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“work smarter, not harder,” the Recycling Committee has rented a second big orange container from Dumpster Depot and positioned it beside the dock out the back door of the Recycling Building at the Transfer Station. With the new container in place, customers with glass bottles to recycle simply step out the back door and drop the bottles in the container.

Previously, Transfer Station employees had to handle the glass three times – in the blue barrels where it was collected; in the Bobcat to dump the barrels in a huge bunker; and then again in the Bobcat to load the bunker into a container to be hauled away. Is the new system working better than the old one? “You bet!” says Reggie. And he estimates that not only will rental of the second container pay for itself, but it will also free up about \$1,800 in labor costs every year.

### Safety Measures

To help keep Transfer Station employees and customers safe, there’s now a simple, manually-operated pallet jack in the Recycling Building that should greatly reduce the need for using the Bobcat in the building. Not only is this safer for everyone, but the pallet jack is cheaper to operate, maintain, and re-

place than the Bobcat.

The block bunkers around the Construction and Demolition container have recently been reconfigured to make access to the container more convenient for haulers and safer for Transfer Station customers.

And a new chain-link gate has been installed across the opening to the trash hopper to prevent unauthorized dumping when the Road Agent has the main Transfer Station gate open for plowing or to access the gravel pit at the back of the property.

### Pooling Ideas

Perhaps the most significant recent change is also the least obvious: Transfer Station employees are now members of the Recycling Committee and join in the committee’s work on the second Thursday of each month at 1 PM at the Town Hall.

“Reggie, Allan [Wesoja], and Deb [Guinard] have been very proactive in presenting ideas that will make the Transfer Station safer and more cost-efficient,” says Dana, who is also a member of the committee. “Their input, plus the continued strong support of the Board of Selectmen [Selectman Don Gross is an *ex officio* member of the Recycling Committee], have really helped in making all these very beneficial changes.”

## Energy from page 1

native energies and ways to reduce energy use.

A few folks will be getting together in June to see if there’s an interest in organizing an informal energy committee. Possible objectives might include local workshops to help home owners save on energy costs; open-house tours

of homes that use alternative energies; community events like “lights out night” (turning out your lights for one hour on a designated night), conducting an energy audit for Town buildings, etc.

If you have information you would like to share or have an interest in working on a committee, please call Vicky Mishcon at 735-6402.

## Beach from page 2

haps next year they would like to use this time a little more productively and help clean up the area. Fortunately, we had a young volunteer who took on the task of denuding the tree.

A number of folks were newcomers to the annual beach clean-up this year and had no idea how much needs to be done to make the area not only presentable, but safe.

Our thanks to Jeff Clark and his leaf blower; Faith Clendenen; Tina and John Cotton (with a rake in one hand, his

cane in the other); Don Emerson; Lisa Foley; Don Gould; Darcy and Dennis Lowe, who drove up from Nashua; the Makechnie family – Greg, Amy, Hope, Brynne, and Paige (who entertained us and themselves by floating their shoes in the lake); Nelson (our tree denuder); and Judy and Lloyd Perreault (our tractor guy). The Makechnies were on to another cleanup at the school after their stint at the beach.

Thanks to all. We appreciate all your time and effort. It was a busy day town-wide, and a lot of other people were out cleaning up other areas of town.

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