

Good News for Sharps Users

Effective April 2 sharps containers and container disposal are available **FREE of charge** to Dunn County Residents. Thanks to funding by the Menomonie Community Health Foundation, and through the cooperation of The Lions Club of Dunn County, Red Cedar Medical Center, Dunn County Health Department and the Dunn County Solid Waste Division, sharps such as needles and lancets no longer involve a fee for disposal. Pick up a new sharps container or drop off a full one at any Dunn County Area Collections Station or Transfer Station today!



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Did You Know?
that recycled, old newspapers become items such as "new" newspapers, cereal boxes, and egg cartons?

Spring Cleaning of Hazardous Waste for Residents, Farms and Businesses

On May 16th and 17th, 2007 local residents will have an opportunity to dispose of hazardous waste in Dunn County free of charge for the first time since 2004. Last year a hazardous waste collection was open to households, but residents had to travel to Eau Claire to participate. Farms and businesses last had a hazardous waste collection in Dunn County in 2005. But this spring's collection will be open to residents, farmers and businesses alike, providing a great opportunity to dispose of hazardous waste.

The hazardous waste collection will be free to residents and farmers. Small farm related businesses and VSQG (very small quantity generator) businesses will be charged a reduced rate fee. Hazardous waste includes automotive, garden, workshop, agricultural or household products which have labels identifying them as caustic, poisonous, flammable etc... These products should **NOT** be thrown away with regular garbage or poured down the drain. Improper disposal of these products can cause fires, injuries to people and animals and groundwater contamination.

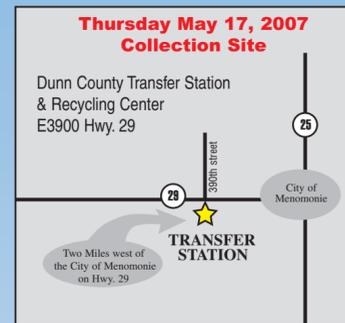
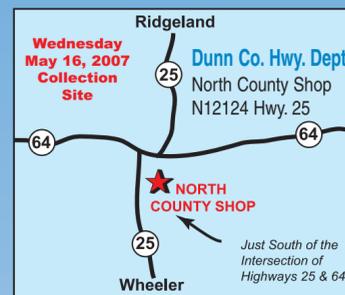
During the collection, a table will be set up for hazardous waste items still having a substantial amount in their containers. These will be free for the taking. At the end of the day, all items will be taken to be processed.

When and Where:	Wednesday May 16, 2007 Dunn County North Shop N12124 Hwy 25, Wheeler	3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Farms and Businesses 4 p.m. to 6 p.m. Households
	Thursday May 17, 2007 Dunn County Transfer Station E3900 Hwy 29, Menomonie	1 p.m. to 3 p.m. Farms 3 p.m. to 4 p.m. Businesses 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Households

Pre-Registration for Farms and Businesses: All farmers and businesses must pre-register before May 11, 2007. Please contact The Dunn County Solid Waste Division at (715) 232-4017 and be prepared to list what materials you plan to dispose of, quantities and whether suitable, leak proof containers are available for transportation. Special arrangements can be made for transportation if suitable containers are not available.

Cost: There will be no charge for hazardous waste (except for latex paint) for Dunn County farms. Farm related businesses will receive a 50% discount. For businesses considered to be "very small quantity generators" (VSQG) the cost of this collection will be 25% to 65% less than on-site pick up by a licensed hazardous waste hauler. To be considered a VSQG business, no more than 220 pounds of hazardous waste can be generated in one month and no more than 2,205 pounds of hazardous waste can be stored at any time.

There is no charge for household waste except for latex paints. Costs are: pint can \$1.00, quart can \$2.00, gallon can \$4.00, and five gallon pail \$20.00. The charge is based upon the size of the can, not how full the container is, so consolidate and save money. If the latex paint is dried out, it can be disposed of in the trash.



Dunn County Solid Waste & Recycling Collection Stations

The following Collection Stations and the Dunn County Transfer Station and Recycling Center accept:				Yard waste is accepted at:
Recyclables	Anti-Freeze	Automotive Batteries	Construction Materials*	Boyceville Area Collection Station
Household Garbage	Used Oil Filters	Rechargeable Batteries	Demolition Materials*	Colfax Area Collection Station
Scrap Metal	Appliances*	Used Oil	Cellular Phones	Elk Mound Area Collection Station
Furniture*	Tires*	Ink Jet Cartridges		Dunn County Yard Waste Drop-Off Site
Electronics*	* a fee is charged to recycle or dispose of the material			

