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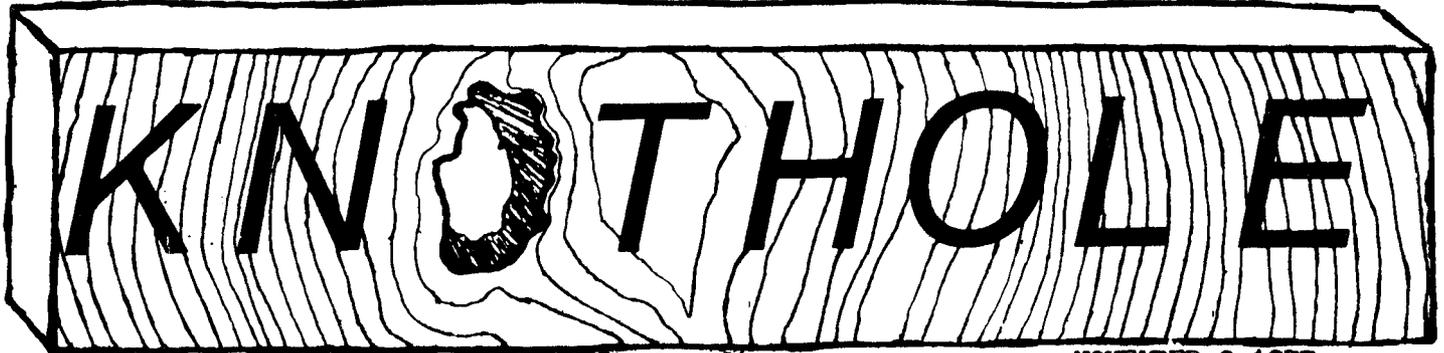
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Graduate Science Awards

The National Science Foundation is now accepting applications for 550 three-year graduate fellowships for academic year 1978-79. The fellowships are awarded for study or work leading to master's or doctoral degrees in the mathematical, physical, medical, biological, engineering, and social sciences and in the history and philosophy of science. Applicants must be citizens or nationals of the United States and have not completed more than 18 quarter hours or 12 semester hours of post-baccalaureate study.

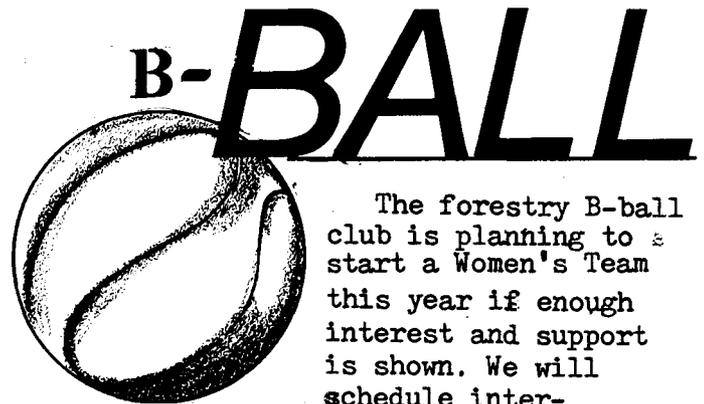
A stipend of \$3,900 is provided to recipients for a 12-month tenure and an equal amount will be paid to the fellowship institution for a cost-of-education allowance. Deadline for submission of applications is December 1, 1977, with awards announced March 15, 1978. Application materials are available from the Fellowship Office, National Research Council, 2101 Constitution Avenue, NW, Washington, DC 20418.



Saengerbund, the Forestry Chorus, now meets on Wednesdays at 7:00 p.m. in Marshall Auditorium. New members are always welcome!



People can be divided into three groups:
Those that make things happen,
Those that watch things happen,
And those that wonder what happened.



The forestry B-ball club is planning to start a Women's Team this year if enough interest and support is shown. We will schedule inter-collegiate games and could start practice anytime. If you are interested or have questions, please contact me via student mailboxes or at my house.

