



# AVI News

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## Holiday Service Schedule

**Thanksgiving**- On Thursday November 23 the office will be closed and there will be no pick-up service that day. Thursday's customers will receive pick-up service on Friday the 24th and Friday's customers will receive pick-up service on Saturday the 25th.

**Christmas Day** falls on a Monday this year so the entire week of garbage, recycling and organics collection service will be postponed by one day. In other words, Monday pick-ups will be done on Tuesday, Tuesday pick-ups on Wednesday, etc. through Saturday.

**New Year's Day** falls on a Monday this year, therefore, like Christmas week all pick-ups will be delayed by one day the week of January 1st.



**Please be sure to have your carts at the curb by 5:30 a.m.**

## Boy Scouts of America Tree Recycling Fundraiser

For a \$5.00 donation per tree, local Boy Scouts will pickup holiday trees from Dublin residents on Saturday, January 6, 2007. Reservations are required. To make arrangements, please place your reservation online at [www.troop905.org/trees](http://www.troop905.org/trees) or call (925) 875-2216. Reservations will be taken through January 5, 2007. Only clean trees will be accepted. No flocking or tinsel allowed. Please remove the tree base or stand.

## Special Holiday Tree Pickup

You may place your holiday tree at the curb by 5:30 A.M. on your regular service day beginning the week of December 26, 2006 through January 12, 2007. A truck exclusively for recycling holiday trees will collect the trees. Only clean trees will be taken (no flocking or tinsel). Please cut trees down to 4-feet or less in height. Please remove bases or stand.

## Recycle Holiday Tree in Organics Cart

You may place your holiday tree into your Organics Cart along with acceptable yard trimmings anytime after the holiday. Cart will be emptied on your regular service day. Only clean trees are accepted (no flocking or tinsel). Tree branches and stumps must be cut up in lengths that will allow the lid to securely close.

## Non-Recyclable Flocked Tree or Trees with Tinsel

Amador Valley Industries can pick up your non-recyclable holiday tree. Please call (925) 479-9545 to arrange for disposal of your flocked or tinselized tree at an additional disposal fee.

## We Want Our Service to Be The Best, and You Can Help

Please place your carts at the curb edge with at least 3 feet of clearance from other objects, including other carts, basketball hoops and motor vehicles.



## What Do I Put Into the Organics Cart?

The reason Organics Carts are so important is that they help divert tons of materials away from our landfills which saves costs and is better for the environment. Here is a list to help you utilize your cart efficiently. Thank you for helping us provide you with the best possible service.

### Organics Acceptable List

- Grass and weed clippings
- Shrubs and tree prunings (less than 4" in diameter)
- Leaves, plants and flowers
- Food scraps and food soiled paper products

### Non-acceptable Organics List

- No household garbage
- **No plastic bags**
- No dirt or rocks
- No overloading - lid must be closed

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## WHEN FOOD SCRAPS DREAM.



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FOOD SCRAP RECYCLING.  
MAKE IT SECOND NATURE.

The single largest part of what is landfilled today; food scraps and food soiled paper products. Easily separated from garbage, food scraps and food soiled paper can be combined with greenwaste and processed into rich compost material for gardening, landscaping and farming.

### **What Are Food Scraps?**

All food products, including fruit, vegetables, breads, cereal, dairy, and meat (including bones); coffee grounds, filters, and tea bags; and food-soiled paper, such as paper towels, plates, napkins, pizza boxes and waxed paper containers.

### **Other Containers to Collect Food In**

Food scraps contained in paper bags, newspaper, milk or ice cream cartons are acceptable in your organics cart.

### **Items That Are Not Accepted**

Plastic, styrofoam, glass, metal, liquids and pet waste should not be put in the organics cart.



### **Waste Reduction for the Holidays**

Did you know that Americans throw away 25% more trash during the Thanksgiving to New Year's holiday period than any other time of year?

This amounts to 25 million tons of garbage, or about 1 million extra tons per week. Get the word out on ways to help trim the trash while trimming the tree. A few simple things you can do to reduce waste this holiday season:

- Choose practical gifts you know people can use.
- Gift certificates or a donation to a favorite charity make great gifts.
- Homemade food or something you have made from reused items are always great ideas.
- Instead of wrapping gifts for the kids, hide the presents, and turn it into a treasure hunt.
- Send holiday e-greetings to family, friends and business associates who are on-line.
- Wrap the gift in a gift! Put cookies in a flower pot, hide jewelry in a new pair of gloves or use reusable gift bags instead of using disposable wrapping paper. Use baskets or interesting containers that can be purchased at yard sales and thrift stores.
- When you go shopping, take your own shopping bags and give canvas shopping bags as gifts.

