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## Keep your personal information private!

### Mobile Paper Shredding Program Available

Do you have old tax documents, bank statements, and other papers with confidential personal information? Have you been wondering how to get rid of them safely and avoid identity theft? Privacy experts recommend that individuals shred confidential documents. However, you may not have a paper shredder or you may have too much paper for the shredder you have. To assist residents, the BCUA has implemented a Mobile Paper Shredding Program.

As part of this program, residents will be able to deliver their confidential paper documents to various locations throughout Bergen County. Residents will be able to observe their documents being shredded on-site. Acceptable documents are limited to confidential and sensitive materials only. Non-confidential materials, such as books, magazines, newspapers, etc., should be recycled through your local municipal recycling program and will not be accepted at these events. You do not need to remove paper clips, staples, or paperboard binder cov-

ers. In order to accommodate all residents who wish to participate, there is a limit of four bags or boxes of documents, with each bag or box weighing no more than 10 pounds.

The BCUA will host the following one-day mobile shredder events between the hours of 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., rain or shine:

- Saturday, August 20, Bergen County Community Services Building, 27 East Ridgewood Ave., Paramus
- Saturday, November 5, Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation, 200 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah

Many municipalities are also hosting shredding events sponsored by the BCUA. Check with your local municipal recycling coordinator (see back page for listing) for a schedule.

For more information about future events or for directions, call the BCUA Environmental Programs Hotline at 201-807-5825 or visit [www.bcua.org](http://www.bcua.org).

## Safe disposal for household hazardous waste

Last year, the BCUA held eight household hazardous waste management events at three different locations throughout Bergen County. A total of 11,941 Bergen County households took advantage of these events to safely dispose of 864,199 pounds of unwanted hazardous waste materials. The amount of hazardous materials delivered averaged slightly over 80 pounds per vehicle. These events continue to be the most successful one-day events in the State of New Jersey.

The BCUA is continuing the household hazardous waste management and disposal program this year. All collections are free, but open to Bergen County residents only. (Proof of residency is required.) All events are held from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m., rain or shine. Again this year, the BCUA is offering eight events, some of which have already taken place. The remaining events for 2011 are:

- Saturday, September 10, Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation, 200 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah
- Sunday, October 16, Bergen Community College, 400 Paramus Rd., Paramus
- Saturday, November 19, Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation, 200 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah

At these household hazardous waste drop-offs, we will accept a wide range of materials used in and around your home, such



as cleaning products and polishes, aerosols, paint and related products, lawn and garden chemicals, pesticides, poisons, automotive fluids, old fuel, and related items. We will also accept rechargeable and button cell batteries. Please note: Alkaline batteries (AA, AAA, C, D, and 9 volt) are no longer being accepted at any household hazardous waste collection events because they are no longer classified as hazardous waste. Alkaline and heavy-duty carbon zinc batteries should be thrown out in the regular garbage.

No computers, electronics, or tires will be accepted at these events.

For a complete list of materials accepted and other details, please call the BCUA Environmental Programs Hotline at 201-807-5825 or visit [www.bcua.org](http://www.bcua.org).

CESQGs must receive prior approval from the BCUA in order to participate. For details about the CESQG program, please contact Richard Baroch, Solid and Special Waste Program Administrator, at 201-807-8696.

### Attention, businesses!

Bergen County businesses that are classified as Conditionally Exempt Small Quantity Generators (CESQGs) may participate in this program for a nominal fee. All interested

## Environmental grants awarded to schools

The BCUA introduced the Environmental Awareness Challenge Grant Program in 2007 to get students excited about recycling and to increase environmental awareness in Bergen County. This program, now in its fourth year, continues to offer educators in all Bergen County public and private schools the opportunity to apply for grants up to \$1,000. Challenge Grant guidelines invite creativity, and 2010's project activities varied widely, from recycling and waste reduction to composting and gardening projects, from outdoor classrooms to energy efficiency, and more.

