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Did you know?

**Coach T. B. Thomas Sports Center offering
FREE USE** during JANUARY 2011.**

*Want to feel better, have more energy and
perhaps live longer?*

Look no further than old-fashioned exercise. The benefits of physical activity can prevent many health conditions, promote weight loss and offer better sleep. These benefits are hard to ignore and they are yours for the taking. You'll also stimulate brain chemicals that may leave you feeling happier and more relaxed than you were before you exercised. You'll also look better and feel better when you exercise regularly.

*Try the Coach T.B. Thomas Sports Center during the month of January at no charge.***

*** Offer does not apply to current memberships. New members only.*



BLACK AND WHITE GALA

Sponsored by Care South Innovations

Saturday, January 15th — 6 to 10 p.m.

Hartsville Country Club

Call for tickets: 843-378-3441

Proceeds to raise awareness of HIV/Aids



Free! Pesticide Container Pickup & Recycling in S.C. — January 10-31, 2011

US AgRecycling is scheduled to start picking up empty pesticide containers in South Carolina on January 10, 2011. They will be in the state for approximately 3 weeks (until about 1/31/11).

Note the information on the following pages on how to prepare your pesticide containers for recycling and a pesticide disposal fact sheet from SC DHEC. You may contact USAg directly to schedule a pickup date.





South Carolina Department of Health and
Environmental Control

FACT SHEET

Pesticides

Pesticide Disposal

November 1, 2007

Pesticides are classified based on the length of time that they remain effective once applied to the land. A new generation pesticide is what is typically used today because they usually linger in the environment for anywhere from a year to less than two weeks as opposed to early pesticides which will potentially impact the environment for more than 20 years. Pesticides are labeled with specific instructions on use and those directions must be followed to ensure that the product is used and disposed of safely. In order to ensure safe disposal, the following guidelines should be adhered to.

- All pesticides should be used for their intended purpose as per label instructions until gone.
- Only buy in quantities that you will use. Triple rinse plastic or glass containers and apply the pesticide rinseate on your own property in a manner consistent with the disposal instructions on the pesticide label. Another alternative for disposal is to give a pesticide to someone else who will use it. The disposal activities will then need to be carried out by that individual as outlined here.
- Puncture empty plastic containers multiple times and crush so as to avoid the possibility of reuse or pooling water. Dispose of in a landfill. Also, glass containers should be disposed of in a landfill.
- Paper containers must be cleaned and triple bagged in plastic and disposed of in a landfill.
- Any unused liquid must be solidified using an absorbent then triple bagged and disposed of in a landfill. An absorbent is a solid material used to soak up a liquid. Common examples include cat litter or sand.

However, these guidelines do not apply to those pesticides, which EPA has banned from land disposal. This means the EPA will not allow them to be disposed of in a landfill or buried anywhere in the ground. These materials must be incinerated. The following link provides a list of all severely restricted and banned pesticides.

<http://www.epa.gov/oppfead1/international/piclist.htm>

Returnable/Refillable Sealed Containers should not be emptied or rinsed. Do not break the seal, but return the product to the point of purchase.

When dealing with pesticides, personal protective equipment (PPE) should be worn. Examples of PPE needed are goggles, disposable plastic or vinyl one-time use gloves, and a dust mask. Also, these activities should be completed in an area with plenty of fresh air available to lessen the risk of inhalation.

The SC Department of Agriculture is receiving grant money through the EPA in addition to the allotted state funds to run a one-time pesticide disposal program over the next two years. They are currently setting up an Advisory Committee to include personnel from their department as well as the pesticide community and other state agencies involved in the handling or disposal of pesticides. By March 2008, they will have outreach material, a disposal waste company and begin collections. They will then do an evaluation of the program. This will only be for pesticides from agricultural sites and will not include household related materials or fertilizers.

For more information, please call

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USAg Recycling

1-800-654-3145

We will recycle your properly rinsed plastic crop protection product containers free of charge.

Preparing your containers

To be acceptable for recycling, plastic crop protection product containers must be empty, clean, uncapped, and dry. Follow this checklist to make sure your containers are acceptable, then compare them with the samples here. To prepare your containers, see our proper rinsing techniques online at <http://www.usagrecycling.com/rinse.html>

- ✓ **EMPTY:** Plastic containers must be empty to be recycled.
- ✓ **CLEAN:** Pressure of triple-rinse the container as soon as it is emptied. Container must be cleaned or they will not be accepted into the recycling program.
- ✓ **INSPECT:** Immediately after rinsing the container, look inside and make sure that all the formulation has been rinsed out. Also inspect the outside of the container; particularly check that the pour spout, the spout threads, and the container wall surrounding the spout are free of formulation residues that flake, smear, or come off on a glove when touched. We cannot process containers that have dried formulation in or on them.
- ✓ **DISCARD CAP:** Caps are usually made of a different kind of plastic and cannot be recycled. Be sure to clean the cap at the time the container is rinsed. Never put a cap back on a cleaned container. Dispose of the cleaned caps as normal solid waste.
- ✓ **KEEP CONTAINERS DRY:** Cleaned containers must be kept out of the rain and away from the rain water. Store cleaned containers in a roofed building, an enclosed trailer, or in plastic bags.
- ✓ **LABELS:** Please Remove the instruction booklets.
- ✓ **STAINS:** Containers that originally held products known to stain plastic are acceptable for recycling if the plastic is stained but otherwise clean.

Acceptable containers can be viewed on the website at <http://www.usagrecycling.com/containers.asp>

We collect plastic containers in many states throughout the south and eastern coastline. Because we are supported by the Ag Container Recycling Council (ACRC), our services are free! If you would like more information please call the toll-free number above or contact us via e-mail: info@USAgRecycling.com

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Recycling is good
for everyone!

USAg Recycling offers three collection options; public collection, collection centers, or private collection. To see which option works best for your area, give us a call. You can also send a service request online by going to <http://www.usagrecycling.com/form.htm>

If you or your organization are hosting an event held within the city limits, you will require a **SPECIAL EVENTS PERMIT**. This application can be found on our website: www.hartsvillesc.com, or by calling the Hartsville Parks and City Facilities department at 843-339-2878.
Completed permits are due at least 10 days prior to the event.