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Recycling Tips

You can recycle batteries on campus! Georgia Tech’s Environmental Health & Safety Office provides five conveniently located drop-off locations for the GT community. Both rechargeable and disposable batteries are accepted. Look for the battery collection boxes at the Student Center Information Desk, Burdell’s, Library Security Desk, Barnes & Noble at Tech Square, and the CULC (at the entrance by Starbucks).

Recycling Guidelines – Shredded Paper

Georgia Tech’s paper recycling program includes shredded paper. However, before placing shredded paper in the recycling bins on campus, please put it in a plastic bag and tie it shut. Otherwise the paper shreds can get loose and make a mess when the recycling staff empties the paper recycling bins into our vehicles.

If your on-campus office or department has a large quantity of papers that need to be shredded, the Office of Solid Waste Management & Recycling can handle it for you. Simply put the papers in a box, tape it shut, and label the box “Sensitive/Confidential”. Then send an email to Heart Hodges-Lawson (heartense.hodges@facilities.gatech.edu) to schedule a pickup. Up to 25 boxes will be picked up at no charge. The papers are securely shredded and recycled.



Please make sure shredded paper is bagged and tied before placing it in the campus paper recycling bins!

Meet the Team

“Meet the Team” gives you an opportunity to go behind the scenes to meet the staff of the OSWM&R and learn a little more about who we are and what we do.

Max Gluck, Student Assistant



Max Gluck is the OSWM&R's summer semester student assistant. Max is a 3rd year student majoring in Management.

➤ What interests you about working in the Office of Solid Waste Management & Recycling?

I am very glad to have a job that allows me to help the campus be more environmentally conscious.

➤ What do you enjoy most about working in the Recycling Office?

The golf cart is pretty awesome. It's not necessarily the most enjoyable part of my day, but driving the cart is just fun. Vrrrrrrrrrr.

➤ What have you learned while working at the OSWM&R?

I have learned a bunch of recycling dos and don'ts. I was very surprised at what I can and can't recycle.

➤ Tell us about a project that you are working on now.

I am currently compiling all of the recycling pick-up and route data. This will help us identify how we can improve our program.

➤ What other organizations/activities are you involved with at Georgia Tech?

I am a brother of Alpha Epsilon Pi.

➤ What are your plans after graduating from Georgia Tech?

After I graduate, I am looking at joining the Navy.

➤ What is one thing you do to live a “green” lifestyle?

I recycle what I can! I also ride a bicycle, it's great for getting around the city.

ASK ENVIRO-MAN



Question: What do the recycling numbers on plastic bottles mean?

Answer: Great question! These symbols, which range from 1 to 7, make up the SPI (Plastics Industry Trade Association) resin identification code, or RIC. The RIC was established as an industry standard in 1988 to label different types of plastics for recycling. Plastics have a range of different chemical make-ups, and cannot be recycled together. If the wrong type of plastic is mixed in, it has the possibility of ruining the batch. In the past, plastics were hand-sorted by type, but now the process has been mostly automated. Georgia Tech's recycling program accepts all rigid plastic bottles and containers, so you don't have to worry about looking for a particular number. All numbers (1-7) are accepted. However, please keep in mind that plastic bags, plastic film, and polystyrene foam (often referred to as Styrofoam®) cannot be recycled on campus.

To ask Enviro-Man a question, [click here](#).

Guide to Local Farmers Markets

Summer is here, and that means an abundance of fresh, local produce at the Atlanta-area farmers markets. Here is a guide to several local farmers markets. If you don't see one on the list that is close to your home, you can search for additional markets at www.localharvest.org.

Brookhaven Farmers Market – Saturdays, 9:00am-12:00pm, through October 26

Brookhaven Baptist Church, 1294 N. Druid Hills Road, Atlanta, GA

Healthy, locally-produced food and products

<http://www.facebook.com/brookhavenfarmmarket>



Decatur Farmers Market – Saturdays, 9:00am-1:00pm, year-round

498 N. McDonough Street, Decatur, GA 30030

Also Wednesdays, 4:00-7:00pm (March-October) and 3:00-6:00pm (November-February)

163 Clairemont Avenue, Decatur, GA, 30030

Our local, sustainable and fresh farmers markets are held year round, rain or shine!

decaturfarmersmarket.com/wordpress/



East Atlanta Village Farmers Market – Thursdays, 4:00-8:00pm, through December 12

561 Flat Shoals Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30316

Our mission is to develop and strengthen farmers markets for long term sustainability and meaningful community impact, with a focus on building a stronger local food system.

