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What is life but a series
of inspired follies?

- Shaw

ENDANGERED ITEM!!

Yes, there is an item that is slowly
disappearing in the Small Stores. At one
time it's population numbered near the
hundreds, but has now dropped to a mere
dozens. And when they're gone, there won't
be anymore.* Now may be your last op-
portunity to get one, take it home, and
protect it as you may.

As you must realize, the item to which
I am referring to is the majestic Banlon
Shirt (Synthetic banlonia). Large size
has already become extinct, but there is
still a limited opportunity to buy a
small, medium, or extra-large, and at
considerable savings. They cost us close
to $7.40 a few years ago. They are now
being sold for the low price of $5.00.
So hurry now, don't delay, you too can be
the last on your block to own one.

* Unless student interest dictates that
more should be ordered.
** Before getting your receipt, be
sure to check in the Small Stores to
make sure your size is in stock. Hurry
while supplies last!

Jim Keen

OTHER SPECIES

T-Shirts ...................... $2.30
Hooded Sweatshirts ........ $8.55
Light Jackets ................ $10.45
Heavy Jackets ............... $14.30
Banlon Shirts ............... $5.00
Patches ....................... $2.25
Stationery .................... $0.75
Decals ........................ $0.45
Notebook (3-ring) .......... $1.55

AMEN AND Hallelujah!

ENERGY CONFERENCE A SUCCESS

"There are no easy solutions, only
intelligent choices." This statement,
(from an ad for Caterpillar Tractor Co.),
characterizes the tone of last weekend's
energy conference, "Shaping Energy Policy:
Alternatives, Priorities, and Infrastructure.
This sobering conference was an example
of the maturation of the environmental
movement; it is no longer a naïve move-
ment with sensationalism. Notables
from industry and public positions en-
lightened an attentive audience on the
current and projected future status of
energy use, and attendant problems.

Ruth Fleischer, conference director,
judged the conference a great success.
She emphasized the conclusions of the
proceedings as one, "...almost any solution
has a long time frame,..." and two, "...very few solutions..." exist. Further,
though solutions are probably long range,
the director noted, the "...shortage is
here now...". According to Prof. Thorndike
of the U. of Rochester, solar energy looms
as the most feasible solution, as fossil
fuels and nuclear reserves can't last another
century. He judged wind energy generation
infeasible on a large scale.

Fleischer extended a warm thanks to ESF
for donating funds and the use of
Marshall Auditorium.

PIE THROW THANKS

I would like to thank all those who
donated so generously in the Pie Throw.
As a result, we raised over $400 for
Muscular Dystrophy. Special thanks to
Drs.: Payne, Stiteler, Maraviglia, Tepper,
Westfall, VanDruff, Christiansen, and
Brezner.
** ETC. **

** Check out the display on the 2nd floor of Bray Hall. Sue Thompson has a display that really shouldn’t be missed. Other exhibits will follow, so check back in two weeks for another display.

** It’s never too late to try and humor the Knothole staff with humor articles. If you could see us doing layout on Sunday night, you just might be inspired to give it a try!

** Exam Schedules are in 107 Bray. Or, if you just want a quick look, a complete schedule is mounted under the glass top of Moon Library’s front desk.

.THE QUAD IS SUPPOSED TO BE USED, NOT ABUSED!

Two Cents Worth...

Pie throwing, car washes, raffles, and the seemingly endless giving for a good cause. It finally came to an end this past weekend, climaxing in a 48 hour dance for the few that gave more than their money.

Muscular Dystrophy. Countless hours spend to raise money to help combat a disease that few on campus knew much, if anything, about. And the time was given freely- to help those who can’t help themselves Time not spend on studying or relaxing, and that makes the gift of the Marathon so much more unique and special, because the time was given when it is the commodity most in demand.

So to all who gave their time, money, spirit- and especially those who gave their legs: a special thanks- for caring enough to give yourselves.

JEX
ENERGY WASTE ON THE FORESTRY CAMPUS

Although ESF was recently named the most energy-efficient SUNY unit in the state, there still exist areas on campus where energy could be saved, particularly in Moon Library.

