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On March 8, the Syracuse University Student Association will hold student elections and an IMPORTANT referendum on Syracuse University student fees. College of Forestry students now pay a $15/year student activity fee to the College of Forestry Student Association plus a student fee to Syracuse University. The College of Forestry student activity fee will NOT be voted on March 8, but the College of Forestry students are urged to vote on the Syracuse University student fee.

Those students voting in favor of the student fee will then vote on the following breakdown of options:

- a.) $22 for student activities
- b.) $1 for elected student official salaries
- c.) $3 for (a) campus newspaper(s)
- d.) $3 for Public Interest Research Group (PIRG) (to be refunded later if desired)

Any combination of a, b, c, or d can be on. A negative majority on a, b, c, or d means that the item will not be funded from student fees. The referendum is binding providing that 25% of the undergraduate body votes, therefore your vote is essential. Forestry students can be the key to the referendum.

As President of the College of Forestry Student Association, I urge you to vote in favor of a student fee and vote in favor of option a. particularly. I urge you to vote against option b. (student official stipends), and I remain uncommitted as of now concerning options c. and d.

The Nominations Committee of the College of Forestry Student Association will soon take an official position concerning the referendum, but the Committee could not meet in time for the deadline of this Knothole issue.

The reason I urge you to vote in favor of the $22 activity fee is that many Forestry students participate in activities funded by the S.U. Student Association. Granted a few "crackpot" groups are funded, but the variety of popular organizations such as Outing Club, Suski, Rugby Club, Karate lessons, University Religious Council, Alpha Phi Omega, Dormitory Affairs Commission, WAER, and Traditions Commission receive large budgets.

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In addition to the Syracuse University Student Association elections and the referendum on March 8, College of Forestry Student Association Members will be running for two seats on the S.U. Senate. The details of the election have not yet been worked out with the S.U. Elections Commission, but please VOTE!

A polling station will be set up in Marshall Hall on March 8.

VOTE! VOTE! VOTE! VOTE! VOTE! VOTE! -Jim Goulet
S.A. President

TUITION INCREASE?

On Tuesday, February 8, Chancellor Boyer held a meeting with SUNY student government presidents. He outlined the N.Y.S. and SUNY fiscal crunch and strongly hinted at a tuition increase for next year. Not only must the State University take in $63 million, but an additional income of $20 million is needed to meet the costs of increased enrollment and more faculty to keep the present 15.5/1 faculty-student ratio. Possible additional sources of income to secure the $20 million over and above the anticipated $63 million are parking fees, increased cost of application fees, cracking down on delinquent telephone charges, and, of course, increasing tuition. So, stop chuckling at the S.U. students, because a tuition increase here at our College is very likely. Chancellor Boyer was quick to point out that he would not support a tuition increase without substantial scholarships and/or waivers for those qualified but who are financially unable to pay.

If you have any questions concerning the State University budget, Chancellor Boyer's policies or possible increased tuition, please feel free to contact me.

-Jim Goulet

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HOW TO BUILD A TIP-UP, OR BEND-DOWN AS THE CASE MAY BE

If you're one of those poor souls still uninitiated to the joys of ice fishing and you wish to join in this hardy pastime, here are some basic instructions for the beginner:

First, get a fishing license. It'll cost you four and a quarter but it's a good investment and is valid until next September. The money is earmarked for the betterment of fishing. When you get the license you also get the "Hunting, Trapping, Fishing Guide" put out by the Department of Environmental Conservation. It will tell you where you can ice fish as well as outlining regulations.

Now, if that four and a quarter outlay left you nearly broke don't dismay; a fairly good set of tip-ups can be had for next to nothing. I'm assuming that you have access to some scrap lumber, wire coat hangers, red rags, nails, bobby pins and twine. The apparatus consists of a stake with a straightened out coat hanger nailed to the top. A loop is bent near the end of the wire and a flag of rag affixed to the tip. Nails are placed a foot apart on the shaft of the sharpened stake.

Now besides having a dandy weapon for doing in vampires you have a tip-up or more correctly a bend-down. The line (heavy braided nylon fishline is better than twine but is not as easily obtained for free) is tied to and wrapped around the anils and then strung through the loop in the wire and baited. Alas—you probably will have to buy a hook sinker and maybe some bait. A small hook and live bait is usually best depending on what you're fishing for. Drive the stake into a slot chipped into the ice near your fishing hole with the coat hanger loop directly over the hole.