- Peggy Coleman
116 Redfield Pl.
475-3456

SENIORS

The yearbook needs your pictures: black and white and color prints and color slides. Also...poetry, captions, and other verbal expressions.

Leave any material in the Empire Forester mailbox (basement of Marshall) or contact Jim Van Atta at 469-0459. Don't forget to include your name, phone number, address, and curriculum.

Last day to sign up for senior pictures is Saturday, November 5. The sign up sheet is in the basement of Marshall-outside Nifkin Lounge. Pictures will be taken November 7 to 11.

HELP!

For people whose spirits soar at the sight of a wild bird flying against the sky, there is no more heart-rending scene than this same feathered creature trapped in a coating of thick, black oil. Oil spills have become an environmental fact of life, and everyone wants to help the innocent victims, but most people don't know how. To meet the ever-growing need for up-to-date, accurate information about how to save oil-spill victims, the New York Zoological Society has published a handbook, "Help! A Step-by-Step Manual for the Care and Treatment of Oil-Damaged Birds" written by Emil P. Dolensek, D.V.M. and Joseph Bell, both of the New York Zoological Society.

The handbook provides thorough details for setting up a complete emergency bird-care hospital, including instructions for advance planning of the entire rescue effort--how to capture the birds, administer first aid, transport the injured to the treatment center, diagnose the extent of the damage, remove the oil, treat the birds medically, and care for the birds during recuperation. It contains an identification section that explains the different techniques required for handling and caring for the wide variety of bird species likely to be affected.

Many zoological organizations in the United States and Canada will offer "Help!" to their visitors and members. Anyone interested in obtaining copies should first check with his or her local zoo or aquarium. If the handbook is not available from these sources, people may write directly to the publisher. Orders should be addressed to "Help!" New York Zoological Society, Bronx, New York 10460. The reprint is being made available to the public at modest prices that merely cover the costs of printing and mailing so that the information will reach as many people as possible. Prices (including shipping) are based on the quantity orders; payment should accompany all orders.

Wolves On Campus!

The wolves are back!! John Harris returns to ES & F to give his talk on the "Ecology, Behavior and Future of the North American Timber Wolf" Monday, Nov. 7th at 7:00 pm in Marshall Aud.

NEW YORK ZOOLOGICAL SOCIETY Bronx, New York 10460

Prices (including mailing or shipping):

1-9	50¢ each	100-499	35¢ each
10-49	45¢ each	500-999	30¢ each
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CUBBYHOLE

The possibilities of significantly improving forest productivity through intensive management practices are widely recognized. The accelerating costs of forest land ownership and the increasing value of timber products have contributed to the attractiveness of intensive management--particularly of corporate forest lands.

Forests tend to renew their own nutrient supply through cycling of the forest floor and the restorative power of some mineral soils. However, forest management practices (such as genetic hybrids) increase growth rate of trees and impose nutrient demands which many soils cannot meet.

Applications of fertilizer to a forest have a myriad of interrelated effects on many of the physical, chemical, and biological properties of not only the soil and plants, but also the animals living near the treated site. Some of the more important effects are those related to wood quality, wildlife browse, and tree resistance to adverse agents and environmental conditions.

Whether one is interested primarily in increasing forest production or in improving non-timber values, fertilizers will continue to play an important role in intensive forest management.

Tim Wallmeyer

A NOTE FROM -SECURITY-

Please remember, if you open the windows in Moon Library, close them when you leave. We know it's warm in there, and a breeze helps you stay awake through those long chapters, but it's getting to be a problem. The Security People can't be expected to check every window when they close up the Library each night, and the heating system can't be asked to warm up the great outdoors all night, either. So, try to remember to close the window when you leave.

THE LAST C(H)ORD

A man knocked at the Pearly Gate
His boots were ragged and torn
His shirt was spattered with various paints
His mien was meek and forlorn

His hair was grey, his eyes bloodshot
His face was scarred and old
He stood before the man of fate
For admission to the fold.

"What have you done" St Peter asked
"To gain admission here?"
"I've been a farm forester sie,
for many and many a year."

