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LOREN'S RECYCLING EFFORTS CONTINUE TO GROW

Loren's Sanitation's recycling programs continue to evolve and improve in 2012. Our commercial customers received new cardboard containers this year. The bright red containers drain excess moisture more easily during the rainy season, and also allow the drivers to see any contamination before dumping into the truck. We can now deliver a better product to the recycling facility. Some businesses were able to consolidate multiple day pickups into once a week with larger cardboard containers, which increases efficiency and

makes for a smaller carbon footprint.

Rural Marion County customers were able to start recycling at their residences and businesses last year, and it has proved to be very successful. Prior to then, recyclers had to haul it themselves to the depot located behind Loren's office on Chemawa Road, or other recycling depots in the County.

Call us for information on how to improve your residential or business recycling at 503-393-2262.

LOREN'S RECYCLING EFFORTS

1. Trucks run on 5% bio-diesel fuel
2. The office has applied for Marion County Earthwise Certification
3. Two staff members are Master Recyclers
4. Recycle office paper, cardboard, cans, glass, batteries, toner, and printer cartridges, and 1-7 plastic containers
5. Purchased recycled copy and printer paper envelopes
6. Purchased paper towels and toilet paper made from recycled materials
7. Conserve energy by "sleeping" computers and screens when not in use during the day and turn them off at night
8. Turn out lights in rooms no one is using
9. Furnace runs on programmable thermostat
10. Use "Energy Star" appliances and office machines

NEW EMPLOYEE DOES A LOT OF EVERYTHING FOR LOREN'S

Forrest Cary is the newest (and youngest) employee at Loren's Sanitation. Hired in February 2012, he is the utility man: drives the glass recycling route; delivers carts and containers; and works in the shop doing welding fabricating, and painting. Forrest's interest in working for a recycling-related company came from his mom, Kelly Vary, who is the recycling coordinator for the Salem Keizer School District.

He enjoys doing mechanical work on his Honda; spending time with his girlfriend, Angee; two cats Thurston and Stanly; and snowboarding and hunting when he can. He was an avid BMX bike rider until he got his first car. He graduated McNary High School in 2010.



LOREN'S AT WORK IN THE COMMUNITY: 2012

McNary High School \$1,000 -Environmental Scholarship Graduation Party Concession Stand McNary Athletes

City of Keizer Donate Services to City Parks Road Kill Patrol

Marion-Polk Food Share Oregon Green Schools

Keizer Elementary School Boy Scouts - Troop #7 Keizer Young Life Keizer Rotary Keizer Chamber of Commerce Corporate Sponsor, Iris Festival Keizer Little League Keizer Soccer Clubs Keizer Crime Prevention American Cancer Society Western Antique Powerland Keizer Riverfaire Festival

NEW CREDIT CARD OPTIONS AT LOREN'S SANITATION

We're pleased to be offering recurring payments with a credit card to those customers who request it. Call our office at 503-393-2262 to enroll. Recurring payments from checking and savings accounts has been available for some time. Paperless billing is available for both of these payment options, so call us if you do not want to receive a statement in the mail. You can view your bill-on-line at any time through our website: www.lorenssanitation.com.

Beginning Dec. 1 for customers who pay on-line through our website, we will have a different company processing credit card payments. You will get a new access code when you receive your next statement. If you want to make a credit card payment before getting your access code, our office can take your payment over the phone, or you can go through your own bank's website.

When making a payment through Loren's website, by recurring credit card or EFT auto pay from a checking or savings account, be assured that the data is encrypted and stored safely at a remote location that meets all the required security standards. None of your credit card or banking information is stored at Loren Sanitation's office or on our computers.

Loren's Sanitation is continually looking for more efficient and "greener" ways to meet our customer's needs.



NO PLASTIC BAGS OR STYROFOAM IN THE BLUE CART, PLEASE!!!