It's usually best to give the fish a run, some line he can take easily and hook himself when it runs out. This is accomplished with a bobby pin. Tie the line to the bend of a bobby pin four or five feet from the bait. A couple feet from the bait tie a small loop knot in the line. Now take the line in between and wrap it around your hand from the bobby pin to the loop. Slip the wraps of line into the bobby pin and secure the loop over the tip to prevent the line from falling out. There you have it. Fish just off the bottom. When the fish takes the bait he pulls the flag down — it's simple as that.

About the hole in the ice. An ice chisel is a lot easier to use than an axe and a lot easier to buy than an ice auger, to the tune of eight bucks vs. eighteen. What's more — you can use it to chip ice off the back porch if need be to justify the purchase. So go to it! Wear warm clothes and go skating or something while the fish are making up their minds. Don't get discouraged if they aren't biting — at least you get some exercise.
What are you going to do after college? Has anyone ever asked you, "What type of job will you have? Are you going to be one of those guys who fights fires and sits up in lookout towers?" Of course you, the professional, just look down your nose at whoever asks such questions but then when they persist, you just stammer, "Well, uh, I ah, guess I'm going to work for the government. Or ah, maybe a paper company." "Oh."

Yep, the good old government. Well do you even know what department administers forest lands in the U.S. and which one manages wildlife refuges? They're different you know. Let's face it, a lot of us have come to the College of Forestry to study and we don't have any idea of what we can do when we get out. So to help remedy this situation the Sophomore Class has set up an informal lecture series to help inform people of the many possibilities open to them.

The talks will be given by various faculty members based primarily on their own experience. What types of jobs there are, where to apply, what to expect, salary, what courses might be helpful to you and any other questions you may have will be answered in this series.

The talks will be on such topics as Wildlife jobs, Landscape Architecture, Surveying, operations in pulp and paper mills, Management of pulp and paper forest lands, the U.N. and International forestry, the military, the Peace Corps, the field of environmental communication, State forestry work, and interpretive naturalist work. They will be informal as the faculty and staff members basically want to answer your questions, so if you're interested in any of these topics please come to these talks and bring plenty of questions.

-Bob Loveless
Soph. Class President

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PIRG

Last week, a group of 25 or so graduate and undergraduate students gathered to organize a local action group, PIRG, which stands for Public Interest Research Group. These students are trying to form an autonomous unit of Ralph Nader's nationally known organization. This group will enable the students to concentrate on particular interests such as consumer protection, environmental quality, women's rights, and civil liberties.

The group is trying to raise money by adding a question on the March 8 S.U. undergraduate referendum, which would increase the student fee by three dollars per person. This question, if approved, would be optional so that students not interested in PIRG could have their money refunded. The College of Forestry is planning to have its own referendum March 8, and PIRG will try to have a similar question added to our referendum.

Eventually, a base of about 50,000 people, drawn from surrounding communities, colleges, and universities will be needed to finance the group's proposed activities. These funds would be used to hire professional specialists and enable PIRG to be represented in industrial disputes, courts, and legislatures.

In order to get more support, PIRG is trying to get Ralph Nader to speak on campus before the March 8 referendums. I am sure that you will be hearing a lot more about PIRG in the next few weeks. Let's all get out and support this worthwhile group. It is the sort of thing in which every person at this college could be involved!

-James H. Culbert
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ZOYOLOGY CLUB MEETING

Dr. John Forney of the Cornell University Biological Station located at Bridgeport, N.Y. will be the speaker at the Zoology Club's March 2 meeting. Dr. Forney has done a large amount of work with the fish of Oneida Lake for the Federal Government. He is planning to speak on all phases of Oneida Lake giving an insight into the past-present-and future of the lake and its natural inhabitants.

The meeting will be held in 311 Bray Hall at 7:30 p.m. Thursday, March 2, with refreshments served for the hungry ones.

Zoology Club's next meeting will be March 9 when two unusual films, "The World in a Marsh" and "The Spruce Bog" will be shown.

-William Jacobi
Sec. Zoology Club

THE CONSERVATIONIST ON SALE THIS WEDNESDAY

On this Wednesday, March 1, there will be a one day subscription drive for THE CONSERVATIONIST magazine at Forestry and S.U. The sale will be conducted by Mr. Robert F. Hall, the new editor of THE CONSERVATIONIST.