The Pearly Gates swung open wide
and St. Peter tolled the bell
"Come in," he said, "and choose a harp,
You've had your taste of hell."

Anonymous

From the Wisconsin

Forest Products Bulletin

Submitted by Billy Morris

THE BIRDWATCHER

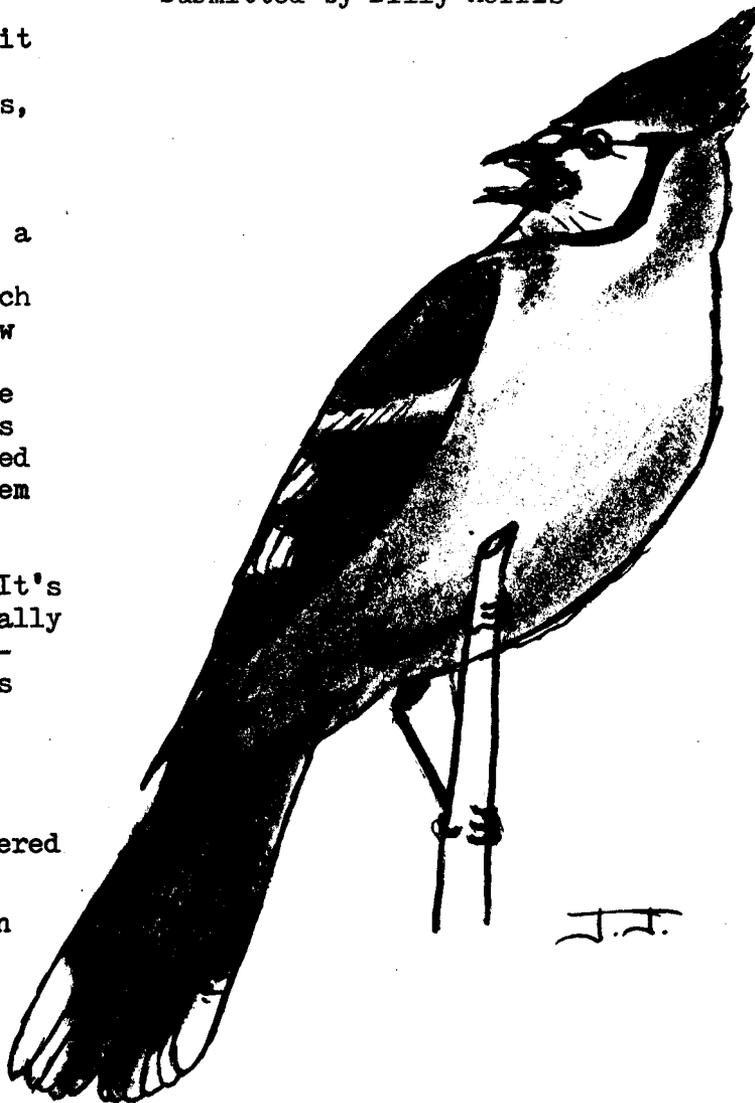
Familiar to everyone, this boisterous member of the crow family in his bright blue and gray plumage is like a small bit of the sky that has fluttered to earth. Blue Jays are the watchdogs of the woods, where nothing goes unseen by their vigilance, much to the chagrin of many hunters who have tried to keep quiet.

The Blue Jay is slightly larger than a robin with bright blue above, whitish below, and a very conspicuous crest which it raises and lowers like a flag to show his mood. The sexes are quite similar.

Blue Jays are common birds everywhere in the eastern part of the United States and Canada, especially in stands of mixed hardwoods and conifers, which offers them some protection during nesting season. During that part of the year, one might think that all the blue hays had left. It's just that when nesting, blue hays radically alter their usual attention-grabbing behavior so as not to draw unfriendly eyes toward their young.

The distinctive "jeeah, jeeah" call notes are often heard upon entering the woods, and sometimes they adeptly mimic the calls of the Redtail and Red-shouldered Hawks.

