



Hey, Orson, aren't you headed out of town for the summer?
Nope, I'm "stay-cationing" this year, sticking close to my nest and enjoying all the wonders Aurora and the Finger Lakes region offer.
 Great! So we can call on you for help with our summer sustainability educational programs, right?
Hey, buddy! Read my sign. I'll be back on the job in the Fall.
 OK. Enjoy summer!

Trash² TREASURE

Thanks to everyone who participated in our annual move-out collection at the end of the spring semester. We successfully diverted a whole lot of still-usable clothing, footwear, bedding, room furnishings, non-perishable food, toiletries, and housewares to local charities and reuse programs. Our trash really *did* become someone else's treasure!

We retained lots of stuff for the **Bargain Basement** in Main.



In Macmillan 111A, we re-loaded the **RUMPUS Room** with reusable office and school supplies.



Both of these free reuse areas are open 24/7 for browsing.

New this summer: Wells has partnered with CSI to offer rentals of *MicroFridges*, all-in-one refrigerator, freezer and microwave oven units. More at:



<https://www.mymicrofridge.com/products/>

Installments

are produced as a community service by the **Wells Center for Sustainability and the Environment.**

Arrive curious ∴ Graduate prepared.

Summer To Dos



Learn what items are **recyclable** (most things are!) and what items go into the landfill trash.



As you shop for school and residence hall room supplies, think about the following:



Choose **recycled-content school supplies**, like notepads, filler paper, even pens and pencils. The College Store offers many recycled-content items. Check the **RUMPUS Room** for reusable items.



Look for the **Energy Star** label when you purchase allowable res hall room items like TVs, stereos, clocks, and lamps. Choose **LED** bulbs for lamps.

Buy a **"smart" electrical power/surge strip** that automatically turns off peripherals ganged to your computer (e.g. monitor, speakers) to save energy.

Check out **reuse stores** for needed items – you can often pick up everything you need for a small fraction of the cost of buying new! There are several options in Auburn; find more than 40 reuse stores around Ithaca by visiting: <http://reusetompkins.com/> Be sure to check our own **Bargain Basement**.



Check with your roommate.

Can you share items, especially infrequently-used appliances? Can you share items with others on your floor or in your building?

"Installment" is a double play on words: these mini-newsletters are placed inside bathroom cubicles ("in stalls") and the content changes periodically - in "installments."

Get it? Got it? Good!

Give our energy bill a break...



During the summer, it is more important than ever to make sure room lights are turned off when you leave. Odds are good that you are the last one out.

If you will be out of your office – or away from home – for an extended period of time this summer, please **turn off and unplug** any electricity-using equipment. Energy vampires don't vacation.



Clear the decks..



Bring any plastic shopping bags, burned-out lightbulbs, and dead batteries to the collection boxes in the *Sustainability Center*. We will make sure these items get properly recycled. Thanks!

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