

Your Community Connection

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News from Waste Management's Eagle Valley Landfill

Meet Keith Hayes



Keith Hayes, Eagle Valley Gas Technician
Waste Management Renewable Energy

Keith Hayes is the newest addition to our WM family at Eagle Valley. Keith resides in Clarkston and is the father of a 3 year old boy named Brody who keeps his dad on his toes. Brody loves to come to Eagle Valley when he gets a chance to watch the equipment working on the active face. Keith says Brody is a lot like him – both father and son love to take things apart and their curiosity drives them to understand how things work.

Besides being a dad, Keith's hobbies include golf, fishing, hunting, and

recently he's taken up disc golf, a sport he and his girlfriend enjoy playing together.

Keith was born in Chamblee, Georgia, but was raised in Bath, Michigan, just north of Lansing. He attended Lansing Community College and initially studied to be an EMT/Paramedic, but his real love has always been with the skilled trades. Keith has been studying skilled trades since he was 14 when he became a plumbing apprentice, which then led to carpentry work. Keith loves to do home improvement in his spare time – it is his own personal "stress reliever."



Keith, Brody and Denise

Top Shop Award and Site Activities

Eagle Valley Recycling and Disposal facility staff achieved WM's prestigious TOP SHOP 2012 Award. "Top shop selections are made by evaluating and ranking all business units within the com-



Top Shop Recognition for Eagle Valley

pany," said Chuck Cassie of Waste Management. "Achieving this prestigious award identifies your shop as a group of employees successfully working as a team with high employee morale. Stringent guidelines in appearance of the shop, fleet and the equipment are a requirement."

And...

In preparation of closing the north and east areas of the landfill in 2016, WM's neighbors to our east and north are viewing more disposal activity in these areas of the landfill. WM is working to place more waste in areas where decomposition and settlement have occurred, for best utilization of landfill airspace/capacity. This effort will bring us closer to final cap and cover for these areas. It is all part of moving the waste placement area out of the immediate view of our neighbors and in preparation of future new cell development at Eagle Valley.



Northeast slope - airspace recovery

Unique Partnerships

Waste Management, Inc., North America's largest environmental solutions provider and leading residential recycler, and William McDonough, designer, author, and sustainability thought leader, jointly announced the launch of a sustainable innovation collaborative to help foster and guide future product and packaging design innovation among industry-leading companies.

The initiative—the Waste Management McDonough Sustainable Innovation Collaborative—will focus on directly serving producers,

manufacturers, retailers and suppliers of packaged goods and products as they strive to advance their sustainability objectives and results. Product and packaging design for recyclability as well as careful consideration of ecological and human health will be among the collaborative's goals.

"Working together, we'll use the tools of design, science and principled business practices to profitably work toward eliminating the very concept of waste."

William McDonough

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Transforming Waste into Art

Orion Oaks Wolf Pack Scouts participated in a local "Adopt-a-Road" project to help clean up the area and even used some of what they found to create art for



Waste Management sponsored, Orion Art Center's, Re-Create Art contest held on April 24th of this year. The theme of the art contest this year was "Transformation," and these scouts nailed it with their space ship made from a discarded bottle and a hub cap. The alien is stealing cows from a pasture. The cows are made out of recycled foam egg holders. The alien is beaming them aboard his space ship. The entry won 1st prize in the "Youth" category for inspiring effort and imagination.



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Coming up...

Don't forget...again this August, the Orion Art Center will be hosting its annual Dragon on the Lake event, complete with a chalk art contest and dragon boat races on Lake Orion. There will be plenty of fun family activities on August 24th and 25th. Last year the WM Water Warriors pulled together as a team and significantly improved their race time over the previous year. WM also took home the coveted "Best Team Spirit" award. Good times were had by all!



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