-Joe Johnson



HOUSING

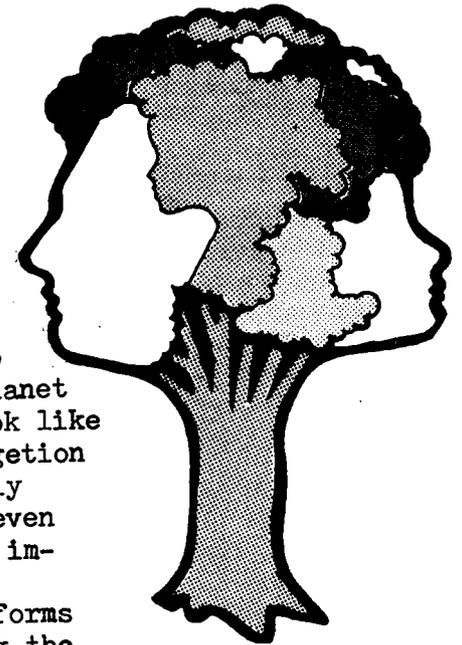
PART VI (FINAL) MOVING IN

Once you and your partner(s) sign on the dotted line, you are stuck together for the length of the lease. Since you want to enjoy, not endure, your apartment choose your housemates carefully, Discuss likes and dislikes in an honest way. Before you make yourselves a team, talk about what you consider to be reasonable sharing of household responsibilities. What are your study habits? Will you shop and cook independently or together? Once you form a partnership, be loyal to your housemates. Build a sharing, helping living unit.

Many things need to be done once you decide to rent a place. You have to call New York Telephone, Niagara-Mohawk, or New York State Electric and Gas in order to read at night, cook and call your friends

You'll probably be looking for used furniture and appliances to fill your dwelling. Be resourceful. A couch that is in one piece but has a few tears, will probably look great with a new cover. You can make one yourself. A badly scratched or stained table with solid legs will look like new with a fresh coat of paint or stain. Be wary in buying used appliances, though. Generally, if it doesn't work, don't take it. Electrical repairs may cost more than you paid for an appliance in the first place. Look for ads in the newspapers for auctions, yard and garage sales. These are worth the mileage you'll put on your car looking for them. Also keep in mind second hand and thrift stores. Let your family and relatives know you have established a new household; they may have an old chair or dishes to contribute.

A final word on security deposits. One of the most common problems of off campus students is failure to recover the deposit when it is time to move. Demand a receipt for the deposit or pay by check. You also will need proof when it comes to allegation concerning apartment damage. Usually the dispute surrounding a damage claim revolves around conflicting memories - yours and the landlord's as to the condition of the apartment when you moved in. The best protection is a checklist of the apartment done before you pay any money or sign a lease. The checklist should be made room by room and should include everything that is not in excellent condition.



It's hard to imagine what planet earth might look like void of all vegetation. Few humans fully appreciate or even understand the important functions vegetation performs daily in making the world a more hospitable place to

live. For without this protective cover, these species would fall easy prey to eager predators and to harsh environmental and climatic stresses. But vegetation provides some less obvious benefits which directly affect the quality of life.

Humans inhale some 35 pounds of oxygen daily, much of this oxygen is made available through green plants which in their respiratory process absorb carbon dioxide from the atmosphere and release oxygen. But plants do much more than this in the air purification process. They act as natural traps for airborne particulate matter. Their leaf, stem, and branch surfaces catch falling dust, grit and cinders, and keep these particles from entering the air people breathe, the food they eat, and the water they drink.

There are countless other indirect benefits gained from vegetation, not to mention the impact it has on the visual and aesthetic diversity found within the environment. So the next time you stare up at a tree, photograph a wildflower, or stretch out across a swath of grass, think about what the plant is doing to improve and enhance the quality of your life.