THE CONSERVATIONIST magazine, an official publication of the New York State Department of Environmental Conservation, is one of the outstanding publications in the field of ecology-conservation education. The magazine published 6 issues per year at an annual cost of only $2. The subscription sale will be held in Illick and Bray Halls at Forestry from 9 a.m. to 3 p.m.

THE CONSERVATIONIST is generally a non-promotional magazine. Its visit here will be its first promotional attempt on a New York State campus. The sale is being sponsored by the Environmental Concerns Committee of S.U.'s Graduate Student Organization.

I hope all students will take advantage of this splendid opportunity.

-Knowton Foote
F. Botany Grad. Student

College of Forestry Student Government elections will be held April 6 & 7, 1972. Start thinking!
THREATS AGAINST PUBLIC EDUCATION?

Right now, at public high schools and colleges throughout the state, students are organizing a large scale campaign to fight back against the powerful threats against public education that are in the legislature now.

Students at SUNY are already faced with $700 tuition next year. But private schools, in an attempt to bail themselves out at the public's expense, have pressured the governor for the figure of $1,500. Sound impossible? The governor's task force on education is composed entirely of men representing the interests of private schools. Not one member of the task force is from the State University. Already, $91 million are being diverted from the public education funds of the state to private schools. The governor, in his State of the State address, said that he would defy a federal court ruling prohibiting funding of private schools. In addition to all this, spending in the State University has been frozen, which in the face of rising costs of operation, spells financial disaster.

The City University of New York has it just as bad. Their construction budget has been slashed making the already difficult problem of overcrowding even worse. The threat of tuition in this traditionally free institution is a great possibility this year. The governor has proposed that CUNY become a part of SUNY and that tuition be charged there. Students who can't afford to pay will be denied their education. Working-class white, Negro, and Puerto Rican students will be the hardest hit. Thus the racial and economic diversity of the City University will be ended.

There is little wonder that students on campuses throughout the state are fighting mad. On Saturday, February 12, nearly 200 people from 44 schools met at SUNY at Albany for an emergency conference to save the City and State Universities. This program was agreed upon at the conference. There were people from CUNY and SUNY; individuals and student government representatives; Negro, Puerto Rican, and white students, who all agreed on one thing — that students must fight together to save CUNY and SUNY. Lobbying in Albany was planned and is going on right now. This lobbying is to culminate in a mass convergence of schools in Albany on March 14. At the end of the conference it was agreed that this was the only way to show the governor and legislators that students will not tolerate these attacks on public education. Other student governments in the State and City University systems have been getting their schools involved. Unfortunately, our Student Council has refused to involve itself and students in the campaign to save CUNY and SUNY. If students want to work to save public education, they are going to have to do it themselves. This Tuesday night, February 29, there will be a meeting to really get this campaign moving on our campus. Announcements will be made around the school as to the time and place. Together we can win.

For more information contact Spencer Jarrett at X2389 or Kathy Moore at X2188.
FOR PERMANENT, SUMMER, AND PART-TIME JOBS!!!  FOREST ENGINEERING STUDENT
JOB HUNTERS: PLEASE see Ron Frodelius, Room 12A basement of Bray Hall
from 1:00 to 2:00 p.m. on any day except Mondays. For general informa-
tion on Federal, State and private industry opportunities, your filling 
out A.F.E. Dept. form is necessary for us to help you. Information is
available on: How to submit a resumé, employer addresses, Civil Service
exam schedules, etc. Both photogrammetry option and regular program
F.E. students should sign up. Freshmen through grad students are
welcome. (Service open until further notice.)

- Ron Frodelius

BOTANY CLUB

The annual Botany Club Greenhouse Activity jointly sponsored by
the Botany Club and the Botany Department, involved 108 people this
year. Special thanks go to Dr. Ketchledge for giving the project his
time and effort. The program extended over two Saturdays and contained
12 one-hour sessions.

- Donald Eaton
Botany Club Pres.

S.U. DEPARTMENT OF BIOLOGY GRADUATE STUDENT SEMINAR

SPEAKER  TOPIC
Richard Nickerson  "A survey of shell and enzyme variation in
16 natural populations of the stream limpet,
Ferrissia rivularis.

TIME & PLACE
Tuesday, February 29, 1972
4:00 p.m., 117 Lyman Hall (coffee served at 3:30)

RINGS

College of Forestry class rings are available in the Student
Council Office. The Balfour salesman will be there on Monday
from 12:00 to 1:00; Wednesday from 12:00 to 2:00 and Thursday
from 11:00 to 1:00 for the rest of the semester.

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