

## September 2009 Newsletter

You're invited to the Grand Opening of...

# Salvage Arts!



Sept. 26 at the



A Project of Sustainable Community Initiatives - 34,000 sq. ft. of  
Low-Cost Building Materials

## Salvage Arts GRAND OPENING

Sept. 26 ALL DAY  
Music, Food, Prizes, &  
Fabulous Stuff!

For a long time, you have been  
asking for **more valuable,**  
**unusual items** in addition to our

Visit the warehouse &  
see what's new!

[www.CommunityForklift.com](http://www.CommunityForklift.com)

4671 Tanglewood Drive  
Hyattsville, MD 20781  
301.985.5180

Hours: Wednesday 12-7  
Thurs., Fri. & Sat. 9-5...

...and starting  
**Sept. 13, 2009,**

low-cost fare.

Well, we got to work... and we have finally finished building our vintage section!



Come check it out at the...

**GRAND OPENING of Salvage Arts on Saturday, Sept. 26!**



The Salvage Arts department includes restored lighting from the 1880's through the 1930's. It also features a wide selection of unique primitives, iron heating grills, vintage signs & containers, and architectural ironwork.



***Oh no! Does this mean Forklift prices are going up?***

Our antique items are priced at affordable market value. You may find that a restored Salvage Arts piece will be worth more than a modern fixture or unrestored item. But **don't**

**worry! We still have all the usual super deals** throughout the store to help our Forklift Fans live sustainably!

**we will be open  
12-5 on Sundays!**

[Click here for directions](#)  
[Click here for donation guidelines](#)

## September Sales

### Every day is Free Friday!

This month, all sale items in aisle one are free every day of the week. Just check with a Reuse Associate before loading it into your vehicle (we don't want any shopping carts or dollies to go missing!)

### Ceramic Tile

Take half off flat, square ceramic tile (Sale does not include subway, cove, bullnose, terra cotta, painted, brightly colored, unusually shaped, mosaic, stone, wood, metal, glass, honeycomb, smaller than 4"x4", or other specialty tile).



### \$2 Doors

All interior hollow-core used doors, including flat/flush & stamped panel, are just 2 bucks! (Sale does not include doors in frames, surplus/new doors, exterior doors, solid doors, doors with glass, or other types of doors).



### 50% off all salvaged storm and screen doors!

Take half off metal or vinyl used



In fact, by offering a greater diversity of products, the Community Forklift will be in healthier financial shape - ensuring that we can **continue to provide low-cost, quirky, and beautiful materials to the DC area for years to come.**



Volunteer **Terry Lewis** has helped to price our donated antiques since 2007, and we are excited that he is now providing items for Salvage Arts. He has over **20 years of experience in buying and selling antiques** (if you've shopped in Olney, you may know his company, Bear Creek Trading). If you have questions, he would love to answer them. As he can explain, antiques may cost a bit more...but they sure hold their value!

**We Need HELP!**  
**And you earn store credit!**

**Our wonderful data entry volunteer Sharlene is temporarily leaving us -- and we need to fill her big shoes.**

**Seeking:**  
**Data Entry Volunteer**  
to enter info into our

storm & screen doors (Sale does not include surplus/new doors, security doors, wood doors, French doors, storm windows, other styles of doors, or doors without price tags).



### 50% off Stainless Steel Kitchen Sinks!

Take half off metal or vinyl used storm & screen doors (Sale does not include surplus/new doors, security doors, wood doors, French doors, other styles of doors, or doors without price tags).



### Oil-Based Paints

All gallons of oil-based paint are just \$2 as-is (Sale does not include latex paint, Rustoleum, surplus paint, stain, or other products in gallon cans. No returns).



### 50% off "orphan" cabinets

Take half off individually-priced used modern kitchen cabinets (Sale does not include surplus/new cabinets, cabinets that are part of sets, bathroom cabinets, glass-fronted shelves, vintage hutches, wardrobes, or other types of cabinets).

database at least 4 - 6 hours  
per week.

### Web Site Volunteer

Some knowledge of web  
work.....

*For more info, call Nancy or  
Ruthie at 301-985-5180*



## Shed Up!!!

### One of our Forklift Fans won an international award?!?

We Love Sheds  
([www.shedblog.co.uk](http://www.shedblog.co.uk)) holds the  
renowned annual Shed Week and  
contest for UK shed designers. But  
this year, they had so many  
international submissions that they  
created the **International Shed  
of the Year Award**. Beating out  
submissions from all over the  
world, **SCALEhouse design**  
obtained the most votes and won  
the judges over to win the award.



