FEDERAL HEADS SUPPORT PROFESSIONAL SOCIETIES

A memorandum dated March 27, 1995 explained that the heads of many resource-oriented federal agencies rallied behind federal employee's membership in professional societies. Jack Ward Thomas, Forest Service, USDA; Paul Johnson, Chief, Natural Resources Conservation Service, USDA; ADA E. Deer, Assistant Secretary for Indian Affairs, DOI; Mike Dombeck, Acting Director, Bureau of Land Management, DOI; Mollie H. Beattie, Director, Fish and Wildlife Service; DOI; Roger G. Kennedy, Director, National Park Service, DOI; and H. Ronald Pulliam, Director, National Biological Service, DOI, were all signatories to the memorandum, addressed to natural resource professionals, which follows:

As federal land and resource managers, we respond to the many challenges that face us in understanding, protecting, and managing a wide variety of resources and values. We must have a diverse and highly qualified cadre of resource professionals to assure that our management approaches are based on the best science. Over the last few years, with the focus on ecosystem management, we have seen tremendous changes in the basic framework of resource management principles. More than ever before, it is important for professionals to continue to learn and develop their knowledge of resources and the ever-changing management approaches essential to successfully managing this nation's natural resources.

We believe that membership, involvement, and participation in professional societies provide an excellent opportunity for us to come together with professionals from other agencies, organizations, and interests. They provide an excellent forum to discuss evolving resource issues and to learn from others. All of us are looking for ways to work in a more collaborative spirit and it is obvious that the wide array of professional societies offer a ready made answer.

There are as many choices of societies as there are disciplines and interests in our agencies. Together we Federal continues on Pg. 9

Where Were You When...?

by Liz Pizzey, News Staff

The Beatles. Now there's a name just about everybody recognizes. And unless you've been living on the moon for the past couple of weeks, you've undoubtedly noticed the extraordinary amount of publicity surrounding the release of the first part of The Beatles Anthology.

So here I was Sunday, watching The Beatles on TV. I started thinking back. They seem to inspire nostalgia, and wondered when I heard my first Beatles song. I was born in England (nowhere near Liverpool), so you could say they always had a certain subtle presence in my life. I don't remember where I was so I asked my mom. We figured it had to be the year after John Lennon was shot (I was only nine). I do remember that it was "Penny Lane." I thought it was incredible that someone could write a song about people in a street; and it sounded that good!

Beatles continues on Pg. 9
The Graduate Student Association (GSA) would like to recognize and congratulate the following ESF graduate students who have been awarded academic enhancement funds for presentations at scientific conferences in summer and fall, 1995:

Dan Ardia: An experimental investigation of gender related differences in habitat use of American kestrels (*Falco sparverius*).

Dan Ardia: Gender differences in predatory behavior and activity budgets of American kestrels.

Michelle Beretvas: Effect of humics on photodegradation of ADN.

Catherine Catranis: Antimicrobial peptides: design and application.

Xiching Hu: Aluminum uptake in *Bacillus megaterium* under iron-stress conditions.

Nasseer Idrisi: Time series analysis of the Oneida Lake food web.

Brian Lantry: An energetics model for gizzard shad.

Brian Lantry: Comparison of adult and juvenile routine metabolism and energy density of rainbow smelt, gizzard shad, yellow perch and walleye.

John McKemy: Integrated taxonomy of the deuteromycete genus *Phialophora* and related genera.

Rachel Mazur: Springtime habitat of Henslow’s sparrows at Saratoga National Historical Park.

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**SCHOLARSHIP**

**DEADLINE:** February 15, 1996

The American Chemical Society is announcing its Minority Scholars Program for the 1996-97 academic year. It is designed to encourage African-American, Hispanic/Latino, American Indian, Alaskan Native, and Native Pacific Islander students to pursue college degrees in the chemical sciences and in chemical technology.

