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Marion County business honored for recycling efforts

The Recycling Coalition of West Virginia, in collaboration with the West Virginia Solid Waste Management Board and the state's 50 solid waste authorities, is honoring **Recycling Champions** who reach beyond their normal responsibilities to contribute time and service to support the recycling industry in the Mountain State. These Recycling Champions provide recycling leadership across the state and make a significant contribution to the recycling community.

The Coalition is proud to honor Resolute Forest Products and General Manager Brian Wilmoth. Resolute, a paper product mill, has forged a partnership with the Marion County Solid Waste Authority to initiate a county-wide project to get paper recycling in all county schools. Resolute arranged for each school to receive compensation for the paper collected and also purchased several bins to jumpstart the project. Starting with a single bin at East Park Elementary, there are now bins at 13 schools.

Every employee at Resolute has contributed in some way to assist the Marion County Solid Waste Authority and its recycling and litter control efforts. The plant now saves and donates cardboard and plastics to the county solid waste authority. Several times a year, the two entities team up and enter local parades to promote recycling public awareness. Last year, several paper drives were conducted with information tables to boost recycling efforts. Resolute also sponsored the authority's golf tournament last spring.

Thanks to Resolute, schools recycled 59 tons of paper from April until December last year, with another 1.5 tons in January of this year. Resolute will be honored during a short presentation at 11 a.m. on April 20 at the Marion County Solid Waste Authority Recycling Center in Farmington. There also will be an informative tour of the facility, open to the public.

Other 2016 West Virginia Recycling Champions include:

Wally Reynolds nominated by Berkeley County Solid Waste Authority
City of Bridgeport, nominated by the Harrison County Solid Waste Authority
Frank Young, nominated by the Jackson County Solid Waste Authority
Ron Williams, nominated by the Kanawha County Solid Waste Authority
Claude Marra, nominated by the Pleasants County Solid Waste Authority
Harold Lowe, nominated by the Roane County Solid Waste Authority
Craig Morris, nominated by the Taylor County Solid Waste Authority
Stuart Thayer, nominated by the Tucker County Solid Waste Authority
Dr. G. Paul Richter, nominated by the Upshur County Solid Waste Authority

The Recycling Coalition of West Virginia is a non-profit environmental organization whose mission is to promote the effective and sustainable reduction, reuse and recycling of materials otherwise destined for disposal. The Recycling Coalition pursues these goals through the promotion of purchasing products made with recycled content material; by coordinating and facilitating activities relative to recycling; and by fostering communication among organizations, government agencies and individuals through the sharing of ideas and resources.

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