

The Green Notebook

Local Earth Day Efforts

Kudos to Carlisle Elementary for their Earth Day E-waste Drive. Their Go Green Recycling Club is teaming up with TechDisposal, a local technology recycling company who is donating their services to provide a FREE consumer technology drop-off at the school from 8 a.m. to 4 p.m. on Wednesday, April 22nd.

Their flier accurately states that electronic equipment contains toxic materials that can pose health and environmental risks, particularly when disposed of in landfills where toxins may leak into the soil and ground water. Only about 11 percent of electronics are recycled, according to recent U.S. EPA estimates.

So gather any of the following and bring it to the lobby of Carlisle Elementary, 746 St. Rt. 37 W (Central Ave), in Delaware, on Earth Day: computers, small electronics, fax machines, power cables/strips, CD & DVD players, computer parts, small/desk-top copiers, monitors, printers, scanners, cell phones, MP3 players and more. TechDisposal will destroy all hard drives and data left on machines, and properly dispose of and recycle all electronics.

Agent Good Green from Columbus' own WWHOTV will be on hand at St. Mary School to encourage recycling and other environmentally-friendly habits on Tuesday. The school and parish are also sponsoring an Earth Day poster contest for its students and plan an Earth Day event for parishioners on Saturday evening. You can learn more about Agent Good Green, an eco-friendly super hero, at www.wwhotv.com.

I am sure there are many more observances around the county at our schools, churches and businesses. Email the Gazette and let me know what your organization did to celebrate our great planet—perhaps you will inspire others for next year!

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