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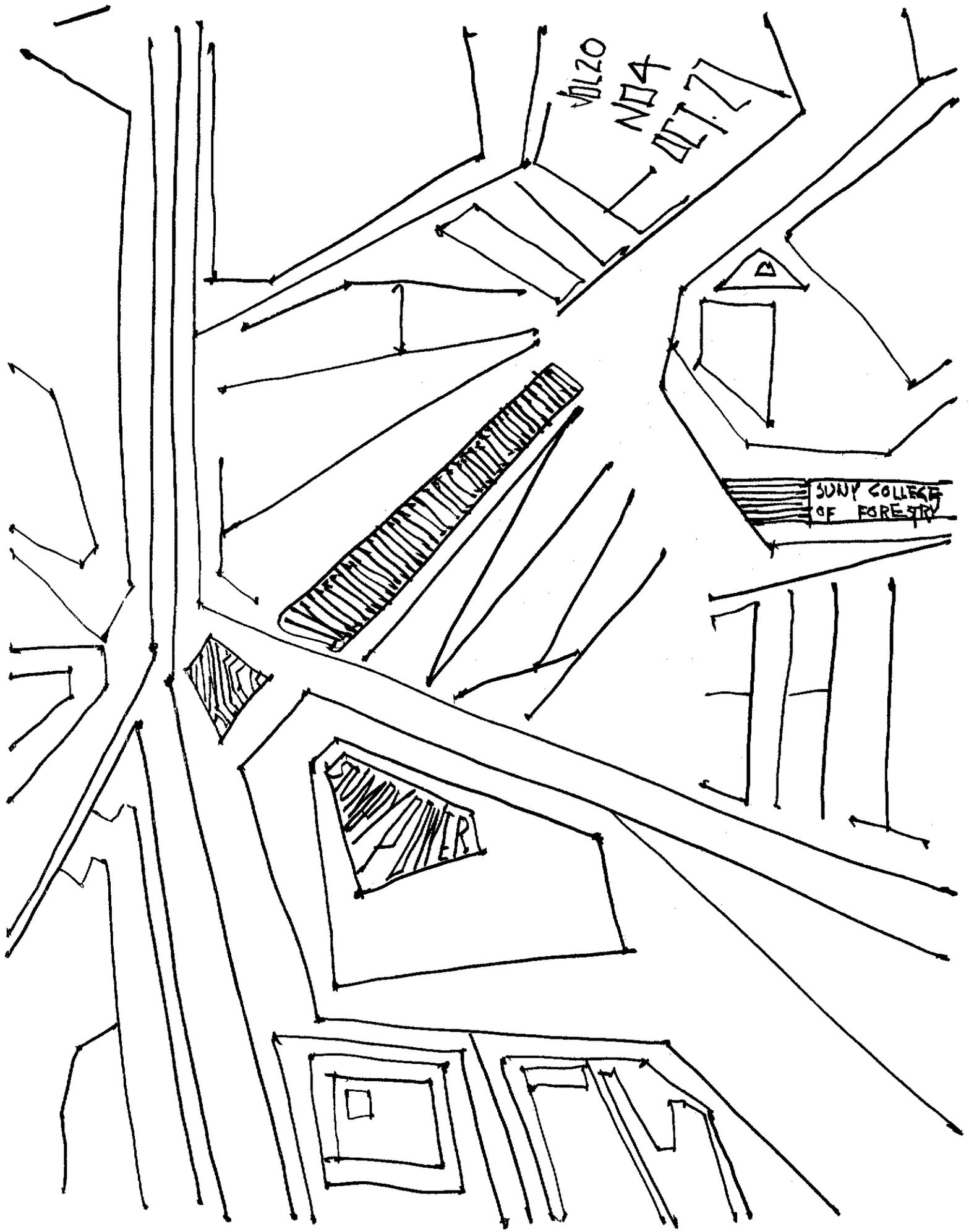
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OF FORESTRY

SUNNY TOWER

## SMALL POEM FOR JOHN L. MORRISON

There is soft joy  
in things  
that blossom:  
flowers  
friendship  
slow growing wisdom  
Springtime comes  
with smiles  
whenever love is near.

Mary Schuschni

THE KNOTHOLE

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*Editors Note:* The following letter was sent to the Knothole Staff by Phil Horning, one of last year's Knothole editor's. He & Gus Vogt (the other editor) are currently in Iran serving in the Peace Corps.

