Those Who Dare To Walk
by Andrea Chempinski, Knothole Staff

I know you’ve noticed it by now, you can hardly miss it. What, you haven’t seen it by now? Well then I urge you to look out one of the windows on the upper floors of Bray or Illick. Now you see it? For those who haven’t guessed by now I am referring to that much-used path that is developing on our beloved quad. And if you look at it, you’ll notice it isn’t just the one or two idle students who may be making the paths but rather a whole herd of them must be roaming across there to make that path.

Do you wonder who could possibly be going against ESF “law” and tromping across the quad? Well so did I, so I decided to pay closer attention. Color me unsurprised when I found out who it was - yes it was our lovely neighbors over at SU. As it turns out they have a class over in Marshall and I have watched from Bray as whole packs of SU students tromp across the quad with no regard for the fact that every other person who happens to be out at that time are walking around the quad. And how was I so sure that they were from SU? Well aside from the fact that many of them were wearing SU team jackets, my questioning of stumpies who saw them said that they could be heard mumbling things along the lines of ‘go SU’ and ‘screw their quad rules.’

Proof enough? I for one am satisfied.

But whether they were SU students or whether they were our own classmates, it does not explain why nothing is being done. Remember when you came here for Orientation? The OLs threatened you with a severe public humiliation should you attempt to cross the quad. They warned of people yelling at you from the surrounding buildings and even of snowballs whipped in your direction during the winter. So what I am urging here is that we should fulfill those ‘public humiliations’ that the OLs warned us of so long ago. I recommend that the next time you see someone crossing our quad, be it SU students or your fellow classmate, give a good yell and tell them to stay off the quad. That and.... pray for snow!

Building Admittance Authorization

A building admittance authorization (BAA) form is used by ESF faculty and staff as a means to communicate with the ESF Public Safety Department.

The purpose of the BAA is to give written authorization to a specific member of the ESF community (faculty, staff or student) to a specific ESF location. The BAA form consists of three copies: the white copy, which goes to Public Safety; the canary copy goes to the issuing department; the person using the BAA will keep the pink copy.

The BAA authorizes a person to use an area for a specific time. This time can be as short as a couple of hours or as long as one semester. This BAA form does not replace the need to issue a key. If the person needs authorization to an area for more than one semester, then the issuing department should consider issuing a key. If you are unsure whether a BAA form or a key is the appropriate route, then please call the

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LOOKING AHEAD

Looking for a job can be hard work. Often job seekers say that it is like a full-time job itself. Many hours can be spent writing and sending out resumes and cover letters to employers. However, there are a few strategies that might help make your efforts more efficient and effective. They are as follows:

1. Do not base your entire job search on the classified ads in the newspaper. Approximately 20% of today’s jobs are advertised in the paper, and the majority of job seekers apply to these jobs. Utilize company listings and the yellow pages to expand your search.

2. When sending resumes and cover letters to potential employers do a little research. Find out the name of the person in charge of the department and research the company itself. Use this information to personalize each cover letter. Do not send out one standard cover letter to each employer.

3. It always helps your chances if you have a personal contact. If you know someone who works or used to work for the company, mention that person in your cover letter.

4. When writing your resume, describe and emphasize the tasks you have performed that are related to the job you are applying for. You want to demonstrate to employers that they will immediately benefit from hiring you.

5. Finally, try not to become discouraged if you don’t get a job right away. It can take several months of hard work to find a professional position. It is important to keep sending out resumes and to not give up.

If you do need help with cover letters, resumes, or job searching strategies, assistance is available at the Career Services Office, 110 Bray Hall.

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Open House
Writing Support Center
Friday, February 16, 10-2
Moon Library
Free bagels, donuts, chocolate, music, coffee, tea and Pat Lawler jokes

The writing support center is designed for those who have questions about writing. It can provide the crucial link in the network of writing experiences you encounter on the ESF campus and offer support if you need assistance in writing. Come On Down.
**Breaking the Tradition**

by Matthew Sheehy, News Staff

ESF’s quest to reach out to non-traditional students outside of the classroom reached another level on Wednesday, February 7th. At 8:00 AM the doors of Nifkin Lounge opened to the semester’s first non-traditional coffee break.

USA set a goal at the start of the school year to assimilate non-trads into the diverse ESF experiences that happen outside of the classroom. These efforts have been headed by USA Treasurer Jeff Hopson, who organized the coffee break.

