

# A GREEN ENVIRONMENT

At KSNA, there is a strong belief that the preservation of our environment is very important. Therefore the employees at KSNA take steps to recycle as many items as possible. Among the items that are regularly recycled are: paper, cardboard, plastic, printing ink, aluminum printing plates and machine oil.

## PAPER



Paper is one of the top 10 most recycled items in the world. Much of this is due to the fact that many companies generate large amounts of waste paper each year. KSNA is no exception to this. While we have greatly reduced the amount of waste paper generated in the office areas over the past several years, the printing process still generates large amounts of scrap paper. By nature, the printing process in general will always generate waste paper. When you factor that in with our yearly worksheet set production, over 87.5 million sets in 2020, you can see that we have a duty to make sure this waste paper is recycled. Since paper takes up such a large part of our recycling efforts, in 2010, we installed a large paper baler to make this process more productive. Bales produced by this baler condense the paper into much smaller and denser bales. This helps with moving and storing them. It also increases the dollar amount that the recycling company gives us for this paper.



## LIGHTS OUT



Recycling is not the only way that we look to help the environment here at KSNA. On sunny Fridays, we have "lights out Fridays" in the office. This is an effort to save electricity and as an added bonus, staff members enjoy working in the sunlight.

## INK



Waste printing ink is also recycled here at KSNA. Press operators put their used ink in barrels. Once the barrel is full, a lid is put onto the barrel and a recycling company picks them up to be properly recycled.

## CARDBOARD



Cardboard is another item that we recycle large amounts of. Empty cardboard boxes are continually taken from the picking lines everyday as worksheets are pulled to fill instructor orders. Also, almost all items that are received for printing, distribution or the office here at KSNA come in cardboard boxes. Due to the large number of empty boxes generated, a cardboard compactor was installed at one of our dock doors. This large compactor helps us make sure all cardboard that comes through KSNA can be recycled.