Dear Editors of the Good 'Ole Knothole,

Right now Gus and I are on a field trip in Iran for the Peace Corps. Gus is somewhere in southern or western Iran while I'm quite far east in Moslead. Five stories below is the hustling and bustling of 300,000 Iranians who are not Arabs but Moslem. Almost all the women wear chadores which cover everything but the face and sometimes that too. Right across the street is the Shrine of Emaru Reya, one of the 12 emarus who were descendents of Mohammed. Since it is the only shrine honored with a buried emaru in Iran, Westerners are not allowed near and all we get to see are the Gold Domes and Minarets from afar. Iran is a fascinating country and I am seeing new things every moment. Needless to say language is a problem and even with 2 months of training (5 hours of language 6 days a week) communication is still difficult. With some real work my language should do better in the future. One of the problems is they write backwards.

I hope you are all getting set for the final grind of one more year of school and make the best of it gradewise and fun wise (or is it wise). As far as the Knothole, a little hard work should get it going twice as good as last year if not better. Later in the year when I get settled I plan to send in an article about the Peace Corps opportunities for forester's and landscape architects but I'll need a little more time for that and a little more knowledge. As it looks now I may be working in Tehran, helping to establish a National system and National Parks which don't exist now, and also working with reforestation. However, I don't know where I fit in the picture etc. so I will have to wait and see. This kind of work could be very important to Iran now and in the future. I guess all you need now is for Gus to get off his butt and maybe you'll get another letter.

Anyway things have been great so far, especially not being in school.  
Congratulations and good luck on the Knothole.

Sincerely,  
Phil Horning.

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EUSTACE B. NIFKIN IS ALIVE AND PLAYING FIRST BASE FOR THE METS!

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Sirs:

The Graduate Student Association believes that general educational opportunities at the College of Forestry have been neglected in both the graduate and undergraduate curricula. The college can easily remedy this situation.

The existing General Education Committee could fulfill this need provided it is expanded in both function and faculty-student representation. We propose that such a revitalized General Education Committee be charged with surveying the general education needs of the college, coordinating existing programs, and instituting social and cultural programs of a provocative nature not presently available here, at Syracuse University, or in the city of Syracuse.

Sincerely yours,  
Graduate Student Association

This actually happened in a village in Borneo! DDT was used in a mosquito control program. Soon roofs of natives' huts caved in as they were being eaten by caterpillars absorbed much DDT, but whose predators, the wasps, had been killed by it. The DDT was then brought indoors to kill houseflies. That it did, but it also infected little lizards that ate the flies. Cats which ate the lizards died in such numbers that rats began to invade the village, bringing threat of plague. So cats had to be flown into the area to restore the balance DDT destroyed.

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ODE TO PACK FOREST SUMMER CAMP

When I was small and not so tall  
My father said to me;  
"Pray tell me son and everyone-  
What do you hope to be?"  
I pondered and thought for days on end;  
How could my days be spent?  
A baseball player, or plumber?  
Or maybe - President!  
A railroad man? A teacher?  
An electrician I couldn't see,  
When all of a sudden I knew it-  
A life of Forestry!  
I told my pop and he was proud:  
"What a momentous day!"  
Then came old mom and her wondrous cry:  
"What will the neighbors say?!"  
I said to mom: "I know about trees-  
They're big and straight and tall,  
They grow in woods during springtime  
When their leaves begin to fall.  
For maple sugar we can use them-  
Such as the pines when covered with snow,  
And if nothing else - they'll make kitchen shelves  
Just see how much I know!"  
So off I went to Syracuse,  
Boy Scout compass in hand,  
All prepared to go cruising  
And so survey all the land.  
Well, years they seemed to follow  
As a Stumpy I became,  
Earning my place with Smokey  
In the Forestry Hall of Fame.  
But homework began to follow  
And exams made the scene,

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And soon I realized there's more than cloth  
To that Forestry patch of green.  
I made my way through Sophomore year  
When "Summer Camp!" I heard,  
So I took my plastic peevee  
And started for Warrensburg.  
I thought it would be fun and games,  
I knew I'd love to go, but  
"You will work and you will like it!";  
The staff done told us so.  
Cruising timber, Biology,  
Silvics with Dr. B.,  
Then all about Spruce Gall Aphid  
In Entomology.  
Long hours in the Calc Room,  
Lectures at 8 a.m.,  
Duties in the morning,  
And surveying once again.  
But there was also swimming in the lake  
And sunbathing on the ground,  
And of course those many hours  
At Huey's in Chestertown  
Good times by the Hudson,  
Singing folk songs on the steps,  
Some remembered times in the Old Lake George;  
Yes, these and all the rest.  
But I can only say with tearful eye  
From Sully to Enoch Bell,  
My most remembered times of Summer Camp  
Was enduring "Old Woodsman's" smell.  
Now all that has ended-  
And here is Junior Year,  
I really wonder how it will be:  
Probably more girls and beer.  
Yet, somehow I think I've learned alot  
About the forest trees,  
Although you might not guess it  
By my grades of many C's.  
And through everything I'm still bothered  
Of something I've tried many times-  
For those Foresters must really be something  
To get maple syrup from pines!