Facilities and Hours of Operation

<p>Dunn County Transfer Station and Recycling Center E3900 Hwy. 29, Menomonie Hours: Mondays 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays 7 a.m. to Noon</p> <p>Boyceville Area Collection Station E2698 County Road N Hours: Wednesdays Noon to 5 p.m. (Nov.1- March 31) Wednesdays Noon to 7 p.m. (April 1- Oct. 31) Saturdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.</p> <p>Colfax Area Collection Station N9417 810th Street Hours: Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Nov.1-March 31) Wednesdays 10 a.m. to 7 p.m. (April 1- Oct. 31) Saturdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.</p> <p>Connorsville Area Collection Station Behind old Connorsville Co-op Creamery Hours: Wednesdays 8 a.m. to Noon Saturdays 8 a.m. to Noon</p> <p>Downsville Area Collection Station N2723 440th Street (1/2 mile north of State Hwy 72) Hours: Wednesday 9 a.m. to 3 p.m. Saturdays 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.</p>	<p>Elk Mound Area Collection Station 401 570th Avenue, which is at the end of 570th Avenue Hours: Wednesdays 9 a.m. to 5 p.m. (Nov.1- March 31) Wednesdays 9 a.m. to 7 p.m. (April 1- Oct. 31) Saturdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.</p> <p>Ridgeland Area Collection Station N12184 Hwy 25 Hours: Wednesdays 1 p.m. to 5 p.m. (Nov.1- March 31) Wednesdays 1 p.m. to 7 p.m. (April 1- Oct. 31) Saturdays 8 a.m. to Noon</p> <p>Rock Creek Area Collection Station N1825 980th Street Hours: Wednesdays Noon p.m. to 4 p.m. (Nov.1- March 31) Wednesdays 2 p.m. to 6 p.m. (April 1- Oct. 31) Saturdays 8 a.m. to Noon</p> <p>Sand Creek Area Drop-Off Site (recyclables only) Hours: Saturdays 8 a.m. to 4 p.m.</p> <p>Dunn County Yard Waste Drop-Off Site Accepts brush, leaves and grass clippings only N5515 377th Street in the Town of Menomonie Hours: April 1 thru November 15 (weather permitting) Mondays 6:30 a.m. to 4:30 p.m. Wednesdays 4 p.m. to 7 p.m. Saturdays 7 a.m. to Noon</p>
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Municipalities with their own Solid Waste and/or Recycling programs:

<p>Town of Eau Galle Service through Pepin County (672-5709) or by purchasing a solid waste permit from Dunn County (232-4017).</p> <p>Town of Hay River Accepts recyclables and household waste. Contact Stanley Andrews at 632-2104.</p> <p>Town of Sand Creek Recyclables only at the Sand Creek Area Drop-Off Site. Hours of operation are Saturdays from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. For more information about disposing of household garbage, contact a local hauler or Dunn County.</p> <p>Town of Stanton Accepts recyclables and household waste. The Town sponsors an Annual Clean-Up Day. Contact Lucille Mittelstadt at 665-2353.</p>	<p>Village of Knapp Weekly curbside collection of recyclables and household waste. The Village sponsors an Annual Clean-Up Day. Contact Village Hall at 665-2495.</p> <p>City of Menomonie Bagged household garbage, yard waste and scrap metal is accepted at the City of Menomonie Drop-Off Site 232-2302. Hours: Tuesday 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Thursday 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m. Saturday 7 a.m. to 11:30 a.m.</p>
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The above information is subject to change. Current as of April 2007. Must be a member of the Dunn County Program and have a County Permit to use the Solid Waste Program.

Web Site
More information may be obtained from the Dunn County web site at www.co.dunn.wi.us. From the County web site, click on County Departments on the left side. Scroll down to the Dunn County Transfer Station and Recycling Center photo and click on the photo.

Bring Us Your Used Motor Oil

Motor oil doesn't wear out. It just gets dirty over time and needs to be changed. Unfortunately, rather than recycling it, every year millions of gallons of used motor oil gets dumped in garbage cans, back yards and sewers. For those who change their own oil, the **Dunn County Transfer Station and Collections Stations accepts used motor oil, free of charge.** Not only does re-refining used motor oil help protect our environment from pollution, it also decreases our dependence on foreign oil supplies.



Les Gust takes advantage of the free used motor oil recycling at the Boyceville Collection Station. He says he recycles motor oil about once a month.

Dunn County Students Inspire ABC's of Recycling

Local schools claim they have recycling bins in place, but students just don't use them. So last January Dunn County launched a new initiative to help schools with their recycling efforts and motivated students took charge. Posters and banners were made, recycling bins were painted and morning announcements were made to remind everyone to recycle. They made recycling convenient and inspired their peers and school to recycle more.



In turn, these environmentally conscious students were a model for the ABC's of Recycling, A Guide for Schools. This guide is being distributed to all schools within the county and explains the essentials of good recycling as well as giving steps for a program that other students can develop themselves. To view the guide and see what your school might be doing, go to www.co.dunn.wi.us. Type "School Recycling" in the search window and click on School Recycling Guide.



A permit is required to dispose of household waste at any Dunn County Collection Station.



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