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In this issue: [2011 MWMA Fall Summit](#) special \$99 registration rate good until September 9th; Minneapolis mandates business recycling; newspapers as automobile fuel?

1. [Registration now open for 2011 MWMA Fall Summit – Public Sector Pays only \\$99](#) (Source: *Municipal Waste Management Association*)

- **Just four more days** for public sector officials to register for the **Municipal Waste Management Association (MWMA) Fall Summit** at our special rate of only \$99. **THIS RATE EXPIRES ON SEPTEMBER 9TH**. After that registration will rise to \$295 for MWMA members (\$400 for non-members).
- Take a look at the updated [Fall Summit agenda](#) too. ([more](#))

2. [Go waste-free for Zero Waste Week](#) (Source: *Mother Nature Network*)

This week — Sept. 5-11 — marks the fourth annual National Zero Waste Week, and this year's theme has me thinking beyond what goes in my trash can at home. This year, the theme is "Reducing waste away from home," focusing on the trash we generate when we're eating out, commuting to work, packing the kids' lunches for school, shopping or traveling. ([more](#))

3. [Minneapolis Mandates Business Recycling](#) (Source: *Earth911.com*)

San Francisco made headlines when it mandated recycling and composting for residents and businesses back in 2009, and now Minneapolis, Minn., is following suit. ([more](#))

4. [Proposed California styrofoam ban highlights two green issues: Ecology and money](#) (Source: *New York Daily News*)

Restaurant owner Gary Honeycutt says a push in California's state Legislature to ban the plastic foam containers he uses to serve up takeout meals could cost him thousands of dollars in an industry where profit margins already are razor thin. ([more](#))

5. [Cars Could Run On Recycled Newspaper, Scientists Say](#) (Source: *ScienceDaily*)

Here's one way that old-fashioned newsprint beats the Internet. Tulane University scientists have discovered a novel bacterial strain, dubbed "TU-103," that can use paper to produce butanol, a biofuel that can serve as a substitute for gasoline. They are currently experimenting with old editions of the *Times Picayune*, New Orleans' venerable daily newspaper, with great success. ([more](#))