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The 33rd Annual Harvest Fair – Old Meeting House

The Granville Historical Society would like to thank all the visitors who came to The Old Meeting House during the 33rd Annual Harvest Fair. The weather started the fair off with some rain on Saturday, but gave us a beautiful autumn Sunday. Monday was a bit cooler to remind everyone that winter is around the corner.

The Old Meeting House was a place of wonderful handmade arts and crafts along with delicious aromas of soup and pie this year. We welcomed back the Granville Quilt and Needle Work Guild with their beautiful display and ongoing quilt demonstration. We also had great vendors inside displaying handmade scarves, knitting, Christmas decorations, wreaths, pottery, fiber and wood art for the home and lawn.

On the lawn was held the annual scarecrow contest sponsored by the Granville Cultural Council. We had a variety of entries in all age groups, which made it tough on the judges this year. Also outside was the display of old tractors. Both the young and old, enjoyed looking them over.

Inside many wonderful volunteers helped sell apple pie with cheese and a large variety of donated soups for the Granville Historical Society. This all would not have happened if not for the wonderful towns' people of Granville. 1 would like to thank the volunteers who helped serve and keep the area clean for our visitors: Joan Clendenin; Joe, Carol & Natalie Pietroniro; Laurie Blakesley Ritchie; Bonnie King; Dot LeClair; Teddi Daley; Kathy Martin and Ann Jensen. Also the cooks among us who provided delicious soups this year: Linda Blakesley; Coralie Stevenson; Wendy Meadows; Joan Clendenin; Teddi Daley; Marianne Alden; Chris Teter; Ann Jensen and Susan Beckman. And last but not least Bill Stevenson our cheese cutter.

I am looking forward to next year's Harvest Fair at The Old Meeting House. Best wishes to all of Granville for joyous holiday season and a Happy New Year.

Ann LeClair, Granville Historical Society Member

Thank you



I would like to thank all the people involved with the new Granville walkway on the town green. For me a beautiful place to remember a special dog I raised as a guide dog and the hero she was named in memory of 9-11 World Trade Center hero K9 Git Ander. My pavers for Retired guide dog Git Ander and the special dog she was named in memory of, K9 Git Ander, were placed together with the paver for true American hero Travis Fuller. All connected because of the horrific attacks on 9-11. Heartfelt thanks to Marilyn Tkaczuk who understood the deep and unique bond I had with my guide dog to be because her family had been involved also with guide dog puppies. My bond and love for this special little guide dog are so deep and I miss her desperately after her sudden death. Thank you again to all involved for your hard work. A gorgeous and peaceful place to go to reflect.

> Donna Hiorns Twin Oaks Farm Granville

GRANVILLE LIBRARY NEWS

Granville Library Hours:

Monday 10-12, 3-8 pm • Wednesday 3-8 pm

Thursday 5-8 pm • Saturday 10-12

www.granvillelib.info • 357-8531

THE LIBRARY WILL BE CLOSED FROM DEC. 1

THROUGH DEC. 14 FOR THE INSTALLATION OF NEW

CARPETING!!!

STOP IN AND SEE THE RESULTS! No fines will be

levied for items due during this period. Thank you.

New Books for Adults:

Against Football: One Fan's Reluctant Manifesto by Steve Almond.

Cosby: His Life and Times by Mark Whitaker.

Good Grief!: Life in a Tiny Vermont Village by

Ellen Stinson.

Then Came Life: Living with Courage, Spirit and Gratitude after Breast Cancer by Geralyn Lucas.

Mandela: My Prisoner, My Friend by Christo Brand.

On Immunity: An Innoculation by Eula Biss.

There Was a Little Girl by Brooke Shields.

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Girl Next Door by Ruth Rendell.

Gray Mountain by John Grisham.

It Won't Always be This Great by Peter Mehlman.

Revival by Stephen King.

Riders on the Storm by Ed Gorman.

Run by Andrew Grant.

Secrets of the Lighthouse by Santa Montefiore.

Slip of a Keyboard by Terry Pratchett.

Sudden Light, A by Garth Stein.

To Everything a Season by Laura Snelling.

Truth Be Told by Hank Phillipi Ryan.

New Kids' Books

Doctors Without Borders by Kate Marsico.

History of Money by Jenkins.

In the Rainforest by Kate Duke.

Unbroken: Young Adult Adaptation: An Olympian's Journey from Airman to Castaway to Captive by L. Hillenbrand.

United Nations by Kate Marsico.