Plastic bags and film plastics are NOT recyclable. Styrofoam is NOT recyclable. Even though they may have the recycling symbol with the number doesn't mean they can be recycled in Marion County. So, what to do with your plastic bags and film plastics? Most major grocery stores will accept them or they can be taken to the Salem Keizer Transfer Station (503-588-5169) on Deer Park Lane. Styrofoam can be recycled at the Fresh Start Market, 3020 Center St. NE.

Loren's recycle drivers often see non-recyclable items sticking out of the blue carts - lawn chairs, wading pools, plastic toys, just to name a few. Recycle carts will not be emptied with those items inside...they need to be in the garbage cart or left at the curb to be picked up as "extras" (for a charge). When you question whether something is recyclable or not, you can refer to the recycling information on our website, www.lorenssanitation.com, or call our office at 503-392-2262, and we'll make sure you have answers.

CLEAN HOUSE WITH OUR 3-YARD TEMPORARY CONTAINER

Keizer residents can clean house with Loren's 3-yard temporary container service! The cost is \$86.00 and the container is available for 7 days including delivery and removal of the full container. There is an additional charge of \$61.00 for each extra dump within the 7 days.

This is for those who don't need a container for a month, or don't have enough to fill the larger and more costly drop boxes. Call us 24 hours in advance to schedule one.



3 CUBIC YARD CONTAINER
6.5' x 3.5' x 4.5'

FOOD SCRAPS AND THE GREEN CART

There is really no food item you can't put in the green cart along with your yard debris: meats, bones, dairy, egg shells, vegetables, and dairy products. Additionally, you can add pizza boxes, coffee grounds, coffee filters, tea bags, paper towels, and napkins.

NOT acceptable are plastic bags, Styrofoam, liquids, grease, oils, utensils, metals, foils, and animal waste.

Please don't put food waste into an empty cart. Mix the food waste with shredded paper if you don't have yard debris to mix with it.



IDEAS FOR A MORE ENERGY-EFFICIENT HOLIDAY SEASON

Marion County's Master Recycler newsletter offers answers for an energy-efficient holiday season

Q: Where can I recycle my holiday tree?

A: There are several options: Trees can be chopped up and put in the green mixed organics cart for no cost.

They can be set out at the curb for Loren's to pick up - \$5 up to 8' and \$1 per foot after that.

You can haul it yourself to the Salem-Keizer Woodburn Transfer Stations for \$5.

Watch the newspaper for other drop off locations, most of which ask for donations.

Q: Which is better for the environment, a real or a fake tree?

A: There's not a crystal clear

answer to this question, most agree that the answer is a real tree. Although fake trees are reusable, most are also made with PVC plastic, and are made in China which involves shipping to the US.

They may also contain lead and other additives common in rigid PVC products. Real trees are a renewable resource, but they often require applications of pesticides to grow healthy trees. The real tipping point is that you support your local farmer because our Christmas trees are grown in Oregon.

Q: Can I recycle gift wrap and holiday cards?

A: Yes! They can be put in your blue mixed recycle cart, no foil, please. Reusable gift bags are a good packaging option, and cards

can be cut up and transformed into gift tags or holiday decorations (good art projects for the kids).

Q: What are the most energy efficient holiday lights?

A: LED lights use 10% of the energy that incandescent bulbs use. They don't get as hot, last longer, and burn brighter. Also, when one burns out, it doesn't take the whole string with it!

LOREN'S DELIVERS FOOD BASKETS TO LOCAL FAMILIES

For the 18th consecutive year, Loren's Sanitation is distributing food baskets to Keizer families in need during the Thanksgiving and Christmas holidays. Recipients are families with students attending Keizer Elementary School.

Loren's Sanitation is concerned with providing Keizer children with healthy meals at a time of the year that is financially difficult for many families. This year the need is especially critical with unemployment rates at record highs.

The Office staff at Loren's assembles and delivers the baskets.

You Got It? We'll Get It!

WE'VE BEEN REMOVING JUNK FOR OVER 53 YEARS...



We remove anything: garbage, appliances, old furniture, tires, yard waste, construction debris.
NO JOB IS TOO BIG OR TOO SMALL!

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