www.farmeav.com/



Lilburn Farmers' Market – Fridays, 4:00-8:00pm, through August 30

Greenway Trail Parking Lot, 76 Main Street, Lilburn, GA 30047

Locally grown produce, meats, and cheeses. Organic cotton candy, goat cheese and milk, and Caribbean pastries are a few of the more unique finds at the market this season.

www.lilburnfarmersmarket.org

Marietta Square Farmers Market – Saturdays, 9:00am-12:00pm, year-round and Sundays, 12-3pm, through November

65 Church Street, Marietta, GA 30060

Market customers have lots of variety to choose from including heirloom tomatoes, potatoes, onions, tomatoes, squash, beans, amazing cut flower arrangements, local honey, herbal soaps, whole grain breads, fudge pies, jelly, jam and preserves.

www.mariettasquarefarmersmarket.net/



Morningside Farmers' Market – Saturdays, 7:30-11:30am, through December 31

1393 N. Highland Avenue, Atlanta, GA 30306

Offering local meat, crafts and organic produce since 1995

www.morningsidemarket.com/

Peachtree Center Green Market – Thursdays, 11:30am-2:30pm, through October 31

191 Peachtree Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30303

Food and fare from local Growers right in the heart of Downtown Atlanta! The Market is located in the Courtyard above the Mall at Peachtree Center and will include live music every week.

www.facebook.com/PeachtreeCenterGreenMarket



Piedmont Park Green Market – Saturdays, 9:00am-1:00pm, through mid-December

At Piedmont Park's 12th Street entrance, Atlanta, GA

The Green Market is in its 10th year with more farmers and vendors than ever before! Local farmers, bakers, sauce makers and handmade goodies; there is something for everyone.

www.piedmontpark.org/programs/green_market.html

Truly Living Well Farmer's Market at Wheat Street Garden – Fridays, 2:30pm-dusk, year-round

75 Hilliard Street NE, Atlanta, GA 30312

Seasonal produce is harvested fresh from the farm on market days. You can purchase fruits, vegetables, herbs and flowers. Meet your farmers and your neighbors, and enjoy chef demonstrations and food samples.

trulylivingwell.net/produce/farmers-market/

Upcoming Events

Atlanta's Green Fun Fest

Grant Park, Atlanta, GA
Saturday, June 22, 2013
12:00 pm – 8:00 pm
Cost: Free!

Atlanta's GREEN Fun Fest and Lawn Darts Open Challenge combines a "Get OUT & Get ACTIVE" attitude and "Going GREEN" lifestyle into one super fun celebration featuring music, food trucks, "carnival-style" games, a farmers market, a "Bazaar-style" street market, free health screenings, and the most insane lawn darts tournament known to man!

Sustainable Atlanta Roundtable

All Saints Episcopal Church – Ellis Hall
634 West Peachtree St., Atlanta, GA

Friday, July 12, 2013 (7:30 – 9:00 am)
Cost: \$10 - \$20, includes continental breakfast and beverage

Presented by Southface, the Sustainable Atlanta Roundtable convenes on the first Friday of each month to discuss the region's current environmental issues – from water to energy, urban planning to government policy, and much more. Members of the audience are encouraged to ask questions, make comments, network, and learn about Atlanta's current and future opportunities for sustainable development. The topic for July is "Under the Weather: The Health Consequences of a Changing Climate". The cost is \$10 for students. For non-students the cost is \$15 for advance purchase and \$20 at the door. Doors open at 7:00 am for networking. The roundtable discussion is from 7:30 - 9:00 am.

Keep Atlanta Beautiful – Community Recycling Center

320 Irwin St. Atlanta, GA
July 13, 2013 (10:00 am – 3:00 pm)
2nd Saturday of each month

Keep Atlanta Beautiful and Creative Recycling Solutions host a monthly recycling drive for household electronic waste, polystyrene foam, latex paint, and paper. Free, secure paper shredding is now available courtesy of Iron Mountain. Personal computers, monitors, stereos, microwaves, vacuums, telephones, keyboards, mice, printers, and scanners are accepted free of charge. There is a \$10 fee for televisions, cash only. For a complete list of accepted items, go to http://www.keeptatlantabeautiful.org/?page_id=77.

Comments and Suggestions

If you have any questions or suggestions about our program, please feel free to contact us by simply replying to this [newsletter](#). We are here to help, and together, we can work to benefit the environment.

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Visit Our Website

As part of our effort to provide you with better services we continually update our website. Recycling guidelines and useful links can be found at www.recycle.gatech.edu.