V.W.
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CAREERS IN ECOLOGY

On October 27th, Dr. Anne LaBastille gave an excellent talk on Careers in Ecology. For openers, she told about an interview where she was asked what she did. Her reply, "I'm a juggler and a hustler"- was a bit startling, but she explained that one had to go out and create a job for one's self. She does free-lance writing, and many magazines, including Audobon and National Geographic, have published her articles. Just recently she wrote the book Woodswoman.

So that the audience could get an idea of what it's like to be a woman in Wildlife Biology, Dr. LaBastille related a few jobs she had done in the past seven years. She has studied and photographed the quetzal (the national bird of Guatamala), set up a reserve for the birds, and wrote up a scientific article about them. She has also written about Mount Baruch in Panama, and has tried to start a park in the Virgin Island. Unfortunately, the last endeavor fell through because the money for this park was lost in the crash of the sugar prices.

Dr. LaBastille stressed the need to take the initiative and be enthusiastic about one's work. There is a certain freedom in being a private agent, as Dr. LaBastille is, but she feels that it is good to have "Ltd." or "Inc." after one's name, because it is insurance against the medical bills and being sued. She also stressed discipline in one's work, because deadlines come up quicker than one thinks. She described the basics of doing business with people and magazines- one has to be the aggressor and let people know one is there. An extensive resume of activities and publications helps when one is looking for a job.

Education is very important, Dr. LaBastille feels. She urges interested students to take photography, writing courses, natural wildlife course, languages, and, most important, public speaking. She says that a Ph.D is excellent, but an M.S. will do- Bachelor degrees have no weight anymore- and experience is a great asset. Dr. LaBastille acquired her B.S. in Wildlife Conservation at Cornell, her M.S. in Wildlife Resrves in Colorado, and returned to Cornell for a Ph.D. in Wildlife Ecology. She has been doing free lance writing for seven years.

-Andrea Swartzman

Survey Results

Thank you to all of you who returned a returnable survey. Sixty-eight surveys were returned, which isn't an overwhelming response, but perhaps the rest of you folks kon't drink soda. Anyway, here are the results (whick may not total to 68 for any one question because not all questions were answered on all surveys).

Fifty-five people said they'd rather buy soda more often if it came in recyclable bottles, thirteen people preferred aluminum cans, and two people want non-returnables.

Eight poeple said they'd buy soda more often if it came in recyclable containers, while most people would buy about the same amount. Two people would buy less.

Tere was an even split on the question of price. Thirty-two were willing to pay 5 to 10 cents more for an aluminum can of soda, and the same number weren't.

Paper cups were considered inferior to recyclable cans or bottles, 50 to 10. Almost as many people said they are worse than non-recyclable cans.

Comments and suggestions were encouraging and helpful- thanks!

Well, now that I got your opinions, I'm going to ask for your help. Help! The situation now is; our present vending company will have nothing to do with bottles, and I can't seem to contact anyone who even knows if they stock aluminum cans. In fact, none of the venking companies in the Yellow Pages seemed to know what recyclable bottles were.

So, if anyone belongs to or knows of a frat or sorocity with a returnable bottle machine- get the companies name and phone number. It should be on themachine. Or, if you have any ideas, or want to help, get in touch with me or the recycling club or student council. Thanks!

Linda Palter
472-3242

Confidential to Depressed:

I'm sorry to hear that you aren't feeling well, and yes, the wind does blow in Syracuse.

DANCE!

Party! Dance to the sounds of Harvest Friday night, Nov. 4th from 9 pm to 1 am, in Nifkin Lounge. Sponsored by KPD, GSA and the Senior class.

KNOTHOLE CHANGES

Knothole Changes: The Knothole is changing from a Thursday publication date to a Tues. publication date. This change was initiated in order to better serve the student body by being able to announce more club meetings and seminars (both which usually occur on Weds.), to avoid overwhelming the students with reading material on Thurs. (the Record and the Campus Paper both come out on Thurs.) and to reach more students during the week instead of after the time lag of an entire weekend.

