

## Poet reiterates desert sentiment

This is the second of two poems contributed by visiting Englishman Bruce Dann. It is particularly apropos in the light of the present Arizona Bottle Bill campaign.

"Bottles and Cans Strewn Everywhere"

Bottles and cans strewn everywhere;
People never seeming to have a care.
The scenic beauty, a delight to the eye,
But debris, littered about, a blight to a passerby.

A proud land, so much, in its achievement Could be unwittingly responsible for its bereavement.

The cactus, like sentinels, to quell an invader, The modern age who will cast them asunder, Who will never let up, 'til all beauty has gone And the only vestige, the Desert, then will be none.

A state, so steeped in history and pride, Should rise up and stem the tide. What can you say about the robot age When it is going to commit the greatest outrage, To steamroller a surface and cover everything And sacrifice everything you want to believe in. To bask in the beauty, you have to appreciate Nature:

For this to no longer exist, leaves a cold stature.

Bruce Dann

The CCIA Conservation Committee supports the Arizona Bottle Bill which will be put before the voters in the November election.

We are asking people to please help us gather bottles and cans from the roadsides until this fall, when on a date to be announced, we will have a grand garbage gathering and build "towers" of trash in a public place in our community.

Our committee wishes to express many thanks to the tremendous support expressed by many residents of our community concerning the Bottle Bill and to those generously donating to the Arizona Bottle Bill campaign. Please also remember to register to vote by Sept. 13.