1 Big Pair of Underwear by L. Gehl

Diary of a Wimpy Kid: The Long Haul by Jeff Kinney.

Endgame by James Frey.

Frank Einstein & the Anitmatter Motor: Book One by Jon Scieszka.

Giant Vehicles by Rod Green.

Museum Mayham by Carolyn Keene.

Mr. Putter & Tabby Turn the Page by Cynthia Rylant.

Rudy and Claude Splash Into Art by Adam McHeffey.

Sam and Dave Dig a Hole by Barnett.

Shooting at the Stars: The Christmas Truce of 1914 by John Hendrix.

Sisters by Raina Telgemeier.

When Aunt Mattie Got Her Wings by Petra Mathers.

You Are (Not) Small by Anna Kang.

New Audio CDs:

Blue Labyrinth by Preston.

Heroes of Olympus Book 5: Blood of Olympus by Rick Riordan.

How We Got to Now by Johnson.

Leaving Time by Jodi Piccoult.

Virtue Falls by Dodd.

New Dvds:

Beethoven's Treasure Tail

Boardwalk Empire Season 2

Elementary Season One

Fault in Our Stars, The.

Hercules

House of Cards Season 2

Maleficient

Penquins of Madagascar: Operation Special

Delivery

Plastic

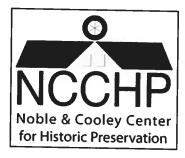
Ken Burns: The Roosevelts.

Sofia the First: Holiday in Enchancia

Still Life: A Three Pines Mystery Thomas the Tank Engine: Christmas Engines.

Vera Set 2

Walking Dead Season 3.



Many thanks to everyone who participated in or visited NCCHP over the 33rd annual Granville Harvest Fair. We had a great turnout and perfect weather after the soggy start on Saturday. The Zoo from Forest Park was a big draw at our location this year and The Skyline Hop Shop was a very popular new addition to the vendor list. We appreciate all the local support "Keeping The Drumbeat of History" alive for visitors of all ages touring the museum.

The NCCHP museum is excited to again be participating in the one day e-philanthropy Valley Gives Day event taking place in Hampden, Hampshire and Franklin counties on Wednesday, 12.10.14. This year, 469 non-profits in the three counties will be trying to raise \$4 million dollars during the 24 hour celebration

of generosity. Throughout the day, more than 100 donors will be randomly chosen and their gift will be amplified with a "Golden Ticket" adding anywhere from \$500 to \$1000 in support to their favorite non-profit. NCCHP will be competing for the most unique donor title in the small non-profit category. Every \$12 online donation on 12.10.14 will help the NCCHP museum get closer to the cash prizes and bonus matches. Check out the www.ncchp.org website for how you can help! Please spread the word by asking family, friends, co-workers and others to e-mail, tweet and FB all their friends to encourage spreading the word and giving a small donation to help the museum in a BIG way.

The NCCHP museum at the Drum Shop is located at 42 Water Street in Granville and is open for tours on the 1st and 3rd Sundays from 12:00 – 3:00 during the May – November months. Winter museum hours are by appointment only. Tours for groups of ten or more are available during the week by appointment (call 413-357-6321). Admission is free for NCCHP members; \$5 for adults and \$3 for children for nonmembers. The Gift Shop is open year round M-F from 8-4 and when the museum is open.

The Southwick Congregational Church, 488 College Highway is having their annual



Holly Bazaar on Saturday, December 6, 2014 from 8:30 a.m. – 2:00 p.m.

Featuring local crafters and raffles. There will be light lunch and refreshments available.



Marilyn Tkaczuk

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GRANVILLE FEDERATED CHURCH

American Baptist and United Church of Christ 16 Granby Rd., Granville, MA 01034 Pastor: Rev. Patrick McMahon

Cell Phone: 413 579-4674

LIKE US ON FACEBOOK TO KEEP UP ON GFC NEWS

Morning Worship is held each Sunday at 10 a.m. Church school runs concurrently with the Worship Service, starting after the second hymn. A coffee hour follows the service each week.

We continue to thank all who support the Granville Church Capital Campaign. Pledge payment continues for one year. Donations without pledges are still accepted. Just mark Capital Campaign in the memo on your check.

Another option for supporting the drive is to buy Fair Trade food products that are for sale at the coffee hour each Sunday. Very tasty, we've tried them all. Ruth Dickinson Berquist is in charge of this.

We have Big Y gift cards available for purchase. Please see Jean McMahon.

