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SUNY CHANCELLOR: QUALITY WILL NOT BE UNDERMINED

“The recognized quality and accessibility of SUNY’s campuses and programs shall not be undermined,” said Chancellor Thomas A. Bartlett at a public hearing held February 9 at the University at Albany campus. During the hearing, Bartlett told Assemblyman Edward C. Sullivan and other legislators that in following the Legislature’s mandate to rethink SUNY, the Trustees had “identified the effective limits of cost cutting. Beyond those limits, we must either cut back in size or increase tuition charges beyond the $250 number. We will not compromise the quality of our academic programs.”

“We have done the twofold job we were asked to do: Reduce our dependence on tax dollars by cutting costs but without reducing access and quality.” Yet even after cost-cutting and the $250 tuition increase suggested in the Executive Budget, the state-operated and statutory campuses will face an un-met budget gap in excess of $40 million.

Without implementation of the cost-cutting measures outlined in Re-thinking SUNY, the projected budget gap for SUNY and its community colleges for 1996-97 is over $100 million, with a gap of $98 million for the state-operated and statutory campuses.

“We now have only three options: cut costs through efficiencies, raise revenues, or simply become smaller,” Bartlett said. “We need your determined and active support to sustain an unbroken tradition of quality and access to public higher education for New Yorkers. You and your colleagues in the Legislature must make the decision about the future of the State University. We can only go so far in cost cutting. Then the challenge becomes one of public policy.”

Bartlett stressed the need to protect access for those students least able to pay the cost of higher education saying that preliminary data indicate that application declines are greater for freshman applicants with family incomes under $45,000 and for transfer students over the age of 30. Last spring, after a $750 tuition increase, SUNY lost about 10,000 students, 8,500 of whom were part-time students.

“We cannot turn our backs on those who need our help the most. For access to be preserved, it is critical to have in place a program, such as TAP, that provides aid tied to the cost of higher education,” Bartlett said.

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25th Annual Festival of Places
Lights Up Nifkin

By Greg Bubniak, Editor-in-Chief

Have you ever walked into a room and been able to visit eight countries at one time? If you had attended the 25th Annual Festival of Places on the evening of Saturday, February 17, you would have been able to. It is a celebration of the international experience Landscape Architect (LA) students undertake during the Summer or Fall Semester of their 5th year. In their time spent abroad, they have fourteen weeks to complete a project in relation to landscape architecture. Several students go to the same location, but they each work independently on separate projects. As LA student Dan Brewer suggests, it is a way for many to really become self-sufficient and live on their own.

The Festival consists of booths constructed by the students who participated in this experience, and features food, pictures and slides of the places they visited. Joe Kaczor, who did his study in a town close to Cancun, Mexico, said that complet-

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To the editor

Dear Editor:

It is unfortunate that there have been some incomplete and possibly misleading news stories concerning program cuts at the State-operated campuses of SUNY.

It needs to be stressed that SUNY and State officials insist that this high quality University system remain accessible to students from throughout New York. Therefore SUNY and campus administrators, while preserving SUNY’s reputation for quality and access, are properly analyzing many long-range cost saving measures in order to deal with diminished state resources. This includes a review of what appears to be high cost, low enrollment, and duplicated programs. It is important to understand that the preparation of this overall broad-based list was advisory by system administration. Therefore, it does not necessarily mean that all or even most of those programs would be eliminated.

The addition or deletion of programs is a routine and on-going process initiated at the campus level and ultimately involving the State Education Department. As a result, there’s been no secret here. On the contrary, this process has been a free and constant exchange with campus presidents in consultation with other academic administrators. The end result, of course, will be fewer programs. At the same time, campuses will be able to ensure students of a higher quality and more concentrated campus mission.

It is hard to understand how any-

one would object to this necessary re-examination of SUNY programs, especially when the Legislature, in its mandate to the SUNY Board of Trustees, called for the “strengthening of academic specialization.” This certainly should be no surprise to anyone concerned about SUNY since the “Rethinking SUNY” report issued two months ago specifically and clearly stated, “The State University is now engaged in a wide-ranging review of its degree programs at the associate, baccalaureate, master’s, and doctoral levels. The objective of the review is to eliminate programs of questionable quality as well as unnecessarily duplicative programs, especially those with low enrollment and high costs.”

