

“Going green” at home

1. Change to fluorescent bulbs.
2. Do not rinse plates before putting them into the dishwasher.
3. Hang clothes outside to dry.
4. Use both sides of paper when printing.
5. Take short showers rather than baths.
6. Do not use bottled water.
7. Turn off the water when brushing or shaving.
8. Use warm or cold setting on washer.
9. Pay bills online.
10. Get reusable shopping bags.
11. Make sure tires are properly inflated.
12. Buy local produce.
13. Walk or ride a bike .
14. Do not preheat the oven, except for baking.
15. Recycle glass; it takes a million years to decompose.
16. Turn your thermostat down in winter, up (or off) in summer.

A wealth of information is available on the Tremont community website, www.tremontil.com. Here are access links to news items, the community calendar, schools, churches, organizations, the park district the library and more.

Learn about the people who make up the village government, fire department and rescue squad. There is even a section for photographs submitted by Tremont residents and a chat page.

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Let's Beautify Tremont

What can you do to help?

Remove waste and refuse from your home and yard:

- Tree branches — take to the sewer plant west of Tremont on Franklin Street
- Leaves — in the fall can be dumped along Route. 9, east of Harris Street (village residents only) Christmas trees can also be disposed of in this area. Just make sure all ornaments and tinsel are removed.
- Furniture, grills, TVs, other large household items (no hazardous waste, no appliances) — each residence with garbage pick-up is allowed 1 yard of debris for each pickup (equivalent to 6-7 32-gallon cans). More than that, phone Grimm Trucking at 263-2390. They will pick up additional items for \$14/yard.
- Junk cars — phone 888-511-5865 for free removal of cars. Get a tax deductible receipt and a voucher for a free three-day two-night hotel stay.
- Donate **useable** vehicles to organizations such as Kars4Kidz (8770527-7454)

What about recycling?

- Plastic drink bottles, tin and aluminum cans can be taken to the bins on South Harris Street, under the water tower.
- Aluminum cans can be dropped into the collection bin by the Tremont Park restrooms, aiding pool expenses.
- Glass bottles can be taken to Bartonville Square, 1405 W. Garfield, Bartonville, behind Pizza Hut.
- Compact fluorescent lamps can be taken to Bartonville Hardware, 1201 W. Garfield.
- Newspapers and other paper products — set them by the curb on quarterly Lions Club pick-up dates (Saturday after the first Tuesday of March, June, September and December)
- TVs, computer monitors, cell phones, DVD players, computer monitors — take to any Best Buy or Staples. A \$10 fee is charged for large items. Small items are accepted at no charge. Phone ahead.
- Oil-based paint, pesticides, antifreeze, fluorescent lamp bulbs, household batteries, lawn chemicals and other hazardous waste — contact the

Tazewell County Health Department for waste collection dates: 925-5511, ext. 272

- Rechargeable batteries can be taken to K Mart or Radio Shack in Pekin
- Cell phones can be sent to “Cell Phones for Soldiers” where they will be repaired, set up with 60 minutes of talk time and sent to soldiers abroad. A prepaid mailing label can be found at www.cellphonesforsoldiers.com
- Excellent-condition furniture, building supplies, large pictures and mirrors can be taken to Re-Store at 804 W. Main St., Peoria. They sell the items at their store at the same address. Proceeds benefit Habitat For Humanity.
- Appliance Recycler, 4024 SW Adams, Peoria, 655-0909, will take donated washers, dryers, refrigerators, stoves and air conditioners. They charge \$10 an item for dehumidifiers, microwaves, DVD and VCR players; they will pick up in Tremont for \$45.
- Ameren has initiated the “Our Act on Energy Refrigerator & Freezer Recycling Program.” They will haul away refrigerators or freezers for free and pay you \$35 for being a smart recycler. Phone 866-899-9088.