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Celebrating Earth Day

Earth Day is everyday but it will officially be celebrated on April 22, 2010.

What that means for residents of Sapulpa is the annual Trash Off day will be on Saturday, April 17, 2010.

Again this year Show, Inc. is joining in the celebration with our annual Tire Collection. As in years past they must be off the rims and no commercial

tires will be accepted.

Our recycling center will be open that day to accept all those bottles, cans, jars, newspapers, catalogs, magazines, etc. that have been piling up all year.

The City is providing the electronics collection again this year. The site for collection will be here at Show, Inc.

Let's all do our part to help keep our beautiful city looking good.

If you have any questions regarding where to take what please give us a call.

Did You Know?

Earth Day was founded by Sen. Gaylord Nelson (D-WI) as an environmental teach-in to raise awareness for the earth's environment.

The first Earth Day was celebrated on April 22, 1970 making this the 40th anniversary of the event.

It is estimated that 20 million Americans participated in events across the nation.

As a result of the first Earth Day, Congress passed the Clean Air Act and created the U.S.

Environmental Protection Agency.

Earth Day is now celebrated in 175 countries, coordinated by the Earth Day Network.

The flag designed for the first Earth Day is a famous NASA photo of the earth – The Blue Marble – on a dark blue field.



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Tax Season Approaches

The April 15th filing date for taxes is fast approaching and with it the, for some, the mountain of paperwork.

If you are having trouble finding places to keep all of the records that have been accumulating over the years but don't just want to throw them in the trash, or, we hope, the recycle bin, consider having them shredded at Show.

For 12.5¢ per pound our shredding crews will shred it for you. We will even provide a Certificate of Destruction if you need one.

For businesses we also offer shredding by the cart. The cost for a large 95 gallon poly cart of shredding is \$40.00.

If you are uncertain as to how long you should keep certain records for tax purposes you can refer to Publication 552 on the IRS website at www.irs.gov. It contains useful information on what records to keep and how long.

If you are interested in putting Show's shredding crews to work for you just give us a call.

A BIG THANK YOU GOES OUT TO

**KATHY BEAL
SANDY DAVIDSON
VALITA STEENBERGEN
SHARON LANG
BARBARA HORTON**

AND EVERYONE WHO HELPED TO MAKE OUR FIRST ANNUAL "DATE NIGHT AT SHOW" A HUGE SUCCESS.

Website Updates

Keep an eye out in the coming months for a newly re-designed website.

The new site should be more user friendly and provide more information on Show, Inc.

We are adding some new content such as a history of Show, Inc. and a page of "Where to Recycle".

Once the new site is up and running please take a click around and let us know what you think.



Spring Has Sprung!

Spring may be the time of year when young men's thoughts turns to love but it is also the time of year when many turn their thoughts to spring cleaning.

This year let's all try to be good environmental stewards as we clear out the cobwebs from the winter.

Many people use spring cleaning as a way to purge the clutter and junk. With some thought and little effort it doesn't have to end up in a landfill. Ask yourself a few very simple questions about each item. Can I reuse this somewhere else, can someone else use this, for example a local charity. Many items can be donated and find a new life. If the item cannot be reused ask yourself can it be recycled? While we at Show are limited as to what we accept there are many other recyclers in the area that accept a wide variety of items. A check of the Metropolitan Environmental Trust website at www.metrecycle.com will point you in the right direction for area recyclers. At least until we have this resource on our website.

By asking the reuse and recycle questions we can

reduce the amount of trash that goes into our landfills.

Now that we have purged our stuff, it is time to clean what is left. Here again with very little effort we can continue to be good environmental stewards. Whenever possible find an alternative to using chemical cleaners. A little vinegar and water along with a newspaper does a wonderful job on glass.

A baking soda paste makes a wonderful scouring cleaner for many surfaces. Just be mindful that it is abrasive so use caution. Baking soda sprinkled on carpets and furniture will freshen them up without the use of chemicals. Just be sure to vacuum up after about 30 minutes.

Lemon juice can cut through grease or remove stains from cutting boards. A little lemon juice mixed with cream of tartar is great for removing coffee and tea stains.