This process will help protect SUNY’s goal of access and excellence. To suggest otherwise is a “head in the sand” approach to SUNY’s honest effort at better management with reduced resources. It is for this reason that we also need the legislative reforms developed by the Trustees over the last six months. Without these measures, SUNY faces even greater obstacles to protecting access and quality.

Respectfully yours,

Ken Goldfarb
THE NIFKIN LOUNGE TRADITION - REVISITED
Some Historical Facts & Comments
by H.H. Payne ’50, Vice President and Professor Emeritus

1. Eustace B. Nifkin came into existence as a mythical student at the New York State College of Forestry in the early-1940’s. His popularity as a student colleague grew at a steady pace. He was involved in many campus activities and in a number of academic endeavors. Over the years he became the respected “patron saint” of Forestry students and even today he remains as such for our ESF students in every curriculum on campus.

2. In the late sixties, with significant support and contributions of the College alumni, the Student Lounge in Marshall Hall (governed under limited control by the Student Association) was completely renovated from “floor to ceiling” to make it a more attractive student activity center as well as a much needed campus facility to accommodate social events, small professional conferences, meetings and dinners, a place for campus exhibits, and to a limited degree to serve as a large informal classroom space. Once the remodeled and repainted facility was completed in 1970, the Student Association under the Presidency of Ms. Jeanne Dory ’71 received administrative approval and unanimous support from the student body to name the lounge in honor of E.B. Nifkin. As Student Association records show, on Friday, December 11, 1970 a special student event was held in the lounge for the express purpose of “officially dedicating it as the Eustace B. Nifkin Lounge.” This well attended social event included a number of supportive faculty, administrators and staff, and a contingent of local alumni representing the Alumni Association.

3. Since that December 1970 event, the lounge has always been known and spoken of with affection by students as the Nifkin Lounge. Some College publications over the years have also used that designation. However no formal identifying sign as such was ever erected at the lounge’s entrance. In the late 1980’s the Alumni Association provided substantial additional monies from the Annual Fund to do some more refurbishing of the lounge which included the addition of all new furniture and a better “audio” system.

4. In 1994, under the motivation of Christopher Button, a member of Student Council and an undergraduate WPE major, the Student Association decided that an appropriate sign for the lounge should be installed. With Chris taking the lead and with the complete approval of Student Council, various interested parties on campus were brought together for the purpose of discussing, designing and producing an appropriate sign for the lounge. By mutual agreement of these individual representatives including College president, Dr. Ross Whaley, and with the support of Council, the name of Alumni Lounge - (dedicated) to the spirit of Eustace B. Nifkin was chosen and the sign was created.

5. On Friday, October 20, 1995, at a special TGIF event, the sign was officially “unveiled” and the lounge was rededicated to alumnus Eustace B. Nifkin in a brief ceremony presided over by Dr. James Heffernan, Christopher Button, Dr. Harrison Payne ’50 (representing alumni), and Mr. Justin Culkowski, Director of Alumni Affairs. Dr. Whaley’s meeting in Albany prevented him from being present but his full support was so noted.

6. Although the new entrance sign highlights the name Alumni Lounge (primarily because Eustace, himself an alumnus, was created by the alumnus and the alumni over the years had strong support for the “Nifkin tradition” and substantial financial resources for the renovation, etc.), the lounge will be and should always be known by students -past, present, and future- as Nifkin Lounge. And rightly so! Nifkin’s spirit and that of his female counterpart -Elsa S. Freeborn will always be present on campus! Its another long standing tradition that can continue to help maintain a vibrant “esprit de corps” among all members of the ESF community.
Sounding Off
With Greg Bubniak
The Sluggish Voter’s Guide to Voting

If you are looking here to find comments on the results of the Primary in New Hampshire last week (i.e. Pat Buchanan’s victory), you will have to look somewhere else. Myself not knowing whom to back for president from my beloved Republican Party, I really have no comments on it.

