CURBSIDE RECYCLING: Next Steps
SUMMER MONTHS: Recycling Woes
THE RECYCLING DEPOT OPENS & VOLUNTEER!
RECYCLING IN THE 21<sup>ST</sup> CENTURY: A Teachers' Workshop

### **Curbside Recycling**

With the last of the public meetings held on April 29 the citizens comments will be taken to the Sustainable Gallup Board for review. After discussion and consideration a recommendation will be made to the City Council on the feasibility of a curbside program for the City of Gallup. The SGB meets the first Monday of the month in the Mayor's Conference Room in City Hall. The next meeting is May 4 from 3-5 pm. Community members concerned about conservation, energy, water, recycling & other environmental issues are welcome. Call Bill Bright at 722-0039 for information.

**Summer Month Recycling,** but good recycling etiquette all year round Recycled items that contained food should be rinsed thoroughly so there is no residual food waste. Please be kind to those who handle your recycled items – especially during the hot summer months. Already our warm spring days can cause smelly conditions in a milk jug, and critters and flying insects are attracted to the odors emitted from insufficiently clean cans, tubs, and jugs.

## The Recycling Depot is Open

The trailer at the Larry Brian Mitchell Recreation Center is a depository for a variety of recycled items for science, arts & crafts, or other projects. The public is encouraged to visit the Depot, donate recyclable items, and obtain items on Saturdays between 10 am and 2 pm when MCRC bin volunteers are on duty. Can't make it then? Call Linda (905-5966) or Betsy (879-2581) to arrange a time.

## Volunteers and Alternative Saturday Recycling

Citizens, the recycling bins at the Larry Brian Mitchell Creation Center are open on Saturdays *only* through the volunteer efforts of the McKinley Citizens' Recycling Council. Through a reduction in force there have been, and will be Saturdays, the bins will not be open. On those days take your items to the self-serve bins at the NWNM Regional Solid Waste Authority (further east on Maloney to Hasler Valley Road). The facility is open 8 am–4:30 pm M-Sat.

Stop by the bins any Saturday between 10 am and 2pm. Consider being a MCRC Bin Volunteer. Meet the public, offer assistance, and inform them of the latest local recycling initiatives. Join a dedicated team working to improve and expand recycling opportunities in Gallup-McKinley County. For more information or to sign up call Barb (905-5233).

**Special Thank You** to *Grant Rogers*, teacher at Chief Manuelito Middle School, for years of service to the community, MCRC, and Mother Earth. Blessings as you move on.

# UPCOMING! FRIDAY, JUNE 5

#### RECYCLING in the 21st CENTURY -

A workshop for teachers in Gallup and McKinley County

FREE! Breakfast and Lunch provided. Resource Materials and More!

**Contact:** Shafiq Chaudhary schaudhaa@gmcs.k12.nm.us

Betsy Windisch <u>betwysindisch@yahoo.com</u> 879-2581

### Register Early with Shafiq. Limited space.

### **Tentative Schedule for the Day**

8:30 am	Registration / Breakfast
9:00 am	Welcome / Introductions / Review what MCRC is about - History,
	Volunteer opportunities - Saturday Bins / Recycling Depot / Advocacy
9:20 am	View "The Rotten Truth" (28 min)
	A Children's Workshop / 3-2-1 Contact Production
10:00 am	Break
10:10 am	How Recycling can enrich Math, Science, Social Studies and other Curriculum
	Community Service and Service-Learning Opportunities
11:30 am	Lunch / During this time check out the display of recycled art projects
	and other resources.
12:00 pm	Bio-PAPPEL presentation – BP is one of the largest paper mills in North America.
	John Shaw (Prewitt, NM mill) will share a film about the international company
	and will discuss the use of recycled water and paper products at the facility.
2:00 pm	Depart

Sponsored by the McKinley Citizens' Recycling Council NWNM Regional Solid Waste Authority & the City of Gallup Solid Waste Department

MCRC Monthly Meetings First Saturdays 2pm Red Mesa Center 105 W. Hill Subscribe to the MCRC E-newsletter *The Recycling Circle* www.recyclegallup.org