

Editor's Platter: Christmas And Recycling

Seven Inducted Into Alpha Chi

OR: How Martha Stewart makes those wonderful wreaths...

Lately, I've been wondering why I've heard so many complaints about S.A. students and their problems with recycling. Why aren't we, a community of obviously intelligent individuals, capable of

throwing a can/plastic bottle into a stupid little blue container? How much energy does it take, when confronted with the choice, to drop a recyclable into a blue container instead of the trash can? I'm led, therefore, to believe that many are just extremely confused. Both the recycling bins and the trash cans fall into the blue spectrum--which may cause problems for our more challenged individuals. However, I must applaud those few who, in their confusion, leave their recycling on the edge of the trash can. Let me take this opportunity to clear up any questions people may have about which receptacle is which.

1) The recycling bin is a royal bordering on nice plain crayola blue color. It is rectangular in shape and stands about 1.5 feet off the floor. Oftentimes it has a clear plastic bag lining it. They can be found next to the trash receptacles in L.A. and M.J., outside of every suite lounge in flat dorms and inside



This is a recent photograph of a recycling bin resting in the circle (the area to which the recycling fairy moves them for a Wednesday pick-up).

recycling (something we don't have to do) and causes problems when these poor workers find dead chickens, beer cases, snot rags and other bits of disgusting rubbish in the bins.

2) Trash cans can be distinguished by their height. They are much taller than the recycling bins. In L.A. they are square and light blue. In other buildings they are round, plastic apperati. House-keeping and Physical Plant gather the rubbish from the trash bins and somehow it makes it to the nice landfill, where we never have to see it again, for now. DO NOT PUT RECYCLING, particularly aluminum, IN THE TRASH CANS. North Carolina Law states that you have to recycle aluminum or face a \$25 fine. Also, be forewarned that the maids do not take out your recycling (for those dorms who seem to believe that the recycling fairy removes your muck to the circle every Tuesday night).

Everyone forgets once in a while to recycle. Occassionally, those who are supposed to take

out the recycling bins simply forget. That's o.k. (not really, but we're humans and therefore imperfect) but let's not make a habit of stockpiling.

I recently talked to Chris Ferner and Michelle Loiselle, the Godmothers of Eco-Action. I asked them if perhaps this confusion was the root

of the recycling problem. While in agreement, they had also heard from members of one of the male dorm communities, that it was a lack of motivation that prevented their recycling bins from traversing down the dorm stairs and out to the circle every week. Hearsay stated that they were just "lazy." Members of a similar community were quoted as saying that their mothers hadn't recycled and therefore the progeny had no need to recycle as well. How sad that as a member of the next generation, we are not able to see the foibles of our parents and recognize them as merely icons of an outdated time...

Of course we'll forget these important rules of recycling as the Christmas Holidays slowly eradicate all of the good (and bad) habits formed while we're away at college. But hopefully a few will take the message with them throughout the new year. Have a great break, everybody. Relax, rest, recuperate, and drink lots of egg nog. Happy Holidays and a very Merry New Year!

Seven students were recently inducted into the Alpha Chi honor society. They were: Claire Daniella Brown, Mary Rebekah Cox, Sara Margaret Eaton, Michelle Loiselle, Eva Christine Pietsch, Meke Michelle Reese and Elizabeth Suzanne Woodard.

Alpha Chi is a national honor society of college and university juniors and seniors who meet the highest standards of scholarship and character. To qualify for the Fall 1995 induction, the student was required to have a 3.8 GPA, junior year, and 3.75 GPA senior year.

Current Alpha Chi members include Charity Boyles, president; Georgia Haynes, vice-president; Kim Ribaud, secretary; Lewis Beatty, treasurer; Allison Corley; Susie Evans; Stephen Grimsley; Laura Heintschel; Jennie Mayo; Terra McVoy; Kellam Parks; Melanie Powell; Kris Swain and Brian Schulz.

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