- Mickey Sull

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**NOTICE:** Congratulations are in order for the bricking up around the newly planted Black Tupelos on the north end of Bray Hall. This is a commendable completion to the previous commitment of planning the lifespan of these trees (1 year) which was begun last year when they were planted in soil with a bulk density of 2.08 (solid quartz is only 2.65).

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**FOUR STUMPY POWER**

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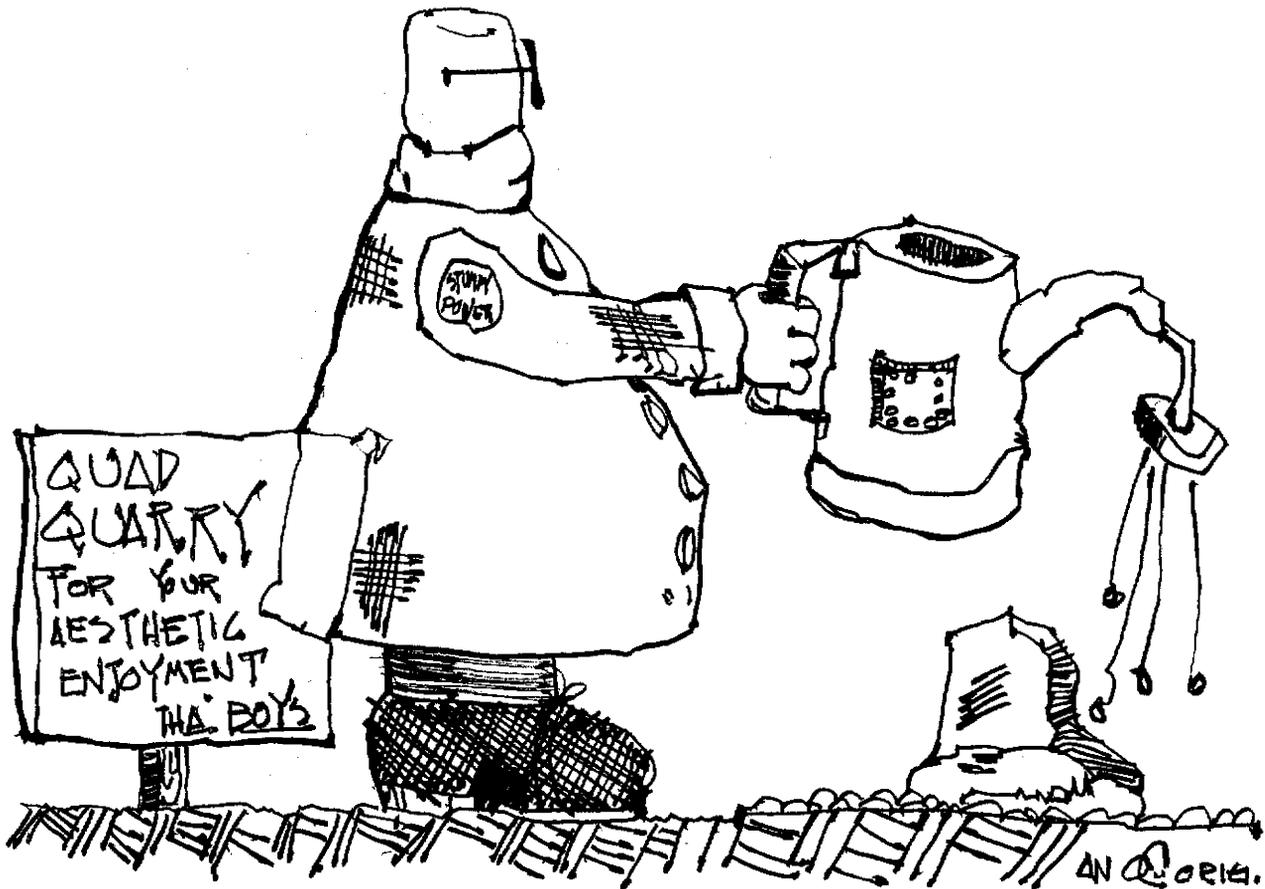