Many, many thanks to all who were involved in putting on the Ham and Bean supper!

It was a wonderful evening and delicious food. Thank you!!

WEEKLY/MONTHLY SCHEDULE

Sunday-10:00 a.m.-Worship Service
Church School – runs concurrently with the
Worship service
11:00 a.m. Coffee Hour
Monday-8:00 p.m. AA Meeting
Third Wednesday-noon-Ladies Aid
Third Sunday-8:30 to 9:30 Breakfast (Open to all!)
Thursday-7:00 p.m.-Choir Practice
UPCOMING ADVENT CELEBRATION
Saturday, 12/6

4:30-Crafts for Adults and Children 6:00-Holiday Pot Luck Supper 7:00-Carol Sing, finished at 7:30

CHRISTMAS EVE SERVICE

Please join us for our annual Christmas Eve Service

Wednesday evening, Dec. 24th at 7:00 PM

COME AND JOIN THE FUN!! CHRISTMAS SEASON YOUTH CHOIR

Starting on 12/3, a Youth Choir will meet Wednesday evenings from 6:30 to 7:30 at the Granville Federated Church. This is open to any student 3rd grade and up who enjoys singing Christmas songs and sharing them. We will learn traditional and new carols (and some of their stories) and several special Christmas anthems.

Planned so far:

- Rehearsals: Wednesday, 12/3, 12/10, and 12/17 from 6:30 to 7:30
- -Sing at the morning church service 12/14, pizza after church, travel to a local nursing home to perform for the residents.
- -Sing at the Christmas Eve Service 12/24.

Please call Fran Wackerbarth at 357-6492 to sign up.

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GPA News

Granville Parents Association (GPA) is a nonprofit group of dedicated parents and guardians of Granville School children. We work together to raise funds to support programs, field trips, and events. We also provide funding to purchase the extra tools needed to enhance and enrich the learning and fun going on in our school. If you are a parent or guardian of a GVS student, you are a member of GPA. Our meetings are held on the 2nd Tuesday of each month at 5:30 PM in the school cafeteria. Our next meeting will be on Dec. 9. Please join us. Child care is provided!

This school year kicked off with a wildly successful Harvest Fair! We hosted almost 40 vendors and served up huge amounts of hot soup, mac and cheese, snacks and drinks all weekend in the school kitchen. We are very grateful for the helping hands that made this, our biggest yearly fundraiser, a success. Special thanks to Ray's Farm and Mrs. Murphy's Donuts in Southwick for donating veggies for our soup and donuts for sale. Thank you also to our wonderful principal, Mrs. Christofori, and awesome GVS paraprofessional, Brittany, for giving of their time so that we could have the use of the school building.

Two other fall fundraisers were the Bon Ton coupon booklet sale and the Gift Card Drive. Our winter fundraiser is under way:

Meet Paddy the Penguin, offered by Avon! Big, soft, and cuddly, Paddy will be available for purchase for \$19.99 for the holidays! GPA will benefit by receiving \$10.00 for each Paddy sold! Paddy would make a great gift for anyone young or old. You may see a GVS student to purchase Paddy, or contact the office at the school at 6626 for an order form.

We will be hosting a Paint and Sip evening soon after the holidays. Date, time, and venue TBA.

Officer news: GPA would like to congratulate Ronnie Stratton on becoming our new President, and Danielle Sullivan on becoming our new VP!! These positions carry a 2-year term. We know that these ladies will be working hard to improve GPA and contribute to its good work.

Rene Ellinger, Secretary, and Jennifer Durfey, Treasurer, will hold their posts through June 2015.

Thank you, Granville townspeople, for your continued support! We wish you all Safe, Healthy, and Happy Holidays!

GPA

The Granville School 8th Grade Class of 2015

has kicked off our fundraising efforts to help pay for our end of year expenses: Graduation flowers, school gifts, dance, picnic, yearbook, and Class Trip to Washington, D.C.. You may have seen us hard at work selling baked goods when you went to vote on Nov. 4th. Thank you to all townsfolk who stopped by to visit, wish us well, and buy some fresh baked goodies. Also to some anonymous donors who left some very generous gifts!

We will be hosting a Cozy Cocoa and Movie night at the Town Hall on Friday, Dec. 5th at 6PM. All are welcome to enjoy some Hot Cocoa as we show the popular Holiday movie, "Elf", starring Will Ferrell. Children are encouraged to wear their comfy pajamas and bring a blanket and pillow to sit with us and enjoy the show! Popcorn and small concessions will be available to purchase, and admission is \$5.00 per child. Parents are invited to stay for free.

