

STUDENTS VISIT BIO-RECYCLING LABORATORY

## Students Learn about Composting

Jasper County composting students from Project Phoenix, the Jasper County Alternative School, and Piedmont Academy visited the University of Georgia last week for composting seminars and a tour of the Bio Recycling laboratory.

The students were introduced to new methods of composting and other bio recycling ideas for the future. They also witnessed experiments using bio recycling techniques such as the biodegrading of baby pampers.

After visiting the lab, students visited the School of Agriculture where they met the Dean of Extension Services, Dr. Bill Lambert, Dr. Lambert discussed various career programs offered like land-scaping and agricultural forestry.

Britt Faucett, UGA Bio Recycle director, led the tour. He has visited both Jasper County schools involved with the composting project. The combined group of students are known as the BC club.

The field trip was courtesy of the Jasper County Extension Service directed by Dr. Jean Walters. Dr. Walters began working with alternative school director and science teacher Evern Williams and Piedmont science teacher Missy Wilson several months ago with organizing a composting program.



## G.O. Members Give Back to the Globe

Britt Faucette, compost specialist at UGA, gave a talk at G.O.'s monthly meeting April 1st at the Atlanta Botanical Garden on his experiences as a member of a delegation to Cuba. The purpose of the Cuba visit was to study the growth of small organic farms in Cuba. Cuba boasts tens of thousands of urban mini farms that are essential to the country's food production.

Skip Glover, long-time G.O. member and organic farmer, spent three weeks this winter on the island of Batanes in the Philippines to assist in

setting up "train the trainer" workshops in organic and bio-intensive farming. Skip's visit was at the request of the local Peace Corps volunteer and was sponsored by Land-o-Lakes, Winrock International and VOCA.

Paul Dutter, Lee Ann Kelly and Andrew Hinerfeld served on a panel on organic certification at the Red Clay Conference March 16th. The conference was organized by the Environmental Law Association of UGA.