Follow this and additional works at: https://digitalcommons.esf.edu/knothole

Part of the Communication Commons, Creative Writing Commons, and the Environmental Studies Commons

Recommended Citation
https://digitalcommons.esf.edu/knothole/660

This Newspaper is brought to you for free and open access by the College Archives at Digital Commons @ ESF. It has been accepted for inclusion in The Knothole by an authorized administrator of Digital Commons @ ESF. For more information, please contact digitalcommons@esf.edu, ckoons@esf.edu.
Bridging the SU-ESF Gap: Systems Science and Global Change

By Kathy Merz

Coming to grips with age is something most of us don’t face until we hit 30. The concept of age has a much different flavor for Dr. Henry Mullins of the SU Earth Sciences faculty. One of Dr. Mullins’ new courses, Global Change: The Geologic Record, takes a trip back over the last 100,000,000 years or so to investigate the significance of natural atmospheric CO2 change. Although many of us at ESF believe we have the global change issue wrapped up on our campus, Dr. Mullins has let the genie out of the bottle.

Mullins, an oceanographer by training, meets the challenge of the new field of systems science head on. Although the concept originated at Penn State about 15 years ago, it is growing on campus using this approach, specifically Dr. Black’s Watershed Hydrology. This semester, however, is SU’s first adventure into the realm of integrated sciences that explain the Earth in terms of joint chemical, physical, and biological forces. This method is a diversion from the traditional compartmentalized science approach, and has not met with full approval at SU. But, as time marches on to the next century, the movement is gaining momentum nationwide.

The change in approach at SU was brought about by declining enrollment in graduate geology programs and the realization that traditional geology (rocks, minerals, and...)

---

Announcement of Public Hearing -- the Board of Trustees of the State University of New York
April 24, 1996

State University of New York Maritime College, Science and Engineering Building, Lecture Hall, Bronx, New York (This facility permits barrier-free access to the physically handicapped.) 2pm to 3pm.

The purpose of the State University of New York Board of Trustees Public Hearing is to receive testimony and statements from concerned individuals about university wide issues only.

In order to register to speak at the hearing:
1. Persons wishing to present prepared testimony to the Board are requested to write to Dr. Kevin P. Reilly, Secretary of the University, State University Plaza, Albany, New York 12246; such communication to Hearing continues on Pg. 11
To the editor:

My attention was caught by the article “Temperate Alaskan Rainforest” published in Knothole (Vol.48, No.23, p.7). From its reading, it would appear that the U.S.D.A. Forest Service, in charge of the National Forests, is allowing (and funding!) the clear-cutting of old-growth forest in the Tongass N.F.

I did a quick check in the Government Publications section (3rd floor) of Bird library and found that this subject was discussed in a 1995 hearing before a committee of the U.S. Senate. I also found a number of extensive environmental impact statements and records of decision for each timber sales project in the Tongass N.F. For example, the final EIS for the Ushk Bay Timber Sales (1994) is several hundred pages long and includes three hundred and eighteen opinions collected during the open review phase and hearings. Surprisingly, neither Tim Bristol, nor the Southeast Alaska Conservation Council, nor the Alaska Rainforest Campaign, nor the Sierra Club went to the hearings or expressed any opinion on this matter. The record of decision by the U.S.D.A. is comprehensive and favored an option with no clear-cutting of parcels larger than 32 acres and no disruption of riparian environments. It is also clear that the timber would be sold at a fair price, without subsidies or other financial support from the government.

It is my impression that environmental activists like Mr. Bristol do a disservice to their causes if they do not cooperate to improve the environmental decision-making process and, worse, spread misleading information.

Sincerely,

Jose Irizarie
PSE Graduate Student

---

**EARTH DAY LOBBY DAY**
**MONDAY, APRIL 22, 1996**
**STATE CAPITOL,**
**ALBANY, NEW YORK**

Albany—New York State’s leading environmental groups have announced plans for Earth Day Lobby Day 1996. Leaders of the groups say they will bring hundreds of environmental activists from around the state to the Capitol for a day of lobbying and networking. The public is urged to attend.