For more information and application materials, please come to the Financial Aid Office, 115 Bray Hall.
What Does Rush Mean?
by Jen Miller

Here at ESF, we are a very diverse community and separated from the Syracuse environment. In a way it is sad that we don’t meet more people from “the other side of the road.” There are many who are interested in the same things we are and who don’t use a can of hair spray a day or have to buy new make-up every week or have their daddies buy them new cars every year. I never would have realized this if I hadn’t joined Gamma Delta Theta, the ESF sorority.

Now please forget all those stereotypes from “Animal House” and other rumors you have heard throughout your entire life. We are truly different. We are a group of women who have gathered together to meet new people, to have a sense of community, and to become involved. We are smart, many of us hold leadership positions and all are involved in community work. We don’t just sit around and gab about our new hair-styles or what country club our parents belong to. We have fun. We do party, but we are also serious minded women who are worried about the real world and need the support of other women to help us through trying times.

One reason we were started five years ago was to give women at ESF a way to become involved. It was also to help women meet each other and know that, although it may seem like it, they weren’t the only women on “The Male-Dominated Campus.”

The way we get to know people interested in our house is called Rush. This means that we hold information sessions where women learn about our philanthropies and meet some of the sisters. After that we pass out bids to people we think would add to our sorority. If accepted, one becomes a pledge. If you become disillusioned or don’t agree with what we do as a house, you are free to de-pledge. There is no commitment when you go to information sessions, or even after you’ve accepted a bid.

Another point of interest is that you don’t have to sign up for SU’s Spring Formal Rush. That is a much more complicated system than ours. However, any ESF woman is free to become involved in a Syracuse sorority chapter.

Gamma Delt is comprised equally of ESF and SU women, all of whom have the same ideals and morals about the environment and life in general. Many different curriculums are represented; from landscape architecture and EFB, to Newhouse and fashion design. So if you are interested, or who just want more information, call me at 423-7069. Or, you can stop by our house. Someone is always home and the house is a nice alternative to dorms or the hassle of finding your own apartment. The house features a cook, a cleaning service, and single rooms.

The address is 1003 Walnut Ave. It is between Bird Library and Watson Hall, across the street from Marion/ Kimmel. We look forward to seeing new faces and meeting new people.
Sounding Off
With Greg Bubniak
Seasonal Joy

It is that time of year once more. The time that we all dread in one form or another; finals approach, things become due, and tons of money is spent on Christmas gifts — or holiday gifts in general. I have felt for years that the holiday season of December has been adulterated. The advertisements begin seemingly earlier and earlier each year. Soon, the Christmas season will begin right after Halloween is over. (In that respect, Thanksgiving is a nifty little barrier to the beginning of the hardcore Christmas shopping season, isn’t it?)

What distresses me is that we as a culture tend to lose perspective on what the true meaning of the season is all about. For Christmas, it is the birth of what Christians believe to be their King. For the Jewish, it is the celebration of the miracle of the oil lantern that burned 8 days on little oil. What are these both examples of? Hope in our hearts expressed as a formal celebration—and what a wonderful reason for celebration that is. When we get wrapped up in the shopping season and who gets what and the like, it is very easy to forget why the season is even here.

What I would suggest is a little something that my father told me when I was young. When I was just 5, I went with my father on Christmas Eve to a hospital to visit my mother and new baby brother. He told me that Christmas Eve was a magical night and that animals talked on this particular night. I was completely thrilled at this thought, though I disputed with him on the animals talking. Well, as I got older, I learned that animals cannot talk at all (at least, not English — I know some people will tell me they do talk). I even dismissed the thought that Christmas Eve was a magical night as well.

While ribbing my father over Thanksgiving break about the lies he used to tell me when I was a young child, I remembered this story. Then and only then did I begin to give a thought towards the night of wonder that Christmas Eve really is. I quickly drew the conclusion that he was right about that all along. The birth of my Creator is a magical happening, indeed.

This discovery is what I believe personifies this season. It is a season of hope. It is a season of joy. It is a season of great wonder. It can be packaged up in so many ways by the minds of Madison Avenue if we allow it to. If we look upon it with the wonderment of a child, then it will be the greatest season of the year.