The library is a supposedly self-regulating environment which never seems quite warm or cool enough, depending on the season. Why this discrepancy? Look up to the skylights, for they’re your answer. They obviously aren’t there to provide light, since the same lights which are on at night remain on during the day. What then is their purpose? It appears highly logical that the skylights are a key element of a secret plan designed to increase student and staff discomfort to such an extent that no one will use the library, thus reducing wear and tear and prolonging the life-expectancy of the carpet. All that the skylights do is make the pain of studying sheer agony.

In the summer and on hot spring and fall days, the skylights act as a greenhouse, concentrating the incident solar radiation; thereby increasing the temperature of the library to an unbearable degree. This is slightly counter-productive, as the air conditioning system must now work harder and consume more energy than it otherwise would have. And to what end? In the winter, the skylights have the opposite effect. They re-radiate heat to the cold night sky as fast as the SU steam plant can supply it. Also, since everyone but the designers of Moon know that hot air rises, the heat generated to maintain a warm environment for people just sort of sits up there in the rafters, warming the air molecules 20 feet above the students, who are left with cold feet.

The solution? Raise the useless things? Board them up or whitewash the useless things? Put in a ceiling level with the rest of the library? Put in a ceiling, extend the elevator one floor up and establish a new college greenhouse?

I’m not quite sure what the solution is, but non-action is not a solution. It should be recognized that a design error was made and some of that abundant facilities reconstruction money should be put to use where it will directly benefit a substantially large proportion of the college community - the library.

Bill Coons

ORANGE TASSELS??!! (Oh, I’m sorry. I meant “Forest Russet”.)

This May 14, a commencement exercise will occur at Manley Field House, encompassing the Class of 1977 for both SU and ESF. Have you ever wondered why, as a graduate of the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry, you are required to attend commencement exercises which pay scant attention to the graduates themselves? I personally didn’t come to this college to graduate with a separate university’s students. I laud the close inter-relationship which exists between ESF and SU, but I do not believe that this relationship should be extended to the commencement exercise. The essence of the culmination of four years of education is the commencement exercise - a time when each individual rises and receives his degree, a far cry from the anonymity and inhospitality of a “graduation ceremony” at Manley. You receive no individual recognition of your educational efforts; you become an indistinguishable part of a mass. “The College of ESF - rise - be seated”...your undergraduate education is over. How personal. What individual recognition. How appropriate the orange tassel seems. Bunk!

I do not care to be insulted by Manley. We have our convocation and reception - I will attend these, for they are personal and ours. But Manley I will not tolerate. I see no reason why we here at ESF cannot have our own graduation ceremony. We are, after all, a separate institution with our own rights, privileges and honors.

Bill Coons

"IT ALL COMES TO AN END"
(Memories of 4 yrs. at ESF) by Richard A. Kaiser, Sr.

PART III

Do you also remember?.... Genetics lab during Spring Semester 1976--the incredible amount of work for one silly credit (spending hours and hours, day after day, trying to find a chromosome in a stage of division, and getting so frustrated with the method, never finding one, and having to use such old plants that probably wouldn’t have what we were looking for anyway--funny, the only way I finally found the objective was when another student in the lab did the preparation for me--well--he’s one of my best friends!!; having to go up three times... cont. on page 5.
WASHINGTON


In a late breaking story, the United States Department of National Standards and the Bureau of Statistics today co-released the results of its latest Paul Bunyan Poll, on the roles and importance of women foresters in the United States.

The survey reveals that 9 out of every 10 foresters will allow a woman to use their axe, providing she is wearing a flannel shirt.

This study also discovered the existence of a strange anti-order minority underground society at the SUNY College of ESF in Syracuse which has revolutionary ideas about she-stumpies. Led by a bearded Lenin-like campus hooligan, the group preaches of the charm, grace, and beauty of local forestry girls. The society furthers its beliefs by suggesting that given the opportunity, forestry girls are very likeable, and taking the limit as \( \lim_{x \to \infty} \), they approach being true sweethearts. The group concludes by saying that all spring fever romances be consumated by marriage, the third Saturday of May; and that when you die, your soul goes to a garage in Buffalo (Buffalo?).

The CIA is currently investigating.