On September 30, 2010 at a ceremony at Bergen Community College, 59 schools received grants totaling more than \$56,000. Over 150 people, including school administrators, teachers, and students, were in attendance. Grant checks were distributed to the following schools:

- Allendale: Brookside School, Northern Highlands Regional High School
- Alpine: Alpine Public School
- Bergenfield: Roy W. Brown Middle School, Transfiguration Academy
- Bogota: Saint Joseph School
- Carlstadt: Carlstadt Public School
- Elmwood Park: Gilbert Avenue School, Gantner Avenue School
- Emerson: Assumption Academy
- Fair Lawn: Memorial Middle School, Thomas Jefferson Middle School, Warren Point School
- Garfield: Roosevelt School
- Hackensack: Bergen County Academies, Padre Pio Academy
- Hasbrouck Heights: Euclid Elementary School
- Leonia: Leonia High School, Leonia Middle School
- Lodi: Columbus School, Immaculate Con-



ception High School, South Bergen Jointure Commission

- Lyndhurst: Sacred Heart School
- Maywood: Memorial School
- Midland Park: Eastern Christian Elementary School, Highland Elementary School
- Montvale: Fieldstone Middle School, Saint Joseph Regional High School
- New Milford: Berkley Street Elementary School, French Academy of Bergen County
- North Arlington: North Arlington High School, Queen of Peace High School
- Norwood: Holy Family Catholic Academy
- Old Tappan: T. Baldwin Demarest School
- Palisades Park: Notre Dame Interparochial School, Palisades Park Jr./Sr. High School
- Paramus: Ben Porat Yosef, Bergen County Special Services School District – Washington South/Hillcrest Programs, Bergen County Technical High School, Midland Elementary School, Norman A. Blesman School, The Frisch School, Paramus Catholic High School, West Brook Middle School
- Ramsey: Eric Smith Middle School
- Ridgefield: Slocum Skewes School, The Learning Center at Slocum Skewes School
- Ridgefield Park: Ridgefield Park Jr./Sr. High School
- Rutherford: Rutherford High School
- South Hackensack: Memorial School
- Teterboro: Bergen County Technical High School
- Waldwick: Waldwick High School
- Wallington: Jefferson & Gavlak Schools, Most Sacred Heart of Jesus School
- Washington Township: Immaculate Heart Academy
- Woodcliff Lake: Woodcliff Middle School
- Wyckoff: Coolidge Elementary School, Eastern Christian Middle School, Eisenhower Middle School



## Recycle old computers and electronics!

Last year, the BCUA collected 519,310 pounds of computer and electronic equipment for recycling from residents and businesses. Here is what you need to know about recycling your old computers and electronic equipment.

### For Residents

The BCUA operates the Computer and Electronics Recycling Depot for all Bergen County residents. All types of computer and electronic equipment are accepted by appointment only. The Computer and Electronics Recycling Depot is located at the BCUA, Foot of Empire Blvd., and is open Monday through Friday, from 8 a.m. to noon. For more information or to schedule an appointment, please contact the BCUA Environmental Programs Hotline at 201-807-5825.

The BCUA also hosts one-day drop-off events for residents only. (No businesses!) The one-day events are held from 9 a.m. to 2 p.m., rain or shine. No appointment is required at these events. These are the two remaining events in 2011:



- Saturday, August 20, Bergen County Community Services Building, 27 East Ridgewood Ave., Paramus
- Saturday, November 5, Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation, 200 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah

### For Businesses

The Computer and Electronics Recycling Depot accepts equipment from businesses for a nominal fee. Payment must be made by check only and materials must be received by appointment only. Contact the BCUA Environmental Programs Hotline at 201-807-5825 for complete details.



**W**e're going to say the "S" word—school! Yes, you may be enjoying long, lazy days, and it may seem like the new school year is months away, but the school bell will be ringing before you know it. Students will head back to class, backpacks full of school supplies.

Speaking of backpacks, we have a waste-reducing and money-saving idea! Don't buy a new backpack this year! Backpacks are usually made from sturdy canvas with durable zippers and well-sewn pockets. They are meant to last, so why replace them each year?

Pull out last year's backpack, check the zippers and seams, and give it a good cleaning. Take out everything in the backpack. Recycle the papers you don't need and throw away the trash. Use a vacuum on the inside to remove remaining paper debris and lint. Then wipe the backpack clean inside and out with a damp cloth. If the backpack smells musty, add a little baking soda to your rinse water. Leave all of the pockets open and hang it on a chair or hook to dry and air out. If the backpack needed a more thorough washing inside, turn it inside out to dry.

