

November 2020 **Newsletter**

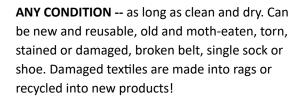
We had a successful, contactless Free Book Day, and look forward to seeing you from afar at our Textile and TerraCycle Drive. See below to learn more!

Textile Drive, Razor Blade and Swiffer Pad Collection - Nov 21



Start saving now! Our annual Clothing & Household Textiles Recycling Drive is Saturday, Nov. 21 from 8:00 a.m. - 1:00 p.m. Look for the HELPSY truck in Riley Plaza.

DROP OFF -- clean & dry clothing, sneakers, shoes, boots, slippers, belts, ties, purses, stuffed animals, comforters, sheets, blankets, table linens, and curtains.



NEW THIS YEAR -- We have partnered with TerraCycle and will have a special collection for all brands of razors and Swiffer Pads to be recycled! Please see flyers for details on both the razor collection program and the Swiffer collection program. If we reach a certain amount of weight, we will get a small amount of money to donate to the schools. Save all used swiffer pads, and all razors and packaging for the

drive!

PLEASE, NO -- carpets, rugs, bric-a-brac, oil rags, wet or mildewed items, pillows.



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PLEASE PRACTICE SOCIAL DISTANCING - If

driving, please stay in your vehicle the whole time and have your items ready to unload in your trunk, truck bed or hatchback - items will not be

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unloaded from car seats. Walk up is also allowed. Please wear a face covering the whole time.

See Facebook event <u>here</u>.
For more info, contact Micaela Guglielmi at <u>mguglielmi@salem.com</u> or 978-619-5672.

Thank you for Attending Free Book Day!



Image from Itemlive.

Over 55 homes participated as a contactless pick up sites and countless books made their way to new home. Thank you for trying something new. We hope you found a new street to walk down and a new book to enjoy.

Tips for Recycling Amazon Packaging

As a reminder in these Covid-19 times, where shipments are increasing and holidays coming up, we want to bring back something we shared in February: tips on how to cut back on waste in Amazon deliveries. Shop local when possible as the most sustainable option!

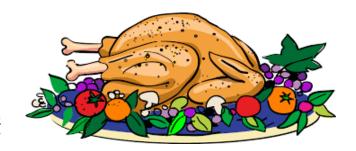


 Consolidate your orders. Purchase items that are labeled "Fulfilled by Amazon." It can work if they are available from the same Fulfillment Center, purchased from the same account on the same day and shipped to the same address. Click here for more information. 12/2/2020 Constant Contact

- Ask for <u>"Frustration Free Packaging."</u> Items are sent in smaller boxes with recyclable packing materials. No bubble-wrap, plastic inserts, blister packs, packaging peanuts, wire ties, clam shells, & shredded paper. Also boxes inside of boxes. Click on this <u>brief video</u> to see what it looks like.
 - To access, choose "Ship in Amazon packaging" at checkout. Not all items are available. Items that are, are listed on the product page with the following language: "Item arrives in packaging that reveals what's inside." The language is confusing-- packages do not have cutouts or windows.
- Recycle Amazon Blue Plastic bubble wrap envelopes at Grocery Stores with other plastic bags. The paper address labels must be cut out. Please never put these in your curbside recycling bin!

Composting Thanksgiving Dinner

Our composting partner, Black Earth Compost, can take the **bones and all!** Don't hesitate to throw all the food remains from Thanksgiving in the compost collection. We have a **public drop off spot at Mack Park** if you do not have curbside compost.



To use every last drop of your leftovers, consider this hearty <u>Turkey</u> <u>Carcass Soup</u>.

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