Back to you Chet.

didn't say that, we could have covered more!... having to study for those darned "cumulative quizzes" (given weekly) as hard as a major test, due to the amount of material... registration being cut down from 3 to 2 days--and the spring semester lengthened by another week this year (did you realize that?)... Physical Plant and School of Diving trucks parked in front of the SU gym, blocking the major sidewalk for ESF students--how dumb!..."Do Not Reshelve Books" signs down on the right side of Moon Library in 1976-1977--but not on the left side--was the idea of the librarians an attempt to get students to shelve the easier-to-shelve periodicals by themselves!... getting an A in lab, and a D in lecture--does that make sense?--well, it happened to me in Genetics, Organic Chemistry, General Chemistry... the changes in the Marshall Street area--

TRI-STATE * TRI-STATE * TRI-STATE

This Friday at noon, the representatives from ESF will travel to Penn State to compete in Woodsmens' competition. This year, West Virginia, one of the three schools normally competing in the Tri-State meet, could not make it to Penn State. So, this year, Penn State and ESF will compete against each other in the following events:

**Bow Saw:**
- Dave Smith
- Mark Grasman
- Chuck Litty

**Cross Cut:**
- Mark Grasman-Jim Nelson
- Terry McManus-Joe Snyder
- Chuck Litty-Dave Smith

**Water Boil:**
- Bill Edmister-Jim Nelson
- Fritz Stohl-Ray Hahne
- Katy Kavanagh-Denise Wheeler

**Splitting:**
- Denise Wheeler
- Chuck Litty
- Tim Countryman

**Felling:**
- Bill Edmister
- Lew Becker
- Skip Hefferman

**Log Roll:**
- Terry McManus-Bill Morse
- Lew Becker-Nick Giannetino

**Chain Throw:**
- Joanne Meade
- Helana Hoover
- Chuck Litty

**Horizontal Speed Chop:**
- Joe Snyder
- Dan Stitzel
- Jim Nelson

**Vertical Speed Chop:**
- Dave Smith
- Mark Grasman
- Skip Hefferman
- Joe Snyder
- Denise Wheeler
- Tim Countryman
- Dan Parrent

**Axe Throw:**
- Walter Linck
- Ray Hahne
- Fritz Stohl
- Jim Nelson

**Pulp Throw:**
- Dan Stitzel-Bill Edmister
- Terry McManus-Nick Giannetino
- Bill Morse-Tim Countryman

**Pack Race:**
- Good Luck to all contestants! And remember: your hardest task will be to keep "Na" away from the bottle!
a day to check the blankety blank fruit flies—and then I found out at the end of the course that I could have used other people's data or bluffed my way through the report by knowing what was supposed to happen!)... of my teachers, Dr. Hartenstein and Dr. Dindal win as the ones to use the most amount of paper for their courses—at least the former uses both sides of a sheet... finding out in my senior year that Landscape Architecture was a harder—or at least more time-consuming in the workload—than my curriculum of Forest Biology... Dr. Wang's favorite expression during the Classification of the Plant Kingdom course, Spring 1976—"We don't have enough time"—if she cont. on page 4

ADOPT-A-LOT PROJECT

Reminder:
Please help us out throughout the rest of the semester. The nature trail will be improved into its ultimate condition; trees, vines and shrubs will be cut down or stabilized for wildlife use in the property; the pond will be checked and improved; ideas for the guide book for use along the trail will be greatly needed; and soon the multiflora rose and autumn olive will be planted as borders.

Meetings: Thursday evenings, 7 P.M., 238 Illick.

Times for working with others:
Saturday and Sunday mornings from 8 A.M.-12 Noon **
(weekday afternoons- 5-6 P.M.)
** You can come by the lot anytime during this period, and stay as short or long of a time as you want. A good idea for the probable many that prefer not to arise early on the weekends is to drop by in the later morning and work into the afternoon, when it will also be warmer.

Map and Sign-Up Sheet on door of 238 Illick Hall.

Call Kevin Lane at 476-7310 for directions, progress reports, your want to get involved, clarifications on times (when YOU want to help), information, etc.

SUMMER WORK-STUDIERS:

Students eligible for summer College Work-Study employment at the College's regional campuses and Syracuse should be available for interviews at the following times:

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* TBA - For specific date/hours of interviews, contact the Financial Aids office.