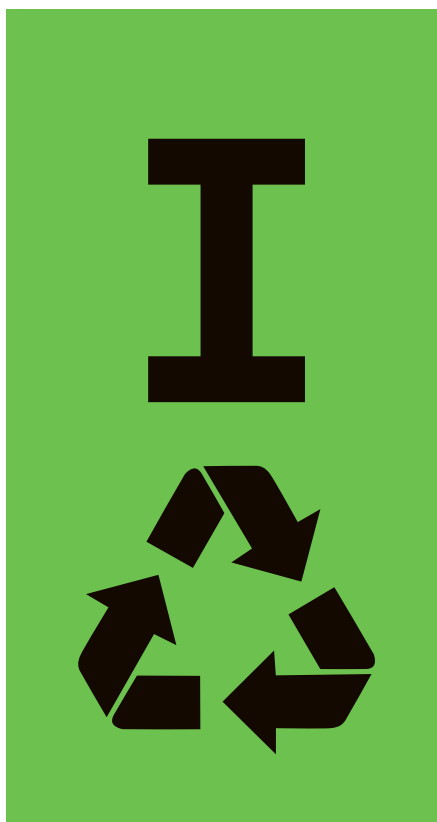
Before you go shopping for school supplies, look through what was left over at the end of the last year. You may find a ruler, notebooks, loose leaf paper, pens, and pencils that either were never used or are still usable. If items are worn out or broken, replace them. If you are out of something, like paper or #2 pencils, buy new ones. When shopping, be sure to look for phrases like "recycled-content" or "post-consumer recycled content," which means the products were made from recyclables!

Each year, an American family with children in grades K-12 spends on average just over \$600 for school clothes, accessories, and supplies. Given that, taking the time to clean last year's backpack and sort last year's school supplies is both a good investment and a good way to reduce your waste. That's a doubly good deal!

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## Recycling in a FLASH

Have you ever seen a recycling flash mob in action? Go to YouTube.com and type "recycling flash mob" in the Search box. You'll have several videos to choose from. Take a few minutes to enjoy them as recyclers take center stage. You'll tap your foot and smile—and you may just dance your way to the recycling bin the next time you recycle!



## FAST FACTS



### More than just stamps

The U.S. Postal Service wants to help you "go green." The Go Green Forever first-class stamps introduced this past spring offer 16 easy and eco-friendly tips for greening your life. From choosing to walk to planting a tree, these stamps are colorful, quick reminders about the small, daily choices that can make a difference for our communities and our planet. When you use them, you'll be spreading the word.

### Tag that bag

Are you tired of trying to spot your black bag in a sea of black suitcases on the airport luggage carousel? Instead of picking up the paper tag at the bag check, get a recycled-content luggage tag that will be easy to spot and encourage others to think about recycling.

These tags are durable, so you won't be scribbling your address at the last minute, either. You can find luggage tags made from old maps, tropical print fabric from old shirts, recycled tire tube rubber, used rice and feed bags, old bicycle chains, and more. Ask about recycled luggage tags at your favorite gift store, look for them at craft fairs, or search online for "recycled luggage tags."



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### Unmentionables

Back in the day, undergarments were often called "unmentionables" in polite company. While most people no longer have trouble saying a word like "bra" in mixed company, we don't talk much about recycling or reusing these garments. And yet, many bras are discarded because they are the wrong size or the wrong fit or the wrong color long before they are worn out. Enter the Bra Recyclers, a textile company that specializes in the recycling and reuse of used and unused bras. They will accept all bras in good condition (with functioning clasps and straps) in all sizes and styles, as well as specialty bras, such as post-surgical and maternity bras. To learn more, visit <http://brarecycling.com>.

# Water-Wise Gardens

Could your landscape use a little sprucing up? If so, plan to make it more lovely and more “water-wise.” Each year, about 30% of the water used by U.S. households is used outdoors, often to maintain landscapes that are poorly adapted to our local climate. A water-wise garden uses rainwater efficiently and minimizes the need for watering. Here are some ideas to get you started:

- Create permeable patio surfaces and walkways. Pavers, stepping stones, crushed rock, and gravel allow water to flow into the soil rather than run off toward the storm drain.
- Harvest rainwater. You can install a rain barrel, which attaches to your gutter and captures runoff from your roof. Rain barrels come with a hose attachment so that you can water directly from the barrel. Or, you could create natural landscape pathways, such as swales and berms, that direct water toward your plants and away from the street and storm drain. Be sure to plan “rain garden” plants in areas that will receive more water during rainstorms.
- Mulch. This is one of the simplest ways to keep moisture near your plants’ roots. A layer of mulch reduces evaporation and keeps the soil cool during the hot summer, as well as discourages weed growth.
- Choose native plants and those appropriate to our region and climate. Native plants are best adapted to our rainfall and weather conditions. They are also better suited to withstand assaults from our native pests!
- Reduce the size of your lawn. No, you don’t need to sell off part of your lot. Just reduce the amount

Photo courtesy of U.S. EPA WaterSense Partnership



of turf-grass in your yard. Grass lawns require a great deal of water, not to mention chemicals and mowing! Use turf-grass only where function demands, such as play areas, and then select only drought-tolerant and native grass species.

