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2013 Green Award Winners



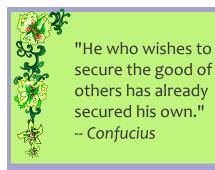
2013 Green Awards brought in another slate of top-notch leaders in sustainability and a new award category: Sustainable Product/Service. Each one of the nominees was deserving of an award, making for a tough time judging. Now presenting the eight winners that made it to the top...



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Green Awards....



SAIF Corporation
Sustainable
Large Business of the Year



Chemeketa Community College
Health Science Complex
Green Building of the Year



Barnwood NaturalsSustainable Product of the Year



Willamette Valley Fruit Company

EarthWISE Business of the Year

Salem HarvestSustainable Service of the Year

Earth Day Poster Contest Winner

Congratulations to Heidie Ambrose, Silverton High School Senior and Winner of the Earth Day Fair Poster art contest. Her work

will be featured in advertisements for the Earth Day Fair as well as on the poster. Heidi won a \$100 Fred Meyer gift card.

Facebook followers can view more of Heidi's artwork at her page - Heidie Ambrose Studio Art.



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Garten Services will be opening a reuse store on Friday April 5th at their location at 3334 Industrial Way N.E. in Salem. The store will be open Fridays from 11 a.m. - 3 p.m. and will sell refurbished electronics and other unique used items. Check it out!



Master Recycler Call to Serve

March 25, 29 or- June 17th & beyond

Crayon Recycling &/or Papermaking

A Master Recycler is needed to do a crayon &/or paper making activity with a group of elementary aged kids in Mt. Angel. If you can help with this, please contact Nan Helmig (nanhelmig@aol.com -or- 503-634-2760). When you have settled on a date, please contact Bailey (bpayne@co.marion.or.us -or-503-588-5169 x5991).

Saturday April 20 2013 Earth Day Celebration

Oregon Garden, Silverton

Six volunteers needed for each shift:

10:00 a.m. -1:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Come join in on all the fun at THE environmental event of the year at one of Marion County's most beautiful attractions. We are celebrating Earth Day, Every Day this year with presentations, demonstrations, music, food, and fun.... oh yeah, there's a garden to walk around in, too. Volunteers will staff our display &/or help with some of our hands-on activities, and more. Contact Alan Pennington 503-365-3188 or apennington@co.marion.or.us.

Tuesday, April 23

Auburn Elementary Family Nature Night

1 volunteer needed from 5:30 - 7:30 p.m.

Environmental Services joins up with Straub Environmental Learning Center to offer up a waste reduction activity to students & their families at Auburn Elementary. It's a fun evening with lots of educational groups taking part. Interested? For more info contact Alan Pennington 503-365-3188 or apennington@co.marion.or.us.

Tuesday April 23 or Wednesday April 24

Montessori School in Salem

A Master Recycler is needed to do the recycling sorting game with 40 preschool aged kids. This 20-30 minute activity is meant to teach the children what things can be recycled at the curb, what can be composted, what should be thrown away (or not used in the first place) and what kinds of things need to be taken to a recycling depot. If you can do this, please contact Tiffany Parker (salemlfm@hotmail.com -or- 503-391-7441) to arrange the day and time. Once you've made arrangements, please contact Bailey (bpayne@co.marion.or.us -or- 503-588-5169 x5991) so that he can arrange to give you the sorting kit & give you some tips on how to do it.

Thursday, April 25

Chemeketa Community College's annual Earth Day Event

1 volunteer needed for each shift:

10:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m. 12:00 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Chemeketa hosts an annual Earth Day Event that will take place at Chemeketa Community College's Salem Campus on Lancaster Ave. We'll be helping the students learn about waste reduction options in our usual fun and happy way. Interested? The weather is going to be great! For more info contact Alan Pennington 503-365-3188 or apennington@co.marion.or.us.

Saturday, May 4

Discount Composter Sale

Fresh Start Market, 3020 Center St. (One location only)

2 volunteers needed for each shift:

8:00 a.m. -11:00 a.m. 10:45 a.m. - 1:45 p.m. 1:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Help is needed to receive loading tickets, help load composters into customers' vehicles and explain the basics of composting (the composters also come with how-to booklets). Always a fun a festive time and the Fresh Start Markets' annual plant sale will be in full swing as well! Contact Beth Myers-Shenai at 503-588-5169 x5920 or smyersshenai@co.marion.or.us



Master Recycler Call to Serve

Saturday, May 4

7th Annual Jefferson Festival of Flowers

2 volunteers needed for each shift:

9:00 a.m. - 12:30 p.m.

12:30 p.m. - 4:00 p.m.

Join the Friends of the Jefferson Library for their 7th Annual Flowers Event. Environmental Services will be hosting a booth that offers composting information (among other things!) and an opportunity to win a free composter.

Come on down. When's that last time you were in Jefferson?

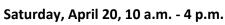
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Saturday, March 23rd, 1 p.m. - 3:00 p.m.

Six Week Permaculture Series – series continues through April 20 Straub Environmental Learning Center, 1320 A St. NE

This 6- week hands-on workshop will explore many principles and applications of Permaculture. The classes are \$5 each or \$25 for the series. Registration is encouraged, but not required. To register email: kendyrad@gmail.com. This week, Karl

Mohr will discuss "Water Use: Efficacy, Efficiency & Ecology of the Home and Plant Propagation."



Earth Day Fair

Oregon Garden, Silverton

Join Marion County Environmental Services for fun activities, presentations, exhibits, music, food and more! Garden Admission is free this one day of the year only. On site parking is \$5.00 or park & shuttle free from First Baptist Church or the gravel lot north of Roth's, both in Silverton. See page 3 for details!

Saturday, April 20 11 a.m. - 3 p.m.

Free Shred Day & Electronics Collection Sponsored by Garten Services Lancaster Mall Parking Area (between Best Buy & Macy's), Salem

Drop off up to two boxes of personal papers for confidential shredding by Garten Services. Bring your old household electronics for free recycling: TVs, telephones, computers, printers, scanners, AV/sound equipment, cables & peripherals. NOTE: No appliances will be accepted (i.e., refrigerators, stoves, air conditioners, microwaves).

Saturday, April 20, 9 a.m. - 1 p.m.

SOLV Mill Creek Clean Up Project

Meeting spot TBA

Mill Creek is located in NE Salem, running from about 24th and State Street to the mouth where it joins the Willamette at Front Street. We will need volunteers all along the route of the creek, and will try to coordinate groups if they log on through the Facebook page. Thanks for caring about our local waterway! Register online at www.solv.org or call 1-800-333-7658 x332.

Saturday, April 27 10 a.m. - 2 p.m.

Medication Collection Event

Hubbard - Keizer - Salem - Stayton - Turner

Bring unwanted medications to multiple locations around Marion County. No sharps or other biological waste please! Visit www.drxugsafe.org for location details and what is okay to bring.



The Back Page

Post Green Awards Creative Reuse:



Self proclaimed DIY Studio
"craftologists" Carlee Wright & Master
Recycler Jessica Ramey were pondering
what do with their auction paddles
after the Mid-Valley Green Awards,
which also included fundraising
activities for the Friends of Straub
Environmental Learning Center.

Voilà! Fun and funky masks for their next masquerade ball (maybe the theme for the next Green Awards?) or anytime they feel the need for a larger-than-life smile.

Editors Note: The paddles can also be reused for later events so if you attend next year and aren't feeling so crafty you can look for collection baskets.

Photo Credit: DIYStudio.net



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