Even ordinary table salt can be put to work. Clean your artificial flowers by placing the buds in a plastic bag add salt and shake. Liberally sprinkle salt on an oven spill, wait for the oven to cool and wipe with a damp rag.

Clean your countertops, baseboards and walls with

a solution of ½ cup borax to 1 gallon of water. Pour into a spray bottle, spritz the surface and wipe with a damp rag.

Need to do some dusting? Grab an old sock or tee shirt and leave the fancy dusters in the store. For smaller items put the sock over your hands to get into all the little spots. Can't seem to get to those cobwebs in the corner? Put an old sock over the end of a broom or mop handle, secure with a rubber band and clear away.

These are just a few ideas to help you on your way to chemical free cleaning. A quick search of the internet will have you cleaning almost everything the natural way.

Now that we have carefully purged, cleaned and have a fresh new start for the spring let's continue our efforts.

Reduce-be aware of the amount of packaging items come in and whether it is recyclable or not. Reduce the amount of energy we use by looking for ways to cut our utility bills. Here again, the internet is a wonderful resource.

Reuse-give your items second or even third lives by either reusing them yourself or finding someone else who can.

Recycle-set up a recycling station and make a weekly trip to the recycling center closest to you. Be aware of what can and cannot be recycled and recycle everything you can.

So throw open the windows and help make your little part of the world a greener place to be!

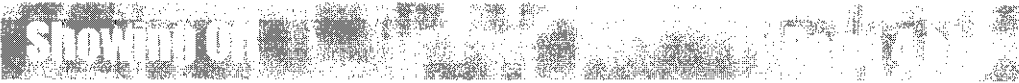
If you would prefer to receive your quarterly edition of Showing Off via email please contact us at recycle@showinc.org.

If you would prefer to receive your monthly/quarterly invoices via email please contact Valita Steenbergen at valita.steenbergen@showinc.org

Let's help save some trees.

Please remember to recycle your copy of Showing Off when you are finished with it, or pass it along to someone else who might be interested.





Recent Events

February was a sweet month for us here at Show, Inc. On Feb. 11 we held our first annual "Date Night at Show" and it was a huge success.

The Sapulpa High NHS was here to help decorate and serve.

The response to this from the community was much

more than we expected and the event raised over \$500.00!

In March, the staff here at Show hosted a St. Patrick's Day potluck lunch for all of our employees.

A green glass was raised and everyone had a great time.

The event raised \$119.00.

Keep a watch out in this space!
OK Rod Benders is planning a fishing tourney to benefit Show, Inc.
More information such as time, date, etc. will be posted here.
Got Fish?

Upcoming Events

It may only be April, but as the United Way Campaign Coordinator for Show, I am always looking ahead to the fall and the annual United Way Campaign.

This year Show will have a themed campaign "Racing to the Goal"

Last year Show raised

over \$5000 for United Way and I am hoping to zoom past that this year.

We will be having our traditional No Finer Diners and Silent Auction which are open to the community as well as our annual Parking Lot Dance.

Ideas and contributions

from the community are always welcome.

If you are interested in donating to either one of the Diners or to the Silent Auction please contact Chris Boyd at 224-7214 or email me at christina.boyd@showinc.org

Getting Involved

Have you ever wondered what you can do to help support the wonderful programs offered by Show, Inc.? Thinking you just don't have the time or money to help out?

We have an easy way that everyone in the community can help support Show.

GoodSearch/GoodShop!

Almost everyone these days surfs the internet and each time you surf with

GoodSearch, Show earns money.

The money is donated from the advertising dollars that GoodSearch receives.

Simply go to goodsearch.com and enter Show, Inc. as the company you goodsearch for. The searches are powered by Yahoo so you will be getting top quality searches. And to make it easier to goodsearch for Show you can download

the toolbar.

In addition GoodSearch has partnered with over 140 retailers who donate a portion of any purchase made when you GoodShop for Show. Simply shop online as you normally would using the GoodShop portal which takes you directly to the retailer's site.

Please check out GoodSearch and GoodShop and help support Show!

Showing Off has now been added to our website at www.showinc.org
Our site is updated regularly and contains not only information on recycling but information on the valuable service we provide to the community – jobs for adults with developmental disabilities.
Be sure to check us out!