- If you have an irrigation or sprinkler system, maintain it properly. Check for leaks, broken sprinklers, and poorly adjusted heads. Water should be falling onto your lawn and gardens, not onto the sidewalks and driveway! Devices that adjust water to match weather and soil conditions and those that automatically shut off the system when it is raining are good additions to an older system and essential features on a new one.

Learn more at [www.epa.gov/watersense](http://www.epa.gov/watersense)

# STAYCATION? VACATION?

So what are your summer plans? Staying near home? Traveling cross-country? Seeing the world? Exploring our state?

If you are planning a “staycation,” try to find activities within walking or biking distance, such as parks, pools, or playgrounds. Fill your own water bottles before you head out for the day. Enjoy dinner with friends on your own patio. Stop by a local farmers market or antique store, and remember to bring along your reusable shopping bags. Pack a picnic with reusable dishes and washable napkins. Don’t forget the fun you can have in your own driveway or backyard by shooting some hoops, tossing the frisbee, or pulling out the croquet set. Sound lame to the kids? Think again! Trying to beat mom or dad is more fun – and often more challenging – than it might seem! Whatever you’re up to, remember to recycle. If you’re out and about and don’t see bins, carry your recyclables home. For some staycation inspiration, check out a copy of *The Circumference of Home: One Man’s Yearlong Quest for a Radically Local Life* by Kurt Hoelting, a fisherman and wilderness guide who



decided to become a tourist in his own community for a year.

Will you be traveling away from home? The Center for Sustainable Tourism, a program of East Carolina University in Greenville, North Carolina, hopes that you and your family will pledge to travel green. You can start by learning about your destination and the stops along the way. The more you know, the more you’ll enjoy your visit. As you travel, try new things, such as local



restaurants and unique foods. To help you have a memorable and eco-friendly trip, the Center, with assistance from MilesMedia, has developed a 10-step “United States Visitor Care Code.” The code encourages you to be a fuel-efficient traveler; take your energy- and water-saving habits with you; support local stores and bring along a reusable bag or buy a new one as a green souvenir; dispose of your recyclables and waste properly; and protect the natural surroundings. Learn more about sustainable travel at [www.visitorcarecode.org](http://www.visitorcarecode.org).



## An Average American

<b>Recycles</b>	<b>Composts</b>	<b>Disposes</b>
398 pounds per year	135 pounds per year	1,051 pounds per year

Source: “Municipal Solid Waste Generation, Recycling, and Disposal in the United States: Facts and Figures for 2009,” U.S. Environmental Protection Agency

# QUOTES REQUOTED

It's the little things citizens do. That's what will make the difference. My little thing is planting trees.

Wangari Maathai, 1940–  
The Green Belt Movement Founder  
2004 Nobel Peace Prize Winner

Since 1977, Green Belt Movement communities have planted over 45 million trees, including more than 3.9 million trees in 2009!

As part of her tree-planting efforts, Maathai also promotes the Mottainai Campaign, encouraging people around the world to live the Five R's: Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Repair, and Respect. (Mottainai is a Japanese word that means, “Oh, what a waste!”)

Photo by Wanjira Mathai and courtesy of The Green Belt Movement





United States Visitor Care Code

**SIZE:** ONE SIZE FITS ALL  
**STYLE:** GREEN  
**MADE FROM:** 25% KNOWLEDGE, 25% RESPONSIBILITY, 50% CARE, 100% GREEN

Developed and managed by the Center for Sustainable Tourism  
[www.sustainabletourism.org](http://www.sustainabletourism.org)

