



Recycle Recycle Recycle - or We Will Have to Pay the Consequences



The Board discussed strict recycling guidelines with Kathy after the meeting. RECYCLING IS THE ONLY WAY TO KEEP OUR RUBBISH BUDGET IN CHECK. Because of the variance in the free tonnage allotment, **our trash bills have escalated from \$500 a month to \$500 a week!!** Newspapers and cardboard are disposed of free of charge. Recycled items are collected and disposed of at a reduced rate.

The most expensive rate for disposal is the trash bag. Garbage disposals may now be installed in your units as we are hooked up to sewers. This would eliminate produce by-products as trash. Less than half of our homeowners are recycling. Recycling guidelines are included in this newsletter- any questions, feel free to email the Board. Recycling bins have been distributed. If you do not have one, you may use any large plastic tub or milk crate.

**Plastics** - flatten the plastics that are soft enough to do so (milk and water jugs). Plastics include all food and laundry containers. It does not include plastic toys or other plastic items from around the house.

**Glass** - wash, remove the lid, no need to remove labels- no dishes, light bulbs, nic nak's.

**Cans** - wash, remove both ends and flatten.. no need to remove labels.

NO aerosol containers or paint cans.

**Newspaper and cardboard are picked up once a month- dates follow below**

Recycled items do not count against our tonnage. **Newspapers and cardboard are disposed of free of charge and are picked up the first Wednesday in a full week.** Newspapers and cardboard will be collected on the first Wednesday of a "full" week of every month.

Please mark these dates on a calendar as a reminder. Magazines may be combined with the newspapers.

- May 10
- June 7
- July 5
- Aug 9
- Sept. 6
- Oct. 4
- Nov. 8
- Dec. 6

**Cardboard** pickup will also be on the newspaper collection day - regular brown cardboard- also cereal boxes and other cardboard from food stuffs, toys, etc. Please tie or bundle cardboard separate from the newspapers.

All containers that are picked up for recycling should be washed of the product. Covers should be removed so that they can dry out. Recycle bins have been distributed- if you do not have one you may use any large plastic tub or container. Appliances, bed frames, mattresses, computers, paint must be scheduled for a pickup. Please call Millbury Rubbish 508-865-0446 for rates and a pickup date.

While we budgeted \$6000 a year for trash, plus an extra \$1000 for the extra trash days. As with any budget overrun (our annual budget divided by 98 units), **our options are to assess or increase condo fees. If some units take the time and trouble to recycle, while others do not bother, one option is to assess those who do not recycle.** Since this is a new budget problem, we are reviewing other options.

Ole Woodsman

[The Natural Organisms that Surround Us](#) - Do you realize that billions, yes billions, of organisms surround our units and surrounding areas and are working for our benefit for free? It is true that many would require a microscope to see - but not all. There are ten million microorganisms and fungi in every gram of soil.



Trash Pick-up Day for Everything!



**Monday May 22** following the Yard Sale- Leave ANY items (furniture, paint, computers, tvs) in your driveway at NO additional cost to you!

PRVA Yard Sale



Clean out your cellar and garage (or that 2nd bedroom) and join in the fun at the PRVA Yard Sale Saturday May 20th (rain date Sunday May 21st) Set up 7am-9am at the front entrance Yard Sale 9am-noon. If you would like to participate or have any items of interest that you would like to have listed in the newspaper ad,

Board Stuff

please email [Board@PaulRevereVillage.com](mailto:Board@PaulRevereVillage.com) or leave a note on 6 Concord Rd's door. All invited to set up a table and sell your treasures!

**Financials** through March 2006 [are posted here](#). **Minutes** through March 2006 are [posted here](#).

Board Meetings are normally scheduled for the 1st Monday of each month, at 3 Lexington, 6:00p.m. [Please email the board](#) , or let them know another way, if you are going to attend. If you have concerns and want direct answers, this is the best way...attend and ask.

Wine Country and PRV neighbor Billy Erwin

We thought you might enjoy viewing some of Billy's pictures taken during his recent travels of Spain's wine country. Billy is in the wine industry, and was fortunate enough to have been invited to travel the vineyards of Spain with an industry importer. In February 2006 he spent two weeks traveling Spain's beautiful countryside with 20 other industry enthusiasts from across the USA. From Priorat to Rioja to Santiago, they visited, tasted and toured the operations and grounds of 33 different vineyards! Dinners were often held in vineyard caves or at local establishments, pairing the vinters wines with the local cuisine. About 1/5 of the pictures Billy took have been posted to his employer's website (<http://www.fifthaveliquor.com>). Once at the site, click on Photo Gallery and you'll find 3 groups of Spain photos (Part One, Two & Three). He took so many amazing pictures, these are only a glimpse at some of the beautiful countryside and vineyards they visited. I've also attached a few pictures to wet your pallet for more ... honestly, they'll make you want to pack your own bags now!!

Billy & Kristene Erwin, 8 Lexington Rd



Carbon Monoxide Smoke Detectors/Nicole's Law



The law, which is very similar to a smoke detector mandate enacted two decades ago, requires a battery-operated or plug-in detector in most residences by March 31.

All of our units have hard-wired smoke detectors. That is a requirement. They are all connected together so that if one goes off, they all go off. What I did is I purchased three Kidde battery-operated carbon monoxide detectors from Home Depot (\$21.95 each plus tax) and I installed them as follows:

1. Place one next to the smoke detector outside the bedrooms.
2. Place one next to the smoke detector in your living room.
3. Place one inside your finished basement. If you do not have a finished basement, a CO detector is not required there. This was the most cost effective way to be in compliance with the law.

If you want to replace your existing smoke alarms with combination smoke/CO alarms, they must be hardwired (you would want to hire an electrician to do this) and you also need the type that "speak." That means they will say "FIRE" or "CARBON MONOXIDE."

- Randy Struckus 6 Concord Road, Keller Williams Realty

