waste Connections Inc of Washington—Recycling Coordinator Position

Looking for a 'Renaissance' Recycling Coordinator! Duties include promoting waste reduction, recycling and composting for single-family, multifamily, school, business and community groups through presentations; developing brochures, flyers and newsletters; working cooperatively with city and county solid waste programs; creating and staffing displays at community events. Applicants experienced in making presentations to adult and school groups are encouraged to apply. Knowledge of composting and waste reduction is desirable. For a more detailed job description, go to wcnx.org/careeropportunities.asp#Recycling%20Coordinator

City of Gresham—Recycling Coordinator

This position will be responsible for planning, implementing and coordinating recycling and waste prevention programs at multifamily properties and commercial businesses; coordinating the writing and publication of the program's residential, multifamily and commercial educational materials; overseeing the City government's internal waste reduction program; soliciting community input on potential changes to residential collection services; providing customer service; helping plan and implement public events and other duties as assigned. Apply on-line (preferred) from this web site (www.ci.gresham.or.us/apprak/JobAnnouncement.asp?Posting_Nbr=05-59) or by obtaining a packet from Human Resources Department, 1333 NW Eastman Parkway, Gresham OR 97030, 503-618-2676. Application deadline is 6/17/2005.

Save Our Wild Salmon—Policy Analyst

Save Our Wild Salmon (SOS) is a nationwide coalition of conservation organizations, commercial and sport fishing associations, businesses, river groups, and taxpayer advocates. Full-time staff position is responsible for projects associated with policy and legal components of Save Our Wild Salmon's Columbia and Snake Rivers campaign. For more information, go to www.wildsalmon.org/about/policy-analyst.cfm

GrassRoots Recycling Network—Executive Director

The GrassRoots Recycling Network (GRRN) is a North American network of recycling professionals and waste reduction activists that promotes Zero Waste as a critical element of a sustainable economy. Position is in Oakland, CA. For more information, go to www.grrn.org/general/employment.html

EVENTS

AOR Conference

The Association of Oregon Recyclers Conference June 23-25, 2005

Eagle Crest Resort in Redmond, Oregon

Register today. Visit the AOR website - www.aorr.org - and read about the sessions.

Metro Gardens of Natural Delights

July 10, 10 a.m.–4 p.m.

Metro and the Audubon Society of Portland present the seventh annual natural gardening techniques tour. You'll visit 24 sites in the tri-county area and see flourishing, attractive gardens that are maintained without the use of synthetic chemicals. You'll also have the opportunity to talk with the gardeners that design and maintain them. One tour attendee said, "I learned more about natural gardening techniques in six hours on this tour than I did in six years of gardening. Seeing is believing." The tour is free, but attendance is limited and you have to register by calling 503.234.3000. Callers can register themselves and one guest. The event is open to residents of Multnomah, Washington, and Clackamas counties.

SCRAP June Workshops:

Saturday, June 11th, 1-3pm: Origami, \$5-10

Saturday, June 25th, 1-3pm: Mat Cutting.

Learn to cut mats to frame your own artwork. Successful completion of course will allow you to use SCRAP's mat cutter. Bring one piece of flat art that you want to frame. Cost is \$15 and includes instruction and materials

Sunday, June 26th 1-3pm: Lamp Making and Basic Wiring. DIY Lamp Making and Basic Wiring.

Students will learn the basics of wiring lights safely and have the confidence to do it themselves. There will be examples of both AC and DC lighting setups. Cost is \$10. Space is limited for all workshops, so call 503.294.0769 to pre-register.

SCRAP Volunteer Orientations

Last Wednesday of each month 6:30pm-7:30pm and First Saturday of each month 10:00am-11:00am Call 503.294.0769 for more information.

IRON ARTIST – SCRAP's Annual FUNdraiser

July 23rd, 2005

Wonder Ballroom—128 NE Russell, Portland

This high-energy celebration of creative reuse is a timed three-hour "sculpt-off" where artist teams create sculptures from reused materials provided by SCRAP, the ReBuilding Center, Wacky Willy's and Free Geek.

One part Iron Chef and one part Junk Yard Wars., each team will receive boxes of similar materials and race against the clock to create their masterpiece! A theme for the sculptures will be announced when the competition begins, and in the end, a panel of celebrity judges will critique the final pieces. Teams are encouraged to wear costumes, bring fans, supporters and cheerleaders for encouragement!

The event is timed and monitored by a raucous team of referees who will throw yellow flags while handing out bonus points and demerits. Scrappy Family Friendly carnival games, live music and loud-mouthed emcees will entertain the crowd throughout the competition.

Information about team registration and rules can be found at www.scrapaction.org/iron.html.

Questions can be directed to ironartist@scrapaction.org.

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