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sustainable

Hey, Orson, what gives with your sign? You don't have any Irish forebears, do you? (Or should that be "fore-birds?")
No, but they say that on St. Patrick's Day, **everybody's** Irish.
Ok, but why would you want to be Irish..?
Maybe then I would have the Luck of the Irish, and with luck, everybody at Wells would join me to be more sustainable!
Feathers crossed, Orson. Feathers crossed.

Reducing waste is not a matter of luck!

Annually, Americans discard 50 billion single use, **paper hot beverage cups**. These disposable cups are **not recyclable**. The **plastic lids** for those disposable coffee cups are also **not recyclable**. Americans use half a billion **plastic drinking straws** every day – they are **not recyclable**. Opt for a cleanable, reusable straw. Americans buy about 50 billion single-use, disposable water bottles per year – that's more than a dozen bottles per month per person! **Plastic water bottles are recyclable** but by switching to a reusable beverage container, you could avoid around 150 plastic bottles each year. Compare the price: most disposable bottles of water cost \$1 or more. Invest in one reusable container for under \$20 and water refills cost far less than a penny per fill.



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Do some early Spring Cleaning!

As you contemplate heading out for a well-earned Spring Break, first take a look through your closets or drawers. Do you have winter clothing you want to retire permanently? Sick of those pajamas? Is that once-rad T-shirt logo no longer relevant? Consider cleaning out and donating those garments you no longer want to wear. Bring clean, still-usable clothing items to the **Food and Freebie Room** on the 1st floor of Main. The same goes for any reusable room furnishings, room decorations, excess housewares, arts & craft items, or unused cleaning or personal care products. Share them with others!



The same goes for the **RUMPUS Room** closet in the 1st floor hallway of Macmillan. Have you amassed office and school supplies like unused folders, pens, binders, index cards, *Post-its*, *you-name-it*? Drop off still-usable items in **RUMPUS** for others to take for free.



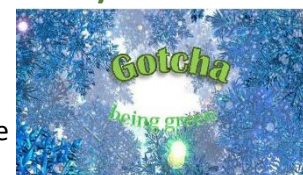
Have dead rechargeable batteries, blown light bulbs, or extra plastic bags? Deposit them in the labeled collection boxes in Zabriskie Hall Room 212. We will recycle them for you.

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

Get it? Got it? Good!

Did we GETCHA yet?

Did the members of *Wells Campus Greens* club spot you carrying and using your reusable container? Did they reward you with a **GOTCHA** card good for \$1.00 off a beverage purchase in the **GRIND**? Redeem your **GOTCHA** before the end of the semester.



Give your equipment a break!

As you leave for Spring Break, **PLEASE** make sure to turn off all room lights. If you will be out of your room or office for the extended break period, please **turn off** and **unplug** all energy-consuming equipment. Many continue to draw power even when the item is turned off but is still left plugged into the electrical outlet.



When you return to campus from break, think about making a **Spring Resolution** to learn how to become even *more* sustainable at Wells.

Questions about how?

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