What I will comment on is our voting situation in the United States. The primaries are certainly important, and polls in New Hampshire reported a very high turnout for last week’s primary. This is generally the exception instead of the rule. We are all aware that there is usually a less than 60% voter turnout in Presidential elections held recently. I can remember no election that exceeded this figure back to 1980. This is not good.

In the country that champions the right of choice, we aren’t too willing to use it when available to choose our leaders.

I have heard the same excuses time and time again. “I don’t feel I know the candidates well enough to choose one over another,” is a feeling I sometimes get myself. A simple way to circumvent that is to buy a few different kinds of newspapers. I generally don’t care for media coverage of things, but if you get a few different newspapers, you should have varying opinions. Another favorite excuse is, “I just don’t care.” That is sad to hear, but I have talked to many who feel this way. They feel that they are not able to make a difference. My favorite line to attach to that is that you shouldn’t complain if you don’t vote.

The unfortunate thing is that these attitudes develop over time, and manifest themselves early in our minds as we vote on lesser things. What are those lesser things? How about student government? Yes, I am aware that high school student government was a joke. However, on the college level, there is actually some purpose that it serves. We see things like the Syracuse University Student Government Association not being able to get 10% of its student body to vote. This is the root of where our voting apathy is.

So, when the polls open in November, make sure you let your county legislator know how you feel. Or maybe you like this person and the job they’ve done. Whatever the case may be, I would encourage that we all spend a little time to figure out what the people and issues are and cast a ballot. Likewise, as ESF Undergraduate Student Association elections approach, make sure that you stop by the voting tables and cast a ballot. It’s your student fee... you get to choose who administers it. Hey, if you have the right, make sure you vote. If you don’t, it is a right wasted.

Gamma Delta Theta News
by Erin Fitzgerald
As of last week, rush officially ended. So, before anything else, the sisters would like to extend their congratulations to our new pledges:

Kelly Houlihan
Stephanie Owens
Alana Rodriguez
Kristy Szpyrgada

Well, we’re finally back on track and preparing for spring events. Over the past few weeks, Jen has been organizing our annual spring formal. We usually hold it at Alexandria Bay, but this year Jen thought it would be nice to get us out of the U.S. We will be celebrating March 23rd in Ottawa, along with Kappa Phi Delta. I can’t wait!!!

Another topic of discussion is the house. Every year we have a few empty rooms left over and we hate to see them go to waste. It’s a great deal for those women who haven’t found an apartment yet and aren’t interested in paying bills or living at the ends of the earth. There should be an advertisement in this weeks Knothole as well as the Daily Orange. If you can’t find them, there are also flyers around campus explaining the details and if worst comes to worst call me at 442-6629. I hope to hear from people soon.
SUMMER JOBS THROUGH THE COLLEGE WORK-STUDY PROGRAM

The College Work-Study Program offers E.S.F. students, who demonstrate financial need - via the filing of the appropriate forms through the Financial Aid Office - the opportunity to earn $$$.

During the summer, students may work at: the Main Campus in Syracuse, or at one of the regional campuses: Cranberry Lake, Newcomb, St. Lawrence, Tully, or the LaFayette Road Experiment Station near Syracuse. Due to a restructuring of jobs at Wanakena, students who are interested in employment at that location will be housed at Newcomb and will be transported to Wanakena as work schedules dictate (periodic day trips during the summer months).

During the next several issues, we will profile each location and the opportunities available at that site in order to familiarize you with the benefits of this program. This week’s article will profile the Biological Station located at Cranberry Lake.

The Cranberry Lake Biological Station campus is located on a large Adirondack Lake, surrounded by forest preserve lands and accessible only by water or foot trails. Ponds, bogs and streams abound in this rolling lake country, with a great diversity of habitats and a large wilderness area close at hand.

Cranberry Lake Biological Station is a remote field station located in a beautiful setting. While it is not a campus in the classic sense, it is the site of the summer field program for the Forest Biology curriculum. There are three basic types of summer work-study jobs available at this station:

* MAINTENANCE - consisting of cleaning, minor repairs, grounds-keeping, and woods work
* FOOD SERVICE - involving all kitchen operations, including set-up, food preparation, clean-up
* ACADEMIC - involves: clerical work, distribution of equipment and supplies, trail maintenance and assistance to professors and classes, as well as some research work.

