

Thursday, April 17, 2014 PALO VERDE PENINSULA NEWS

## vents EARTH DAY

A tip from the South Bay Environmental Services (SBES) "Go locally grown and avoid produce that you pay up at a Farmers Market and seasonal, locally grown items, you are supporting all organic farmers. At the same time, you're also reducing the need for long-distance transportation." (SBES) Also, there is a event Market every Sunday at Peninsula Center and at the corner of Silver Road and Hawthorne Street in Rolling Hill.

SBES provides a new tip to website every week. Visit [www.sbes.com](http://www.sbes.com).

**in power exchange**  
Hills Estates and a city register for the Air by Management District's Mower Exchange program. Residents can turn in gas-powered lawnmowers and get up to 75 percent savings on a new electric lawnmower. Take advantage of this of a silver-leaf preservative program by clicking: Lower Mower Exchange

Number or calling (800) 433-6237. The exchange is a first-come, first-served basis.

**Refrigerator recycling**  
Recycle your old refrigerator and get \$50 from local businesses. Call now to learn more. SCE will haul away your old, working refrigerator or freezer for free and disassemble the appliance in an environmentally safe manner. Chlorofluorocarbon refrigerants, mercury, polychlorinated biphenyls (PCBs), glass and oil are removed before recycling metals and plastics.

A newer energy-efficient model can save residents up to \$100 per year in utility costs. Qualifying SCE customers will receive \$50 for recycling. Customers may donate their \$50 to the Energy Assistance Fund, which helps needy customers pay their utility bills. To find out if you qualify, call SCE at (800) 234-4711, Monday through Friday, from 7 a.m. to 6 p.m. and Saturdays from 7 a.m. to 3:30 p.m.

**Earth Day celebration**  
Palms Verde Peninsula Land

Conservation hosts an Earth Day celebration Saturday, April 19, from 9 a.m. to noon at the White Point Nature Preserve located at 1500 N. Pinedale Ave. in San Pedro. The celebration features a volunteer day beautifying a native plant demonstration garden and trails, a guided nature walk, and family activities and art projects.

The event is free and open to the public. Refreshments will be provided by Starbucks. Call (310) 541-7613 to RSVP and visit [www.palmsverde.com](http://www.palmsverde.com) for more information.

**Sustainability Expo**  
Marquette California University sponsors a Sustainability Expo on Tuesday, April 22, from noon to 1:30 p.m. at the Oceanview Campus, located at 3000 Palms Verde Drive East in RVP. The expo is free and open to the public. Call (310) 303-5442 for more information.

**Silver Spur celebration**  
Silver Spur Elementary School hosts a mini-green convention for students on Earth Day, Tuesday, April 22, during lunchtime. The green convention, planned and implemented by the school's student green ambassadors

and parent volunteers, features the 4 R's (reduce, reuse, recycle and re-think). Activities include making a shopping bag out of T-shirts, learning about the drought and using recycled materials, composting and making a "biodome" simulation. Katherine Depire will also complete a round and all levels can participate in the Garden of Green Youth Competition, and the Palms Verde Peninsula Land Conservancy will offer classroom lessons in tandem, focusing on the native garden with third graders.

The school will offer a "green showcase" with Earth-friendly items.

**Drive-thru e-waste recycling**

In honor of Earth Day, Goodwill is sponsoring a drive-thru e-waste recycling event on Wednesday, April 23, from 7:30 to 11:30 a.m. at the Kaiser Permanente South Bay Medical Center, located at 25001 S. Vermont Ave. in Harbor City (near the Vermont and Vermont). Donate your gently used clothing, housewares, small appliances, TVs and computer equipment. Goodwill is able to accept microwaves, toasters, printers and scanners for e-waste recycling.

**Free document shredding and e-waste roundup**

SBES and the city of Harbor Palms Verde are sponsoring a free document and paper shredding event Saturday, April 26, from 9

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