FIFTEENTH ANNUAL EFB AWARDS
CEREMONY

The 15th Annual EFB Awards Ceremony is scheduled for
Wednesday, April 24, 4:00pm, Nifkin
Lounge. Each year, the EFB Faculty
honors outstanding biology students
in a ceremony of their own. While
they may have been honored previ-
ously at the all-College Awards Ban-
quet, this is a special ceremony to
highlight outstanding achievement
and to say good bye. Biology stu-
dents, mark the date and time on your
calendar and let’s all attend to honor
our own. The brief ceremony will
be followed by refreshments and a
mellow time.

COMMENCEMENT IS COMING,
STUDENT HOSTS DESPERATELY NEEDED!

Plans for this illustrious event are in the final stage! It is tradition at ESF for students to serve as hosts
during the commencement weekend festivities. These hosts are involved in a wide variety of projects related to
commencement including: greeting degree candidates and their friends/family; assisting with the receptions,
the Year in Review Slide Show and convocation—generally assisting and organizing the event.

Saturday, May 11
12 noon Commencement Hosts arrive on campus
1pm Year in Review Slide Show (Marshall Auditorium)
1:30pm Reception begin
2:45 Convocation begins in Goldstein Auditorium

Sunday, May 12
8am Continental Breakfast (Bray Hall)
8:45am Procession forms in front of Bray
9:15am Academic Procession begins in Carrier Dome
10am Commencement ceremonies begin in Carrier Dome

If you are interested in helping celebrate commencement and honoring our graduating students, please let me
know ASAP! Following the selection of hosts, we will schedule a brief meeting to discuss logistics.

Contact me if you’re willing to help (without your help, this event could...well...let’s not even think about it!)
Sounding Off
With Greg Bubniak

Another Stab at Violence

I find myself in a real bind this week when I attempt to write. You see, the first inkling I had about a column this week was sparked by an incident that took place in the National Basketball Association (NBA) last week. Los Angeles Laker guard Nick Van Exel shoved an official with his forearm and got himself suspended for the rest of the season, a total of seven games. Along the same lines, Chicago Bulls forward and legendary mutant Dennis Rodman head-butted an official just a few weeks ago. For the non-sports minded, this means nothing; what is a shove or head-butt anyway? Is that such a big deal anyway? What does it say on a more macroscopic level? This is the question I will address this week.

I recently had a chance to see the back half of Pulp Fiction, that now-revered super flick from 1994. Yes, this means that I had not seen it until just last week — a fact of which I am very proud. Anyhow, I was a bit confused. I will readily admit that it is a good movie. Some really strange and unexpected things take place, and I had no idea what was coming next. The bummer part, though, is the sense of humor that they convey. Yikes! That is some really sick stuff that the writers pass off a humor. It irks me in that their sense of humor has no regard for life. I realize that the characters are not real people but rather are movie characters. This still leaves me at a loss of respect for the writers, because their characters are human in every way, except for their light treatment of death. Do you remember the last scene where the character played by John Travolta accidentally shot that kid in the back seat of the car? They treated that somewhat non-chalantly, and no one in the scene seemed to care that the kid died. That aspect was chilling to me.

So, what does this have to do with violent basketball players? That’s just it — violent basketball players. They are merely a symptom of a violent society. That is most certainly what we are. I will not cite any crime statistics, because I don’t have any on hand — I don’t really need them. Look at what sells in the theaters: Pulp Fiction, the Die Hards, the Terminators, Natural Born Killers and even Braveheart (to a degree). This is a direct reflection on our society; this I say without much doubt.

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.