I wish you all the best in your finals and have a safe and happy semester break!!

Gamma Delta Theta News
by J.L. Miller

Welcome back everyone, from Thanksgiving break. Just think, only another week until finals start. Great. Well, here at the house everything is running smoothly. We held our first ever formal chapter and it went very well. We also had our Fall Semi-formal. Everyone had a very good time and partied and danced Saturday night away. It started with dinner at the house that the sisters made for their dates. That was really good. They say the way to a man’s heart is through his stomach. Anyway, we then traveled to Nifkin where there was a DJ and lots of dance space. During this time we also exchanged Secret Santa gifts and found the answers to clues that had been given out the entire week prior.

There was a Rape Awareness Seminar held on Wednesday, November 29, that was very informative. Led by college students, a discussion was the major focal point of the evening. It was interesting to hear what other people viewed as consent, their definitions of rape, and how it can be prevented.

The Holiday Gift Tree that benefits Syracuse’s needy is currently up in Nifkin. There are many out there who would appreciate a gift this Christmas, with no thought of value or price. A small something could bring joy and happiness this season as everyone gets into the “Holiday Spirit.” Just pick a card off the tree, read the selections, pick something that you can afford, and leave the wrapped present under the tree by December 11.

Although this is a short article, I would like to thank all my faithful Gamma continues on Pg. 9
Environmental Justice
by Samantha J. Callender
News Editor

Environmental justice, what is it? On Tuesday, November 28 the New York Public Interest Research Group (NYPIRG) sponsored an Environmental Justice Forum to educate people about environmental justice, why it is needed and how they can become involved.

Most people are not aware of the reasons for the fight for environmental justice. One question which environmental justice deals with is, "Why do things go where they do?" By 'things' I mean incinerators, toxic waste disposal sites, sewage overflow pipes, etc. If anyone stopped and took a careful look they would see that many of these 'things' inevitably end up in low income and minority communities.

Ludovic Blain, New York State Environmental Justice Organizer for NYPIRG, said that this is due to government and corporate prioritization. State and local governments as well as corporate organizations target communities that they think no one cares about or communities that they think it would be easy to over power.

One example of such prioritization is found in the Brooklyn Navy Yard in New York City. For 15 years the community around the navy yard has successfully blocked the building of a privately owned incinerator. The reason why this particular community was chosen, Blain said, was because it was predominately a Black, Latino, and Hasidic (Jewish) community. The company, another politician who supported it, did not think that the people would be able to put aside their differences long enough to organize and resistance to the incinerator.

Another example of such prioritization falls much closer to home, into the Onondaga. When plans were being made as to where I-81 would go, the proposed site went right through the 15th ward, a thriving black community. Despite the many protests of the residents of the community I-81 was built, right through their backyards. Today the remainder of that community suffers health problems due to the air pollution created by traffic on I-81 as well as the re-direction of traffic through the community during events at the Carrier Dome.

Educating people about the risks facing their communities is one of the goals of the Dunbar Centre in Syracuse. Louches Powell, executive director of the Dunbar Centre and graduate of ESF, spoke about the Centre's many efforts to educate members of the various communities of Syracuse about toxic exposure. One such effort is a program which educates residents along Onondaga Creek about pollution from sewage overflow. Another education program involves educating fishermen about the hazards of eating fish from New York State waters. The Centre is also working on a pollution prevention program for urban areas.

Apathy is the greatest enemy of environmental justice. When people take on the attitude of "not in my backyard", everyone suffers the consequences. If you would like more information or would like to get involved in the fight for environmental justice contact Eunice Casey of NYPIRG at 476-8381 or Louches Powell of the Dunbar Centre at 476-4269.

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YOUR STUDENT FEE... SAVING YOU MONEY.
"Rethinking Development Assistance for Renewable Electricity Sources"
by Amy Connelly

The burning of fossil fuels is causing major problems on our planet. Ecosystems are being destroyed, air and water is being polluted, humans are getting sick, and the environment as a whole is suffering. Instead of burning these fossil fuels at such a rapid pace, renewable resources, such as wind, geothermal heat, biomass, and solar radiation need to be taken advantage of to generate electricity.

