ENVIRONMENTAL DEFENDERS OF MCHENRY COUNTY RECYCLING DRIVE:

Next Recycling Drive: Saturday, March 11, 2017 in McHenry at the Metra Station Parking lot, 4005 Main Street in McHenry, from 9 am until noon.

The Defenders work to collect and recycle materials which are not collected in curbside recycling and which would be harmful to the environment if put in a landfill. It costs us to recycle these items and therefore we request monetary assistance from all who bring materials to the drive. We receive no government funding to offset these costs, and rely on the people utilizing this service to pay the expenses involved.

Fluorescent tubes & bulbs contain a small amount of mercury, and need to be properly recycled to avoid contamination of the landfills and groundwater. Batteries contain heavy metals which are known health hazards. More info on recycling batteries.

Because of the costs to get these items properly disposed of, a monetary donation will be requested, with specific amounts required for fluorescent bulbs, batteries, monitors or televisions.

What we accept:

- Fluorescent tubes (50¢ to $1 each) *(Compact fluorescent bulbs (CFLs) can be recycled for no fee at many Home Depot or Ace Hardware stores)*
- Batteries (household, rechargeable, car, and button) (50¢ per pound of household batteries.)
- Cloth items—clothing, linens, or just plain rags, clean and in a bag. You can also bring shoes, tied together by their laces and placed in the bag.
- Packing peanuts
- Clean Styrofoam
- Re-useable bubble wrap (*Yeah, I know it's fun to pop it, but re-use is better than recycle. So resist the temptation, and bring it to us for re-use! Otherwise, it can be recycled at stores that take those nasty single-use grocery bags.)*
- Electronics – televisions, computers, phones, printers, electronic toys, microwaves, etc. (most anything that plugs in or runs on batteries) We ask 50¢ per pound (up to maximum of $40) per set to recycle TVs and computer monitors.
- VHS & cassette tapes, CDs, DVDs, computer discs, etc.
- Aluminum cans

Dates and locations vary, and will be posted here, on the calendar, in our member eNews, and on our Facebook page.

NO drives in January or February, 2017!

Donations offset the costs of transportation and proper recycling. EDMC is a local non-profit, and receives no government funding to offer this service to the community.

For complete details on recycling go to: http://mcdef.org/

The next Village of Huntley resident recycling event is scheduled to take place on April 22, 2017.