## University of Wisconsin-Whitewater

# The Greener Dub



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Recyclemania has been full swing for a few weeks now. With the plastic bag collection competition and the recycling rate our campus has really shown how dedicated the Warhawks are



to helping the planet. In this issue you will find out where you rank in your residence hall with each competition and how you can stay involved with sustainability on campus!

#### Stay Green this St.Patty's Day!

- Borrow or Reuse decorations or clothing
- Walk or Bike to your festivities
- Purchase organic foods and drinks



#### Recyclemania numbers:

Currently Wells East is in the lead with 2250.00 lbs of trash and 1390.00 lbs of that trash being recycled. While Wells West had 2475.00 lbs and recycling 1668.00 lbs. Keep recycling !! Winning complexes will receive prizes!

### **University Housing Sustainability Events**

Spring Break Swap and Shop Event:

Have broken phone chargers or wires laying around? Are you starting that spring cleaning and want to get rid of gently used clothing? During our Spring Break donation event this will be the time to bring all of these items to be

recycled or donated to others. Food, clothing, and electronic waste among other items will be collected and able to be swapped.

Dates: March 15th 5-8pm Wells Glass room by front desk March 16th 5-8pm Starin Seminar Room

Acceptable items:

- Reusable items
- E-waste (wires)
- Nonperishable food items
- School supplies
- Clothes
- Jewelry
- Books
- Other miscellaneous items in

good/working condition



Unacceptable items:

- Items that cannot be recycled or reused (no longer working, broken, etc.)
- Stained, torn or ripped clothing
- Large appliances or electronics No opened food



Looking for a fun program to do within your residence hall or just with friends? Last month Eco-reps created terrariums! This was a fun interactive activity to get people thinking about plants and the environment, these terrariums also they make great gifts!

Items needed: Mason jars/pots, soil, pebbles, moss, and plants

Follow this link before for detailed instruction on how to put a terrarium together!

http://www.wikihow.com/Make-a-Terrarium

#### Sustainability Events!

#### Film Showing: A Plastic Ocean (Monday, March 13 at 5:30 PM in Summers Auditorium)

Trailer: https://youtu.be/6zrn4-FfbXw

In A Plastic Ocean, an international team of adventurers, researchers, and Ocean ambassadors go on a mission around the globe to uncover the shocking truth about what is truly lurking beneath the surface of our seemingly pristine Ocean. The result will astound viewers-just as it did our adventurers-who captured never-before-seen images of marine life, plastic pollution, and its ultimate consequences for human health.



#### **Plastic Bag Collection:**

Never know what to do with those plastic grocery bags from Walmart? Plastic bag containers will be collected around campus throughout the entir RecycleMania competition to be properly recycled. Collection bins can be found in the following buildings: University Center, Greenhill Center of the Arts, Hyland, Upham, Winther, Esker, Drumlin, Starin, Wells, and the Arey-Fricker link. Containers in Starin, Arey/Fricker Link and Wells will be measured and prizes will be given to the winning side of campus!

Currently Starin and Wells are tied for the lead after collecting 380 plastic bags. Overall the campus has collected over 1000 plastic bags! Keep Recycling!



If you are looking for more ways to get involved with Recyclemania or in sustainability in general be sure to talk with your RA, attend SAGE/ Gardening club meetings and check out programs your complex LIT (Leadership Involvement Team) is putting on!