Employment at Cranberry Lake offers students with a biology or related major an excellent experience in a remote situation, a valuable exposure to a field program, and the opportunity to work at the same site as their required session.

Living at Cranberry Lake for the summer session provides a student with the experience of sharing with other students, faculty, fellow workers, and researchers. Housing is provided at the station at no cost, and meals are provided in the dining hall at a set weekly charge.

To apply for employment through the need-based College Work-Study Program, students must file the E.S.F. Financial Aid Application form and the Free Application for Federal Student Aid (FAFSA). Both forms are available through the Financial Aid Office at 115 Bray Hall. The next article will highlight the Newcomb Campus.

There will be a Summer Work-Study Jobs Fair held the fourth week in March. Please take this opportunity to talk with all property representatives to obtain more information about the jobs available. There will be student workers from previous years who will share their personal experiences. Put this date on your calendar!

Call for Poster Abstracts

Posters to be displayed at:
Spotlight on Undergraduate and Graduate Research at SUNY-CESF
April 19, 1996

The first SUNY-CESF Undergraduate and Graduate Research Symposium will be held on Friday, April 19, 1996. All students are strongly encouraged to present a poster describing their research or projects including work currently in progress or even in the planning stage. The campus and Central New York community are invited to attend. A booklet of abstracts will be prepared. Dr. David Kieber will give the keynote lecture late in the afternoon, followed by a reception for all participants and attendees. For planning purposes, we are asking that titles be submitted to Dr. Don Leopold, 350 Illick Hall, by March 8, 1996. Abstracts are due by April 5. You are encouraged to contact Dr. Leopold, Dr. Greg Boyer, Dr. John Wagner, or Dr. Bill Smith if you have any questions, or Dr. Boyer if you want information about writing the abstract.
Looking Ahead
by Mary Roberts

Are you aware of the many resources available at the Career Services Office? There are books, catalogs, brochures and handouts that will help you with such things as finding a summer job or internship, writing a cover letter or resume, finding a permanent job, and much more. Some of the materials available are:

Directories of Companies and Organizations. These books will supply you with the address, phone number, and, in some cases, a contact person of a particular company or organization. Some of the directories available are:
- Director of Human Resource Executives
- Conservation Directory
- Environmental Executive Directory

Information On Specific Careers. Several books are available that will describe specific careers. These books can assist you in planning your career, give you a salary range, and tell you what the outlook is for that field.

Job Hunting Strategies. You will find many books that will assist you in writing a resume and cover letter and in preparing for a job interview.

Newsletters and Job Listings. There are binders containing recent issues of such newsletters as The Wildflier, Job Seeker, Job Opportunities, Environmental Opportunities, Environmental Career Opportunities, and Earth Works. In addition, there are binders containing job listings for specific majors and copies of the Alumni Job List.

Graduate School Information. There are hundreds of graduate school catalogs available in the office, as well as such guides as Peterson’s Graduate Program series and the Official Guide to U.S. Law Schools.

Summer Jobs and Internships. There are binders with listings for summer jobs, summer camp jobs, and internships. Also available are books on how to find summer jobs and internships.

Government Jobs. You will find information on government jobs as well as state and federal listings for employment. The office has the applications required for these positions.

Also available: information on making career decisions, company literature, information on studying abroad, ESF alumni listing by major and by state, and the “Help Your Self” series (handouts that address career related issues). To find out more about the materials listed or to submit a resume or cover letter for review, stop by 110 Bray Hall.

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

Hello again,

KPD news coming at ‘ya.

Election results are in:
President: Craig Bifano
Vice President: Mike Taymo
Treasurer: Me
Social Chair: Matt Cizenski
Steward: Mike Mitchell

I know this is exciting huh? If you see any of these fine men wish them good luck. They’ll need it.

An average week at the house: consumption high, work low, but at least it is getting nice out. Soon appearing at a quad near you, the amazing, the outstanding the stupendous KODIAK the DOG. Yes folks, you can see our mascot on the quad. No, he doesn’t bite and yes he is friendly. You can pet him, he is reasonably tame. You’ve seen him before, now you can meet the legend.

