



Wow, Orson, that's a mighty big heart you are holding there.

Well, Mother Earth loves US a whole lot. She gives us all kinds of resources for free and She just asks us to take care not to waste or damage them.

Thanks for the timely reminder that we need to protect our resources, Orson.

This month, show Mother Earth some extra love! Here are ways to do it:

Before you shop for new items...

- Check the **RUMPUS Room** in Macmillan for binders, folders, and other office and school supply items. All items are free for the taking.
- Check the **Bargain Basement** in the ground floor of Main; we reloaded it with donations from the December move-out collection. Find costumes, craft supplies, clothing, housewares, room furnishings and miscellaneous items, etc. Remember: you can donate to the **Bargain Basement** anytime. Bring clean, gently-used items and put them on the appropriate shelves or leave them in the sorting area.
- Have a job interview? Check out appropriate professional clothing and shoes in the **Career Clothing** area in the **Bargain Basement**.
- There are more than 40 reuse stores in the Ithaca area that sell everything from clothing to furniture. Locate them at: reusetompkins.com

Fill 'er up! There are four water bottle fill stations on campus: on the second floor of Cleveland Hall, in the Sommer Center entry, and on the Macmillan north 1st and 3rd floors.



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Arrive curious ∴ Graduate prepared.



Recycling Do's and Don'ts

It's a new academic semester. Please make sure you know what is trash *versus* all these recyclable items:

- **Mixed paper** (white and colored office paper, letterhead, magazines, catalogs, newspapers, envelopes, window envelopes, paperboard)
 - **Glass containers**
 - **Metal Cans and Foil**
 - **Plastic Containers #1** through #7
 - **Paper milk and juice cartons**
 - **Small rigid plastics**
- Make sure to empty and rinse out food containers.



Bring extra plastic bags, burned-out lightbulbs, and dead batteries over to the Sustainability Center classroom in Zabriskie 212 and put them in the labeled boxes for proper recycling.

Be sure to deposit your paper napkins and any food scraps (otherwise known as "garbage") in the separate compost bin in the Dining Hall dish room. All the compostable material you put in that collection bin is now picked up and taken to a commercial composting facility to be naturally converted back into soil amendments. Make sure to keep any non-compostable contaminants (like plastic straws or cracker wrappers) out of the compost bin. Deposit recyclable materials and landfill trash in the appropriate sections of the separation station in the dish room. Thank you in advance.



"Installment" is a double play on words: these informational mini-newsletters are put inside bathroom cubicles ("in stalls") and the content gets changed out - in "installments."

Get it? Got it? Good!



Get spotted!

New **GOTCHA** cards are out for Block1. We are on the lookout for folks who use their

reusable beverage container instead of taking disposable cups. Do the right thing and we may *getcha* with a card redeemable for a free beverage refill at the *Grind Café*.

Be a RecycleManiac!



Wells is again participating in this friendly contest among more than 200 colleges to see who can recycle the most. *RecycleMania* starts February 5th and runs through April 1st. Pitch in – into the right bin, of course! – and help Wells score well in this annual competition.

Show Wells some love – conserve!

Help Wells save money on electricity. Turn off lights if you are the last one out of any room. If you are finished using a PC in a classroom or



computer lab, or if you will be out of your room or campus office for an extended period, please

put your computer to sleep, and switch off the monitor. These easy steps will save energy and still allow IT to send out needed system updates to networked computers.

Questions about more sustainable practices?

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