Other Changes: The things that people wanted to see are:

- 1) A Centerfold
- 2) The return of "Goings On" the event calendar
- 3) Human interest articles
- 4) A comic page
- 5) Nature articles (not just the Bird of the Week)

With the interest shown, we should be able to include these articles in future issues- however, we still need a subject for the centerfold...

Replies, Replies, Replies: Thanks to all those who took the time to fill out a poll and add comments. To those who didn't- it must not have been worth your two cents.

Crude, Rude and Obnoxious?: The comments on whether the article content and language in the Knothole was offensive or objectionable ranged from "Catchall gets a bit crude" to "the Knothole could use some offensive articles now and again- it's like a high school paper."

Deadline Changes: The new publication date will also change deadlines for articles.

The new deadline is WEDNESDAY NOON PRIOR TO NEXT WEEKS ISSUE. This deadline is necessary to give the printing office adequate time (4 days) to print up the Knothole).

The last Thursday publication is November 3. The first Tuesday issue will be Nov. 15.

CATCHALLCATCHALL

&& Paul- put that car down!

&& Hey Scott- what were you saying about remaining incognito?

&& Chuck- How did your Hump Day go?

&& Now Paul, now!

&& Frank, you wish you were Sicilian.

&& Rob is looking for a used Lovely Linda doll.

&& Will the real Dr. Harvey Stack please stand up.

&& For Sale: Several Forestry bicycles, cheap. Contact: The two black kids with boltcutters. We can be found on the quad after sunset.

&& Tully: "Where men are men, sheep are pregnant, and wimmin are nervous!"

&& Next year- eagles or bust!

&& Take two people, one blanket, and a 17 hour bus ride and what do you get? Bus Blanket Bingo!

&& Squisho type: Aspecimine, not of the original material, used by the author, collected by students, dropped on the floor, stepped on, and otherwise improperly prepared. Not a holotype, isotype, lectotype, paratype nor a syntype.

&& To Director Bored Hours: Does sitting on it shorten the rotation, lengthen the rotation, or, or course, have no change in the rotation?

&& Charlie- You won't have to go hungry! much longer, we ordered more 'Grease Relief'

&& Some Silvico Execs ger higher site classes than other. Looks like you'll be needing some Silvico brownie squares.

&& Go on, George, you can beat him...

ES & F goes one better than Greyhound.

&& Customs: "Are you all alive?"

&& Mud splash for distance?

&& *Squeeze box* Chudyk

&& Hey Skippy, we're being followed!

Paul Bishop- Pop, Pop, Jiffy Pop!

Jan- how many grey hairs so far?

&& Due to new scientific evidence, Wayne has been reclassified to the Family Macropodidae (meaning big feet) He was originally in the Family Macromouthidae (meaning big Mouth).

&& Jump any gullies lately, Lorraine?

&& Really FRANK, GRAVY?

&& ATTN: Skemanski club tryouts. See Frank.

&& John-Boy, time to feed the cows!

&& Watch your step, Tisha!

&& Lorraine- Watch out for those cows!

&& Everyone was excited when they heard that Wayne caught a 210 lb. sucker, until they heard he hooked himself in the ass.

THE WOLVES ARE COMING!

If you listen hard enough on the evening of November 7, you will hear some wolves howling on the ESF campus--real timber wolves, not the usual male student wolves! And, if you come to Marshall Aud. at 7:00 that night, you'll be able to see and pet a couple! The Forest Zoology Club and the Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society, with the aid of Dr. David Palmer, have arranged for the return of John Harris to give his presentation, "The Behavior, Ecology, and Future of the North American Wolf." Harris and a colleague spoke to a near capacity crowd in Marshall Auditorium last year.

Harris founded the North American Association for the Preservation of Predatory Animals. He co-authored with A. Pahl the book Endangered Predators (Doubleday, 1976) which was chosen by the Children's Council as one of the outstanding science trade books in 1976. His crew consists of Honey Loring, a certified educator who studied and worked under animal behaviorist Dr. Michael Fox; and, of course, timber wolves. This year's stars are Sundance and Slick, large seven-month old pups.

