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# Full Circle

A Newsletter for Our Non-Profit Recycling Cooperative Members

- 2008 ANNUAL BUS TOUR -


## Members Explore, Learn and Network

NRRA's Fall Bus Tour left on October 8th with 44 members and NRRA staff on board. The group boarded a Greyhound bus and headed down to Auburn, Mass. to learn about Casella's Single Stream facility. The group got a step-by-step virtual tour of real-time happenings from their operation.

Next, the group headed to Derry, NH to see how a 30,000 plus population town runs their drop-off transfer station. Director of Public Works Michael Fowler and Recycling Coordinator Joanie Cornetta gave the group an A++ tour of how their operation runs and answered members' questions.

Go to [www.nrra.net](http://www.nrra.net) to see a picture slideshow of the tour.

The last stop of the day was at RMG Enterprise to learn more about electronics recycling. Bob Gallinaro showed the group the inner workings of what happens to electronics once they leave their transfer station. This is one of the two facilities in New Hampshire that recycles CRT's (Cathode Ray Tubes).

Thanks again to each of these NRRA members and vendors for hosting our energetic group. We look forward to planning the 2009 Bus Tour! 

- NEW PROGRAM -

## Wood Grinding & Recycling Program

NRRA has partnered with M-R Wood Recycling to offer members an opportunity to have their wood ground. The bi-product can then be sold or used locally.

M-R Wood Recycling in Derry was recently on site at the Lebanon Transfer Station.

Lebanon's Solid Waste Director Marc Morgan was pleased with their work. "I can't say enough about this company -- excellent group to work with, very clean, hard workers, got the job done very timely and were very cooperative," he said.

The Lebanon Transfer Station uses the chips for two different programs. The chips from grinding of brush



Lebanon Transfer Station uses their wood chips in composting and landfill cover. and clean wood are mixed with their yard compost.

Their "dirty" wood chips are used for landfill cover. To learn more about Wood Recycling at your facility, call your NRRA member services representative at (603) 736-4401.

Save the  
Date!  
June 8th & 9th, 2009  
28th Annual  
NRRA Conference

## - NRRA NOTES -

### NEW INK JET / LASER JET RECYCLING OUTLET

NRRA has found Print Cartridge Recycle to give members a new outlet to recycle their inkjet, laser and fax cartridges. This family-run business provides all the materials necessary for collecting and sending cartridges. Members can sign up directly through [www.printcartridgecycle.com](http://www.printcartridgecycle.com) or call them at (800) 654-6072.

### EMPIRE COMMINGLED CONTAINERS NOTICE

Please do not crush your glass in the Empire Recycling Commingled Containers program. Our vendor cannot sort crushed glass from plastic. Therefore, they have no option but to reject the load and send it to the landfill. A little broken glass is fine, but please do not crush with a backhoe. If you have to pack the container, add glass jars and bottles in after crushing the trailer. Thank you for understanding.

### FOR YOUR INFORMATION

Schnitzer Northeast is no longer accepting Freon containing units and car tires. In order for your Freon containing units to be processed at the facility, the Freon must be properly extracted and units marked. Please call NRRA about our Freon program.

Schnitzer's scale hours in Claremont, Madbury, Concord and Manchester have been changed to 7:00 am to 3:00 pm.

### Member Services Wants To Hear From You!

The NRRA works for you! Share your thoughts and ideas by emailing [info@nrna.net](mailto:info@nrna.net) or by calling us at 603-736-4401.

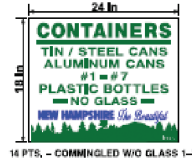
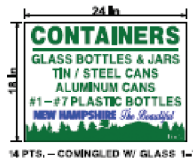
During the past fiscal year NH the Beautiful awarded thirteen NH towns \$36,100 in equipment grants. Fifty-one NH towns received \$14,865 in signage for their Recycling Facilities. They distributed almost 4,800 recycling bins and 173 ClearStreams and 2,260 ClearStream bags not only to schools but also to towns, non-profits and businesses in NH.

### NH The Beautiful's New Fiscal Year Begins November 1, 2008

**Grants:** New Hampshire Communities are all eligible to apply for grants for up to half the purchase price of recycling equipment (do you have an innovative recycling idea let us know). To apply for a grant, go to the NHTB website [www.nhthebeautiful.org](http://www.nhthebeautiful.org) print & fill out the form and fax it to Jan at 736-4402.

**Signs:** New Hampshire Communities are all eligible to apply for signs, you have 60 points each fiscal year. To apply for signs, go to the NHTB website [www.nhthebeautiful.org](http://www.nhthebeautiful.org) and print the forms you need fill out & fax it to Jan at 736-4402.

Please note that we have added two new signs to the list.



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### For Members Only!