Sorry, back to the house, Spud probably lifted something heavy but at least Doogie and Spud are brewing some fine Refreshments (it better be good). Split and Sac watched Senior Trip way too many times. I think they are at seven. Take the damn movie back, it’s on my card.
Oh yeah, Pony is still the man he always was. Hoss was probably worried and got all upset about something or other. Skippy, Wanakena, fun, beer. Friggen is either smoking a cigarette or playing Sony Playstation. There was a Chester sighting reported. Chester, if you are out there Phone Home. T-Bone is embarking on the Cybergenics Cyber-Trim. All the luck T. Perm went on and spent some more money on useless items. Perm, another black light and a wave machine (frivolous). Perm also will get a beating for this article. Other than that, it has been quiet around the humble hall of Kappa Phi.

Nostdrivia,
Ricky
What are people saying about the Spring Awards Banquet?

"Bag it, tag it, sell it to the butcher in the store" -- Phish

Date: March 30, 1996
Where: Hotel Syracuse
Time: Cocktails 6:00 PM
      Dinner    7:00 PM
      Dancing  until 1:00 AM

In addition, the Robin Hood Oak Awards and Maple Leaf Awards will be presented. Tickets will soon be on sale! Keep looking in the Knothole for prices and date of sale of the tickets.

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Want to Speak at the Spring Awards Banquet?

Topic Focus: "Reflections of My ESF Experience"
Length: 4-5 minutes

Qualifications:
- Must be receiving undergraduate degree in May 1996
- Must have cumulative GPA of 2.2

Process for Selection:
- Submit a one page typed (double spaced) summary of the comments you would make at the Banquet if you were selected.

  - Due March 8 in 110 Bray Hall
- Summaries will be reviewed by a committee of students and administrators. Selection will be based on: focus on topic, clarity of presentation, general content.

  The screening will determine the final two or three possible speakers. An audition will follow for those selected. Auditions will take place on the week of March 11.

  The speaker will be notified by March 19.
**Panda West** by Andrea Chempinski, *Knothole* Staff

This week's *Knothole* staff "casual dining" took place at the Panda West, a Chinese restaurant located down on Marshall Street. More than just your average pizza joint, the Panda West offers nice in-house seating as well as take-out. Initial reactions by staff members upon entering the door was a feeling of being slightly underdressed for the place. Decor included fancy tables and chairs complete with formally folded napkins on every table - a bit intimidating to the jeans and shirt clad staff. But if the food was going to be as good as the placed looked we were definitely in for some great food.

A quick glance at the menu showed a great variety of foods, but prices that reflected the more formal atmosphere of the place. In other words more expensive than the average college student could afford on a weekly basis. But moving past the pricey entrees there were some side dishes on the less expensive side (though still pretty pricey in themselves) which we decided to try. From the variety of foods sampled (including Chicken Fried Rice, Won-Ton Soup and a garlic vegetable stir fry) we were able to get a nice sample of the dishes offered. All diners agreed that the portions were outstanding and only one staffer was able to completely clean their plate - the rest was kindly doggy bagged by the waiter. According to one person the food was "actually, incredibly tasty and not greasy."

The *Knothole* staff highly recommends going to the Panda West on the occasion when you find an extra ten bucks you had not planned on having. The food was excellent but the prices were just too steep for it to be recommended as a frequent place to eat.

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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): __________________________
The Edna Bailey Sussman Fund provides funding to support graduate students who are "pursuing careers, which affect the environment. The focus of the internship should focus on the interaction of their chosen profession with environmental concerns."

The support is in the form of an Internship stipend, travel expenses, and/or specialized equipment needed to participate in an internship. Any organization may potentially place an intern, but the following conditions must be met:

1. The position would not have to be filled if the organization had to compensate the Intern out of its own funds. The Sussman Fund, however, will consider enriching internship support for those who receive less than minimal support.

2. The Intern will be utilized in an assignment involving the preservation of wildlife, the control of pollution, the preservation of natural land resources, or like subject matter.

3. The Intern will not be utilized in either a sales, production, or any other capacity not directly related to the environment.