Stay tuned for our Super Bowl Sunday Grinder Sale (order forms will be available in next month's Caller), and the Annual Soup-A-Loosa, to be held this winter.

Happy Holidays from the Class of 2015!

Emily, Kyle, Keeley, Grace, Ke-Andre, Sophie, Julia, Justyn, Kamaris, Cailey, Nolan, Brianna, Rebecca, Reese, Zack, Kaelyn, and Devin

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7AM - 11AM

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Novi Cantori

December 21st

4:00 p.m.

Change in location

Granville Federated Church

not Old Meeting House

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Senior News

Some people come into our lives and quietly go. Some stay for a while and leave footprints on our hearts and we are never, ever the same.

---Anonymous

Apple and Butternut Squash

- 1 lg. butternut squash peeled and cubed
- 2 lg granny smith apples peeled, cored and sliced
- ½ c cranberries halved
- ½ c brown sugar
- 1/4 c melted butter
- 1 tbsp. flour
- 1 tsp salt
- ½ tsp nutmeg

Preheat oven to 350, place squash in an ungreased baking dish. Arrange apples on top, sprinkle with cranberries, combine remaining ingredients in a bowl sprinkle over squash and apples. Cover with foil. Bake 50 – 60 minutes or until squash is tender.

COA November and December Birthday's at the Granville Town Hall at 1:00 p.m.
on December 29th
we hope to see you there.

COA Christmas Party

At Roma's Restaurant Southwick, MA

December 10th at 12:00

Please have your reservations in by December 6th

Price \$12.00 per person

Call Patty @ 357-8761

Linda @ 357-8781

Dottie @ 357-6698

No gifts

Hints on how to save your vital papers at home.

Place the following records into a ziplock bag: Birth certificates, family photos with your pets, marriage certificate, insurance cards, social security cards, identification cards, guardianship/ conservatorship, and healthcare proxy papers

Then place the bag of information in a safe place where it can be found quickly.

Tips for keeping yourself safe, secure and warm during the cold weather months:

Try to limit time outdoors

If you are forced to be outside during cold weather wear warm socks, a heavy coat, a warm hat, gloves and a scarf. In very cold temperatures cover all exposed skin. Use the scarf to cover your mouth and nose to protect your lungs.

Watch your step! Make sure to wear sturdy heeled shoes with nonskid rubber soles, stay clear of unshoveled sidewalks and hilly terrain. Remove shoes immediately upon entering your home to avoid indoor falls caused by wet spots.

When indoors, keep you thermostat set at a comfortable level and dress in layers. Choose hot nourishing meals and drink warm beverages to keep your body temperature up.

Keep clothing, curtains and blankets away from space heaters.

Using a fireplace, gas heater or lanterns can lead to carbon monoxide poisoning. Ensure your safety by checking the batteries on your carbon monoxide detectors and buying an updated one if you need to.

Make sure you have easy access to flashlights and a supply of nonperishable foods on hand that can be eaten cold in case the power goes out.

If the power goes out, wear several layers of clothing, including a hat. Move around a lot to raise your body temperature

OBITUARIES

Dorothy E. (Adams) Hall

Dot, age 96, passed away November 8, 2014 at Noble Hospital. She was born in Greenfield to the late Wesley and Sadie (Seward) Adams and was a graduate of Westfield High School. Dorothy was employed by American Bosch and WG Grant and was a Sunday school teacher for Woronoco Baptist Church; she was also a chaplain for the Civil War Auxiliary. She was predeceased by her husband, Karlton V. Hall and her sister June Hidden and is survived by her three sons, James Hall of Westfield, David Hall of Springfield and Karlton "Pete" Hall of Granville and many grandchildren, nieces and nephews.

Philip B. Dickinson

Philip, age 78, died November 14, 2014 at Renaissance Manor in Westfield. Born on March 21, 1936 to the late Buell and Mary (Sachse) Dickinson, he graduated from Westfield High School and then Westfield State College and served in the United States Army. A teacher and the family historian, Mr. Dickinson is survived by his brother Joel Dickinson and his wife Judith of Granville as well as his nieces and nephews Anita Mitchell, Lori Hillman, Dina Meader, Dawn LaBarre, Eric Hoschouer, Kimberly Robinson and Lori Hoschouer. He was predeceased by his sister Alice.

