

# Mid Michigan Waste Authority



## COMMUNITY connection

A monthly update from the Mid Michigan Waste Authority

October 2017

### Upcoming Events

#### **MMWA Executive Cmte Meeting**

MMWA Office

Thursday, Nov 16 @ 9:30 AM

#### **Holiday Light Recycling Drive**

Various locations

Nov 15 - Jan 15, 2018

#### **MMWA Annual Board Meeting**

Andersen Enrichment Center

Monday, Dec 11 @ 9:30 AM



Pumpkin leaf bags are cute, but they should not be used when putting yard waste out to the curb. Yard waste must be placed in labeled 35 gallon or smaller cans or paper yard waste bags. Yard waste in plastic bags will be tagged and left at the curb by collection workers.

Pumpkins and other decorative vegetation in small amounts are also accepted as yard waste, as long as they are placed in a labeled yard waste can or paper YW bag.

Yard waste seasons runs through your last service day in November. For more information, call (989) 781-9555.

### More than 110 tons of problem wastes collected through 2017 HSW program

MMWA has wrapped up another safe and successful season of household special waste collection events, with 22 drop-off days offered at no cost to Saginaw County, Bethany Twp, Village of Breckenridge, and Wheeler Twp residents from May to September.

There were five Tech Tuesday (e-waste) days, ten days devoted to paint and other non-toxics, three household hazardous waste events, two document shredding days, and two "All in One" combo events, through which residents could drop off electronics, paint, and hazardous waste in one visit.

More than 220,000 pounds (110 tons) of problem wastes were diverted from the landfill thanks to the 2017 HSW program. A total of 2,297 cars participated in the events, with representation from every one of MMWA's 34 member communities.

Residents who have these materials should hold onto them until the HSW drop-off days return in the spring of 2018. Please check our website at [www.recyclemotion.org](http://www.recyclemotion.org) or call us at (989) 781-9555 in mid-April 2018 for more details.

#### **In September 2017,**

**twelve MMWA member communities had ZERO valid RCLs and ten communities had ONE.**

**A valid RCL is when a Waste Management collection worker returns to the address to provide collection service.**



We saw lots of fun vintage cans of paint during our Paint Wednesday events this year, but this one from the Saginaw Paint Manufacturing Company was especially interesting.



### Holiday light recycling drive returns Nov 15

MMWA's popular Holiday Light Recycling Drive will again make the holiday season a little greener.

The project kicks off on America Recycles Day – November 15 – just as many people are pulling out their holiday decorations for the season. It runs through January 15, 2018.

Promotional posters featuring drop-off locations will be mailed to MMWA member community offices in November and emailed to all MMWA trustees and alternates.

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