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Household Hazardous Waste Day This Saturday

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DELAWARE, Oh., (October 18, 2010) – This Saturday, October 23rd, Household Hazardous Waste Day will be held at the Delaware Fairgrounds from 9:00 a.m. – 2:30 p.m. “This is an excellent way to properly dispose of harmful materials”, said Jenifer Way-Young, Keep Delaware County Beautiful Program Coordinator.

Many items sit around the house taking up space and people don’t know what to do with them safely. They can be brought to the Delaware Fairgrounds Saturday. Vehicles must enter at the Euclid gate and will be directed from there to the drop off point. “This year we are stressing people bring in cell phones and cell phone accessories, Way-Young stated. “ Each cell phone discarded improperly can contaminate 40,000 gallons of water in a landfill”. In addition to cell phones, computers, monitors, batteries, pool chemicals, flammables, mercury, antifreeze, weed killers and many more items will be taken.

There are some items that **cannot** be accepted: appliances, fluorescent/light bulbs, school and business waste, smoke detectors, yard waste, paint (oil based/latex) and televisions. There is a mandatory charge for scrap tires on or off rims. There is a \$1.00 charge for each passenger tire 17” or less, truck tires are \$4.00 each and farm/tractor tires are \$25.00 each.

To help defray the cost of this event, there is a **suggested** donation of \$5 per car and \$10 per pickup truck. “We hope many people will be able to come and drop-off their items to help assure they are disposed of in a safe and environmentally friendly manner”, said Way-Young.

If you have questions or would like more information, please call Jenifer Way-Young at the Delaware General Health District at 740-203-2076.