Interviews will be held in the Office of Financial Aid (111 Bray) or adjacent offices. No appointments are necessary. If you wish to familiarize yourself with current available positions, you may review the job descriptions on file in the Financial Aid Office. However, the positions available are similar to those described in the brochure you received with your financial aid package.

GOING OUT WEST THIS SUMMER?

If anyone here at the CESF is going out west to the Pacific coast states during the period June 19 to September 5 this summer, please feel free to drop in on me. I will be working in Olympic National Park at Kalaloch as a Park Aid. Since I will be sharing a trailer with two other guys, I may not be able to offer room, but I can familiarize you with the area and point out the sights. Hope to see some of you.

Bill Coons
Carroll's to Burger King, the old smoke shop into yet another grocery store, Record Runner into Record Theatre (just new management—the exact same place!), the new Campus Bake Shoppe, the Orange having to abide by a new law—closing at the "early" time of 2 A.M. rather than 3 A.M.; and then the features of the area—good ol' Varsity Pizza, cheap records at Spectrum, Thursday night at the Orange—when it's packed, also supposedly the night to"pick up"girls (what about Friday night?), Siegel's—the store that supposedly has "everything", an empty Baskin-Robbins store in January!, and the high prices of Tech Hi-Fi... Dr. Honig, the teacher of the lecture of Section 1 of General Physics 103 in Fall Semester 197—ha!, the low attendance due to his stuttering, not being able to figure out those crazy "C" problems, getting lost—a proof he was trying to do, getting confused on his explanations, and then the lecture material wasn't on the tests anyway... my hassles with Organic Chemistry—Dr. Schuerch in Fall Semester 1975—ha! of the class dropped the course after his first test, "telling" Dr. Schuerch at the end of his final exam—"All I want is a D!"—and it worked!—he remembered me as the one who wrote that!, somehow getting a D in Organic Chemistry II lecture, but it seemed like Dr. LaLonde was being nice to me and others who were taking the course in their junior year (after failing I in their sophomore year)—he wanted to get rid of us, just like we wanted to get rid of the course, 25% of the lab grade is purely determined by the cont. page 7.

BIRD OF THE WEEK

The yellow-shafted flicker (Colaptes auratus) is one of our largest woodpeckers. This eleven-inch member of the family Picidae (Order Piciformes) inhabits the open woodland areas in New York State. The spring migration of flickers into our area is usually well under way by the end of April.

These handsome woodpeckers are heavily marked with spots and bars. The brown back has black bars which extend across the upper part of the wings. Black spots cover the buff-white breast and belly. The undersurface of the wing and tail feathers is a bright golden-yellow. As adults, both sexes have a "beard" (black breast patch), but only the male wears a black "mustache" beneath the eye. The red patch on the nape of the neck and the white rump are good characteristics for field identification.

Like other woodpeckers, flickers pick wood-boring insects from tree trunks and branches with their strong, pointed bills. The stiff tail is used as a prop (helps to support the bird as it climbs). Unlike other woodpeckers, flickers are often seen on the ground where they eat ants. Because of this ground-feeding habit, flickers may be found on open lawns and sidewalks with robins, grackles and starlings.

The calls of the flicker are loud and varied. A laughing "ah-ah-ah-ah-ah-ah" call can be heard for long distances. Other calls include a "ful-lick" of "flick-er-flick-er-er." Sometimes a shrill "a-ow" call is given.