Mondays, 8:00 pm, Nifkin Lounge. Next meeting: April 22
Questions? Call Ben or Dave 423-4513.
Nature = Woman?  
The Ecofeminist Thang

By Samantha J. Callender

What is it about the idea of woman having some intimate connection with nature that is so appealing to people? This is something that my classmates and I have been chewing on for quite some time in our writing class. The topic so intrigued me that I wrote a short paper about it and from that paper, and the many class discussions which followed it, comes this article. Since ESF is a school dedicated to the study of nature in its various forms and considering that Earth Day is fast upon us, and the references to “mother nature” are popping up everywhere, I thought now would be a good time to share my musings with the rest of the campus.

For centuries men have had the notion that women somehow have a special connection with nature. According to many of them, some deep rooted instinctive connection exists between woman and that which is nature. S.T. Coleridge said of nature, “she is the preserver, the treasure of our joys.” e.e. cummings, in his poem “O sweet spontaneous,” portrays nature as a sweet young innocent hounded by the dirty old men of philosophy, science, and religion. In his poem “To Autumn,” John Keats compares spring and summer to a fair maiden who flitters about the fields and takes naps on the granary floor.

Today many female nature writers and feminists lay claim to a connection or oneness with nature as well. In her poem “Wild”, Mary Donahoe becomes a creature of the wild, roaming the woods and “communing” with nature. In an excerpt from “Woman and Nature” Susan Griffin, a noted feminist and nature writer, plainly states this idea that women have some level of communion with nature that men cannot attain. “He says that woman speaks with nature...He says he is not part of this world, that he was set on this world as a stranger. He sets himself apart from woman and nature...We are women and nature. And he says he can not hear us speak.”

While sitting in class absorbing all of this wonderful knowledge I wondered, “What is it about nature and woman that compels us to liken the one to the other? What characteristics found in each are said to be the trademark of the other? Why are some women so eager to maintain the notion that they are somehow at one with nature? And why are some women completely opposed to this idea?”

According to the feminist writer Janet Biehl ecofeminists lay claim to this connection with nature as part of being woman. There are quite a few feminists who see the association of woman with nature as totally detrimental to their cause. In her book Rethinking Ecofeminist Politics, Biehl quotes Simone de Beauvoir who states, “Equating ecology [or nature] with feminism is something that irritates me. They are not automatically one and the same thing at all.” Apparently there is some dissension among the ranks of the various feminist factions.

Many feminists are down right hostile to the idea of ecofeminism and are quick to point out its flaws. They point to the fact that while some ecofeminists argued that “women would not be free until the connections between women and the natural world were severed” others, such as Susan Griffin, clearly hold to the idea that, “We are woman and nature.” Some ecofeminists argue that this woman—nature connection is biological, others that it is spiritual, others simply regard it as a metaphor, and then there are the social constructionists.

Janis Birkeland writes, in the book Ecofeminism: Women, Animals, Nature (a defense of ecofeminist theory), that the perceived difference between men and women’s relationships to nature is based on the historical socialization and oppression of women. In other words, men made it up. According to Biehl, ecofeminists “assert that the woman—nature association is a social construction, an ideology that is the product of men.” She then goes on to point out why some social constructionist ecofeminists believe that men made up the connection be-

Ecofeminist continued on pg 11
Animal Shelters the Place for Unwanted Pets

Spring is almost here, in spirit that is. Adorable, cuddly kittens and frisky puppies are everywhere. On the quad, Marshall Street and in the student neighborhoods. I love animals as much as the next human. Young animals are lots of fun! They’re great for: asserting your independence, picking up members of the opposite sex, providing instant friendship, impressing your friends, feeding beer to and frisbee throwing in the quad.

So where is this new toy going to end up when: the landlord finds out, the new live-in boyfriend hates cats, mom and dad will not have him home next summer, that great summer job requires lots of travel, Barny, the big back lab develops personality problems generated from being alone 12 hours a day and the kitten is having kittens. As an animal shelter volunteer have heard all the pet redemption explanations. As a pet owner I have missed out on great trips, not taken the fantastic apartment and slept outside with my dog when I could have been inside a cozy cabin.