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Cyril Maceyka

Renaissance Manor of Westfield 37 Feeding Hills Road Westfield, MA 01085

Ed Roberts

Meadow Brook Nursing Home Salmon Brook Road Granby, CT 06035

Elsie Slack

Governors Center 66 Broad Street Westfield, MA 01085



You are invited to the Town's

Annual Christmas Gathering

Saturday, December 6"

6pm until 9pm at the

Old Meeting House

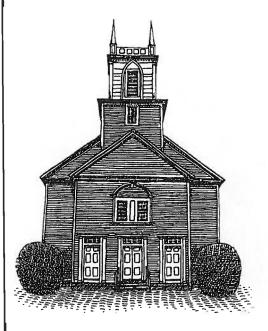
It is potluck so bring some food to share!

If you would like to participate in the gift game, bring a same sex gift of minimal value. We'll play the game at 7:30pm.

All past and present Town volunteers and employees are invited, so pass the word.



West Granville Congregational Church Main Road, Route 57, West Granville



Our Worship Services for 2014 will be held on the 2nd Sunday of each month.

The schedule is as follows:

December 14, 2014 at 7PM.

Our Worship leader is Rev. Dr. Lorrie Dunham – former Pastor of The Southwick Congregational Church.

The organist is Roberta Kowal.

All are invited for refreshments and fellowship in the Academy Hall following each service.

Both the Church and Academy are available for rental. Please call Deborah Boulanger at 357-6360 for more information.

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Happy Holidays!





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Every **Monday** at 1:00pm at the **TOWN HALL** come play cards!

Every Tue/day night 6pm - 8pm at the VILLAGE SCHOOL, Men's Basketball!



Contact Nick at 357-3041

Every Wednerday from 3:15pm to 6pm, Scrapbooking at the VILLAGE

SCHOOL! Contact Jane at 357-8573

Every Thursday Art Class at Town HALL from 2pm-4pm! Contact Laurie 357-



All activities are free and open to the public except for the Art Class which charges \$10.00 per class. Call ahead if the weather is iffy!!

Dump Master Bob Laptew Is Retiring

Bob has been a regular face at the Transfer Station for ten years. Always pleasant, always helpful, always taking the extra time to make your Transfer Station experience pleasant. Unfortunately all good things come to an end and so Bob has decided to leave us for warmer winters and cooler summers. We wish him well as he enters his second (third?) retirement starting December 31. We will miss you Bob, but wish you the best!

Single Stream Recycling In Granville....NOW!!!

Recycling has come full circle. Remember how one used to have to separate corrugated cardboard from paste board, green glass from cans (and even glass by color) and no tubs, necked bottles only! Remember? Twenty five years ago

Granville dropped off our first recyclables at the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility (SMRF) all separated out. Beginning December 1, Granville will drop off its recyclables at the SMRF all mixed together!

How can this possibly work? We will have the same compactor and box at the Transfer Station where you will place your trash. (Nothing changes with the trash portion of the stream.) We will have another compactor and box at the Transfer Station where you will place the bottles and cans and papers all together. YOU CAN'T MIX YOUR TRASH WITH YOUR RECYCLABLES, but SINGLE STREAM RECYCLING means YOU CAN MIX YOUR BOTTLE/CAN MIX AND YOUR PAPER MIX.

The beauty of single stream recycling is that one does not have to decide if ice cream cartons goes with paper or bottles/cans, or if something made of cardboard with a metal ring goes in paper or bottles/cans and etc. If you know something is recyclable, you don't have to decide which stream to recycle it into.

Don't expect a whole new look at the Transfer Station. The bottle and can box and the paper mix box and the cardboard box will stay on site as we can use them for overflow. You already see two compactors when you dispose of your trash, but one will be trash only and one will be recyclables only. Bob will be there to tell us what to do so it will all flow smoothly. Just remember, it is Single Stream RECYCLING not single stream disposal. (Included in the Caller is a reminder sheet from the SMRF of what is recyclable.)

Bulky Rigid Plastics Recycled...NOW!!!

Granville is excited to offer you an opportunity to rid your trash of BULKY RIGID PLASTICS such as clothes baskets, plastic kid's pools, and lawn furniture and so on. This is something NEW starting at the SMRF this month! Until the SMRF initiated this program, these items were disposed of in landfills. Now we will collect them at the transfer station. We will take them to the SMRF who will ship them to the Midwest where they will be ground up and made into new plastic items. Enclosed is a fact sheet from Waste Management and the SMRF which explains the program. We believe they will be able to be recycled in the single stream compactor, but we will be testing things out to maximize our compactor space in relation to our trucking frequency. Stay tuned for details!

