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## THE NEW CAN CAN IS CATCHING ON Everyone at the Recyclery is dancing a jig

because residents have fallen right into step with the "can can." We're referring of course to, the addition of steel (tin) cans to our recycling program, which already included aluminum cans. Now green bins all over town are brimming with both the steel cans and the aluminum ones. Here's some uncanny statistics on just how far we've come since adding this first item to Winston-Salem's recycling program in August:

- We're recycling 4000 pounds of steel cans per week! That's 20,000 pounds a month!
- The natural resources saved so far by recycling these cans include: 75,000 pounds of iron ore; 30,000 pounds of coal; 1,200 pounds of limestone.

#### CONTRIBUTE LOCALLY, **RESULTS GLOBALLY**

Consider this, the 100 BILLION pounds of steel recycled a year, nationwide, saves enough energy to supply the City of Los Angeles with electricity for 8 YEARS!

**12 MILLION POUNDS OF WASTE RECYCLED!!** 

#### WAR ON GARBAGE

If you haven't joined in this steel can recycling effort, think of it this way. In World War II, Americans collected steel cans which were melted down and reused for military hardware. Our battle in the 90's is saving the environment • from unnecessary waste. Once again, Americans are literally "pitching in" (their steel . cans) during this ecological crisis. Won't . you? It's easy to recycle steel cans, here's how:

- RINSE cans thoroughly. Acceptable cans include, fruit, vegetable, soup, meat, fish, pet food, juice and coffee cans. No aerosol or paint cans please.
- 2. DROP the lids into the cans. SQUEEZE lid slightly to keep lid from falling out. You don't have to remove the label, but it helps!
- 3. PLACE the cans into the bin along with other recyclables.

For more information call 722-BINS.

# Garbage & Recycling Pickup Noliday Schedule Changes

THANKSGIVING Observed Thursday

and Friday November 26-27 If your collection day is	Pick-up
Tuesday	Monday,
Wednesday	Tuesday,
Thursday	Wednesd
Friday	Monday,

will be 23rd 24th day, 25th 30th

	CHRISTMAS Observed Friday, December 25	
	If your collection day is	Pick-up will be
	Tuesday	Monday, 21st
	Wednesday	Tuesday, 22nd
_	Thursday	Wednesday, 23rd
	Friday	Thursday, 24th

**NEW YEAR'S DAY** Observed Friday, January 1 .Same schedule as Christmas (above)

#### **RECYCLING SCHEDULE:**

IF YOUR RECYCLING DAY FALLS ON A HOLIDAY, YOU'LL SIMPLY BE SKIPPED UNTIL THE FOLLOWING WEEK! IF YOUR BIN IS OVERFLOWING, JUST PLACE EXCESS RECYCLABLES IN BAGS DIRECTLY NEXT TO BIN. PLEASE DON'T SEAL OR TIE PLASTIC BAGS IF YOU USE THEM IN YOUR RECYCLE BIN. THEY'RE HARD TO UNTIE AND SLOW DOWN THE DRIVERS.

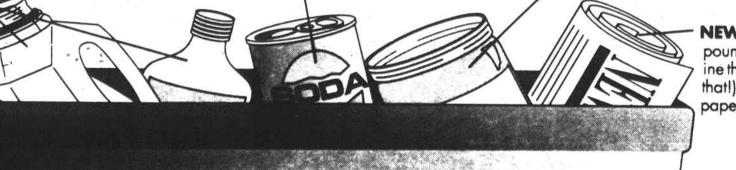
RECYCLE TODAY has some weighty statistics on the program's success so far. Broken down, it looks like this:

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ALUMINUM CANS: Over 7,000,000 cans! Since recycling takes MUCH LESS energy than to produce new products, this amount of recycling, just in Winston-Salem alone, saved enough energy to run a television for 21-MILLION hours, OR saved enough energy to allow every household in Winston-Salem to run the TV for 417 hours! GLASS: The energy saved from recycling one glass bottle will light a 100-WATT bulb for four hours. The glass recycled through RECYCLE TODAY has-saved 12,996 gallons of fuel.

PLASTIC: 528,000 POUNDS of plastic! That is enough plastic to cover two lanes of a 7 MILE STRETCH OF THE NEW 1-40 BYPASS FROM 40 AND 421 ALL THE WAY TO 140 AND 311!



NEWSPAPER: 7,800,000 pounds of newspaper. (Imagine the fish you could wrap with that!) Recycling this much newspaper saved 60,500 trees!