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Save the Date



Wednesday March 21, 2012 Green Business Seminar - emphasis on restaurants



One-Day Collection Household Hazardous Waste in Wilmington March 31



EARTH HOUR March 31, 2012 8:30pm - 9:30pm

Featured Recyclable

When does \$15 = \$8,000?

When a business attends the <u>Make More</u> <u>Green Business Seminar</u> and implements some of the tips they hear. Fast-paced, informative speakers offer information on:

- How to be more energy efficient
- How to receive Nicor and ComEd Rebates
- How to get loans easier
- How to have an Energy Audit for FREE

PLUS-all businesses are able to recycle ELECTRONICS for FREE at JJC, during the event. <u>Wednesday, March 21, 2012</u> in the T-Building at Joliet Junior College from 7:30am-Noon. (\$20 at the door)

Household Hazardous Waste & Motor Oil Collection Events paired with Electronics



Will County residents are welcome to bring

unwanted household chemicals such as oil-based paint, stains and varnishes, along with oil, antifreeze, old gasoline, brake fluid, pesticides, fertilizers, cleaning products, mercury and most mercury containing items, pool chemicals, rechargeable batteries, lead-acid batteries, compact fluorescent lights (CFLs), aerosol products, lawn chemicals and more to one of the three upcoming Spring One-Day Household Hazardous Waste and Motor Oil Collection Events. (all events are FREE of charge and run 8:00am - 3:00pm)

- Saturday, March 31st in Wilmington (Wilmington City Hall)
- Saturday, April 14th in Romeoville (Spartan Sq Parking Lot)
- Saturday, May 19th in Joliet (Joliet Junior College)

All events will include ELECTRONIC recycling which accepts Personal Computers (PCs, laptops, tablets, notebooks,), Monitors Printers (laser, ink jet, dot matrix), Televisions, Keyboards, Electronic Mice, Modems, Hard Drives, CD ROM/Zip/Tape Drives, VCR, DVD, Laser Disc Players, Copy/Fax/Scanner Machines, Palm Organizers, Hand Held Games, Video Game Players, Digital Converter Boxes,





Aluminum Foil

Evervone knows about aluminum can recycling but many people forget they can recycle foil used in the kitchen or wrapped around candy. If you use it for cooking, consider reusing it (it may need wiped off) but it can always be recycled. Foil cooking pans may also be placed in the recycling bin or at the drop-off. Rinsing is great but washing is optional, as all aluminum is melted in an extremely hot furnace.

The Hershey Company in the USA produces about 20,000,000 kisses each day using 133 square miles of aluminum to wrap them. These may easily be recycled instead of landfilled.

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Cable/Satellite Receivers, Covered Electronic Devices, Microwaves and much more.

Turn Your Lights Off for One Hour

Be part of Earth Hour, March 31 The last Saturday of March, 8:30pm to 9:30pm has been recognized as Earth Hour since 2007 when 2.2 million residents of Sydney, Australia participated by turning off all non-essential lights. The event went global as a way for homes and businesses to raise awareness of the amount of energy we use. Earth Hour 2012



Harrah's in Joliet during Earth Hour 2011

will take place on March 31, 2012 from 8:30p.m. to 9:30p.m., at each participant's local time.



Green Business Star recognizes: Portiuncula Center for Prayer

This unique area in Frankfort consists of over 33,000 square ft under roof where employees have formed a Green Team, identifying and implementing energy savings while recycling. The waste generated is low from this prayer and relaxation center. Visit their <u>website</u> to learn more about them.

Ordinance Project Progress!

In January, the Ordinance Review Subcommittee and the Will County Land Use Department conducted two public workshops on the zoning ordinance consolidated public review draft. As part of the process, Will County released an easy to use web-based commenting tool to encourage greater public participation. This tool is meant to supplement other means of providing comment on



draft documents and offer greater transparency in the process. The next step in the project will be the release of a zoning ordinance public hearing draft in April 2012, followed by public hearings. The web-based commenting tool will also be utilized to obtain comments on the public hearing draft. Questions? Please contact David Dubois at info@renewingwillcounty.com.

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