

# THE RECYCLER

Home Edition Winter 2007

## Electronic Waste Collection Event

**S**outh San Francisco Community Preservation Task Force (CPTF) and Electronic Waste Management are co-sponsoring an electronic waste collection event for businesses and residents of South San Francisco. Take advantage of this special event to unload your old televisions, computers and other electronics at no charge.



### When:

Friday, February 9<sup>th</sup> from  
12:00 pm to 5:00 pm

Saturday, February 10<sup>th</sup> from  
9:00 am to 3:00 pm

### Where:

SSF Fire Department, Station 61  
480 North Canal Street  
Please enter at the East gate

*Drop off is FREE , No Limit*

## Electronic Items Accepted

Televisions, monitors, computers & components, printers, VCR & DVD players, stereo equipment, audio/visual equipment, video & digital cameras, palm pilots, video game systems, MP3 players, telephones, cell phones, copy machines, fax machines, toner cartridges and power cables.

**For more information: [www.noewaste.com](http://www.noewaste.com)  
or call toll free 1.866.335.3373**

## How to Dispose of Used Needles & Syringes Safely

**C**urrently San Mateo County residents are allowed to dispose of used needles, syringes and lancets in the garbage provided they are contained inside a sealed puncture-resistant, leak-proof container. Sharps Disposal

Containers are available for purchase at most pharmacies. If you use any other type of container such as a coffee can or plastic detergent bottle, please label the container and put tape around the lid.



## Announcing 5th Annual Backyard Composting Workshop

*Sponsored by South San Francisco  
Scavenger Company and San Mateo County  
RecycleWorks Program*

**Saturday, March 31, 2007  
10:00 am to 12:00 pm**

**South San Francisco Scavenger Co.  
500 East Jamie Court  
(East Grand/Haskins Way)**

**Please call to reserve a space  
650.589.4020**

## Backyard Composting

**C**omposting yard waste and fruit and vegetable scraps is the best way to enrich your garden soil, improve water retention and reduce the need for pesticides. Compost amends both sandy and clay soils and saves money by avoiding the cost of buying soil conditioners. Come and learn about backyard composting from a master composter on Saturday, March 31, from 10:00 am to 12:00 pm. Workshop attendees will be eligible for a drawing to win a compost bin! Residents of San Mateo County may order compost bins and worm bins at a discount through San Mateo County RecycleWorks Program. For more information call 1.888.442.2666 or go online at [www.RecycleWorks.org](http://www.RecycleWorks.org).



## Stop Junk Mail-Here's How

Bay Area Recycling Outreach Coalition (BayRoc) is targeting junk mail again this year for their annual waste reduction campaign. Junk mail is a huge waste of natural resources and your time. You can recycle junk mail, but it is even better to stop getting it.

The average American home receives 1.5 trees in their mailbox in the form of unsolicited mail every year. That adds up to over 100 million trees cut down and over 28 billion gallons of water consumed to produce one year's worth of this country's junk mail.

**Request a Free Stop Junk Mail Kit: Online at [www.RecycleWorks.org](http://www.RecycleWorks.org)**

**Or Call, toll free, 1.888.442.2666**

### City of Millbrae Recycling & Waste Prevention Program Workshops

**E**veryone is welcome to attend! To sign-up or for more information, please call 650.259.2444.

Learn to grow wholesome vegetables and beautiful flowers without using polluting pesticides and herbicides. Create a healthy home environment free of chemicals.

*The February and May workshops will be held from 9:30 am -11:30 am at the Millbrae Library, 1 Library Avenue*

#### **February 24 Starting a Spring Organic Garden**

From planting bed preparation to starting seedlings, this will cover the most important tasks of starting a spring vegetable garden.

#### **May 12 Summer Organic Gardening for Food & Beauty**

Learn the latest organic gardening tips for planting a plentiful and delicious summer vegetable garden.

*The June workshop will be held from 7:00 pm - 9:00 pm at the Chetcuti Community Room, 450 Poplar Avenue*

#### **June 13 Organic Gardening in Containers for Patios, Decks and Raised Beds**

The specifics of choosing appropriate containers and planting them for growing organic food or flowers will be covered along with healthier environmental tips on making and planting raised beds in your garden.

## City of Millbrae's free Water-Wise Landscape workshops

Learn how to create a water-wise garden or how to re-design an existing garden, how to improve or install water-wise irrigation, and what native plants to use. Reservations required; please call the Water Resources & Conservation Program at 650.259.2348 to reserve your seat. *All workshops will be held at the Millbrae Library Community Room, 1 Library Lane, Millbrae.*

**Water-Wise Landscape Design**  
Saturday, February 10, 2007  
9:00 am -11:30 am

**Landscaping with Native Plants**  
Sunday, March 4, 2007  
1:00 pm - 4:00 pm

**Water-Wise Irrigation**  
Saturday, March 31, 2007  
9:00 am - 12:00 pm

## Resources Information

### **Blue Line Transfer, Inc.**

500 East Jamie Court  
South San Francisco

### **FREE drop off for San Mateo Residents**

- Car batteries
- Household batteries
- Used motor oil and filters
- Latex paint
- Antifreeze
- Fluorescent tubes & bulbs

### **San Mateo County**

#### **Household Hazardous Waste Program**

Drop off Events - by appointment only

650.363.4718 or register online at [www.smhealth.org/hhw](http://www.smhealth.org/hhw)



### **RecycleWorks Program**

Information on reuse, recycling and composting

Discount compost bins

1.888.442.2666

[www.recycleworks.org](http://www.recycleworks.org)

### **City of Millbrae**

#### **Recycling & Waste Prevention Program**

Information, compost and organic gardening workshops

650.259.2444

[www.ci.millbrae.ca.us](http://www.ci.millbrae.ca.us)



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