The program starts with a talk on predators and endangered species, followed by a powerful film "Death of a Legend," which carries the viewers through a condensed life of a wolf from its birth to its death. Sundance is introduced and remains for the question and answer period. The entire program runs for about one and one-half to two hours.

The program has been presented to, and approved by, the Sierra Club, Audubon Society, National Geographic Society, National Wildlife Federation, American Museum of Natural History, and other prominent groups, according to Harris.

The main objective of this ESF student program is to increase environmental awareness, especially in the area of predatory wildlife. The reason for Sundance and Slick's appearance is two-fold: to dispel "the myth of the big, bad wolf," and to dramatize what has happened to wild wolf populations in many sections of North America.

This lecture is free and open to the general public, so...keep the night of the 7th open for a date with a wolf. It'll be a learning experience you'll never forget!

ENVIRONMENTAL EDUCATORS TO LEAD PANEL DISCUSSION

There is an experimental program presently in progress here at CESF dealing with environmental education. The program is geared towards the future, non-formal educators among us! This might include, for instance, someone who, as part of his job description, would be responsible to educating visiting groups on his company's operations within the environment.

On Wednesday, November 9, Room 241 Illick, from 7-9:30 p.m., the EE program will host a panel discussion on the topic of environmental education. We will have four guest speakers: Dr. Austin Hamer, continuing education professor for CESF, has previously worked with the BLM and the State of Oregon in developing the concept of an outdoor school; Nancy Allair, an elementary school teacher in Oswego, NY, is finishing her Master's Degree at CESF, and last summer ran a program in EE for the Oswego area; Gloria Mabi, a seventh grade science teacher from Manlius, NY, is a member of the Town of Pompeii Environmental Commission, and has served on the board of directors for Onondaga Nature Centers; John Weeks, present director for Onondaga Nature Centers, has been associated with the Rogers Conservation Education in Sherburne, NY, has taught biology at SUNY Oswego, and has worked as a wildlife biologist for the State of New York.

The panel will be discussing such related questions as: What is EE? What should it be? How do people go about educating about the environment? What are the main issues of EE? Problems? How does the public view EE? Afterwards, an informal discussion will be held to answer questions raised by the group.

The evening promises to be a tremendous opportunity for anyone even remotely interested. If you have any inkling towards environmental education, this should be a mandatory session for you to attend. Everyone is invited. Spread the word!

--Steve Kinne





JOHN HARRIS AND JETHRO, the original wolf ambassador to the U.S. After an appearance on the ESF campus in 1971, Jethro was poisoned by a fanatic in New York City.

A hunter said
That I was wrong --
Wolves kill for fun.
I asked him
If he had to kill
To eat.
No, he said,
But it was
Man's right
At least
To kill
The beast.

Man the hunter claims
That deer, and wolf,
and caribou
Are his; the ecosphere
is man's!
What wolf or wild soul
could endure
In such an egosphere!

The Wolf and the Deer

Acceptance

In his dreams
The wolf said to the deer
You fear me
But know my friend
I kill to live
And hunting
Makes us one.

I have seen you kill
Sometimes swiftly,
Often slow and bloodily
And you are made to kill.
You are what you are
And being so,
I cannot judge you.
Can I love what kills?

The wind turned
And said, Beware!
But the deer
Faced the wolf wind
And said I am aware;
I live to die
Although I flee
Into tomorrow
I know the end
Is meant to be.

I have seen you play
Sometimes wildly,
Often soft and tenderly
And you are made to love.
You are what you are
And being so,
I cannot judge you.
Can I kill what loves?

*From "The Ways of the Wolf" by Dr. M.W. Fox.

Hey gang! let's give
a special invitation to all
those nice ESF students
for the Monday evening
ESF program

Cariboo dung! The
worthwhile, interested
ones will show up

Be nice! They
won't know how
much they like us
'til they try us

OK STUMPIES! Be there
Monday, or we'll be
looking for you on your
next field trip ...