Renewable resources are cheap, available in small units, and broadly distributed throughout the globe. Why, with so many benefits to renewables, are we still using fossil fuels? Renewable resources receive little government funding, and the funded activities have often been "poorly coordinated." "The UN, the World Bank and the Global Environment Facility have been fairly stingy in their past support of renewables."

The agencies who do fund the development of natural resources find that the money they supply is often used on research and development, instead of the dissemination of technology. Private financing looks like the best source of funds at this point.

The keys to the success of renewable resources appear to include secure funding, lasting commitment, and comprehensive plans.

Unless a trend of using renewable resources starts now, it won't catch on until it's too late to save our planet. This trend won't begin until development agencies (and the private sector) invest a great deal of funding. Although this investment appears risky now, it may help save the ecosystems and the environment for our children and grandchildren to use and enjoy in the future.

News Release

Lighting Out For the Territory, Not Necessarily Leaving School

MINNEAPOLIS, MN — November 20, 1995. Looking for a break from 20-page papers, all-night cram sessions, and 400-person lecture halls? How about an alternative that will get you outdoors without leaving the classroom? Turn your text books in for the real thing on a Voyageur Outward Bound semester expedition, where you experience the natural and human history of amazing wilderness areas by traveling through them. And of course you get the backcountry travel and interpersonal skills instruction that have made Outward Bound a leader in the field of experimental education for more than 30 years.

Voyageur is now accepting applications and awarding financial aid to qualifying students for two semester courses beginning in January of 1996. The 49-day Southwest Odyssey begins January 7 and offers backpacking and whitewater canoeing in the Big Bend region of southwest Texas with intensive study of the Mexican-American culture that dominates the border. The 84-day Winter Odyssey travels through similar territory in the Big Bend region, concentrating on technical and group leadership skills, but begins in the Boundary Waters of Minnesota. The nearly one million acres of the Boundary Water Canoe Area Wilderness provide a vast, remote territory for an expedition in the spirit of the great Arctic explorations. Students learn to mush dogsleds, cross-country ski, and thrive in the extreme temperatures.

Outward Bound has designed its semester courses not only to provide a living classroom for study of subjects from geology to sociology, but also to challenge students with experiences that help clarify their values and personal direction. By requiring students to make decisions and work together as a small group of seven to ten, Outward Bound guides students in effective leadership, teamwork and compassion.

The Voyageur School is one of five Outward Bound schools in the U.S. and part of a global network that has grown from a single course in 1950 to 48 schools and centers in 20 countries. Voyageur operates more than 200 courses year round in Arizona, New Mexico, Montana, Manitoba, Canada, Minnesota and Texas providing top-rate instruction in backpacking, flat and whitewater canoeing, sea-kayaking, dog-sledding, cross-country skiing, and rock climbing. For more information call 1-800-328-2943.
Reflections...

Liz Pizzey, News Staff

As we reach the end of another semester, and I hurdle toward graduation like an egg tossed from the Carrier Dome roof, I am, once again, struck by a feeling of nostalgia.

I remember my first few weeks as a newly transferred junior. I thought I would never learn my way around SU, or be able to use the computers with confidence. I was going to be stuck picking out letters on the typewriter at a whopping rate of three words a minute for the rest of my college career. Yet, here I sit typing away, able to send e-mail to friends I met on the Internet and start my job search on the World Wide Web. By the end of my first semester, I had spent at least as much time in the financial aid office waiting for a loan that refused to show up as I had in class! I had visions of being well in before Christmas.

Over the past 2 1/2 years I’ve learned a lot about myself and my environment. Whether it’s global warming and rainforest destruction or my personal feelings on feminism, radical activism and deep ecology, you can bet I’ve become familiar with these topics during my time at ESF. There are so many things I had never even thought about before I came here. When the stress of final exams is over (don’t worry, I’ll also be praying night and day to the Final Exam gods!), take a couple of steps back and look at how much you’ve learned, and how much you’ve changed. You may be surprised.

