Reduce, Reuse, Recycle, Rethink RA programming

Name of Program: Reinventing & Recycling

RA(s) Presenting: RA Celeste Stout

Purpose: To take used materials and put them to good use again before finally recycling them.

Duration: 1-2 hours

Objectives:

_The learner will..._ Be able to go to one or all three of our tables where we will have three different projects they can participate in. All of the projects promote reducing usage of these materials along with finding ways to reuse them before recycling them. We do this by rethinking what the material can be used for, for example a cereal box can become a magazine holder, or a plastic bottle can become a bio-dome. Once the materials have been reused these projects make it so that the materials can still be recycled once they are done using their project. These projects also support a greener view on one’s daily life.

- At one of our tables residents will be able to take old cereal boxes and transform them into decorated magazine holders, which can be recycled at a later date, once they have been used. They will decorate them with old magazines in order to get use of something that’s old and not use any new paper.
- Another table will be taking old scraps of printer paper or construction paper and making bookmarks, which will then be covered in seeds so that when someone has used it till it is breaking down it can then be planted. Then what ever seeds were in the paper will grow whether it is flowers or herbs
- The third table will be a table where we can take old water bottles and make a miniature bio-dome. The residents will be able to plant a bean seed and watch it grow in their rooms. We will need soil and a few seeds, and when the top is put back on the bottle does all of the work as long as it is kept in some sunlight.

All materials not used will be recycled since all materials used will be recycled materials and after each project has been used to it’s fullest extent it can then be recycled as well.
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Materials used: (Provide copies of handouts if used)

- Plastic Bottles
- Old cereal boxes
- Construction and printer paper scraps
- Masking tape (Because it is paper based and can be recycled)
- One bag of soil (from home depot)
- Bean seeds (from Home depot)
- Flower or herb seeds (from home depot)
- Thin hemp rope (from home depot)