



The School Recycling CLUB

- Since 1998 -

110,495 Students Involved!



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Have you joined TEAM EARTH yet? Find out more by clicking on "Awards" on The CLUB's web site.



The School Recycling CLUB is a project of the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRRA), a proactive non-profit cooperative working to make recycling programs efficient and financially successful.

www.nrrra.net



School Recycling CLUB Quarterly



Providing the latest news to the school recycling community

RecyclaBulls are Back to Talk about Recycling and Climate Change!

Welcome to Hannibull, Mooosourri, a town populated entirely by cows! In The RecyclaBulls, a fun-filled live musical adventure designed to entertain K-3 elementary school ages, four young calves learn to work together to take care of the environment and teach the rest of the townspeople how they can help moo. Ooops! How they can help "too"!

In this production, Baron Von Holstein develops a new product Grass-o-lean, is an energy drink designed to turn the klutziest calf into a lean, mean, mooing machine! But Grass-o-lean is not without consequences. It causes excessive gas which means one thing- BURPING! The

RecyclaBulls learn that cattle burp enough already due to their digestive systems and all the extra burping caused by Grass-o-lean only speeds up global warming! With parallels and references to human consumption of gasoline throughout, Breako Bull's Burp will teach students that the best thing they can do to combat global warming is to start in their own homes.

Grant funding of \$883 is available to help defray the cost of this live theater production. School will need only to fund raise \$300. This would be a great way to start or strengthen your school recycling and environmental education program. Applications are due by May 26th and performances will



Go to www.schoolrecycling.net to learn more about the RecyclaBulls.

be held in the middle to end of October. If selected, your school will receive grant funding \$883 to bring Recyclabulls to your school sometime during two weeks of October. Production of Recyclabulls is contingent upon securing

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"Green" Up Your Life with Natural Cleaners

Many commercial cleaners contain substances that are toxic and can burn skin or eyes on contact. Without proper ventilation, their use can also cause injury from harmful fumes.

According to the Poison Control Center, in 1997 there were ap-

proximately 230,000 overexposures nationwide to household cleaners of which seven were fatal. The average American uses 40 pounds of toxic cleaners every year.

The fumes released from these cleaners lead to an in-

crease in asthma diagnoses in children. Over 90 percent of poisonings happen inside the home, with bleach as the number one chemical involved.

Stay away from words like: flammable, warning corrosive, danger, reactive,

poison, toxic, harmful if swallowed.

This is an excerpt from Keene State College's Green Cleaning: Do-it-Yourself Safe Cleaning Solutions Guide.

Download it at <http://www.keene.edu/sustain/greenguide.cfm>

MEMBER SCHOOL PROFILE

Kenneth A. Brett School - Tamworth, NH

The Tamworth Tiger's Green Team

By Heather Booska
School Contributor

The Kenneth A. Brett School is located in Tamworth, New Hampshire, a picturesque town of 2,600 citizens at the foot of the White Mountain National Forest. The Brett School, a K-8 elementary school, has an enrollment of about 210 students and is the only public school in the Tamworth School District. With support from the Health and Wellness committee, our school has recently expanded its recycling program.

At the February school-wide assembly, Respecto-Man and Boy Manners assisted Green Team members in displaying two new types of containers for recycled products. Blue-topped Clear Stream wire bins for plastics and cans have already encouraged a higher recycling compliance rate. Our cafete-

ria, displays a graph of the number of recycled item. In addition, gone are the cardboard boxes that were used to collect paper, as classrooms are now using the dark green recycling bins bought through The Club.

Our new initiative involves collecting empty snack and juice containers. For instance, Capri Sun juice pouches are upcycled into new items like tote bags and pencil cases. Using the terracycle.net website led to many more wrappers that can be saved for upcycling, including cookie wrappers, snack chip bags, energy bar wrappers, and Kashi packaging. After signing up, our school will receive \$.02 from TerraCycle for every pouch or bag saved.

*It's easy: No rinsing or washing
Finish a Capri Sun
Remove the straw
Put it in the collection bin*



Respecto-Man and Boy Manners helped teach students about recycling.

Materials for classroom lessons can be downloaded at caprisun.com/terracycle. The Brett School has set a goal to collect 5,000 wrappers/pouches by June to earn \$100. Please visit the terracycle.net website to enroll in this new way to reuse what we used to throw out. Recycle and Reuse to Reduce waste and turn "trash into style." ♻️

From Trash to Treasure: Reuse Chip Bags and Make Bracelets



The tradition of making chain bracelets out of gum wrappers has been updated to help reuse "trash".

All you need about 21-25 2"x4.5" strips cut from cleaned chip or snack bags (or you can use magazines, regular paper, etc.) and then you make a chain out of those strips, connecting the ends to

make a bracelet.

