



DID YOU KNOW...



BALLOONS

...are lethal to the environment!

Picture This:

You are at a Birthday, Wedding, Celebration or maybe even a Funeral, where the release of balloons has been chosen for commemoration...

Once they float into the air, **Do You Wonder Where They Go!?**

Now the balloon is floating high, high into the sky and out of sight. But, What goes up must come down... so **where does it land?**

Once it loses its helium gas and has traveled throughout the atmosphere, most times it **settles onto the ocean surface**. The shriveled remains then drifts with the waves and becomes a **marine life hazard**.

Sea Turtles, Dolphins, Whales, Sharks, Sea Birds and many more small marine creatures are put at risk by us when we **unsuspectingly introduce this hazard into their environment**.

For example Sea Turtles see the balloon as a food source, mistaking it for Jellyfish. **Not only do marine creatures ingest the balloon, they also can drown from being entangled in the string that is still attached to the balloon.**

They die a slow agonizing death.

Next time you celebrate an event, **ask yourself:**

“Do I really need to celebrate my event with the release of balloons?”