“Nifkin is a good place to sit and unwind. (The coffee break) has been an absolutely positive experience. We’ve gotten positive feedback,” says Hopson, referring to a survey that many of the students in attendance filled out.

One of the main concerns expressed in the survey was the inability to make club meetings. Many commute from places such as Liverpool. Once they leave for the day, it’s hard to come back.

Hopson, also a non-trad, says that, “getting involved in USA has been my crutch. It would be nice to get more non-trads in USA.”

“I don’t feel left out,” says EFB junior Bonnie Parton. Her biggest concern with attending school with students a few years younger than her is that those students have just taken science classes in high school, whereas it’s been a few years for her.

“It’s nice to talk to older people here,” she continues, “the non-traditional coffee breaks are good.”

It appears that the other 30 attendees would agree.

Conversation brewed of buying houses, health insurance and married life. Indeed, this is not the talk of the stereotypical college student. The plethora of wedding bands seen Wednesday morning are a reminder of the different lifestyles of the non-traditional students. But this gap is a bit smaller now and the efforts of Hopson and USA continue to build the bridge to the non-trads outside of the classroom.

**Orientation Leader Wannabees**

Applications are available in 110 Bray Hall for those students wishing to serve as Orientation Leaders for the 1996 Fall semester. Being an OL requires the following commitment of time:

- Sunday, August 18
  - OLs return to campus
- Sunday-Wednesday
  - OL training
- Thursday, August 22
  - Students Arrive on Campus
- Thursday-Sunday Orientation
- Monday, August 26
  - First day of classes

We will need approximately 30-35 OLs, varying in program of study and class standing. There will be a stipend and arrangements for housing should that be necessary.

**Deadline for applications:**

Friday, March 15

The selection process will be completed by April 12. Those chosen will need to attend one information session prior to the completion of the spring semester.

**ESF Folk Society**

An informal weekly gathering of music making and singing.

All are welcome—singers, hummers, whistlers, hand clappers and people who smile.

Bring your voice or bring your instrument, regardless of skill level.

Learn new songs. Tea and cookies will be served.

Don’t forget your mug.

Mondays, 8:30 pm, Nifkin Lounge. First meeting: Feb. 19.

Questions? Call Ben or Dave 423-4513.
Makin' Noise
by Matthew Sheehy

Greg Bubniak, our local Pat Buchanan/Rush Limbaugh, couldn't write this week, so I decided to fill his space. The tones of his columns are...surly, as the title Sounding Off suggests. I don't mean to pick on him (but I can because I'm his friend), but how often do we get to read articles on what is virtuous and what is selfless? Sensationalism dominates much of what we read or watch. Sensationalism has become part of our reality.

The DO is the same way. They pick the angles that make the government, the school administration, and some SU students look unseemly. Just read it and you'll see. (I read it every day...actually I skim it and do the crossword in class.)

Do you remember the South Campus fire a few weeks back when the University uncovered some drugs? The stories surrounding the students covered every negative detail. There was a cartoon in the DO that ridiculed these two men who lived in the apartment. The silhouette of the Stone Temple Pilots said, "Hey man, throw another bong on the fire."

While we heard all of the trash from the fire scene, we never heard the story of the hero who saved these men's lives. He's a hero who has never been given his full credit. I don't know his name, but he works for the SU physical plant. I had the privilege of hearing this story because I'm a South Campus RA.

Our hero was driving a physical plant truck early one morning when he saw smoke up on the Ridge. He drove to the spot and found the apartment on fire. The hero made snowballs and pelted the upstairs bedroom windows. The tenants awoke and our hero alerted them to the fire. They had to jump from the second floor to safety. One of the tenants said that there was a dog still inside the apartment. The physical plant man rushed into the burning building and found the dog unconscious under the stairs. He brought the dog outside and discovered that it wasn't breathing. This man then took a hose from his truck, stuck it in the dog's mouth, and blew from the other end, resuscitating the dog.

Human and animal lovers applauded this man. This anonymous SU employee saved a number of lives. Perhaps he wants to remain anonymous because he is so selfless. Perhaps it's a great joy for him to give while human affirmation means nothing to him.

Whatever his motive was, it's warming to know that there are people who value other lives; that there are people who don't look for monetary or human accolade awards. I can't imagine anyone running into a burning building to save a dog's life doing the deed for a selfish reason.

