

Tales from Tim's Recycling Bin

November marks a holiday that I've been waiting for. Yes, it's time for another America Recycles Day on November 15.

Okay I won't be overeating with my family and falling into a turkey coma on the couch. What I am going to do is go to americarecyclesday.org and sign their pledge to be a better recycler.

The pledge lists some items that aren't recycled often enough:

Shampoo Bottles and other items in our bathrooms. Because it's tight quarters in the loo I don't have room for a recycling container so it's easy to put my empty shampoo bottle in the trash.

Plastic bags – shopping bags, softener salt bags, bread bags can all be recycled if you take them back to the grocery store.

Plastic Bottles and Caps. Yes, you can now leave those caps on the bottles. Once the bottle is empty, screw the cap back on and toss it in your recycling cart.

Unwanted Mail – plenty of people think there is information on it that a bad person could use to steal your identity. Certain financial documents should be shredded. The rest of it can be recycled as is.

Mobile Devices – phones, tablets, and other small electronics can be recycled oftentimes at the store when you're buying the replacement version.

If you want more info on how to recycle what you no longer want visit Hennepin County's Green Disposal Guide <http://www.hennepin.us/green-disposal-guide> Until next time, happy America Recycles Day my friends.