This winning shed incorporates  
"environmentally responsive  
architecture," which is a  
site-specific and sustainable  
response defined by the individual  
site amenities or obstacles. This  
design promotes sustainable  
principles such as less material  
waste, embodied energy  
conservation, natural light and  
views. Lumber, glass and other  
materials from the Community  
Forklift were integral in  
construction of the shed.

## Fun Events

### So many fall festivals!

Have you ever thought about helping out at the  
Forklift? This month, event volunteers earn

**DOUBLE store credit!** Check out

upcoming events and orientation dates at  
[www.communityforklift.com/calendar.cfm](http://www.communityforklift.com/calendar.cfm)

### Urban Solar Solutions Workshops

**Solar Hot Water Heating Class for  
Installers** starting Sept. 21 (three sessions). It  
is for contractors only (!) and, if the contractor  
lives in DC or Maryland, they may be able to get  
full financial aid for it (!!). That's right - for  
**FREE!** It can be used to pursue a NABCEP  
certification. If interested, contact Kyl McKinney  
at 301-209-0011 or  
[admin@urbansolarsolutions.com](mailto:admin@urbansolarsolutions.com)

**Green Jobs Class!** Sept. 20, 2pm-4pm. More  
info at [www.urbansolarsolutions.com](http://www.urbansolarsolutions.com)

### Life after Labor Day Festival

Sunday, Sept. 13th

Mount Rainier Bike Co-op

3601 Bunker Hill Road, Mount Rainier, MD

Contact: 202-271-9113 or 301-277-2110

[www.MRBikeCoop.com](http://www.MRBikeCoop.com)

Fall is a great time to do something good for the  
earth and party for a good cause. In the spirit of  
the Fall Equinox, the Mount Rainier Bike Co-op,  
in collaboration with the Community Forklift and  
the Prince George's Community Pool, is hosting a  
Life After Labor Day festival. Proceeds will be  
used to build a new storage barn for the Co-op.  
Our fundraising goal is \$5000.



### SCALEhouse design doesn't just design sheds.

Founder Chuck Witmer is an architectural designer that can apply sustainable principles at every scale. As a design/build outfit, SCALEhouse design comes from a diverse architectural background that has produced everything from LEED Corporate headquarters, mixed-use, single-family + multi-family homes, decks, cabins, furniture...you get the idea, they can operate at any scale! SCALEhouse design can be contacted at [cwitmer@scalehousedesign.com](mailto:cwitmer@scalehousedesign.com) and their work can be seen at [www.scalehousedesign.com](http://www.scalehousedesign.com).



**Donate building materials, vintage stuff, &**

**1:00-4:30 Bike Trailer Building Workshop:** Build yourself a "customizable" bike trailer with materials supplied by the Co-op. Register by Sept. 3rd. \$40-\$60.

**5:00-8:00 Potluck Party & Silent Auction** featuring DJ Joe & the band Chance Gardener: Bring your friends and family, chow down, sing, dance, and bid on all kinds of items ranging from bikes, bike accessories, pool passes, and gift certificates for local area businesses.

### Calling all tradespeople and Do-It-Yourselfers!

National Geographic has awarded \$20,000 to CarbonfreeDC to give green makeovers in Deanwood and Shaw. The end result? Twenty low-income families with



lasting savings on their energy bills, leading their community to planet-friendly lifestyles! However, **CarbonfreeDC still needs skilled volunteers to assist with this cool project!** They need plumbers, electricians, carpenters, and folks with renovation experience to help with weatherization and installation of energy-saving equipment for these deserving families.

Interested? Contact Cindy Olson at 202-870-6805 or [cindy.a.olson@gmail.com](mailto:cindy.a.olson@gmail.com)

### November Art Show

Do you make crafts or art from what you find at the Community Forklift? We would like to celebrate the Forklift's Fourth Anniversary with the artisans who give new lives to our old materials. Amateurs encouraged! For more info or **to submit your work for consideration**, contact

[Ruthie@CommunityForklift.com](mailto:Ruthie@CommunityForklift.com)

## tools!

- \* Earn a tax deduction!
- \* Free up storage space!
- \* Help make repairs more affordable!
- \* Keep good stuff out of the landfill!
- \* Create good green jobs!

### Check our donation guidelines

to find out what we can accept:

<http://communityforklift.com/donation.cfm>

or call our Donations Coordinator at 301-832-0871

## Freebie! Spackling Paste

Print out the coupon, fill in your name, and hand it to the cashier at checkout to receive your free gift!

Limit one per household. Expires 9/30/09.

Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Zip code: \_\_\_\_\_

Cashier Initials: \_\_\_\_\_ Date Used: \_\_\_\_\_



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