

Garden Column for the Salisbury

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Everyone gets in the mood to do a little spring cleaning at this time of year. I have collected materials over the years I that have become almost impossible to dispose. Paint, pesticides, an old refrigerator are a few relics look me in the eye every time I make my way through the basement. However, the county is willing to help this spring with its 2nd ANNUAL SPECIAL WASTE RECYCLING Day. For one day, Thursday, April 19 from 7:00 am until 3:00 pm the county will be accepting pesticides, paint and other items at the Recycling Processing Center located at 1102 North Long Street in East Spencer. This Recycling Day is Open to Residents and Businesses. Contact Lori Swaim with the Rowan County Department of Environmental Management at 704-216-8588 for information on large quantities of any material or questions concerning this event.

Below is specific information about certain products:

- o Pesticides (From 10am to 2pm only) Auto/Truck Batteries
- o Appliances
- o Scrap Metal
- o Home Textiles
- o Styrofoam Peanuts
- o Paint
- o Tires- No rims (On a prearranged Basis)
- o Pesticide Containers
- o Rechargeable Batteries
- o Cell Phones
- o Used Clothing
- o Toys

- o Used Motor Oil Antifreeze
- o Used Oil Filters
- o Toner Cartridges
- o Computers- Monitors, Hard Drives and Laptops- FREE
- o Pesticides are collected through the NCDA Pesticide Disposal Assistance Program

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