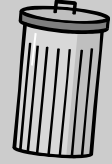




TRASH TALK



Trash Talk serves commercial and residential Thompson's Sanitary Service customers in Newport and the surrounding area. It is published four times a year.

Celebrating the Haul-i-days

At TSS, the holidays we observe are Thanksgiving, Christmas, and New Year's.

THANKSGIVING

Thursday's (Thanksgiving) route will be picked up on Friday, November 28th, which is the day after Thanksgiving. All pick-up days after the holiday will be one day late ending on Saturday.

CHRISTMAS

Thursday's (Christmas) route will be picked up on Friday, December 26th, which is the day after Christmas. All pick-up days after the holiday will be one day late ending on Saturday.

NEW YEAR'S

Thursday's (New Year's) route will be picked up on Friday, December 26th, which is the day after Christmas. All pick-up days after the holiday will be one day late ending on Saturday.



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Making recycling "clean"

In the recycling industry, "clean recycling" is recycling that follows the rules. Those "rules" are the guidelines of what can be recycled and how it's recycled that TSS and other haulers print in recycling guides for our customers.

Recently, Thompson's Sanitary heard concerns from some of its customers last month when *The Oregonian* published an article

referencing co-mingled recycling. The paper reported that some recycling is actually ending up as garbage in the landfill. It also reported that the bin system is a

"cleaner" recycling system. "While the article is accurate, a closer look reveals why the co-mingle roll cart system is better" says Rob Thompson. "We track recycling volumes with great care and the roll cart more than doubled the recycling collected from our customers as opposed to the old bin separated system."

While contamination might be higher in a cart system; it is by far outweighed by the increase in volume. Once co-mingled recyclables are collected here locally, Thompson's hauls them to a sorting facility where they are sorted and sent to the proper recycling facilities. (See photo in article of

the sorting facility TSS hauls to.)

Many factors contribute to a small amount of material being thrown away at the plant. The first factor is the item placed in the cart by the customer is actually garbage. Another factor is the item is recyclable but not in the current system. For example plastic bags clog and disable the plant's disc sorters. Because those items get stuck, the plant has to shut

down to fix the discs resulting in hours of inefficiency and catch-up.

The sheer volume of recycling has dramatically increased in Oregon in the last couple of years due to co-mingled recycling. The recycling plants are hav-



ing to accommodate and keep up with this high volume.

As recycling haulers, Thompson's sees this as a great opportunity to educate the customer base to try and avoid recyclables occupying landfill space. "The cart system is easy, which results in more participation and volume diverted from the landfill," says Thompson, "along with the added benefit that it's a safer collection system for our employees." In the end, it's everyone's responsibility to keep the recycling stream clean, so please join us by reviewing the recycling guide and applying to your home or office recycling. See "Clean Recycling Tips" on the reverse side of this newsletter.

This newsletter published by Aimee Thompson. If you have questions, ideas, or comments regarding this newsletter, please email aimee@thompsonsanitary.com or call (541) 265-7249.

Encourage Recycling

Have you introduced your kids to “Big Blue”? That’s what we call him around our house. Teach your kids how to recycle by telling them what “Big Blue” likes to eat (cardboard, plastics, etc). It’s never to early to make



**Feed
“Big Blue”**

**recycling
a habit.**

If you need a reminder of what can be recycled, please call or stop by our office for free brochures and kids packets or simply visit our website and click on the printable recycling guide (also available en Español). *Reminder: please use common safety sense when recycling*

Sign up for EasyPay *go paperless*

What is EasyPay?

EasyPay is a service that allows you to pay your garbage bill automatically using your checking account. It is a safe, reliable way to pay your bill and eliminate the hassle of writing checks, buying stamps, and envelopes and sending payments through the mail.

How does TSS EasyPay work?

The amount of your bill will automatically be paid for you from your checking account. Each transaction will appear on your bank statement. If you would like an electronic copy of your TSS statement, you will need to include your email address on the enrollment form.

**Sign up now and get
a free Thompson's
Sanitary reusable
grocery tote!**



Thompson's Sanitary Service provides Garbage/Recycling both Residential and Commercial, Drop Box, Bulky Item Pickup, Medical Waste, Shredding Service, Water Delivery, and Top Soil Delivery

CALENDAR

November 7 & 8, 2008 ; 9am-noon

Residential Wood and Yard Waste Program@ Skelton Rd. across Butler Bridge Rd. in Toledo. Please remember no treated lumber is accepted and a limited amount of painted wood will be accepted.



November 27, 2008

Thanksgiving Holiday, no service that day. See Haul-i-day schedule on the reverse side of newsletter.

December 4, 5:00-7:30pm

Holiday Bazaar at Yaquina View Elementary School.

December 5 & 6, 2008; 9am-noon

Residential Wood and Yard Waste Program@ Skelton Rd. across Butler Bridge Rd. in Toledo.

December 25, 2008

Christmas Holiday, no service that day. See Haul-i-day schedule on reverse side of newsletter.



December 26-January 3, 2009

Christmas Tree Recycling. Simply bring your tree to the Agate Beach Transfer Station to be recycled for free. If you would like us to pick it up curbside on your service day, a \$5 fee will be associated.

January 1, 2009

New Year's Holiday, no service that day. See Haul-i-day schedule on riverside side of newsletter.

January 2 & 3, 2009; 9am-noon

Residential Wood and Yard Waste Program@ Skelton Rd. across Butler Bridge Rd. in Toledo.

“Clean” Recycling Tips:

- ◆ **Follow the TSS Recycling Guide:** Cardboard (no waxed cardboard), Plastics #1-7 (No Styrofoam), Tin/Aluminum, Newspaper/Magazines, and Office Paper
- ◆ **NO PLASTIC BAGS**—you can recycle them by dropping them off at the Agate Beach Recycling Center and many local grocery stores
- ◆ **NO PLASTIC BOTTLE CAPS**—They are the wrong type of plastic to make another jug out of.
- ◆ **NO GLASS IN CART** — **ONLY** at designated drop off sites throughout Newport.