Seriously consider waiting

Shelter continues on pg. 11

BS
by Rick Rutland

Unless you’ve been under a rock for the past few days, you don’t need me to tell you that we’re in the middle of Earth Week. Most people that choose to honor the occasion do it in one day, but we at ESF give the event an entire week. Given the nature of our college (pardon the pun) a whole week makes sense. Where else can you find a large group of environmentally aware people looking for another excuse to party?

Anyone who took Dr. Seneca’s history class can tell you that Earth Day got its start in 1970. The first Earth Day was celebrated with a big parade and lots of exhibits. Those who survived the sixties found a new cause and reasons to unite. Among other things, the festivities ended with a heightened awareness toward the environment and an incredible amount of garbage. Overall, it was deemed a success.

The whole idea of a day to celebrate the Earth is great. Most holidays always exclude someone. Christmas excludes the Jews, Catholics don’t get Rosh Hashanah, and Native Americans aren’t too hot for Columbus Day. The great thing about Earth Day is it knows no bounds. After all, everyone this side of the Republican party likes the Earth. So why not celebrate the common interest?

Well, it’s been twenty-six years since the merriment of the first Earth Day. What have we accomplished? Since 1970, we have made great environmental progress. The Clean Water Act and the Endangered Species Act were passed. DDT was phased out and recycling was started. Interest groups were formed, CFC’s are gone, and we were all introduced to the wonderful world of ecofeminism. In all, it’s a good start.

I say it’s a start because the same period also saw some disturbing events as well. Our ozone had a blowout and the Valdez sprung a leak. We have acid in our lakes and medical waste on our beaches. Bhopal and Chernobyl told us it can’t happen here, while Love Canal and Three Mile Island showed us that it can. Our population is up, resources are down, and disposable is a household word. And let’s not forget the tag team of Reagan and Watt. They’ve done more for the environment than McDonald’s has done for cows. Let’s face it, when humans are in charge, s— happens!

I once saw a bumper sticker that said, “Every Day is Earth Day.” As good as this may sound, I don’t see it happening. I think the first thing that needs to be done is to get it put on calendars. My calendar shows the ever popular Easter Monday for our neighbors to the north, but Earth Day is as blank as my mind during exams. The next thing that needs to be done is to give people a day off. Nobody really observes a holiday unless the government is closed. Make Earth Day a three day weekend, that will earn it some respect.

I really don’t think Earth Day will become as popular as the other holidays out there, but that’s okay. It doesn’t mean we should celebrate it any less. So go out there and hug a tree or kiss a squirrel or do what ever you do to give thanks to the Earth. Make sure that people know why you’re celebrating. Earth Day is upon us, spread the word.
OFFICE OF RESEARCH PROGRAM
ANNOUNCEMENTS

Proposed submissions:
The office of Research Programs would like at least two weeks prior notice
before grant deadlines for all Project Directors intending to submit propos-
als. This enables us to serve you more efficiently and accomodate all the
tasks that are entailed in submitting research proposals, including proof-
reading of institutional grant forms, and the scheduling of duplicaiton. As a
reminder, proofreading of the proposal is the responsiblity of the project
director before and after copying. Please allow 2-3 days for scheduling of
duplacting proposals.

Budget Development:
Please be sure to contact ORP prior to discussing costs with potential spon-
sors. We would like to be sure all campus budget policies are considered
before negotiating with the sponsor.

Specifically, indirect costs, tuition, faculty salaries, and fringe benefits should
be discussed to prevent shortfalls in your award budget.

Rate Information:
The following fringe benefit and indirect cost rates apply to all budgets
unless a published sponsor policy dictates otherwise.

