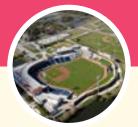
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THANKSGIVING, CHRISTMAS & NEW YEAR'S DAY SOLID WASTE TRASH COLLECTION SCHEDULES

The Solid Waste & Recycling
Department will close on Thanksgiving
Day, Nov. 28. For Thanksgiving,
Thursday collections will be made
on Wednesday, Nov. 27 for both
residential service and commercial
garbage service. Thursday's
commercial cardboard collection will
be picked up on Friday, Nov. 29.

For Christmas and New Year's Day, there will be no changes to the residential collection schedule, since there are no collections on Wednesdays. For Christmas and New Year's Day, Wednesday's commercial garbage collection will be made on Tuesday. Commercial cardboard that is normally collected on Wednesday will be collected on Thursday, Dec. 26. Residents with questions can call the Solid Waste Operations Line at (727) 562-4920.

THE HOLIDAY EXTRAVAGANZA RETURNS



Get in the holiday spirit in Downtown Clearwater. The second annual Downtown Clearwater Holiday Extravaganza kicks off on Small Business Saturday on Nov. 30 and goes through Dec. 22. Events happen nearly every day during this festival, including some of those listed below:

World's Largest Food Truck Rally

Nov. 30 & Dec. 1 · 11 a.m. to 8 p.m. Coachman Park & Downtown Clearwater

Miracle on Cleveland Street & Tree Lighting Ceremony

Dec. 7 · 5 p.m. to 10 p.m. Downtown Clearwater

Santa & Suds Run

Dec. 8 · 4 p.m. to 7 p.m.

Downtown Clearwater

Island Estates Boat Parade

Dec. 14 · 6 p.m to 10 p.m. Coachman Park (viewing area) and along Intracoastal Waterway

Holiday Movie Night

Dec. 14 · 6 p.m. to 10 p.m. Station Square Park | 612 Cleveland St.

Holiday Movie Night

Dec. 21 · 6 p.m. to 10 p.m.Station Square Park | 612 Cleveland St.

Other festival activities include shopping, dining, movies, music, family fun, holiday decorations and more. Log on to downtownclearwater.com for details.





HOLIDAY CAMPS FOR KIDS

Registration is open for winter holiday camps at the Long Center, Countryside Recreation Center and Morningside Recreation Complex. Thanksgiving camp is Nov. 25 to 27 and starts at \$54 with a city recreation card. Winter holiday camps start at \$72 per week and are Dec. 23 to 27 and Dec. 30 to Jan. 3. There is no camp on Christmas and New Year's Day.



GAS POOL & SPA HEATER DEALS

Clearwater Gas System is offering great deals on gas pool and spa heaters. For a limited time, save up to \$500 off the price of selected pool and spa heaters when purchasing and replacing an existing gas pool and spa heater from Clearwater Gas System. For details, call (727) 562-4980, ext. 7454.



CAN YOU RETHINK WASTE?

Food scraps, electronics, furniture, plastic bottles, pool chemicals and junk mail. What goes where? To help answer that question, the city of Clearwater Solid Waste/Recycling Department has launched a new way to educate about proper waste and recycling disposal.

Users can access the Rethink Waste recycling sorting game at myclearwater. com/rethinkwaste. It features landmarks from around Clearwater and allows participants to create their own park as they assess their waste disposal skills. The game is useful for children and adults alike, as many people are often confused about how to responsibly dispose of everyday items. This new, fun and interactive game will test your knowledge on whether a material can be recycled, composted or disposed of as garbage.

REPURPOSE YOUR LEFTOVERS

Will you be giving that turkey fryer a workout this holiday season? If you plan to use one to cook up this year's holiday bird, make sure to put your leftover grease to good use. Repurposing your grease, fats and oils is easy to do – just allow the leftover liquid to cool, then place it into a container and bring it to the Solid Waste/Recycling Drop-Off Center, located at 1701 N. Hercules Ave. This facility is open 24 hours a day, seven days a week. All fats, oils and greases can be emptied into a green container next to the recycling dumpsters.

Fats, oils and greases that are poured down the drain can cause costly sewer backups and blockages, which then lead to sewer spills. If you see or smell something you think might be a sewer spill, report it immediately by calling (727) 562-4960 Monday through Friday between 7 a.m. and 3:30 p.m. After hours, report the spill by calling (727) 462-6633.

RAINS AND DRAINS

Temperatures are cooling down, making it more pleasant to tend to yard work. Be sure to properly dispose of grass clippings, leaves and other vegetative debris when maintaining lawns. If you own a lawn or gardening service, be careful not to blow clippings into the street, toward catch basins or down storm drains. Residents should not pile trash on or near catch basins. While stormwater often travels through pipes under roads just like sewage, it is not treated at a wastewater treatment plant. Instead, stormwater carries grass and leaves from lawns directly into ponds, lakes, rivers and bays and can clog storm drains.

Because water runs off of yards, it is important to reduce the amount of pollutants on properties. Trash, debris and pollutants in yards – such as fertilizers, pesticides and herbicides – can wash into the stormwater system, polluting the environment and causing blockages in storm pipes. To learn more, visit myclearwater.com/stormwater or call (727) 562-4750.





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