I hope that our hero reads this. I want to thank him for saving these dogs.

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Gamma Delta Theta News
By Erin Fitzgerald

Rush is still going on, but there is only one chance left for those still interested, then we'll finally be done (until next semester that is). The last social will be held at the house on Friday the 16th at 8pm. Thank you to everyone who stopped by, it meant a lot to all of the sisters. We understand how hard it can be to balance a busy schedule with social events.

Other than rush there isn't much to report on. The sisters are participating in a winter carnival on February 23 for Catholic Charities. The events will be held at a local elementary school. We've also been busy celebrating Beth and Jen's birthdays, so if you see either of them around be extra-special nice.

Kappa Phi Delta News

Alright,

Once again, this is Rick bringing you the latest news from Kappa Phi. We just recently finished a work project at the house, getting some much needed work done, including painting, cleaning and various repairs. Rush has gone fairly well this semester and we hope to have a good-sized pledge class. If you are interested in joining KPD it's not too late. Call us at the house at 442-9187 or 442-9188 and join in on the established tradition of Kappa Phi. Elections are coming up at the house and I'll have a full rundown next week. Debates will be televised nationally, feel free to tune in.

Think purple,

Rick

P.S. passion- the state of being acted upon or affected by something external into doing something alien to one's nature or one's customary behavior.
Hibiscus — the New Leader in the Casual Dining Contest
By Karen Andrews — Knothole Staff

Suggested Eatery: Hibiscus (500 Westcott St.)
Suggested Dish: Jerk Chicken($3.99-$7.99+tax), side order: Chicken Patty($1.50+tax)
Critique of suggested dishes: The Jerk Chicken was spicy (but had a nice flavor), featured an appetizing portion of chicken, but was a little dry. The Chicken Patty was spicy as heck!

Rating: Category (max pts)  Total pts.  Percentage
Atmosphere(10)  50/60  =83%
    Comments: The TV and radio playing at the same time was kind of distracting
Price(20)  98/120 =82%
    Comments: Free coffee and carrot cake included
Portion(20)  99/120 =83%
    Comments: Rice and fried plaintains with entrees
Service(20)  116/120 =97%
    Comments: You order, sit down and then are served by polite waitresses
Quality(30)  141/180 =78%
    Comments: Tender curried chicken, food tended to be served on the cool side
Bonus Pts.(5)  10/30
    Bonus awarded for: offering a discount with student I.D., the tables displaying table cloths, the soda being in glass bottles(obviously important to us for some reason) and there being a prolific number of plants on display.

Additional Comments:
We didn’t quite understand the strobe light in the front window, but felt that Greg would have appreciated its Disco motif.
“The food is not as spicy as some other stuff I have had.”
“Ginger Beer is spicy!”

For the week of February 5th, Hibiscus received an 82%

ATTENTION:

Please note that all submissions to the Knothole (except for images intending to be scanned) should be handed in on a 3.5 in. disk (preferably formatted to Macintosh) accompanied by a printout of the entry displaying the file name. Thank you for your cooperation.

The Knothole Staff

The ESF Forestry Club has unseasoned pine and spruce for sale at the low, low price of $1.50 a truck-load. Perfect for the person low on firewood and funds. Leave a note in the Forestry Club’s mailbox in the basement of Bray to make arrangements.

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Director of Public Safety at 470-6666.
Blank BAA forms can be found at each Academic Department Chair’s Office and at your ESF Public Safety Department Office located in room 19 Bray Hall.

TGIF on February 23, 1996
(see ad on page 8)
27th Annual Creativity Contest
The Knothole is soliciting entries for its 27th Annual Creativity Contest

There will be 3 cash prizes in each of 4 categories:

Artwork
Photography
Short Story
Poetry

First place: $30
Second place: $20
Third place: $10

Send submissions to the Knothole, 22 Bray Hall via campus mail, or drop them off in person.

Deadline for submissions is 3:00 pm, March 1, 1996

1. The Knothole's annual Creativity Contest is open to any ESF student, undergraduate (including the Ranger School) or graduate, excluding Knothole editors or staff members and their immediate families.

2. Judging will take place either at a series of TG's, or as works displayed in Nadii Lounge over a two-three week period with ballots collected at a central location. Members of the Knothole staff, their advisor, immediate families, and contestants are prohibited from casting ballots. Ballots will be tallied by the Knothole staff.