Each bracelet takes about an hour to make. For full instructions, go to <http://jas.familyfun.go.com/arts-and-crafts?page=CraftDisplay&craftid=11851>

Think about making this a fundraiser for your school recycling program by selling them at lunchtime.

Thanks to Bow students for the idea and Family Fun Magazine for the instructions! ♻️

Apply for the School Recycling Club Award

The Club is excited to handout the 2nd Annual School Recycling Club Award at NRRRA's conference on June 8th and 9th. The winning school will be invited to the awards ceremony on June 9th to accept their plaque and prize.

To apply for this award, you must have:

- A superb school recycling program in the Northeast
- Made great strides in your recycling program from September 2008 – June 2009.
- Be a member (or sign up) for the School Recycling Club
- Go to www.schoolrecycling.net and submit the application by May 26, 2009

We can't wait to hear about your great recycling program. Call Kelly at (603) 736-4401 on Mon., Tues. or Wed. or email theclub@nrra.net with any questions. Thank you! ♻️

Recycling Ramblings

Become a Contributor!

Would you like to be featured in the School Recycling Club's newsletter? We are looking for contributors to write and send pictures about YOUR great programs. Topic ideas include:

School Profiles & Overviews
Sharing unique items you recycle or reuse
Publicizing speakers or performances
that come to your school
AND MORE!

Please send your ideas to Kelly at theclub@nrra.net or call (603) 736-4401. Thank you in advance for your help and support! ♻️

Congrats on a Successful Compost Bin & Kitchen Pail Sale!

Thank you to all the schools that participated in the 2009 Compost Bin & Pail Sale, as well as selling rain barrels. Your hard work diverted 92,000 lbs from the waste stream, which is almost four truck loads!

Barnstead Elementary School
Belmont Elementary School
Concord Christian Academy
Greenland Central School
Frisbee School Green Team, Kittery Maine
Lisbon Regional School
Stafford School Recycle Club

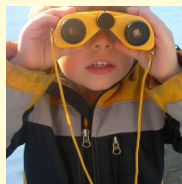
Let's get more schools to participate in 2010!



Congratulations to
Bow Memorial School for
earning the Silver
in the TEAM Earth Awards Program!

Keep up the great work!

What would YOU like to see in the CLUB Newsletter?



Send the CLUB an email at theclub@nrra.net and let us know!

We're saving paper & emailing our newsletter!

The School Recycling Club is taking another step to save paper. Instead of printing and mailing our newsletter, we will be emailing it! If you are receiving a paper copy, this means we don't have your email address on file. Please take a second to email theclub@nrra.net your name, school, address, telephone number and email address, so we can update our database.

No email address? No worries. We'll continue to send your newsletter to you. Thank you for taking the time to save a tree and help us update our database! ♻️

RecyclaBulls are Back to Rock the Stage!!

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grant funding, which is anticipated in early July.

To learn more and to download an applications (due May 26) or see a film clip of the show, go to www.schoolrecycling.net.

The New Hampshire Department of Environmental Services (NH DES), the Northeast Resource Recovery Association (NRRRA), and the Winnepesaukee Playhouse are collaborating on this project, and we are grateful to have Stonyfield Farm as our project's sponsor. ♻️

Welcome New CLUB Members

Total CLUB Members to Date - 277

7 new & renewing members...

Concord Christian Academy
Fairgrounds Elementary School
Greenland Central School
Holderness Central School
Mountain Shadows School
Sanborn Regional School District
West Running Brook Middle School

Membership to the CLUB is FREE.
Join Today!

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Learn how to **START** and/or **EXPAND** your school recycling program



at **NRRA's 28th Annual
 Recycling Conference & Expo**
June 8th & 9th, 2009

**Radisson Hotel, Manchester ~
 The Center of New Hampshire**

**Green Innovations:
 Taking Recycling to New Heights**

Monday, June 8th ~

3:30 pm - 5:00 pm

Special workshop

especially for **SCHOOLS!** Come learn
 and network with other schools!

**\$50 per day Special
 Admission Rate**
 for school attendees. Please go
 to www.schoolrecycling.net to
 download a special registration
 brochure.

For Conference Details, visit www.nrra.net



The School Recycling CLUB...

is a **FREE** school program,
 designed to be a fun, in-
 novative way to give kids en-
 couragement, direction, and
 networking possibilities for
 school recycling programs.

Benefits to joining include:

- Hear the latest news about school recycling.
- Gain statewide recognition for your school's recycling efforts.
- Increase partnerships between your community and your school.
- Receive technical assistance
- Learn of **FREE** recycling educational resources.

To Join...

- Have written permission from the principal;
- Currently be recycling, or agree to recycle at least one type of item for one year!
- **That's it!** You can be part of **THE CLUB!**