Welcome to GRC’s monthly Green Sheet Electronic Update! We hope you find the information helpful.

Please send us releases, captioned photos and other great news that you want to share with the membership; email us at garecycles@mindspring.com

ICAW to Kick Off with Compost Story Launch

Watch this trailer and stay tuned for the launch on May 7th

http://kisstheground.com/thecompoststory/

Membership Renewals in Progress

During the first week of May GRC’s Membership Management System automatically sent renewal notices to all members to renew for the GRC July 2017-June 2018 Member Year. It included an invoice for your convenience. You will need to log in to pay your membership renewal using your email address (this allows a credit card payment option); if you forgot your password or if this is your first time logging in, just click “forgot password” and it will send you a link to change it. You can also print out the invoice and US mail with a check-whichever works for your accounting system.

For the first time in ten (10) years, you will see a slight increase in the annual dues as recommended by our Membership Committee and approved by the Board of Directors. The deadline for renewal is June 30, 2017; as always we understand that some of you may have to wait until after July 1 for new budget cycles to begin, so we will have a grace period to a month later.

If you joined during at varied times during the member year, you will see a pro-rated amount for renewal giving
Our success is your success... a coalition by definition is an alliance for combined action. We are allies, partners and colleagues working together to keep recycling strong and working in Georgia. The success of our organization in fulfilling its mission is reliant upon people who commit time, energy and resources to its support. Thank you for your contribution to our collective success and let us hear from you with comments, suggestions, etc. about how we may add value to your membership in GRC.

MARK YOUR CALENDAR

Last year we celebrated 25 years as a vibrant state recycling organization. This September, we will be Taking Aim at the Next 25! What lies ahead will be innovative and often challenging, but we are on a path to continue growing and sustaining recycling as an environmental solution and economic driver in Georgia. So plan now...mark your calendar. Become a sponsor or exhibitor, volunteer to work on the Program Committee, procure a unique and cool piece for the auction, hone your skeet shooting skills and get ready to take aim at determining the next steps for recycling in our state and how GRC will hit the target!

Registration Opens in May

Spirit of Green Awards Opens Nominations
Recognizing Excellence in Recycling & Waste Reduction in Georgia

Nomination Deadline: August 1, 2017

Award Categories
- Volunteer of the Year
- New Member of the Year
- Outstanding Institutional Program
- Outstanding Government/Community Program
- Outstanding Corporate Leader
- Innovation Award
- Environmental Stewardship

Application Here: http://www.georgiarecycles.org/about-grc/grc-events/grc-annual-conference/

CONNIE BURNS SCHOLARSHIP 2017
College & University Scholarship-Deadline to Submit is June 30, 2017
Connie Burns, of Effingham County, GA was an active Georgia Recycling Coalition (GRC) member for several years and was renowned for her spirit, love of life and adventure, and her true understanding of and dedication to effective waste reduction and recycling practices. The solid waste and recycling community lost Connie to an unexpected death in August of 2012. As a way to remember and honor her life and work, GRC in partnership with SWANA Georgia Chapter, established the Connie Burns Scholarship Program dedicated to assisting and mentoring Georgia college and university students interested in a career path in recycling, composting, environmental practices, and sustainability.

GRC is proud to offer this scholarship for the 6th year. Scholarship(s) are awarded annually to one or more students, not to exceed $1,000 per individual. Registration and lodging are provided to the recipient(s) to attend the 2017 annual conference.

DOWNLOAD the APPLICATION HERE:
http://www.georgiarecycles.org/georgia-recycles/campaigns/connie-burns-scholarship/

We need your assistance in promoting this opportunity to potential applicants at your schools; also, please forward to other contacts you may have at Georgia colleges and universities...thanks!

GRC Hall of Fame Nominations Sought

Last September during our 25th Anniversary Conference, GRC inducted two members into its newly formed Hall of Fame. The inaugural inductees were Abby Goldsmith, of A. Goldsmith Resources, LLC. and Steve Levetan of Pull-A-Part, LLC. Both were founding members of the organization, serve as Honorary Directors, and have remained active member supporters throughout the history of the state recycling organization.

This year, we look to induct a new person into our ongoing Hall of Fame. Please review the application located here:
http://www.georgiarecycles.org/assets/Uploads/Annual-Conference/Hall-of-Fame-Nomination-Form.pdf
Let us know if you have questions and we look forward to receiving nominations.

Thank you for your continued support of our great state recycling organization!
Sincerely,

Gloria Hardegree
Georgia Recycling Coalition