# The Recycler Summer 2014

# Anaerobic Digestion Facility and Food Scraps Collection Update



he digesters have landed! On May 30th, eight digesters were placed carefully onto the concrete roof covering the percolate tanks. The digesters will process commercial and residential food scraps and green waste. The technology known as "dry fermentation anaerobic digestion," uses bacteria to breakdown organic matter in an oxygen-free environment and without using large quantities of water. The process takes about 21 days, during which the food scraps and green waste breaks down into compost and biogas. The gas will be converted into Compressed Natural Gas (CNG) which will be used to fuel our collection vehicles.

We are now looking forward to the installation of the aeration receiving bay where the collection vehicles will unload the organic material, and the invessel composting building where the digested material is placed to dry. The completion of the AD facility is now projected for late August. We will mail announcements with the start date for food scraps collection in the fall.

#### **Celebrating 100 Years of Service and Innovation**

Sunday, October 12, 2014 – 11:00 am to 2:00 pm Blue Line Transfer Inc., 500 East Jamie Court, South San Francisco

You are cordially invited to our 100th Anniversary celebration. There will be displays, information booths, games, prizes, entertainment and food. There will also be tours of the recycling sorting areas and the new Anaerobic Digestion Facility. We hope you will join us.

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# SCAVENGER

COMPANY, INC.

**650.589.4020** www.ssfscavenger.com

#### **Announcing**

Free Drop Off for Televisions, Computer Monitors & Lap Top Computers



Blue Line Transfer, Inc., located at 500 East Jamie Court in South San Francisco, will now accept any electronic device with a screen greater than four inches at no charge. Items accepted for free include:

- Televisions containing cathode ray tubes (CRT)
- Plasma Televisions
- Televisions containing liquid crystal display (LCD) screens
- Computer monitors containing CRT's
- Desk top monitors containing LCD screens
- Lap top computers containing LCD screens
- Portable DVD players with LCD screens

There will be charges for other electronic devices such as copy machines, printers, fax machines, stereos, speakers, key boards, hard drives, etc. Prices range from \$2.00 to \$15.00 per item.

#### **Upcoming Events**

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### Coastal Clean-Up Day

Saturday, September 20, 2014

- San Mateo CountyEvent information available at www.flowstobay.org
- South San Francisco Residents
   Participate in the clean-up along the Bay Front Trail at the end of Haskings Way and at Utah Avenue Bridge.

   9:00 am to 12:00 noon
   Learn more at www.ssf.net
- Millbrae Residents
   Participate in City-Wide Clean-Up.
   Sign-up at callin@ci.millbrae.ca.us or call 650.259.2397.
   Learn more at www.ci.millbrae.ca.us/sustainablemillbrae
- Brisbane Residents

  Participate in the Lagoon Clean-Up

  For more information contact Russ Carmick, Recreation

  Supervisor at 415.508.2143.

  Learn more www.brisbaneca.org

#### **South San Francisco**

15th Annual
South San Francisco

# **City-Wide Garage Sale**

Saturday, September 13 9:00 am - 4:00 pm

> No registration required Information available at 650.877.8518 Or www.ssf.net

#### **Water Conservation Alert**

California is experiencing a severe drought and your city/water agency is asking for at least a 10% voluntary water use reduction. Saving water now helps to avoid mandatory rationing later.

#### City of of Millbrae Workshop - Everyone welcome!



**Lawn Replacement with Native and Drought Tolerant Plants** 

Wednesday, October 8, 2014 – 7:00-9:00 pm

Free Admission Millbrae Library

RSVP: 650.349.3000 or www.bawsca.org

Discover the benefits of native and drought tolerant plants as an alternative to your lawn, and create a water-efficient, low-maintenance landscape. Learn how to achieve a lush look in your garden with beautiful, native shrubs, grasses, trees, and flowers.

Sponsored by the City of Millbrae, BAWSCA, the Millbrae Library and Friends of the Millbrae Library

# Resource Information

#### South San Francisco Scavenger Co.

- Debris and mini debris box service
- On Call Clean-Ups

Take advantage of your **two** annual On Call Clean-Ups for extra trash and bulky items.

 No Trace Mobile Document Destruction – At your home or business

#### Blue Line Transfer, Inc.

Public Disposal and Recycling Facility

- Drop off for San Mateo County Residents
  - Car batteries
- Used motor oil & filters
- $\bullet \ Household \ batteries \ (\$) \quad \bullet \ Latex \ paint$
- Sharps Containers Antifreeze
- $\bullet \ Fluorescent \ tubes \ \& \ bulbs \ (\$)$
- Cooking oil (\$)

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#### **San Mateo County**

Household Hazardous Waste Program
 Free drop off – by appointment only

For pesticides, toxic garden & cleaning products, oil based paint, varnishes, stains, household batteries, fluorescent tubes & bulbs, etc.

650.363.4718 www.smhealth.org/hhw