### 10 WAYS TO CARE:

1. **Learn About Your Destination** — Enjoy a rewarding experience by learning more about the natural environment, culture and history that makes every destination unique.
2. **Don't Leave Your Good Habits at Home** — While traveling, continue to recycle, use water wisely, and turn off lights as you would at home.
3. **Be a Fuel-efficient Traveler** — Book direct flights, rent smaller cars and keep your own vehicle operating at maximum efficiency. Once in your destination, walk or bike where possible.
4. **Make Informed Decisions** — Seek out destinations or companies that engage in energy efficiency or recycling programs and that take actions to preserve their communities and the natural environment.
5. **Be a Good Guest** — Remember that you are a guest in your destination. Engage with locals but respect their privacy, traditions and local community.
6. **Support Locals** — As a visitor, the money you spend on your trip can help support the local artisans, farmers and business owners whose livelihood depends on tourism.
7. **Dispose of Your Waste Properly** — Leave a beautiful place for others to enjoy – recycle where possible and always dispose of your waste with care.
8. **Protect Your Natural Surroundings** — Be mindful of the plants, animals and ecosystems that you impact. Avoid feeding wildlife, stay on designated trails and strictly follow all fire restrictions.
9. **Make Your Travel Zero Emissions** — As an additional step, consider the option of purchasing carbon credits to fully offset your travel's impact on climate change.
10. **Bring Your Experiences Home** — Continue practicing your sustainable habits at home and encourage friends and family to travel with the same care.

For more tips and resources on traveling with care – see: [www.visitorcarecode.org](http://www.visitorcarecode.org)

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# what's up?

Composting is a great way to reduce your waste and turn your lawn and garden discards into a useful resource. Each fall and spring, we have a one-day compost bin sale and composting demonstration. We also sell bins throughout the year at the BCUA office, located at the Foot of Empire Blvd., Moonachie. For more information, please contact the BCUA Environmental Programs Hotline at 201-807-5825 or go to [www.bcu.org](http://www.bcu.org).



Last year, the BCUA sold 258 compost bins.



As consumers, your choices matter. To help Bergen County residents understand the environmental consequences of everyday purchasing decisions, we provide "A Green Shopping Guide," an 8-page guide with practical, everyday tips for residents. The goal of this guide is to help you make selections that are good for your wallet, your family, and the environment.

The BCUA also offers an Environmental Shopping presentation which provides simple solutions that will make a big difference, such as buying organic and locally grown products, reducing waste by avoiding over-packaged products, and choosing recyclable packaging, among others.

If you would like a copy of the guide, or if you would like to know more about this program, please contact Angela Bonanno-Lynch at 201-807-5821.

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**We want your suggestions,  
 questions and comments!**

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## What to Recycle in Bergen County

The following materials may be recycled in your community. **Boldfaced** materials are required to be recycled at residences; materials with an asterisk (\*) must be recycled by businesses.

**Aluminum Containers\*** • Antifreeze • Auto Scrap • Car Batteries • Clothing • **Corrugated Cardboard\*** • **Construction & Demolition Debris\*** (Asphalt, Concrete) • **Ferrous Scrap Metals\*** • Food Waste • **Glass Beverage Containers\*** • Grass • High Grade Paper\* • Household Batteries • **Leaves** • **Magazines\*** • **Mixed Paper\*** • Motor Oil • **Newspaper\*** • Non-Ferrous Metals • **Plastic\*** • Roofing Shingles • Tree Stumps and Logs • **Steel Containers** • Tires • **White Goods\*** • Wood Chips, Brush, and Wood Waste

### Municipal Recycling Coordinators

Allendale	201-818-4411	Montvale	201-391-1312
Alpine	201-768-6942	Moonachie	201-641-1813
Bergenfield	201-387-4055, ext. 3	New Milford	201-967-5044
Bogota	201-342-1736, ext. 267	North Arlington	201-955-5665
Carlstadt	201-939-2857	Northvale	201-767-0210
Cliffside Park	201-313-2070	Norwood	201-767-7200
Closter	201-784-0753	Oakland	201-405-7732
Cresskill	201-567-2184	Old Tappan	201-664-4438
Demarest	201-768-6669	Oradell	201-261-8610
Dumont	201-387-5022	Palisades Park	201-585-4133
East Rutherford	201-729-9751, ext. 278	Paramus	201-265-2100, ext. 687
Edgewater	201-943-1700	Park Ridge	201-391-3933
Elmwood Park	201-703-2207	Ramsey	201-825-3400, ext. 229
Emerson	201-262-6086, ext. 9	Ridgefield	201-945-5319
Englewood	201-568-3401	Ridgefield Park	201-440-4860
Englewood Cliffs	201-568-0242	Ridgewood	201-670-5500, ext. 266
Fair Lawn	201-794-5341	River Edge	201-599-6275
Fairview	201-943-3300	River Vale	201-664-2346
Fort Lee	201-592-3635	Rochelle Park	201-587-7752
Franklin Lakes	201-891-4333	Rockleigh	201-768-4217
Garfield	973-546-1429	Rutherford	201-460-3004
Glen Rock	201-670-3990	Saddle Brook	201-587-2903
Hackensack	201-646-3955	Saddle River	201-327-2609
Harrington Park	201-768-0944	South Hackensack	201-440-3283
Hasbrouck Heights	201-288-1072	Teaneck	201-837-4855
Haworth	201-384-1037	Tenafly	201-569-7275
Hillsdale	201-666-4800, ext. 5007	Teterboro	201-288-1202
Ho-Ho-Kus	201-445-8161	Upper Saddle River	201-327-2196
Leonia	201-592-5771	Waldwick	201-652-5300, ext. 4
Little Ferry	201-641-0023	Wallington	973-777-0318
Lodi	973-365-4068	Washington Twp.	201-664-1734
Lyndhurst	201-804-2493	Westwood	201-664-2349
Mahwah	201-529-3344	Woodcliff Lake	201-391-3172
Maywood	201-845-2920	Wood-Ridge	201-939-2438
Midland Park	201-445-5720	Wyckoff	201-891-7000