Fringe Benefit Rates:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th></th>
<th>Current</th>
<th>Effective 7/1/96</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Regular/Non student employees</td>
<td>32%</td>
<td>30%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Faculty summer appointments</td>
<td>32%</td>
<td>20%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Graduate Assistants</td>
<td>12%</td>
<td>5%</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Undergraduate Assistants</td>
<td>4%</td>
<td>4%</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Guatemalan Massacre Survivor to Speak at Le Moyne

Anastacio Chop Garcia of Finca Xaman Guatemala, a survivor of a recent
massacre by Guatemalan soldiers, will be speaking about the attack, his
community, and Guatemala in the community Room of the Lemoyne Col-
lege Chapel. Tuesday April 23rd at 7pm. Refreshments. Donations ac-
cepted. Sponsored by CACC (Central American Caribbean Coalition of
Central New York) Info 472-9942.

ESF WOMEN'S CAUCUS

Welcoming Women Students, Staff and Faculty at ESF
April Meeting
Tuesday, April 23, 1996, Noon to 1pm, Moon conference room
(Bring your brown bag lunch)
For more information contact:
Judy Kimberlin 470-6611 or Sally Webster 470-6913

Summer College
Work-Study

Interview sign-up sheets for
students who wish to work at one of
the regional properties (Cranberry
Lake, Newcomb, Ellis Island,
Wanakena, Heiberg Forest in Tully,
or the Layfayette Road Experiment
Station in Syracuse) are located in the
Financial Aid Office, 115 Bray Hall.
You can sign up for as many inter-
views as you wish. The interviews
will be held Wednesday April 17th
from 10 AM - 2 PM in the Alumni
Lounge, Marshall Hall. You must
sign up by noon of Tuesday April
16th.

You must have applied for
college work-study in order to inter-
view, since it is a need based finan-
cial aid program. Should you have
any questions, contact the Financial
Aid Office at 470-6670.

REMINDER

All media equipent on short-
term loan to faculty and staff
AND
All media equipment signed
out to undergrad and graduate
students
MUST BE RETURNED TO
IDEAS (8 Moon)
by
Tuesday, April 23, 1996

Thank You
CALL FOR PAPERS
1997 International Environmental Conference and Exhibit
May 4-7

Minneapolis Convention center/Minneapolis Hilton and Towers
Minneapolis, MN

A call for papers has been issued for the 1997 International Environmental Conference. The conference program will cover dioxin, air and water treatment, color, bleaching, biomonitoring, solid waste management, landfill management, waste minimization and pollution prevention, emerging regulatory issues, wetlands and land use, Clean Air Act, aerobic treatment, bioenhancement, stormwater management, industrial hygiene and toxicology, risk communication, and media relations.

Authors interested in presenting a paper on these or related topics should contact Rob Hanley, vice president of HESC Inc., P.O.Box 16812, Greenville, SC 29605. Telephone: +1-864-848-1303, fax +1-864-848-1311.

Titles and abstracts are due by August 1, 1996; final manuscripts are due December 15, 1996.

For more information about the 1997 Environmental Conference and Exhibit, call TAPPI’s Service Line at 1-800-332-8686 from the United States, 1-800-446-9431 from Canada, or internationally, at +1-770-446-1400 ext. 303.

TAPPI, based in Atlanta, Ga., is the world’s largest technical associations for the paper and related industries and is made up of 12 technical divisions and some 33,000 members worldwide.

Gamma Delta Theta News
by Erin Fitzgerald

This past weekend the sorority initiated four new sisters and, although they completely drained us of sleep, we would sincerely like to congratulate them on a job well done. The sisters realize pledging can be tough, especially around this time of year, but relax girls, it’s all over and everything makes sense now.

CONGRATULATIONS!
Kelly Houlihan
Stephanie Owens
Alana Rodriguez
Kristy Szpryada

Now that initiation is over with, we get to look forward to an array of spring events which are coming faster that we thought. Please join us this weekend for a celebration of our Earth. On Friday we will perform our rendition of Dr. Suess’ The Lorax on the ESF Quad at 4:30pm. If you can’t make it Friday, don’t worry, we do it again on Sunday in Thornden Park Amphitheater at 12pm, for the children of the community. It’s a great way to have fun and restore your faith in making our future better. Oh, it’s also a very rare chance to catch some fellow students dressed in barabaloot suits.