So after I graduate, and someone asks me where I went to school, I’ll be proud to say that I attended the State University of New York, College of Environmental Science and Forestry.

SUMMER EMPLOYMENT - 1996
The College Work-Study Program And You!

Are you planning for the Summer of 1996? Do you know what you will be doing?

Some of you are already aware of the job opportunities that are available to eligible students through the College Work-Study Program. We want to be sure that more of you KNOW what is offered to STUDENTS, so please, read on!

Summer jobs are available at each of the E.S.F. regional locations as well as on the main campus in Syracuse. The jobs range from lab and field, to para-professional and office work, to buildings and grounds maintenance.

Students can earn $6 per hour during the summer and can gross from $225 to $240 per week (depending on whether they work a 37 1/2 or 40 hour work week). For those who can work all summer (May 13 - August 23), that means a total of almost $3600 in earnings. Therefore, summer savings can be quite high, and will help meet the academic year costs.

Students who are attending one of the summer programs at Cranberry Lake or Watertown who need to take summer courses here in Syracuse, may still apply for a summer job -- that can be scheduled around their academic commitments. Not many employers can offer summer jobs to students who must take four (4) or seven (7) weeks off, in order to pursue an academic program. ESF can make such provisions for its students. There are many benefits to be derived from the College Work-Study Program.

To apply for employment through the College Work-Study Program, students must have filed the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA) and the E.S.F. College Financial Aid Application (both forms are available in the Financial Aid Office, 115 Bray Hall after Dec. 1). The deadline for early consideration is March 1. However, applications will be accepted beyond that date and will be processed as funds allow.

Should you have questions about filing your application to indicate your interest in the program, come to 115 Bray and speak to one of us. We are here to help.
Welcome back! I hope you had an enjoyable Thanksgiving break. Mine was short but very sweet. Now on to the insights of those wonderful Missouri elementary school children.

“The first historical north New York people found many abundant forests. Everybody had abundant them to go live in the cities.”

“Although most cows can only give milk, some cows there have been taught to give dairy products.”

“East of Port Henry it has been found that railroad travel is faster by boat.”

“The Adirondack Mountains are in New York at the present time.”

“Much of New York’s timber supply is used in the making of forests.”

“If the Cedar River was straightened out it would reach much farther. But we must cut government spending somewhere.

I kind of like that last one.

Considering that these quotes are from 1974 and thus over twenty years old, wouldn’t it be interesting to find out what these kids are doing now?

I’m going to cut out of quotes from the kiddies soon but don’t worry, I’ve got more stuff to keep you rolling in the aisles. However, if you happen to run across anything you find funny and would like to share it with the rest of the Knothole’s readers, please con rate to submit it. Our submission deadlines are on page 2, just remember to write “for elementary humour” somewhere on your submission. Thanks! Well, I hope you’ll be tuned in next semester. Good luck with your finals!

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**Ads! Ads! Ads!**

**ATTENTION FEMALES:**

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- Tired of having a roommate?
- Want a friendly environment?
- Interested in home cooked meals?
- How about free parking right on campus?
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- Hate to clean? We have a cleaning service.
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- Large screen T.V. with cable
- Comparable or less than off campus apartment rates.
- Great location... right on the SU campus, next to Bird library
- Non-smoking environment.
- Can move in before you leave for the semester break.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL ANYTIME BETWEEN 9AM AND 10PM!!!!!!!**

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The Graduate Student Association (GSA) would like to remind ESF graduate students of the availability of academic enhancement funds in the amount of $50.00 for a paper or poster presented at a scientific conference. This money is to be used for travel reimbursement following the presentation and may be obtained by sending a copy of the paper abstract or poster and the name, place, and date of the conference to: Sheila E. Sleggs, GSA Treasurer, 242 Illick Hall, SUNY-CESF, 1 Forestry Drive, Syracuse, NY 13210. When the request is accepted, the presenter may pick up a check by attending the next GSA meeting (every other Monday, 1:00pm, Room 324 Bray) and briefly relating your experience.
Public Safety Notes

Item One

On Friday, November 3, 1995 three Syracuse University students climbed a roof on Baker Lab and painted graffiti on several walls. Lt. Thomas Ames observed the individuals vandalizing the building and called Officer Alan Wilczek and Officer Ken Diaz to assist in their apprehension. The cost of repainting the graffiti is over $1,000.00. The three suspects were given appearance tickets for Syracuse City Criminal Court to answer a felony and two misdemeanor charges each. The students also have been referred to the Syracuse University judicial process.

