

Mid Michigan Waste Authority



COMMUNITY connection

A monthly update from the Mid Michigan Waste Authority

March 2016

Upcoming Events

MMWA Executive Cmte Mtng

MMWA Office
Thurs., March 24, 9:30 am

MMWA Board of Trustees Mtng

Thomas Twp Public Safety Bldg
Mon., April 11, 9:30 AM

MMWA Earth Day Celebration

Children's Zoo @ Celebration Square
Saginaw
Sat., April 23 10 am - 2 pm

Yard waste season starts first week in April

Yard waste season is almost here, just in time for spring yard cleanup projects.

Residents in Village of Birch Run, Bridgeport Twp, Buena Vista Township, Carrollton Township, James Township, Kochville Township, City of Saginaw, Saginaw Township, Spaulding Township, Village of St Charles, Thomas Township, Tittabawassee Township and the City of Zilwaukee have weekly yard waste service, and may begin setting out yard waste on their first regular collection day in April.

Village of Chesaning residents have biweekly yard waste service, with an April 14 start date.

Yard waste season runs through the last week of November.

All materials must be placed in paper yard waste bags, available at most hardware and grocery stores, or in 35 gallon or smaller garbage containers that have a "Yard Waste Only" sticker attached. These stickers are available from participating community municipal offices or MMWA.

For more information about yard waste guidelines, please call MMWA at (989) 781-9555 or visit www.recyclemotion.org.



CD's repurposed into CB's (Cute Birds)

We enjoyed spending some time with Ms Elaine's Head Start class in Saginaw on Feb 17. We talked about how to reduce the amount of trash we generate and how to know whether something should be put in the recycling bin or trash can. After the lesson, we made some very cute birds from old CDs and other recycled materials.

MMWA is retooling its more comprehensive school education lessons to meet current curriculum standards, but in the meantime we still love visiting classrooms for recycled craft projects, presentations and activities.

Service Reminder:

Good Friday, Easter will NOT impact collection services

The upcoming Good Friday and Easter holidays will NOT cause any delays in trash and recycling services provided to the 35 communities served by the Mid Michigan Waste Authority.

Residents should prepare and set out materials on their regularly scheduled collection day.

The list of holidays that do impact solid waste pickup are: New Year's Day, Memorial Day, Independence Day, Labor Day, Thanksgiving Day and Christmas Day.

MMWA Customer Service By the Numbers February 2016

Of the resident phone calls made to MMWA in Feb. 2016, only 72 resulted in valid RCLs. This is less than .0001% of the total service points provided in the 35 communities serviced by MMWA, which is especially notable with last month's snowstorms and the resulting service challenges.

In February, 2016, three MMWA member communities had ZERO valid RCLs and nine communities had ONE.