If performances aren’t for you, then perhaps a more contributing role is. GDU and USA are participating in March For Parks this Saturday at Beaver Lakes Nature Center from 9am-1pm. This is a great opportunity to raise money for the continued preservation and upkeep of those natural areas we often find ourselves relying on. It’s also a great way to spend the day outside. All of the proceeds raised will stay within Beaver Lake. If you’re interested in marching please contact Autumn at 423-4458.

Last but not least, the Annual Dart Tournament. The date has been set for May 1st which is only two weeks away so please contact Leanna at 443-7838 to register your teams of two. All of the proceeds benefit the National Audubon Society. You could walk away with a dart board, depending upon your aim. It’s always been a fun night in the past, so come out to join the sisters and other ESF students as we get rid of those final blues.

Roommate Wanted

Co-op house looking for a few good roommates for now, summer, fall. Large house past Westcott on Euclid. Fireplace, off street parking, 2 baths, washer/dryer. Grads and professionals. Near Co-op. Call Bruce or Dan 475-2202 e-mail bdwiller@syr.edu.
WOMEN’S POTLUCK SUPPER
Sponsored by the ESF Women’s Caucus

Thursday, April 25, 1996
Nifkin Lounge, Marshall Hall

Eat at 5:30pm
Program at 6pm
Finished at 7:30pm
Program: The student Perspective A Panel Discussion

We invite all ESF women: Students, staff, and faculty to come and get acquainted with other women at ESF and enjoy some home cooking.
If you have access to a kitchen, bring a casserole, bread, a salad, a meat dish or a dessert, enough to share with 8 or 10 others. If you don’t have access to a kitchen, bring drinks, chips and dips, cookies, or cheese and crackers, etc.
If you have a favorite recipe bring it along to share.
Plates, cups, utensils, tablecloths, coffee, tea, and juice will be provided.
For more information call Judy Kimberlin at 470-6611 or Sally Webster at 470-6913 during regular business hours.

Parto Pakdel
By Leah M. Moore

Paper Science and Engineering has been a department here at ESF since 1920. One of the newest members to join the faculty is Parto Pakdel. She came to ESF in 1994, after finishing graduate work at the Illinois Institute of Technology in Chicago. Prior to that she received her bachelor of science in chemical engineering at Sharif University in Iran.

The classes she teaches are: mass and energy balance, thermodynamics for paper engineers, and thermodynamics for forest engineers. Soon, she will also be involved in teaching differential equations.

She came to ESF because she enjoys teaching and likes the school surroundings. The research Parto is doing involves fundamental theoretical and experimental work. Her background in fluid mechanics is of help to her research in dewatering in the paper machine. Other research she is doing involves environmental issues such as effluent treatment.

If you would like to meet her in person her office is in Walters Hall. She is a very friendly and helpful person. If you are a paper science major you may soon be seeing her in your classroom.

Stress Release Stress Release Stress
Take it out on a board!
Gamma Delta Theta’s
Annual Dart Tournament
Come to Darwin’s
May 1st, 5-8pm
Call Leanna to Register at 443-7838
* All proceeds benefit the National Audubon Society
Bridging continued from pg. 1

fossils) was falling short of meeting current needs.

Last year Dr. Mullins developed two system science courses: one, an introductory level course, the other Global Change; The Geologic Record, both offered at the upper undergrad/lower grad level. There is no text, nor is there expected to be one for some time. Instead, a wide range of journal articles, and IPCC (Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change) Reports form the nucleus of materials used. Dozens of computer models and maps are presented to support a wide range of hypothesis from the world’s top ranked scientific journals, Science, Nature, and Geology, just to name a few.

The course is relevant to every ESF student because, “If we want to understand environmental change in the future, we need to have an understanding of natural changes that have occurred in the past...We need a reasonable sense of our own history. We can’t understand or gain insight into future changes without a knowledge of what the natural variability has been.” Dr. Mullin’s objective with Global Climate Change: The Geologic Record is to offer an understanding of past natural geologic change through modern day. Then, proxy data can be taken as a baseline of information to help understand the future.

