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Maryland Green Registry
Member Tip

[MarquipWardUnited](#) recently completed a seven-week study of the mail received at their facility. The company found it was receiving 3,000 pounds of unwanted mail each year - 15 percent of which was addressed to individuals no longer with the company. MWU is working to eliminate unwanted mail by removing themselves from paper mailing lists. This will reduce time spent sorting, delivering, disposing of unwanted mail and ultimately, the cost to have the mail hauled away.

To: Members and Friends of the Maryland Green Registry



What started as a family day trip to Havre de Grace (HdG) this summer ended up being a grand tour of the town's Maryland Green Registry members. The first sign of the town's participation in the program was when we spotted the [Havre de Grace Seafood Festival](#) Smart Car with its colorful wrap featuring the Maryland Green Registry logo. This HdG annual festival encourages all vendors to use compostable products and prohibits the use of polystyrene products.

Next, we came across another member, the [Havre de Grace Decoy Museum](#), and stopped in. Gift shop manager, Samantha Costillo, welcomed us and pointed out their new LED lighting and recycling efforts. The museum also requires its artists to use reclaimed wood in carving new decoys.

Later, strolling along the shops of Union Avenue, we noticed the Maryland Green Registry decal on the door of [Flicker Scents](#) where owner Jennie Horn sells clean-burning soy wax candles sold in fully compostable bags. The store also allows its customers to return the glass candle containers so that they can melt down the remaining wax and recycle them.

Jennie then sent us across the street to meet Barbara Wagner, the force behind the promotion of the Maryland Green Registry in Havre de Grace. Barbara and her husband own [Bahoukas Antique Mall](#) which sells antiques and collectibles. In addition to promoting the re-use of these quality items, they have also created GreenJoy, a line of eco-friendly products, including handbags and wine totes made from beautiful estate linens. Barbara is a former city council member and fully committed to greening HdG. She's active with the [Havre de Grace Green Team](#), a source of great info and tips for the community.

Walking down to Hutchins Point, we spotted another member, the [Lantern Queen Riverboat](#), returning from a tour. The Lantern Queen is an energy efficient vessel committed to green practices and to educating passengers about the Bay's natural features. Located next to the Lantern Queen is a parasail company so we decided to get a bird's eye view of the Bay. As the parasail lifted us up high over the

Chesapeake, we spotted down below on the banks of the Susquehanna River yet another Maryland Green Registry member, the [Perry Point VA Medical Center](#). Perry Point is the largest VA inpatient facility in Maryland and maintains a robust environmental management system that ensures that they set and work toward annual environmental goals.

This summer, Havre de Grace commemorated the 200th anniversary of the May 13, 1813 British attack on their town with the motto "Resolve, Resilience, Remembrance." Having now visited these member organizations, I think they can also claim the 3Rs of reducing, reusing and recycling.

Thank you to all the HdG members for all you do to reduce your environmental impacts and to Barbara Wagner for promoting participation in the Registry. Word of mouth can be a powerful thing so please feel free to promote the Registry in your own community. Brochures and other materials are available upon request.

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See photos of HdG members on the Maryland Green Registry [here](#).

Green Goals



Click the thumbnail to view

Fall is upon us and with 2014 only months away, now is a great time to start setting your environmental goals for the new year. Click [here](#), for a simple tool to track your goals and ensure that what gets planned, gets done.

Maryland Green Registry Leadership Award winners have all benefited by setting annual environmental goals. Check out this new [video](#) featuring the 2013 winners and visit their [profiles](#) to learn how they use annual goals as part of a strong, proactive approach to environmental management.

Did we get your "Type of Organization" right?

Maryland Green Registry
Organizations Working toward a Sustainable Maryland

Click on the "Type of Organization" column heading to sort by organization type.
Click here to view member organizations on a map.

Name	Type of Organization	Date of Membership
Alabama Group, Inc.	Environmental Services	August 2012
Alpina Design Build LLC	Architecture	October 2009
Acadia Windows & Doors	Manufacturing	April 2012
AKS	Financial Services	August 2008
Advantage Bank Building, Inc.	Financing Services	November 2009
Advantage Title Company	Real Estate	April 2012
AFM Lab Resources	Lab Equipment	July 2012
Alford Inc.	Manufacturing	June 2009
Alexander & Cleaver, P.A.	Legal Services	July 2010
AM Bus Center	Building Materials	May 2012
Amco - First Resort	Lodging	October 2012
AMT of Annapolis Mills	Lodging	May 2012
Amwest Garden Floors	Building Materials	April 2012
AndVine Corporation	Environmental Services	January 2011
American Community Properties Trust	Real Estate	October 2009
Antonelli Food Enterprises, Inc.	Confectionery	February 2010
American Property Consultants	Energy Services	February 2010
American Society of Health System	Nonprofit	March 2011

To make it easier for visitors and potential customers to search the Maryland Green Registry [membership list](#), we have categorized members into 34 organization types. The top of your membership profile still contains the more detailed description of your organization, but grouping members improves the usefulness of the sorting feature. Call or e-mail us to let us know if you think your organization belongs in a different category or have any comments or suggestions.

Overdue to Update Your Profile?

We like to get profile updates any time members have something new to report, but if it's been more than three years we *really* want to hear from you! If your organization is on [this list](#), it means you're at that three-year mark. Just follow the instructions on that page for updating your profile or if you have no changes, e-mail us to let us know the information is still good. Thank you!

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