Whether You Use The Transfer Station or Have Curbside Pick-up you must abide by the Granville recycling bylaw and state wide trash bans.

Twenty five years ago Granville residents passed a bylaw that required all residents to recycle and trash bans were instituted which do not allow for the disposal of hazardous wastes, fluorescent bulbs, mercury thermometers, etc. in the trash. Curb side pick-up vendors are required to provide recycling services and to monitor the trash they collect for adherence with the trash bans.

Cable Committee Meeting with Comcast on Cable License Renewal

If you can believe it has been 10 years since we last renewed our cable license. Our current license expires in April, 2015. Your local Cable Committee is meeting with Comcast to work out details for the renewal. If you have any suggestions or concerns you can call Town Hall at 8585 ext. 0 and leave a message or contact a member of the Cable Committee: Bob Laptew, Linda Blakesley, Coralie Stevenson, Bill Stevenson or Bob Beckwith.



SPRINGFIELD MRF BULKY RIGID PLASTICS

Acceptable Bulky Rigid Plastics



Playhouses and swimming pools

Large buckets (larger than 5-gallon in size)

- Milk/soda crates
- Landscape items (edging, trays, etc.)
- Laundry baskets
- Lawn furniture
- Closet organizers
- Dish drainers
- Tote boxes and lids
- Drums (food grade ONLY; NO chemical containers)
- Pet carriers
- Flower pots and trays (clean, no soil or plant material)
- Large water bottles (5-gallon or larger)
- Garbage cans/waste baskets
- Recycling bins
- Shelving
- Trays
- Automotive parts (plastic bed liners, bumpers, grills and hubcaps)
- Pallets
- Traffic signs
- Composite lumber products
- PVC and PET blister packs
- Clothes hangers





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!!!Nothing longer than 4 feet in any direction!!!

NOTE: All rigid plastic items for recycling should be empty, rinsed if needed, and free of loose soil, dirt, excessive liquids etc.

Unacceptable Plastics

- Polystyrene or Styrofoam™ plastics (marked PS #6)
- PVC pipe/tubing
- Tool Boxes
- Tires
- Vinyl fencing/siding
- Medical waste
- Motor oil containers
- Plastics containing or contaminated by chemicals or hazardous waste
- Film (shopping or grocery bags, trash bags and stretch film)
- Pesticide/herbicide containers
- Garden hoses



Yes please recycle these paper items:



Clean papers, magazines/catalogs, greeting cards, gift wrap & gift tissue paper (no foils or metallics), paperbacks & phonebooks (covers ok), shredded paper, cardboard, paperboard, clean pizza boxes. *Paper clips, staples and metal spirals are ok*.

Yes please recycle these containers:



Metal cans, foil, milk and juice cartons, glass bottles and jars, plastic bottles/jars/tubs/jugs, clear plastic hinged containers (clamshells), empty aerosol cans (health, beauty, food only).

Labels and caps on bottles are ok.





*Lists are not all-inclusive. Please check www.springfieldmrf.org or call the recycling hotline at 888-888-0784 ext. 2293 for more detailed information.

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so you know what types of materials should and should not go into your recycling bin.

Your recyclables go to the Springfield Materials Recycling Facility on Birnie Avenue in Springfield to be sorted and sold to manufacturers who will use these valuable materials to make new products. Take a look inside to see a sample of the items we accept for recycling in western Massachusetts. Please keep this brochure so you know what materials should and should not go into your recycling bin.

About recycling

Recycling is important because it conserves natural resources and energy, keeps valuable materials out of landfills, and saves your community money on solid waste disposal costs. It is easy to recycle most food, beverage and detergent containers, as well as most of the paper that you have in your home. Recycling is also the law. Most items that you find in this brochure are banned from disposal in Massachusetts, and required to be recycled in your city or town.

Tips...

for items not accepted at the MRF

Rechargeable Batteries - See RBRC.org for free drop box locations.

Plastic Bags - Accepted ONLY at grocery and some retail stores.

Polystyrene "Peanuts" - Clean, dry peanuts accepted for reuse at pack-and-ship stores. Check www.loosefillpackaging.com for locations.

Light Bulbs - Compact Fluorescent Lights must be properly recycled. Check with your local recycling coordinator.

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