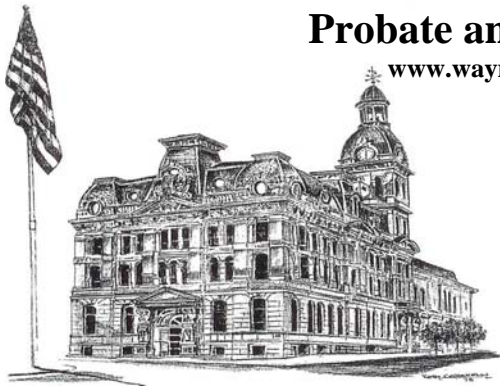


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WAYNE COUNTY JUVENILE COURT RECEIVES RECYCLING AWARD

Wooster, Ohio - Judge Raymond E. Leisy has announced that the Stark-Tuscarawas-Wayne Joint Solid Waste Management District, through its Executive Director, David J. Held, has awarded a Recycling Award to the juvenile court. Juveniles coming through court are referred by their probation officers or the diversion program to community service to participate in the recycling program. Recyclable materials such as bottles, aluminum cans and plastic cups collected are then transported to a recycling center for processing.

The award, which included a certificate and a clock made from recycled bicycle parts, was presented to Judge Leisy and project coordinator Kelly Dillion at the Recycling Awards Banquet held on October 22, 2008 at the North Canton campus of Kent State University.

The court, along with Allyson Leisy, who serves on the Wooster Green Initiative Committee, established its recycling program in the spring of 2007 for the purpose of diverting recyclable waste materials generated at downtown Wooster events. The program received a grant from the Wooster Rotary Club to pay for the program's distinctive blue containers.

In 2008, the recycling program was extended to the Wayne County Fair. Ninety cubic yards of recyclable waste was diverted from the land fill to the recycling center from fair activities. An additional fifteen cubic yards of recyclable material was collected from the 2008 Wooster-Fest celebration.

Kelly Dillion, the court's program coordinator, also supervises a roadway cleanup and recycling program called "Adopt-a-Highway" as a part of the community service program of the juvenile court.