Although there is no argument that atmospheric CO2 levels are increasing, there is hot debate in the scientific community on many other issues surrounding global warming. While it is recognized that the biggest problem is the rate of anthropogenic CO2 level increases (40ppm in just 40 years), little else is commonly agreed upon. This is the point at which Dr. Mullins, and a few other pioneers in systems science, take over.

The magic factor, two times today’s atmospheric CO2 level, is expected to be reached by the year 2050. The systems scientist is the individual most likely to find the possible answer of what the future may actually hold in store for us by analyzing complex feedbacks to perturbations. Not surprisingly, our future may look very much like a page from our datebook’s distant past rather than something out of Flash Gordon. Dr. Mullins and other systems scientists believe that understanding where we are headed rests in the discovery of positive and negative feedbacks that control a collection of intertwined aspects of global relationships.

With the understanding of past natural links to CO2 levels, we can then effectively work to reduce human-induced atmospheric levels, rather than expecting to find Chicken Little’s acorn hiding in a computer model. The answer could be as simple as seeding the oceans with iron, now theorized by some to be a key to drawing atmospheric CO2 back into marine storage.

Animal Shelter Needs Help

Located in Canastota on rt 5 in Madison county. Good, clean and friendly animal shelter needs volunteers to walk dogs, groom cats, help with paper work, adoptions. Whatever is comfortable.

I am a volunteer and I need help. I work on Saturdays, the place is friendly and the animals well cared for.

For more info:
Call me: (315) 475-2202
E-mail: bdwillet@mailbox.syr.edu
Wander’s Rest: (315)697-2796

Hey Seniors!!

See the ad on the bottom of page 12.

The Wildlife Society Earth Week Raffle

Win great prizes valued at over $600.00!!!
Beautiful wildlife art, specially commissioned and signed by D. Andrew Saunders
Gift basket from Crabtree and Evelyn, Carousel Mall, featuring all natural products with no animal testing
Bird feeder and seed from Wild Birds Unlimited, Fayetteville
Gift certificate to Borders Bookstores, Carousel mall
Art supplies from Commercial Art Supply, Erie Blvd.
River Otter Project merchandise

Tickets are $1 each or 6 tickets for $5
Buy your raffle tickets from Samara Trusso, 255 Illick Hall, or look for the TWS table during Earth Week, April 15-19.
be received no later than noon on Monday, April 22, 1996. In your letter, please identify, in a brief fashion the subject of your testimony and provide Dr. Reilly with a telephone number, as well as an address to which we can send a confirmation that you have a reserved place on the agenda. Such testimony will be limited to five minutes, and the speakers will be requested to provide six copies of their written testimony to the Hearing Registration Officer on the day of the Hearing.

2. Persons who wish to make brief extemporaneous comments (no more than three minutes) are requested to file their names with the Hearing Registration Officer on the day of the Hearing. Time for such comments will be set aside at the end of the Hearing, and such persons will be called upon in the order in which they register with the Hearing Registration Officer.

Shelter

until your life is more stable before obtaining a pet. Pets are fun but they also take time, money, attention, shoes and poops in critical places. If you have thoroughly assessed your future and find a fifteen to twenty year commitment is reasonable, then: Get your pet a collar and ID and have it FIXED! Stay away from the pet stores, their sources are questionable, they usually don’t screen potential pet owners and often the animals wind up on the street or in an animal shelter. If you find that you absolutely have to live with that guy who is allergic to dogs, then: Bring your pet to a reputable animal shelter or a well screened friend. DON’T dump it at the mall, give it to a frat or pawn it off on somebody.

Remember a pet is not a kid but its not a toy either.

Bruce Willett

SUNY ESF

Ecofeminist

ecofeminist continue to refer to nature as a feminine entity, as do the rest of us. Anne Pramvasi, an ecofeminist writer, says that the association of women with nature is done so as to make both inferior to man. Despite this observation she continues to refer to nature as her. If the woman—nature connection was made up by men only to subjugate women, as so many ecofeminists claim, why hold onto it so tenaciously and why perpetuate it?