an Australian ecologist; and the ~~W~~ird, two Ducks Unlimited films, "Ducks Unlimited Story" and "Return to Duck Country". The club's next meeting, toward the end of the month, is as yet in the planning stages. We are hoping to bring in more speakers concerned with the environmental crisis and ecology, emphasizing the theme of the club this year. New club president, Bob Mrowka, hopes to involve the club in the more relevant aspects of ecology, such as multi-pollution of the environment, and bringing in appropriate speakers would be one way of initiating this.

In any event, our once-every-two-week meetings have not been the only activities in this past month -- the annual Fall grouse survey took place on Saturday, October 4, in the face of 40° cloudy Syracuse weather and even hunters. Regardless of the shotguns and dampness, 38 hardy stumpies showed up, most of them new to the survey plots and Heiberg Forest in general. With the help of veteran "grouser" Bill Overton and a few other experienced "old-timers" we managed to spot 17 grouse and also a few elusive deer. The rest of the work is essentially up to Dr. Alexander who analyzes all our data for his population study.

With new programs and ideas established, such as proposed joint field trips with the Botany Club and a guest speaker series, Zoology Club should look forward to a productive year, but only with the support of as many interested persons as have attended so far. The club is open to all forestry students and guests, and one need only attend three out of four consecutive meetings to become a member and obtain a club patch. So, as our semester gets under way with this brief introduction, we look forward to your active participation.

Don Musbach  
Knothole representative for Zoology Club



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## NSF GRADUATE FELLOWSHIPS

The National Science Foundation has announced its fellowship program for next year. A total of over 2,300 graduate fellowships will be awarded. These are open to citizens of the United States who have demonstrated their ability in science by above average undergraduate averages or by excellence in previous graduate study.

The stipend starts at \$2,400 per year, plus \$500 per dependent. The fellowship may be held at any qualified institution approved by the National Science Foundation.

Senior students and persons now enrolled as graduate students are encouraged to investigate this program. Special applications must be submitted before December 5, 1969. Information about the program may be obtained from the Graduate Office (room 200 Bray Hall) or by writing National Science Foundation, Washington, D. C. 20550 asking for application materials and for publication E 69G-4.

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### FORESTRY COUNCIL MEETING

Resume of Minutes 8 October 1969

The revised budgets for 1969-70 are as follows:

Class of '70	\$775	WPE Club	\$680
Class of '71	500	Zoology Club	900
Class of '72	500	Barbeque	2588
Class of '73	---	Tri-State	1000
Botany Club	930	Sweethearts Ball	725
Empire Forester	8950	Forestry Basketball	290
Forestry Club	510	Grad. Students Assoc.	1500
F. Engineers Club	250	Woodchips	250
Mollet Club	700	Banquet	3000
A≡≡	465	Student Leaders Conf.	400-600
Papyrus Club	350	Traditions	50

TOTAL: \$25313-25513

Si Balch moved to pass these budgets. He was seconded by Joe Paddock. The motion was passed by a vote of 23 to 3.

Chuck Hollis reported that Dr. Sondheimer, chairman of the General Education committee would like to expand and improve the function of General Education by more pertinent programs of specific interest to foresters to replace the old convocations. Hollis said the grads were drafting a statement backing Dr. Sondheimer in this and invited the council to do the same.

### Resume of Minutes 15 October 1969

New Freshman Class Officers were initiated.

President - Dave Radka  
Vice President - Bob Tindall

Secretary Treasurer - Justin Culkowski  
Social Chairman - Valerie MacDonnell

Photocopying machine to be installed in Library for trial period of 90 days. This will not cost the Council anything. After the 90 days, details of the rental system will be worked out with the Olivetti-Underwood Corporation. Delivery of the machine will be in about two weeks.

Henri Hamel reported that the preparations for the Student Leaders Conference are well under way. At present 60-65 people are expected to attend the Conference to be held the weekend of November 1 at Warrensburg. The general topic will be related to the quality of Education on our campus.

Jean Dory asked if it would be possible to have the campus buildings open sometime during Parents Weekend. This seemed to be a good idea, and Jean was appointed to work with Si Balch of A≡≡ to see if an open house could be arranged.

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