The NRRA has a limited number of Norseman apartment-sized recycling bins available to purchase. These are great for small places and are stackable. Each bin is \$5 and can be picked up at our Epsom office. You can reserve yours today by calling Jan at (603) 736-4401.



We also have a few big black plastic Gaylords available to our members for \$55 each. Get yours today! Call your NRRA member services representative at (603) 736-4401.

### Candia Receives Grant For New Horizontal Baler



Town of Candia received a grant of \$5,000 from NH the Beautiful towards the purchase of a Horizontal Baler for their new Recycling Center/Transfer Station at Deer Run Road. The purchase of the horizontal baler is considered to be the centerpiece of their new facility and will play a key role in improving and expanding their recycling programs.

Candia will now be able to bale commodities, saving critical space and, now for the first time, will include a comprehensive plastic recycling program. John Dumais, NH Grocers Association/NH the Beautiful, Inc. presented the check to Fred Kelley, Chairman, Board of Selectmen. Also present were: Fuat Ari, Northeast Resource Recovery Assoc., Chuck Whitcher, Transfer Station Manager and Amanda Soares, Candia Recycling Committee.

### Welcome Steven!



Welcome to Steven Fuchs, the new Commercial Sales Representative at NRRA. Steven earned his degree in Business from Ohio University. He has over 25 years of experience in sales, operations and distribution including owning two privately held companies.

In his spare time, he enjoys spending time with his three children and enjoying any outdoor activities that New England offers. Please help us in welcoming Steven to the NRRA family.

## NRRA Helping its Members Save Money

Are you looking for a way to trim your budget? Make sure to take advantage of NRRA's cooperative purchasing program.

This program allows our membership to collectively purchase supplies and equipment commonly used in the collection and processing of recyclables.

NRRA offers its membership discounted purchasing opportunities



on the following items: • Backyard Compost Bins • Baling Wire • Gaylord Boxes • Gloves • Gripples • Non-Roadworthy Storage Trailers • Strapping



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## Annual Member Cook-Out a Success!

NRRA held its annual cook-out for members to enjoy finger-licking food and network with other towns, businesses and non-profits in the area. Over 85 members enjoyed great barbecued fixings, yummy desserts and great conversation.

*Thank you Gordon McCown for BBQing the great food!*

The community pitched in to make this outing a success. We received generous donations from Concord Beef & Seafood, Bagel Works, Stonyfield Farm, Shaw's in Fort Eddy Plaza, Panera Bread, Market Basket on Storrs Street and Hannaford on Fort Eddy Road. Thank you to all who donated!

### - HOLIDAY TIP -

Wrapping paper CANNOT be recycled. For more information call member services at (603) 736-4401

## PGA Update



*Goffstown used the PGA pictured above around a drainage pipe in a recent road project.*

NRRA's Process Glass Aggregate Program has been revitalized with our partnership with Ivar Martin Crushing of Bedford, NH. Ivar purchased a glass crusher this Spring specifically for NRRA's PGA program.

There have been "crushes" in Goffstown, New London, Keene, Hopkinton, Littleton and Ossipee since then for a total of 5,540 tons crushed. NRRA collected 14,463 tons at its seven collection sites from 10/01/07 to 9/30/08. This crushed aggregate is being used in road and sidewalk projects as well as a drainage material.

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## Calendar of Events & Announcements

*November 12th:* NRRA Marketing Meeting\*, 9:30 am at the NRRA Offices, 2101 Dover Rd, Epsom, NH

*November 12th:* Annual Meeting, 12:00pm – 2:30pm at The Red Blazer, 72 Manchester St., Concord N.H.

*December 10th:* NRRA Marketing Meeting\*, 9:30am at the NRRA Offices, 2101 Dover Rd, Epsom, NH

*December 10th:* NRRA Trustee Meeting, 1:00pm at the NRRA Offices, 2101 Dover Rd, Epsom, NH

**\*These Marketing Meetings are for YOU our NRRA members! Please join us for great discussions, networking, information gathering and troubleshooting.**



NRRA Offices will be CLOSED on the following dates:

Veterans Day – November 11th  
Thanksgiving – November 27th and 28th  
Christmas – December 25th

### Please Help Us ... Help the Community ...



We are **\*desperately\*** looking for corporate sponsors for the second year of "The Recyclabulls" focusing on climate change for 2009 Earth Day. Last year, our first production of "The Recyclabulls" was seen by over 4,000 students at 15 schools with enthusiastic endorsements.

We would like to offer this program again but can't do it without the YOUR assistance. PLEASE help this program continue educating NH students.

You can view a clip of the production at <http://www.schoolrecycling.net/Recyclabulls.htm>. Please pledge to help keep this program alive, and contact Kelly at (603) 736-4401 TODAY!