

SEPTEMBER PRIMARY ATTORNEY GENERAL

In Massachusetts town by-laws must be screened by the Attorney General. In previous years Attorney General Bellotti has overturned Nuclear Free Zone by laws in Provincetown and Amherst.

JoAnn Shotwell is running for attorney general. She was assistant attorney general for environmental affairs. In a phone conversation this spring with Sue Walker, she said she had argued within the attorney general's office not to overturn the Provincetown by law.

Former Congressman Jim Shannon is also running for attorney general. When asked about local Nuclear Free Zone legislation he was familiar with the controversy. He had read the Provincetown decision. Shannon said he liked the way Greenfield had written their NFZ by-law.

Greenfield's by-law requires a potential nuclear weapons contractor to notify the town, so a public hearing can be held. The hearing would educate the public and insure that all existing codes and by laws would be followed.

AND:CC will be receiving more detailed data on the Greenfield NFZ. It is now before Attorney General Bellotti and a ruling is expected shortly.

If you meet Shannon, please discuss the importance of local towns being able to create binding Nuclear Free Zones. Please thank Shotwell for her strong position.

MASS NUCLEAR WEAPONS FREE ZONE

At a Board of Directors meeting held on May 11th it was unanimously voted to dissolve the Corporation known as Mass. NFZ. Papers to that effect are to be filed by Bob Leo in the near future. It was felt at this time the organization as such should no longer continue. But the dream of making Massachusetts a NFZ is still with us. There is still an outstanding debt of several hundred dollars which is owed by the Corporation. If you would like to help resolve the debt, please make payments to MassNFZ c/o Bob Leo.

NATIONAL FORUM

High school students from Milton Academy are initiating a national petition drive for Election Day 1986. The students will be asking for an educational two hour televised forum on nuclear arms policy. They hope to have a panel of high school students question the President of the U.S. and two other prominent Americans with differing viewpoints. The National Forum could become a regular program of the national media, focusing each year on an important national or international issue.

To join the petition drive for the National Forum contact: Milton Academy, 170 Centre St. , Milton, MA 02186. Phone (617) 698-7800.

AND:CC applauds these involved young people making excellent use of the democratic process!