

# ASK A MASTER RECYCLER

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A MONTHLY COLUMN OF RECYCLING  
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MASTER RECYCLERS  
For the Siuslaw News

few.  
First step, read the packaging.  
Ideally, the label will indicate the amount of recycled content. One term to look for on the label: “Post-Consumer Content.” This is what we set curbside for recycling; material that has served its intended purpose, then been separated from the trash to be recycled.  
Also — this is important — just because a package includes a recycling symbol does not mean it’s made with recycled content, or that it’s recyclable in our community. Green Seal and Scientific Certification Systems are two independent organizations that certify product claims, including recycled content; their symbols may be seen on product packaging as well.  
Second, look for the highest percentage of post-consumer recycled content to guide your purchases. Ask your vendor if they have recycled

products. The more consumers ask for items made with recycled materials, the more likely retailers will be to carry recycled products.  
Third, be aware that some products have been recycled for so long that they are often not labeled as made from recycled materials. Examples of this include aluminum. Did you know that about 50 percent of the aluminum used in beverage cans is from recycled cans?  
Glass is another commonly recycled material. New glass jars use about 30 percent post-consumer recycled glass; brown and green containers have the highest recycled content.  
We vote with our dollars when we purchase products made with post-consumer recycled content. Creating stable markets for recycled material ensures the continuation and expansion of recycling programs everywhere. Buying recycled products is one of the best ways you can increase the impact of recycling.  
Q. Paper is recyclable, so I can recycle paper plates and paper towels, right?  
A. Unfortunately, no. Paper products that are designed to stay strong

when wet — like cups, plates and towels — often have a chemical or plastic component that is damaging to the paper remaking process. Also, paper products with food or grease residue are not recyclable. The better option? Choose durable, washable dishes and reusable cloth towels.  
Q. I have a pellet stove and end up with many empty plastic bags. Are those recyclable?  
A. Yes, just not in your curbside recycle bin. NO plastic bags are allowed in your curbside recycle bin. However, the Florence Transfer Station accepts your empty pellet bags for recycling. Either rinse the bags and allow them to dry, or turn them inside out and shake vigorously to clean.  
The Florence Transfer Station accepts #2 and #4 plastic pellet, garden, or bark bags, as well as plastic grocery-type bags.  
No food or dirt residue, please.  
Q. Is it too late to sign up for the next Master Recycler class in Florence?  
A. No. The next class will begin Jan. 13, 2017, and run through March

10, at the Lane Community College Florence campus.  
The class will be held every Friday afternoon, 12:30 to 3:30 p.m., and includes a couple of Saturday field trips.  
The Master Recycler class is free in exchange for volunteer service.  
Pick up applications at the Florence transfer station or online at [LaneCounty.org/MasterRecyclers](http://LaneCounty.org/MasterRecyclers).

*Florence Master Recyclers is part of the Lane County Master Recycler Program, a service of the County's Public Works Waste Management Division since 2002. The mission of the Master Recycler program is to bridge the gap between awareness and action by motivating people to reduce solid waste at home, work and play. This monthly column, written for The Siuslaw News, answers commonly asked recycling questions. For more recycling information, please visit [www.ci.florence.or.us/bc-ema/recycling](http://www.ci.florence.or.us/bc-ema/recycling) OR [www.lanecounty.org/recycle](http://www.lanecounty.org/recycle) OR follow Master Recyclers of Florence on Facebook.*

## Hank Shreve headlines at Three Rivers Nov. 11-12 Dayna Law photography featured at Silver Lining

At Blue Bills Sports Bar & Tap Room On Friday, Nov. 11 and Saturday, Nov. 12, harmonica player, singer, keyboardist, drummer and songwriter Hank Shreve fronts a stellar band including some of the best talent in the Northwest.  
The Hank Shreve Band will play each night from 9 p.m. to 12:30 a.m.  
The band recently won the Portland Cascade Blues Association's “Muddy Award” for Best New Act, and also just released its debut album.  
Blue Bills Sports Bar & Tap



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Hank Shreve

Room is located inside Three Rivers Casino Resort, 5647 Highway 126, in Florence.

During the Second Saturday Artwalk on Nov. 12, there will be a champagne and hor'deuvre reception from 3 to 5 p.m. at The Gallery Above Silver Lining, which is featuring landscape photography by Dayna Law.  
Law uses her lens to capture the world with color, beauty and the magic of all of the life surrounding her.  
“She is ever dedicated in her pursuit of the delicious details of Mother Nature's evolvment, glory and ever changing light,” says galler owner Kimberly Fleenor.  
“One glimpse of her photography and it becomes ever so evident of her respect, admiration and total wonderment of her subject matter.”  
Fleenor says each photograph has a specific personal story and takes the viewer on a personal journey. Some are even in sepia tones to contrast from the colorful array of beautiful scenery.  
Law previously attended the Art Institute of Atlanta and Kennesaw State University, in Georgia, to facilitate and inspire her creative skills with her photography and metal working designs.  
“She moved to exactly the



COURTESY PHOTO

“What Lies Beyond,” a photo by Dayna Law, is one of several on display this month at The Gallery Above Silver Lining.

right area to pursue her artistic endeavors and, now, we are the fortunate recipients of enjoying and celebrating her exciting art forms,” says Fleenor.  
“Moving to Oregon has given me the opportunity to enjoy great coffee, hiking and traveling this magnificent state to photograph the extraordinary beauty of this

environment,” Law says.  
Since living in Florence for the last few years, her works have been shown at numerous venues in town. Many of her photography canvases were recently purchased by PeaceHealth Peace Harbor Medical Center as part of its permanent art display.  
Along with the prints and canvases, Law has also loved

being able to share her photographic images by creating and including greeting art cards and postcards.  
Come enjoy the photographic celebration of Mother Nature through the eyes of Law's photography Nov. 12.  
“I personally invite and encourage all to participate in her wonderous art,” says Fleenor.

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## Ladies of Elks to host holiday Bazaar

This year's annual Ladies of Elks Holiday Bazaar will be November 11, 12 and 13.  
Attendees can enter through the west door of the Elks Lodge, 1686 12th St.  
Bazaar hours will be Friday, Nov. 11, from 1 to 8 p.m.; Saturday, Nov. 12, from 9 a.m. to 4 p.m.; and Sunday, Nov. 13, from 8 a.m. to 11 a.m.

Among the items for sale will be handcrafted gifts, gourmet desserts, Christmas decorations, baked goods, jams and jellies, candies and jewelry.  
On Friday and Saturday, the LOE will be offering pie and coffee for sale.  
On Saturday, lunch of homemade soup, chili and cornbread will be available.

On Sunday, start the day with a waffle breakfast.  
Baskets will be on display and the donation for the tickets is \$1 per ticket or six for \$5.  
The drawing will be at the Tom and Jerry Party on Dec. 10, and participants need not be present to win.  
All proceeds go to charities in the Florence community.

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