3. While the Knothole has organized this contest, solicited materials, and screened entries to ensure compliance with the following criteria, it is not responsible for the content or message portrayed in work shown.

4. Entries must clearly indicate the category in which it is to be considered: short story, poetry, artwork, or photography.

5. Short stories and poetry MUST BE ON DISK FORMATTED FOR MACINTOSH. Name, phone number, class and curricula should be clearly marked on the disk.

6. Short stories may be no longer than 3 pages.

7. Photographs must be 8 x 10, black and white. Entries may not contain name of photographer. Rather, a second copy or description of piece containing name, phone number, class and curricula should be included separately to permit anonymity in judging. No electronically altered photographs will be accepted.

8. All other Artwork must be black and white, 8/12 x 11 or smaller. Title and description of piece containing name, phone number, class and curricula of artist should be included separately.

9. All work must be suitable for inclusion in a news oriented publication. That is, in the event of libel, profanity, nudity, racism, sexism, other -isms, the decision to further include the entry in the contest will be determined by the Knothole staff in consultation with the Knothole advisor.

10. Prizes will be awarded as follows:
   a. Three prizes will be awarded in each of the four categories. (First, Second, and Third place).
   b. In the event of a tie, monies for that category will be reappropriated to split the two prizes. For instance, rather than $30 for 1st, $20 for 2nd, $10 for 3rd, money will be distributed as $25 each for 1st place tie and $10 for 2nd place, or $30 for 1st place and $15 each for second place.
   c. In the event that not all prizes are awarded, those monies will be reappropriated to other winners, or to cover additional ties within categories.

11. The pre-determined and published deadline (3PM Friday, March 1) will be strictly enforced.

12. Entries become property of the Knothole Publication, and will be offered to The Empire Forester Yearbook for inclusion in that publication if they see fit to use them.

13. These rules will be published within the first 3-4 weeks of the fall semester, and will be available at the Knothole office thereafter, until prizes are awarded.

14. Concerns about these rules and regulations should be addressed to the Editor-in-chief(s), Contest Manager, and Advisor (Mr. Patrick Lawler), for discussions and reconciliation of said concerns.

15. By entering this contest, entrants agree to these rules and regulations and agree to abide by the judges decisions.

16. Award Certificates and checks will be presented at the Spring Awards Banquet and/or will be published in the Knothole prior to the last day of the semester, such that award materials may be picked up at the Knothole office unless other arrangements are made between the entrants and staff.
Senate Minority and Assembly Higher Ed Committee Legislative Forums/Hearings to be held around the SUNY system:

**Senate Democratic Leader Martin Connor has formed a task force on Affordable Public Higher Education**, chaired by Sen. Leonard Stavisky. Forums are scheduled as follows...

- Tues. Feb. 20, 10am
  - SUNY Albany, Assembly Hall
- Thurs. Feb. 22, 10am
  - SUNY Brockport, Ballroom
- Thurs. Feb. 29 (tentative)
  - SUNY Old Westbury
- Thurs. March 7 (no time identified as yet)
  - SUNY New Paltz, Student Union (Multi-Purpose Room)
- SUNY Purchase - details pending

**Assembly Higher Ed Committee** plans hearings:

- Fri. Feb. 16, 10am
  - U-Buffalo, Center for Tomorrow, North Campus
- Fri. Feb. 22, 10am
  - Stony Brook, Union Ballroom, 1st Floor, West Campus
- Thurs. Feb. 29, 10am
  - Oneonta, Craven Lounge, Morris Hall Conference Center
- Fri. March 1, 10am
  - Binghamton, Mandella Room, University Union
- Thurs. March 7, 10am
  - Cortland, Jacobus Lounger, Brockway Hall, Graham Ave.
- Fri. March 8, 10am
  - Oswego, Hewitt Student Union Ballroom

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**Casual Dining for the Economically Challenged Contest**

Have you ever eaten somewhere near ESF/SU and wanted to tell everyone how great the food was? Better yet, was it economical to eat there? Well, here's your chance to let us know about it.

Pick your favorite eatery in walking distance of ESF/SU area that is fit for the economically disabled, and the Knothole staff will eat dinner there and rate it against all the other eateries suggested by other students. We would also ask that you tell us what particular menu item you like the best, and we'll try it. The winner will have lunch on the Knothole at the end of the semester.

