

## Guest Column

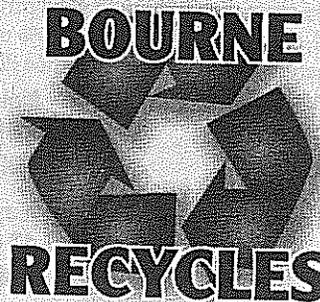
# Where Can I Recycle This?

By THE BOURNE RECYCLING COMMITTEE

Sensitive papers (financial, personal, medical, et cetera): Remove and shred in your home shredder the parts that you don't want seen and recycle the remainder at curbside. If you have a large backlog of papers, take them to the Copy/Print section of Staples. There they will shred the first five pounds free and charge \$.79 for each pound after that. One hundred sheets of paper weigh about one pound. Individuals and companies can use this service, and there is no maximum limit. The papers are placed in a secure bin while you watch. When full, the bin is picked up by Iron Mountain Company and taken to a huge shredding machine. Iron Mt. is very reputable and used by many hospitals.

From time to time, a large shredder housed in a truck will be available to one or more

towns and offer free shredding. Last year, ISWM had a van with a shredder available at the Peables Elementary School on Hazardous Waste Day and may bring it back this year. It is worthwhile



saving up your papers. Also, most banks will shred the old checks and stub books of its clients. With these opportunities nearby, don't just put your sensitive papers in with the garbage, as the state has

mandated no paper in the landfills.

*Packing peanuts* will be taken back by the following:

- UPS stores in Plymouth, Mashpee, and Falmouth (some take bubble wrap)
- North Falmouth Pack 'n Ship/Art's Bike Shop 91 County Road
- Papa's Pack n Ship, 68 Tupper Road, Sandwich—Merchants Square

*Eyeglasses:* Bourne Senior Center, Bourne Town hall

*Cellphones:* Bourne Senior Center, Radio Shack

*Ink jet and laser cartridges:* FedEx and Staples (gives \$2 store credit)

*Old prescriptions:* CVS. Buy a large plastic envelope for \$3.95 with postage paid for mailaway.

*Sharps:* Take to Bourne Fire Station on Main Street in an approved container

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