4. The Intern will not act as a lobbyist.

5. The Internship will occur in the United States or its territories.

A student in good academic standing who wishes to be considered for this internship support must complete an application. Applications are accepted at any time of the year, but should be submitted at least three months before the internship is scheduled to begin. For summer 1996, the Sussman Fund will limit campus applications to a total of 15, and no applications can be received after March 15, 1996. Applications will be submitted to the Sussman Fund on a first-come, first-served basis.

Applications and additional information are available from Prof. Ralph Sanders, 107 Marshall Hall.

*** The Fort Drum Officers Wives Club is offering scholarships of $500-1000 to children and spouses of active duty or retired military personnel. Applicants must reside in either Jefferson, St. Lawrence or Lewis Counties. Selection is based on scholastic merit and community involvement. The application deadline for the 1996-97 academic year is April 1.

*** The Lighthouse Inc. is offering $5000 scholarships to students who are legally blind, U.S. citizens, and registered with the State Commission for the Blind. Applicants must be residents of a Northeastern state. Previous winners are not eligible. The application deadline for the 1996-97 academic year is April 1.

For further information and application materials, please stop by the Financial Aid Office, 115 Bray Hall.
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.

Complete list of rules and regulations is posted outside 22 Bray.

**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 Nifkin 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 of 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 must 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, 8.5 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 -ism, or -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 reapportioned 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, these monies will be reapportioned 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.
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...ing his project required him to become very familiar with the culture. His project consisted of helping to design a visitor center for the town of Merida. The sights that he saw in this region included Mayan ruins, which he found quite pertinent to his work.

Mike Cooper did his study in Barcelona, Spain, on a pedestrian street that was “the place to be” in that city. He describes the experience as “incredible”, and would recommend it to anyone in any design program, citing the need to understand how other cultures design things.

Joe Leonard and Peter Karis did their study in Innsbruck, Austria. They related a story of how, through a complete fluke, they spent Halloween night in Italy in a castle owned by a count. In this particular castle was the largest private collection of armor in the world and the two oldest pieces of armor still known to exist. Karis described his experience as “surreal”.

Stacey Gibson did her study in Welwyn Garden City, England. She cited the gardens in the region as being extravagant and quite numerous. Her display listed slang terms used in Britain and their meaning in American English. For example, “the loo” is the bathroom, “birds” are women, and “blokes” are men. “I’d go back in a day,” says Gibson.

Carolyn Laberge did her study in Prague, Czech Republic. She was fascinated with the wide array of architecture that she saw there, ranging from the 12th century to modern times. She also liked the medieval street patterns she saw in this region. Laberge did her best to make sure that the author tasted some of the Prague weiners the booth featured. A bystander commented, “Prague weiners are excellent.” All present at that time agreed.

Other students studied in France, Denver and the Netherlands.

The event was attended by many non-students. For example, alumnus Chris Connelly came back to ESF to attend the Festival. He said that he was ecstatic to see students enjoying and learning from the LA off-campus program. A large contingent of families came to ESF for the event, as noticed by all who attended. The event had a special air of elegance to it, and the cheery atmosphere provided a good evening to all visitors.

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SPECIAL SALE

In case you hadn’t heard, the ESF Alumni Association has merged with “Small Stores” and moved to B-15 Marshall Hall. We’re having a GARAGE SALE on Thursday, February 29 and Friday, March 1, from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m.

**PRICES SLASHED!!!**

For sale will be discontinued items, slightly irregulars, a large assortment of small and medium sizes, etc. All sales will be final (no returns). There are some terrific bargains for children who can wear adult small and medium sizes.

Some examples:
- Green nylon jackets (with heavy lining), size “S” only, slashed to $12.00
- T-shirts (irregulars) — $6.00 (normally $12)
- Green hooded sweatshirts, size “M” only — $10 (normally $20)
- White cotton boxer shorts — $4.00 (normally $8)
- Golf Shirts (size “S” only) — $6 (normally $16)
- and much, much more...

**WE NEED TO SELL EVERYTHING!**

(Free notecards with the purchase of $15 or more in merchandise.)