All you need to do is fill out the entry form below and turn it in to the Knothole student organization mailbox (basement of Bray) or in the folder near 22 Bray.

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Name: ___________________________  Major: ___________________________

Phone: ___________________________  Class (please circle): 1 2 3 4 5 Grad

Name of Eatery (One per entry, please):

Location:

Menu Item (please include approximate price):
lives. I want to thank him for reminding me that there are motives far beyond my selfishness to do a good deed. And thanks for confirming that the sensationalism on TV and in the newspapers isn’t always the whole truth.

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**USA’s Student/Faculty Mixers**

by Mathew Cahill, Knothole Staff

Do you feel that you don’t know most of your professors? Sure you see them in class and around campus, but do you ever really get a chance to talk? If you are like the majority of new students (and even some of the older ones) you probably don’t get much social time with the people who are providing you with your education. Let’s face it, professors are people too! So in order to break the ice, USA is providing three student/faculty mixers planned for the last week in February, on the 27th, 28th, and 29th. This will be a great chance for you to finally talk to your mentors outside of a classroom setting. Times and dates will be assigned to specific majors, so keep a lookout for posters and future articles in the Knothole. Were expecting to see you all there. Don’t miss out.

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**Senior Class Meeting**

Who: May 1996 and December 1996 Graduates

Where: Bray Rotunda

When: February 15, 1996 5:30 PM

What will be discussed:
Senior Class Gift, Senior Slide Show

Food will be provided!!

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**Correction:**

In last week’s issue of the Knothole (February 7, Vol. 48 No. 16), it was printed that Rob Barber-Delach and Amy Delach had received the Masters Degrees in May 1995. This oversight was pointed out to the Editor, and he issues his apologies.

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**Get ready for...the Spring Awards Banquet -- March 30, 1996**

**TGIF on** February 23, 1996

featuring local acoustic legend....

**Michael Crissan**

Sponsored by the Knothole, Empire Forester and Alpha Xi Sigma
Attention
Dual & RM Majors

SUMMER PROGRAM
IN
FIELD FORESTRY
Information Meeting

When?
7:00 PM, Tuesday, February 20, 1996
or
7:00 PM, Wednesday, February 21, 1996
(you need attend only one night)

Where?
212 Marshall Hall

If you are a sophomore Resource Management (forestry or water resources) major, a junior or senior Dual major without your summer program requirement fulfilled, or if you are scheduled to take the “Tully” semester in fall 1996, then the 1996 Summer Program in Field Forestry is for YOU.

Come to the information meeting to learn everything you ever wanted to know ... (and more!) ... about the Faculty of Forestry’s, Summer Program in Field Forestry at Wanakena. Dr. Joel R. Howard will be there with information about the 1996 program, as well as with perspectives gathered through 21 years of summer program experience.

It may seem a bit early, but June will be here before you know it. So, start thinking about summer, and the Summer Program experience that is part of your curriculum.

Also, a copy of Harlow’s Dendrology text is required for FOR 301. If you have a copy which you will be bringing to Wanakena, I will want to know that at the information meeting. This is for the Ranger School bookstore manager.

Attend the meeting and get your copy of the Summer Program in Field Forestry Handbook, and the Field Dendrology and Ecology species list.

Bring a friend, bring popcorn, bring warmer weather, but above all, bring your questions. See you there!
In The Near Future...

Wednesday, February 14

_Empire Forester Yearbook Meeting_ 4:30pm, 22 Bray

Thursday, February 15

Recycling Club Meeting 5:30pm, 241 Illick

Friday, February 16

International Landscape Architecture Lecture, 7:30 PM, Marshall Auditorium.

Tuesday, February 20

_Knothole Meeting_ 6:30pm, 22 Bray

_Student Environmental Action Coalition Meeting (SEAC)_ 6:00pm, Nifkin Lounge

For more information call 443-4552. All welcome.

Festival of Places to Be Held on February 17 in Nifkin Lounge

The fifth year LA students will be celebrating ESF's 25th anniversary of the Landscape Architecture curriculum. The Festival of Places will be held Saturday, February 17th in Nifkin Lounge. International food will be available. Projects and journals from the students' off-campus experiences will be displayed.

Nifkin Lounge will be closed on Thursday, February 14 and Friday, February 15 to allow for construction of the booths to be used during the Festival of Places. All involved apologize for any inconveniences.