



# TRASH TALK

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## Household Hazardous Waste Event a Success



### Free event collects 35,000 pounds of hazardous waste

A line of cars awaited the *Clean Harbors Environmental Services, Inc.* crew as they opened the Household Hazardous Waste Collection Saturday, July 31st, 2010 at Thompson's Sanitary Service. The free event was brought to the citizens of Lincoln County by the Lincoln County Solid Waste District (LCSWD) and TSS. The event gave residents a chance to drop off their accumulated household hazardous waste at no cost to them. "We had a lot of comments this time



complimenting our efforts on posting the event," Mark Saelens, LCSWD Director stated. "It's nice to see our comprehensive marketing efforts are being effective." Saelens reported that 200 cars were serviced and a total of 35,000 pounds of hazardous waste was collected, a 10,000 pound increase from the last event in Lincoln City.

Some of the hazardous waste items included oil based paint, pesticides, household cleaners,

antifreeze, and many others. Stay tuned for the next event, and until then, safely store your hazardous waste.

## In the Know

### Crayon Recycling

#### Sam Case gets A+ in crayon recycling



NEW CRAYONS MADE FROM THE COLLECTED CRAYONS

At the end of the school year, Sam Case Elementary weighed in with 100 pounds of crayons in their crayon

recycling drop-off bins. Those crayons were sent off to a crayon recycling facility by TSS. Way to go Sam Case!

### Your Service Day

#### Cart at the Curb

This summer we've noticed more carts missing at the curb on their service day. Just a friendly reminder that your residential garbage and recycling carts need to be set out by 6:00am or the night before to be serviced.



Please recycle this newsletter

# Recycling Refresher

Live up to your full recycling potential!

It's always a good idea to revisit the TSS recycling brochure and live up to your full recycling potential. Customers can find the handy list in a printable format on the Thompson's Sanitary Service website, [www.thompsonsanitary.com](http://www.thompsonsanitary.com), under services on the residential recycling page. If you'd like a copy from us, simply call or stop by our office and we'll get one in your hands.

The TSS co-mingled recycling system accepts cardboard, plastic with arrows

#1-7, newspaper, magazines, aluminum and tin, and office paper. Please do not include glass, styrofoam, photos, carbon paper, foil, waxed cardboard, food of gum wrappers, paper towels, diapers, motor oil, scrap metals, paper clips or rubber bands as they are not recyclable or are not accepted at the recycling plant. For glass, we have three drop off sites located in Newport: the Agate Beach Transfer Station, Rogue Ales Brewery parking lot in South Beach, and near the hospital at 610 SW 9th Street.



## PRESCRIPTION DRUG TAKE BACK PROJECT



The Newport Police Department, APARC-Addiction Prevention and Recovery Committee, PAADA-Partnership Against Alcohol and other Drug Abuse and Siletz Tribal Charitable Contribution Fund are sponsoring a pilot project in the Newport Community. The Rx Drug Take Back Project was initiated as a way to provide people with a safe, convenient, and environmentally sound way of getting rid of unwanted or expired medications.

**Prescription Drug Abuse** is the fastest growing and most alarming type of drug abuse, surpassing methamphetamines. It has become a silent epidemic among youth and older adults. The drugs aren't coming from the local pushers; most of these dangerous drugs are coming right out of the family medicine cabinet or from the homes of friends.

Many people are confused about how to properly dispose of unused, unwanted medications. The Rx Drug Take Back project provides a free, safe, confidential and environmentally sound option to ensure that the medications are properly disposed. While its not currently prohibited to dispose of your RX in your normal trash can, this gives you an opportunity to partner with your community in a way that will provide a great impact and awareness, as we work towards making our community safe and drug free.

**So where do you go?** The Newport Police Department is providing maintenance and security for the box which is located in their lobby at City Hall. Anyone can bring their Rx drugs to the Police Department and drop them in the slot between the hours of 9am to 5pm. Please keep in mind that the drop box is free, safe, and confidential. Only a Law Enforcement Agency is authorized by the Federal Government to collect and dispose of unused controlled narcotics. Because of this, the Police Department will be using the same procedure to dispose of the Rx drugs as they do with other evidence they collect in an environmentally safe incinerator.

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