

I have to apologize for the charts on the newsletter. They didn't come out as well as I had hoped. Consequently, I am including this supplement as a written explanation of the charts.

Let's start with some definitions and goals.

**MSW** is our acronym for Main Stream Waste or your basic household waste that goes into the compactor.

**Goal:** To create as little MSW as possible. We pay to have the compactor hauled away and an empty one put in place. We also pay for the tonnage contained in the full compactor. The better we recycle out our trash the less it will cost us. We want this tonnage number to go down to get cost down.

**C&D** is our acronym for the construction and demolition container. This container takes all the big, bulky items: furniture, mattresses, pressure treated wood, old carpet and other such items.

**Goal:** To create as little as possible. Residents are charged a fee to dispose of items in the C&D container. The cost for removal of this type of waste is very expensive and the fees charged are less than the cost to haul. This is also a haul **and** tonnage charge. These fees are put into the town's general fund. We want this tonnage to go down to get cost down.

**Paper** we have learnt is **ALL** paper. All the glossies from the Sunday paper, your teabag wrapper, that empty shoebox, pizza box, flour bag, shopping receipts, cardboard boxes, tissue boxes, paper towel rolls and any other kind of paper waste your household may have.

**Goal:** Put everything paper in the paper container. Of course we don't want residents creating waste but because we get paid for our paper it is beneficial to recycle it correctly. The revenues brought in by paper are placed in the town's general fund.

**Plastic** is all plastic with a 1 or 2 in the recycle triangle on the bottom of the container. This includes, detergent jugs, milk jugs and other various types of containers. Anything labeled with a 3, 4, 5, 6 or 7 in the recycle triangle goes in the MSW compactor.

**Goal:** To keep plastic from the total MSW tonnage. We pay to have plastic hauled but do not pay for tonnage. Recycling plastic keeps our MSW tonnage down.