

**HOUSEHOLD
HAZARDOUS WASTE
CLEAN-UP DAY!**

Date: October 23, 2009

Time: 10 a.m.—5 p.m.

Place: Mountain Home
Parks & Rec. Office

Address: 795 S. 5th W. St.

Questions? Call: 587-2112

Sponsored by:

The City of Mountain Home
US Ecology of Idaho
Allied Waste

Acceptable Items:

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Unacceptable Items:

Tires

Biomedical Waste

Explosives / Fireworks

Ammunition

Radioactive Materials

Combustable Liquids

Reactive Materials

Commercial Waste

Compact Fluorescent Lights
(Home Depot will Accept)

Note:

Items should be enclosed in
clearly labeled containers.
Do not mix items together.



Mountain Home Waste & Recycling News

Farewell to A Great Employee

After almost 40 years in the waste business Ann Payne has packed-up and headed for new adventures with her family. “She’s been with our company longer than I’ve been alive”, said Mountain Home Supervisor Chad Murphy, “We’re really going to miss her”.

Ann has worn many hats over the years, handling everything from billing and customer service; to office management and dispatch. Despite working hard for the *trash* company she had the cleanest office in town,” said

Murphy. “She vacuumed everyday and wouldn’t settle into her routine until the office was spotless.”

The drivers and mechanics who worked shoulder-to-shoulder with Ann over the years will miss her affectionately referring to them as her “boys”. She exemplified hard work and was a friend to everyone in the company.

With a smile on her face, Ann is off to spend more time with her grandchildren (and great-grandchildren!), and is looking forward to a well-deserved vacation with her husband. As a surprise



Ann Payne –Newly Retired

and token of our appreciation, Allied Waste gave Ann a four day trip to her favorite resort on the Oregon coast. We can’t think of anyone more deserving.

If you see Ann around town, please wish her well as she starts the next best chapter of her life—retirement!

Household Hazardous Waste

What is hazardous waste?

A substance is considered hazardous if it: can catch on fire, can react or explode when mixed with other substances, is corrosive, or is toxic. The average household contains several gallons of these materials which can harm our health or the environment if not managed properly. Most hazardous materials will have one of the following labels:

CAUTION, WARNING, DANGER, or POISON.

How can you get rid of them?

The worst way to dispose of a hazardous material is to dump it down the drain. Wastewater treatment plants are not designed to handle this type of contamination. Unfortunately, throwing these materials in the landfill is not necessarily an effective solution, either.

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Acceptable Hazardous Waste Materials (continued)

When not disposed of properly, hazardous waste can contaminate groundwater, surface water, and air. Fortunately, you can take your unwanted hazardous materials (for free!) to the upcoming hazardous waste day. Materials delivered to the Parks and Recreation facility will be disposed of properly or recycled by U.S. ecology. Thanks for doing your part to protect the environment! Hazardous waste includes:

Living Quarters

- Furniture polish
- Metal polish
- Floor products
- Bug Sprays
- Batteries
- Lighter fluid
- Old fire alarms
- Moth balls
- Prescription medicines

Yard & Garage

- Fungicide/Herbicide
- Pesticide
- Pool chemicals
- Rat poison
- Weed killer
- Fertilizer
- Drain Cleaner
- Photo Chemicals
- Empty Gas Cylinders

Garage/Work Shop

- Antifreeze
- Car batteries
- Brake fluid
- Gasoline/Diesel Fuel
- Glue (solvent based)
- Paint/Paint Thinner/Varnish
- Transmission fluid
- Turpentine
- Asphalt/Roofing Tar

We're on the Web!

www.alliedwasteidaho.com



Reminder: Set Trash & Recycling out by 6 a.m.!



Trash Cart Placement and Rules

If you are like most of us you love trash day. It's the one day each week when you can purge your house and life of everything you don't want. You feel good and your house looks great. Garbage is part of our daily routine. Most often *you drag it out and we take it away*. But, there are a few guidelines that we need your help with to keep your neighborhood clean, your driver safe, your sidewalk clear for pedestrian traffic and your mail carrier happy:

Proper Trash Cart Set-Out

- Fill the contractor-supplied 95-gallon trash cart first. Use additional carts or cans if necessary.
- Make sure you have 3' of clearance around your cart in all directions, including overhead.
- Place your cart as far away from your mailbox as possible.

- Place the cart in the gutter with the wheels and handle facing the house (this keeps sidewalks clear).
- Keep garbage inside the cart, below the rim. This keeps trash from spilling in to the street when dumped into the truck.
- Close the trash cart lid. This prevents litter from blowing, keeps animals out, blocks rainwater and minimizes odors.
- Keep your cart away from the BBQ and never fill it with hot ashes. The carts are very sturdy but can melt when exposed to high temperatures.
- Never place broken glass loose in trash bags.
- Remove your cart from the curb within 24-hours of service.

We appreciate your cooperation!



All Mountain Home Residents receive one 95-gallon trash cart with their basic service.

These carts are equivalent to three regular trash cans.

Additional carts can be rented for \$4.00 per month by calling city hall at 587-2104.