



### Save the Date



Three-Day Book ReUse & Recycling Event with Document Destruction at Pilcher Park 2501 Highland Park Dr Joliet Fri, Sat, Sunday June 7,8,9 9am-4pm



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One-Day



Book Reuse & Recycling | June 7,8,9 9:00-4:00 | Pilcher Park in Joliet

## Book ReUse & Document Shredding!

Friday, Saturday, Sunday - June 7-9 - 9am to 4pm  
Pilcher Park, 2501 Highland Park Dr, Joliet, IL, 60432

Since 1999, Will County has offered an annual Book Collection Event where people may bring unwanted soft and hard cover books to be placed on tables for others to take. Everyone is welcome to take books for FREE. All materials remaining are recycled.

For the past few years, this event has expanded to include document destruction services. Residents place sensitive paperwork in a sealed container to be shredded by a company offsite and recycled. Please tell or email your friends, there is certain to be something for everyone at the Annual Book Reuse and Recycling Event.

## Green Payroll!

Save trips to the bank, gain access to your funds quickly, from nearly anywhere by utilizing direct deposit. Many financial institutions offer electronic payments, which further reduce paper, ink, transportation costs and environmental impacts. Will County has offered direct deposit to employees for years but recently offered electronic paystubs. The Resource Recovery and Energy division of the Land Use Department was the first with 100% enrollment in the program. This reduces costs for printing pay stubs, putting them in envelopes and delivering them to all the employees. Encourage it as an option at your work place!



## Be Recognized as a Green Business

Household  
Hazardous Waste  
and  
Electronic  
Collection  
at Lockport  
Township High  
School  
East Campus  
1333 E. Seventh St  
Lockport  
Saturday June 22  
8:00am -3:00pm



### Featured Green Tip



### Green Grilling

Ever taste lighter fluid when eating something cooked on a charcoal grill? Ever worry about the kids playing with the flammable liquid? Here's a way to eliminate these issues and save money!

Enjoy this summer season and never buy starter fluid again

If your business or employer has recycling, changed from T-12 fluorescent lights to T-8 or T-5, installed LED lights for Exit signs, planted a rain garden, native grasses or installed low-flow toilets; they should sign up for the Will County Green Business Recognition. The more you do to conserve energy, water and resources the better, but we want to hear from everyone that is trying to be more green. The full application is on the website at [http://www.willcountygreen.com/business/business\\_star\\_recognition\\_program.aspx](http://www.willcountygreen.com/business/business_star_recognition_program.aspx)

**MEMBER**  
Will County Green Business Program



Will County has joined the Better Building Challenge through the Department of Energy and committed to reducing energy use in several of our buildings by 20% by 2020. We are already down 13% by installing energy efficient windows, reducing energy use in lights inside and outside the buildings, installing a revolving door to reduce heat or cooling loss, adding insulation and reflection to building roofs and even installing a green roof. Most of these improvements pay for themselves in less than three years and can be done as part of normal building maintenance. Consider investing in your business efficiency!

## Energy Sources

Will County is unique in many ways, but one of the most amazing things about our area is the array of energy sources we utilize. In Will County, we have coal burning power plants, nuclear power, natural gas power, petroleum power, a landfill that creates energy from its methane gas, as well as homes and buildings with solar and wind turbines that place excess power on the grid.



Energy demands are expected to increase in the future throughout the United States and across the globe. How to meet the energy demand is a complex issue with a variety of power sources, pollution issues, resource concerns and placement of facilities near residents.

A movie on this topic was created by Arcos Films that takes its audience around the world to see the best and most efficient power production technology, offer insights into its longevity, cost and impact. The movie called, SWITCH, is offered for public viewing, school use and education through the Switch Energy Project. For more information visit [www.switchenergyproject.com](http://www.switchenergyproject.com)

once you begin using a charcoal chimney. This metal cylinder easily lights your charcoal without fossil fuels. Simply place a few rolled up sheets of newspaper in the bottom, pile your charcoal on top and light with a match.



After a few minutes (usually less time than traditional methods) the charcoal is hot and ready to be poured into the grill. Now you may cook without the chance of fluid odors ruining your food or any chance of an accidental spill or high flame from lighter fluid.

Using a charcoal chimney saves time and money while increasing safety. It's a winning grill season for all!



## Household Hazardous Waste & Motor Oil

*Saturday, June 22, 8am-3pm, Lockport*

*Every weekend, 9am-2pm in Naperville*

If your home chemicals were damaged by recent floods, you are moving or simply don't want these items any longer, please bring them to a collection event. The county offers one-day events and sponsors a permanent site open every Saturday and Sunday in Naperville. These events accept:

\* Oil-Based Paints and Stains, Spray Paint, Aerosol Paints \* Paint Thinners  
\* Solvents \* Drain Cleaners \* Old/Unwanted Medication \* Cleaning Products \* Rechargeable Batteries, Automotive/ Boat Batteries \* Mercury & mercury items \* Pesticides \* Lawn & Garden chemicals and fertilizers \* Motor Oil, Used Oil Filters, Old Gasoline, Antifreeze, All Automotive Fluids \* Fluorescent Bulbs, Compact Fluorescent Bulbs (CFLs) \* Pool Chemicals \* Driveway Sealer

## Electronics Recycling

*Saturday, June 22, 8am-3pm, Lockport*

*Every week, drop-off & front-door service*

Everyone has a device that can be recycled. If you are wondering which gadgets in your home can be recycled, check out the list:



- Personal Computers (PCs), Laptops, Monitors, Keyboards, Electronic Mice, Modems, Hard Drives, CD ROM/Zip/Tape Drives, Cords, Cables, USBs, Power Strips, USP (Battery Backups), CDs, DVDs, VHS Tapes, Floppies, any computer related items
- Printers (laser, ink jet, dot matrix, etc.), Copier, Fax, Scanners
- Televisions, VCRs, DVD Players, Laser Disc Players, Blue Rays, Cable and Satellite Receivers, Digital Converter Boxes, Remote Control Devices, Radios, MP3 players, Two-way Radios, Speakers, Stereo Systems



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- Telephones, Cell Phones, Pagers, Answering Machines, Handheld Devices (palm organizers, games, joysticks, game control devices)
- Cameras, Video Equipment, Projectors
- Microwaves, Digital Clocks, Coffee Makers (no glass), Blenders (no glass), Bread Makers, Fryers, Food Sealing Equipment, Electric Knives, Massagers, Toaster Ovens
- Hair Dryers, Curling or Straightening Irons, Electric Tooth Brushes, Shaving Equipment
- Vacuum Cleaners (no bags), Carpet Sweepers
- Fans, Heaters
- String Lights
- Metal Tools (drills, screwdrivers, saws, sanders, etc.)
- Calculators, Adding Machines, Typewriters, Word Processors, Postage Machines, Paper Shredders

Will County contracts with Vintage Tech Recycling and partners with townships, municipalities and park districts to offer a network of drop-off locations. Vintage Tech also offers free front-door collection services if you have a large item. For details, hours of drop-off locations or arrangements for front-door service, please visit <http://www.willcountygreen.com/greenguide/electronic.aspx>

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