Item Two

On Thursday November 2, 1995, individuals reported coughing and experienced eye irritation in Moon Library near the basement computer cluster. The building was evacuated for safety precautions. It has been reported to Public Safety that someone may have sprayed Mace or some other noxious substance in the basement hallway. ANYONE who has knowledge of what happened that night is requested to contact Public Safety at 6666 or come to room 19 Bray.

Item Three

Public Safety Officers have started actively enforcing stop signs on campus. There have been numerous complaints and requests to address this issue to prevent a potential tragedy. Officers are authorized to issue New York State Uniform Traffic tickets returnable in Syracuse City Court, campus tickets, and warnings accordingly. If you drive a vehicle on campus please observe the stop signs and 20 MPH campus wide speed limit.

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want you to know that we support your involvement in professional societies and encourage you not only to belong, but also to be active in your involvement. We in the federal sector are viewed as the leaders within our professions and through participation and involvement with professionals from other interests we will be able to continue the resource leadership essential today on federal lands. If you are active in a professional society, we applaud your commitment and dedication. If you are not, we hope you will consider the importance of society membership in your continued professional growth.

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Everyone sees things differently—it’s not music that has been the sole recipient of their influence. For me, The Beatles were the beginning of ‘the long and winding road’ (pun intended!) leading through my musical evolution (from the Bay City Rollers (who?!) all the way to Queensryche). They are the reason music means so much to me 15 years later. So go ahead, blame The Beatles...But ponder this—where were you when you heard your first Beatles song?

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readers. I won’t be writing these anymore, and while I did it, they were fun. Erin Fitzgerald will be taking over and I would like to say “Congratulations” and “Good Luck.” From your Secret Santa!!
Facts About Higher Education Funding at Syracuse University and SUNY ESF

Last year's budget cuts have led to:

- $750 SUNY tuition hike, which increased tuition 28% from $2650 to $3400
- Proposed 25% increase in tuition over the next five years at Syracuse University
- 25% cut to the Educational Opportunity Program (EOP) at SUNY and CUNY Schools
- $36.9 million cut to SUNY
- $93.5 million cut to the Tuition Assistance Program (TAP)
- Reduction in Bundy Aid to private schools
- $5.5 million cut to the Higher Education Opportunity Program (HEOP), which went from $21.9 million to $16.4 million
- $500 reduction in Graduate TAP, from $1200 to $700, after an original proposal to eliminate it.

-New York is one of only 4 states putting less money - 4% less - into its higher education system this year than 2 years ago. The other three are Montana, Alaska and Hawaii.

Students have already started a statewide post card mailing to Governor Pataki, asking him to keep higher education funding in mind before he presents his budget to the legislature. Hundreds of Syracuse University and SUNY ESF students, parents and faculty have filled these out. Thousands of others have been filled out at other SUNY, CUNY and private universities and colleges.

(A press release by NYPIRG)
Donut Hour

Sponsored by ΑΞΣ and Peter's Supermarket

(To be held in the basement of Moon Library)

Tuesday, December 12, 7-8 PM

Monday, December 18, 7-8 PM
In The Near Future...

Final Exam Week Hours for Moon Library

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This is the last edition of the Knothole for the 1995 Fall Semester

The Knothole Staff would like to wish the entire students, staff and faculty of ESF a happy holiday season and a peaceful break between semesters.

The Editor-in-Chief of the Knothole would like to thank all staff members from the bottom of his heart for tow- ing the line this semester. The progress we have made is all because of you! GMB