## Motor oil recycling

Did you know that engine motor oil doesn't wear out? It just gets dirty and needs to be cleaned. When used motor oil is re-refined, it goes through two cleaning processes to remove dirt, water, fuel, and used additives. The resulting base oil is mixed with new additives, and you have new engine oil. See, it is easy!

Now you just need to do your part. When you change your vehicle's oil, drain the used motor oil into a clean container and seal the container well with a lid. Don't pour oil down storm drains or onto the ground where it can work its way through the soil and into our ground and surface waters. A single gallon of used oil can foul 1 million gallons of drinking water—don't let that happen. Recycle now!

- Many municipalities collect motor oil for recycling. For details, contact your municipal recycling coordinator or go to the municipality section of the Bergen County website, [www.co.bergen.nj.us/bcresources/municipalities.html](http://www.co.bergen.nj.us/bcresources/municipalities.html).
- Many service stations that perform oil changes will accept your used motor oil (possibly for a nominal fee). Please call your local service station for guidelines.
- All Jiffy Lube stores will take up to 10 gallons of motor oil at no charge. You must bring the used motor oil in closed containers, during business hours, and take the empty containers away with you.
- All Bridgestone and Firestone Tire and Service Centers will accept up to 2 gallons of motor oil at no charge. You must bring the used motor oil in closed containers, during business hours, and take the empty containers away with you.
- Find a motor oil recycling collection center near your home by calling Earth911 at 1-800-CLEANUP or visiting <http://earth911.com>.

For more information, visit the American Petroleum Institute's website at [www.recycleoil.org](http://www.recycleoil.org).

## Safe disposal for medications and sharps

Old and unused prescription and over-the-counter drugs do not need to be sitting around your home. Reduce the risk of accidental poisoning and theft by clearing out unneeded medications and properly disposing of them. Last year, New Jersey residents safely discarded 17 tons of prescription medications through two statewide programs: Operation Take Back NJ and the American Medicine Chest Challenge.

Operation Take Back NJ 2011 was held in April. The American Medicine Chest Challenge will take place Saturday, November 12. If you have old medications to dispose, mark your calendar now for this event. Collection locations have not yet been set. Check the event website [www.americanmedicinechest.com](http://www.americanmedicinechest.com) for details in the fall.

Sharps, such as needles and lancets used for in-home medical care, are not collected at these medication drop-off events. However, the New Jersey Hospital Association, in association with local hospitals, offers a program to safely and responsibly dispose of syringes, needles, and lancets generated in the home. Participating hospitals offer rigid containers to dispose of these items for a small, one-time fee. For



further information about the safe disposal of syringes in Bergen County or to request a copy of the "Safe Syringe Disposal Guide For Home Generated Medical Waste," please contact the Bergen County Department of Health Services at 201-634-2782.

## RETIRED TIRES

Many municipalities collect used tires. Check with your local municipal recycling coordinator for details. The BCUA also offers one-day drop-off events for residents. These events are held between 9 a.m. and 2 p.m., rain or shine. The remaining events for 2011 will be held as follows:

- Saturday, August 20, Bergen County Community Services Building, 27 East Ridgewood Ave., Paramus
- Saturday, November 5, Bergen County Campgaw Mountain Reservation, 200 Campgaw Rd., Mahwah

At these events, you can only drop off passenger vehicle tires (with or without metal rims). There is a limit of four tires per participant. No businesses may drop off tires at these events.