—Thomas Ventiquattro
lab instructor, instead of having a final exam—totally unfair, because the teacher/could simply not like you and so drop your grade—I got a C rather than a deserved A, because I think he didn't like the length of my reports (writeups) ... life amidst the Bronskis in Grover Cleveland Hall during 1975-1976 (you need to ask me what their name means—it is unfit for publication) ... life in Vernon Cottage (formerly on the corner of East Adams Street and University Avenue) for my first semester—known as the "Red Pig", its residents "Piggers", one of SU's "temporary housing" units, but it was destroyed in early 1974—well SU seems to have an affection for vacant lots (look around you!) ... the waste in energy of the skylights in Moon Library (when they are on when it is bright and sunny or hot outside) ... soda can tabs being pulled off upstairs in Moon Library while you're trying to read or study ... wanting to go drinking after a test ... Finally, the opening of the Student Activities Center ... Dr. Dindal realizing at 2/3 through the semester that his class ended at 11:35 A.M., and not 11:30 A.M. (Terrestrial Community Ecology, Spring 1977) ... the fun of Cranberry Lake Biological Station—going "into town" on Friday night, 8:00 A.M. classes, going to see the bears, volleyball, artist's conks, black flies—aaagh!, Forsaith Bog, and even good food! ... My best teacher awards go to, in order, Dr. Ketchledge, Dr. Hartenstein, and Dr. Gratzer—they know their stuff! ... how 1 credit courses require more work than 3 credit courses ... my hardest semester—my last (now)—but I'm taking the least number of credits ever—13—figure that one out --(the less credits one takes, the more work you have) ... finding out that I should have been in the Resources Management curriculum anyway, when looking over job preferences (background)—like with the National Park Service ... not knowing what you're doing after graduation—just hopefully some sort of job ... disappointed, when I realize that my four years were not too worth it—at least for grades, and that my future and jobs can not depend on them, and so any effort I put in for the grades! ... But I am so glad I will soon no longer have to take notes while reading an interesting article, or cram knowledge for tests, or pull all-nighters ... ah, it will be so much more fun—and pleasure! ... THANKS.

"THE END"

(I will have a much longer, more enjoyable, full-length edition of this idea of mine as soon as possible. Anybody can read it. Contact me.)

Reminder:
The CLASS OF 1977 of THE COLLEGE OF ENVIRONMENTAL SCIENCE AND FORESTRY is INVITED TO A PARTY, THIS SATURDAY, APRIL 23, STARTING 8:30 P.M. at 615 Walnut Avenue. Please call to tell me you would like to come. Guests and all members of the Backyard Nature Program are also invited. Call 476-5924 now.

DON TARBET

COLLOQUIA ON COMPUTER SEARCHING

On Monday, April 25, at 10:40am, a talk and demonstration on computer searching in the sciences at SU will be given by Pauline Miller, a librarian at SU's ELS library. The talk will be presented in the Library Conference Room. All are welcome to attend.

HEY, IT'S MY GRASS TOO!

AND I'D RATHER SEE IT GREEN!
**ER 362b. Graduate Fortran (1) credit**

- **Lecture:** M-W-F 9:35 - 10:30
- **Lab:** M-W-F 10:30 - 11:35
- **T-Th-Sat-Sun 6:00 am - 5:00 am

Recommended for students with a major in Computer Engineering with a minor in forestry. This course is to be taken in conjunction with ER 362a. **Forest Trivia Systems (3) credits.**

**Prerequisites:**
1. At least four graduate level Fortran courses and twenty-five years programing experience with the Forest Service. —or—
2. Junior class status.

(This year's best dressed stumpy award is awarded to both Frank Scala and Tim Barnard.

(Congratulations to Joyce for action above and beyond duty in the fight against Muscular Dystrophy.

(The sun never shines in Syracuse, but the skylight in Bray goes on forever!

("I see", said the blind man, as he picked up his hammer and saw.

(Stiteler skips his own class to get a pie in his face...

(Sweathogs wanted: For impossible lasting relationship. Call Skemanski at 478-5421.

(A whole week of sunshine in Syracuse? They must do it with mirrors!

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**LET NATURE TO HER STUFF ON THE QUAD...**

**SAVE THE GRASS FOR SOMETHING BETTER THAN SAVING TIME...**

**FRI. April 22:** 7-8:30 pm  Saengerbund- the Forestry Chorus. Marshall Auditorium.

**SAT. April 23:** All day.

**MON. April 25:** 7:30 pm 8:30 pm  The Woodmen's Team will attend the Tri-State meet at Penn State. We wish all participants the best of luck.

**THURS. April 28:** 11:50-1:00 pm  Forest Zoology Seminars. Mary Wright will talk on "Work on the St Lawrence River" 2nd Floor Conference Room (Illick).

**THURS. April 28:** 7:30 pm  Mr. John Ferrell, Reclamation Consultant for Allied Chemical, will be discussing his limestone quarry reclamation work at Jamesville Quarry. Room 212 Marshall.

**TUES. May 3:**   LAST DAY OF CLASSES OF THE SPRING SEMESTER 1977!

**THURS. May 5:**  EXAMS (Tum-da-da-tum.)  Exam schedules can be obtained in 107 Bray