One line which really caught my attention in Biehl’s book was, “...dare I suggest that ecofeminism is simply incoherent, contradictory, and sharply at odds with itself?” While I may not agree with her exact words I feel we share a similar sentiment towards ecofeminism. The more I learn about ecofeminism the more amorphous and undefinable it seems. You never seem to get the same answer twice when you ask the question “what is ecofeminism.”

After reading through many books on feminism and ecofeminism, and kicking about this topic many times in class, I have come to the conclusion that most of this stuff is just talk and theory written down in books. The basic idea I had in my head at the beginning of this whole shebang is still there, to assign certain characteristics, roles, or relationships based solely on whether a person’s genotype is XX or XY is totally ridiculous. I believe that human beings, man and woman alike, are at this point incapable of defining nature. Women can not be said to have a closer connection to nature until you can define nature and, for that matter, until you can define womanhood.
Friggin' Joe

By Matthew J. Sheehy (with help from all of the Junior Chem majors)

Hey Friggin Joe, you've been wearing that shirt for six days.

It's a friggin science experiment. I gotta wear this friggin shirt for a week to get my pheromones on it for Chemical Ecology. Then we're gonna analyze the friggin thing to see what kind of girls I attract.

A week?!
The assignment was only for a day.

Hey man, it's all in the name of friggin science. Help me get this friggin shirt off. I think it's stuck to my armpits.

I'm outta here. Here come me girls. See if you attract them.

Hey May Graduates!

During commencement weekend, there is a time slot for a year in review show, typically called the Senior Slide Show. We have a small problem for this year's show -- right now, there are only 8 pictures in the show! We need your help. If you want to be in the Slide Show (or if you want to have a slide show), then all you need to do is the following:

1) Select your favorite pictures involving ESF Seniors.
2) Bring them to 110 Bray Hall with your permanent mailing address on the back.

They will be mailed back to you after the Slide Show takes place!!

Questions?? Leave a message for Greg Bubniak at 470-6776.
Lowest $299
Selected 10K Mens

Prices
$249
Selected 10K Womens

Year!

ARTCARVED
College Jewelry

April 29, 30
10am-2pm
Marshall Hall Foyer
Thursday, April 18

Dr. Richard Baer, lecture on environmental ethics and religion, 6:00 PM, Nifkin Lounge, Marshall Hall.

Shifting Paradigms Conference sponsored by the Graduate Student Association, 1:00-4:00 PM, Nifkin Lounge, Marshall Hall

Recycling Club Meeting, 5:30 PM, 241 Illick Hall.

Friday, April 19

Dr. Seuss' "The Lorax" presented by Gamma Delta Theta, 4:30 PM, Nifkin Lounge, Marshall Hall.

Dr. Arol Wolf, Eco-Feminist, will present lecture "Eco-Librium" sponsored by SEAC, Recycling Club and USA, 5:30 PM, Nifkin Lounge, Marshall Hall.

Saturday, April 20

March for Parks, Beaver Lake Nature Center, 9:00 AM.

Critical Mass Bike Ride to Libba Cotten Grove (corner of Castle and State Streets) to do a gardening project with Students Offering Service. Meet at Hendricks Chapel, 9:00 AM.

Sunday, April 21

Thornden Park Celebration with NYPIRG. USA will sponsor the Raptor Project and a Native American concert, 10:00 AM - 7:00 PM.

Monday, April 22

Undergraduate Student Association Meeting, 5:30 PM, Nifkin Lounge, Marshall Hall.

Folk Society, 8:00 PM, Nifkin Lounge, Marshall Hall.

Tuesday, April 23

Knothole Staff Meeting, 6:30 PM, 22 Bray Hall.

Student Environmental Action Coalition Meeting, 6:00 PM, Nifkin Lounge, Marshall Hall.