*Cash or checks will be accepted (no credit cards)*
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“Our ability to become more efficient in this time of change depends on our ability to achieve the statutory changes necessary for greater management authority for SUNY and its campuses and for its three University Hospitals. Without these changes, the budget gap we face will only increase.”

“The challenge is real: to preserve the great public resource that is SUNY. We can only do that to the extent that we can effect real and fundamental operational change.”

Among the administrative and legislative proposals outlined in Re-thinking SUNY are savings realized through the restructuring of the system administration, increased academic specialization, better use of technology for academic and administrative services, and more efficient business practices.

Gideon Freudmann
will be celebrating the
release of his new all-
instrumental CD entitled “Cellobotomy”
on Gadfly Records at:
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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, 8:00 pm, Nifkin Lounge.
Next meeting: March 4
Questions? Call Ben or Dave 423-4513.
Elementary Humor

The children are back! Kids are a very interesting group of people with a very different perspective on the world. The following was taken from the journals of grades school teachers who recorded some of the more interesting comments they got from student papers.

The future of “I give” is “I take.”

The parts of speech are lungs and air.

The inhabitants of Moscow are called Mosquitoes.

A census taker is a man who goes from house to house increasing the population.

Water is composed of two gins. Oxygin and hydrgin. Oxygin is pure gin. Hydrogin is gin and water.

(Define H2O and CO2.) H2O is hot water and CO2 is cold water.

A virgin forest is a forest where the hand of man has never set foot.

The general direction of the Alps is straight up.

A city purifies its water supply by filtering the water then forcing it through an aviator.

Most of the houses in France are made of plaster of Paris.

The people who followed the Lord were called the 12 opossums.

The spinal column is a long bunch of bones. The head sits on the top and you sit on the bottom.

Well they certainly didn’t teach kids about gin in my day! Stay tuned for more words of wisdom next week. Thanks for the list Hoo!

STU ON THE STUMP

I want to thank the Knothole staff for printing my first article. Front page, no less. I felt like Bob Uecker. Today I want to address a more urgent issue than crossing the quad. This is a problem of galactic proportions. Our campus has been invaded by the nefarious Hatheads.

I’m sure you are aware of their presence. They are nondescript droids whose common denominator is a baseball cap with the curved-down brim pulled low over the forehead, suspiciously hiding the eyes from view. For the most part they have come in peace, unlike their diabolical counterparts who have settled in the southwest and have chosen the cowboy hat as their chapeau of choice.

Although I have managed to gain the trust of a few of their number, I have yet to learn what it is they are hiding under their hats. They certainly aren’t shading out the sun (not around here). I have thought perhaps they have a third eye in their foreheads, or a flattened satellite dish mounted to their skulls which they use to communicate with each other. More than likely, they have just been cursed with having a perpetual bad hair day (probably from sticking their heads out the portholes of their spaceships while cruising the galaxies at warp speed) Kids!

I wonder if they have as much trouble telling each other apart as the rest of us do. You know what they say. “You’ve seen one hathead, you’ve seen them all.” They certainly all look the same to me. I’m sure they’re okay and all, I just wouldn’t want them living in my neighborhood. Don’t get me wrong, I’m no racist, it’s just that if one of my daughters brought one home it would just kill their mother.

As always, my comments are meant to amuse, not offend. I won’t be offended if you’re not amused, but I will be amused if you’re offended. By the way, whatever happened to wearing hats the normal way......with the bill facing backwards.
In The Near Future...

Wednesday, February 28
ESF United University Professions Meeting Noon, Moon Library Conference Room

Thursday, February 29
Recycling Club Meeting 5:30pm, 241 Illick

Monday, March 4
USA Meeting, 5:30 PM, Nifkin Lounge

Tuesday, March 5
Knothole Meeting 6:30pm, 22 Bray
Student Environmental Action Coalition Meeting (SEAC) 6:00pm, Nifkin Lounge

Undergraduate Student Association Elections
USA
March 5 through 7 in the main foyer of Marshall Hall. Excercise your right to vote!

Graduate Assistant Mid-Semester Reality Check
Thursday, February 29, Noon, Moon Conference Room
Refreshments Provided