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FEINSTONE ENVIRONMENTAL AWARDS

The first annual Feinstone Environmental Awards program will take place Tuesday, April 6, at the State University of New York College of Environmental Science and Forestry. Five individuals will be named as recipients of $1,000 awards for their voluntary contributions to improving the environment, and former Supreme Court Justice William O. Douglas will be presented with the Honorary Feinstone Award.

The selection of Douglas, and the confirmation of the 5 winners from the more than 100 nominations from across the country, was made today by Dr. Russell W. Peterson, chairman of the Council on Environmental Quality who is serving as chairman of the awards' board of directors.

Peterson also announced that the awards address will be presented by Elvis J. Stahr, president of the National Audubon Society, at 7 p.m. in Marshall Auditorium on the ESF campus. A reception will follow to honor the recipients.

The Environmental Awards were initiated by ESF after an alumnus, Sol Feinstone, established a $100,000 endowment to support the program. Through the Environmental Awards, Mr. Feinstone hopes to recognize people who do things "simply because they should be done for the good of society." He believes that the best insurance for a free people lies in their desire and ability to voluntarily do what needs to be done for the common good. The environmental movement has been characterized by volunteerism, and it is this element that Feinstone wishes to highlight.

The April 6 awards program, which constitutes one of the College's Bicentennial events, is open to the public.

CAREER SERVICES PROGRAM SCHEDULE

The following is the Career Services Program Schedule for the remainder of the semester. Follow-up reminders on these events will appear in the Knothole prior to their presentation. Any additions to the program will appear in future Knothole issues. All interested persons are encouraged to attend these functions.

April 7 (Wed.) Library Resources for Your Career Planning

A "how to" workshop acquainting students with specific library resources and their many uses.
7:30 pm
Moon Library Conf. Rm.

April 8 (Thurs) Nifkin Hours - A career contact program. Area alumni will be invited to visit campus and speak with students and faculty about their fields.
4:30-6:00 pm
Nifkin Lounge

April 13 (Tues) Planning for Graduate Study

A program designed especially for Juniors.
7:00 pm
William F. Sheldon
Coordinator of Career Services

NOTICE:

Would the ______ who "permanently borrowed" EXOTICA, series 3, by Alfred Byrd Graf, from the reference section of the library please return it? This is a much needed reference source for many ESF students. Since the book has been "permanently borrowed" three times in the past at a cost of approximately $75/book, I do not see how the library can keep supporting these few ______ with their personal desires. BRING BACK THAT BOOK!

John W. Ozard
EDITORIAL

At the risk of slitting my own throat, I would like to comment on a campaign statement made by Mr. Hertzog in the last Knothole. He implied that, given a more respectable looking budget to work with, the Knothole would prove itself a much more valuable asset to communication within this college.

I can assure Mr. Hertzog, with the experience that the past year has provided, that budget matters are the least of the paper's problems. Even with a budget as copious as that of a high school newspaper, a lack of persons with the time or initiative to get out and hunt down news and information is, to say the least, a hindrance to quality. It's unfortunate that those students at this college with some writing ability and some questions can't find the time, first to talk with the people with answers, then to share these answers with others. (You know you're out there, since you were obviously able to bluff your way through the application forms for ESF.)

Those of a more mercenary persuasion should consider some of the standard benefits of working on a college "newspaper." To wit: looks good on the record, opportunity to meet people, practical experience, exercise, and so forth.

Mechanically, the Knothole costs about fifteen hours per week to produce, or on the average, one and one half hours per staff member. Creatively, what could you do with one and one half hours? It might be an interesting alternative to the kind of activity this environment requires generally.

Sue Rogers

TO THE EDITOR:

As a member and Captain of the Forestry Basketball Club I feel the urgency to respond to a recent article in the Knothole, in which Phil Hertzog, a candidate for Student Association, accuses the club of abuse of funds.

Of the money allocated to our club, all is accounted for in an itemized budget submitted to the Student Association each year. As for paying $1,000 to our coach, I don't see any correlation to abuse. We compete on a college level against teams with much higher budgets and scholarship players. To expect to compete at all without a qualified coach, which is very hard to obtain for only $1,000, would be like expecting you to drive a car without a steering wheel.

I'm the first to admit that our 2-16 record of the past year is far from fantastic, but then again so was our support from the student body. Players on the team put in 10 to 15 hours a week in practice for four months of the year. For all that work it is not easy to keep up your spirits after losing almost every game, but the guys on the team did.

I'd like to agree that the Bob Marshall Club is probably underfunded, so let them do the work the Basketball Club does of submitting an itemized budget. I won't be here next year, but I hope the shortsightedness of people like Mr. Hertzog doesn't keep the Basketball Club from returning.

People who did attend our games this year know we weren't nearly as bad as our record would indicate, and a little support from the student body next year could help give the team a record more indicative of their ability.

Thanx,

Peter J. Kosloski
I've spent two years not saying anything at a lot of things at this school. Before I graduate, I'm going to. Here goes....

First ----

Whoever wrote the article about the budget cuts......in reference to "the only school of Environmental Science" offering a "professional degree", you're full of bullshit! You forgot Morrisville Ag & Tech and Paul Smith's College, not to mention Cornell.

Secondly----

To Jim Keehn...........

I've heard of fabricating political stands, but this is ridiculous. It seems to me that several times our present Second Vice-President has asked for student input. What's he supposed to do, twist arms? Not only that, but without requests for items how can he justify to the college their purchase? I happen to know that inventories are kept to predict selling trends and that you used to work there last semester. I wonder why you don't anymore. The hooded sweatshirts? Where have I heard of that before?

I think it was our Second Vice-President asking for input on the idea. Personally, I think anyone who stoops so low as to wrong another person is a jerk and anyone who votes for Mr. Keehn deserves what they get.

Thirdly----

To all those who think the Student Council is useless...........

It basically is. I know, I've served my time. You can never get anything done. However, they do serve as a necessary liason between students and administration. In that light, this election lets see some more LA's, WPE's and not such an unproportional number of RM's and Forest Bio's.

And Lastly----

Only 59 days to go! THANK GOD!! Mike French

"New Responsibilities"

WHEN I WAS YOUNGER, a friend of mine told me a story about Pete, a mutual friend of ours. Pete was a mechanic in a local garage. One afternoon in early December an elderly lady drove into the station and asked that her tires be rotated. Obligingly, Pete did so, despite the cold winter temperatures and small talk with his customer. Eventually, the conversation led to Pete's asking why the woman decided to rotate her tires in the winter, and she replied, "It's my husband—he wants me to do it whenever the children visit so he can tell them they should rotate their tires like I did." The woman was, obviously, doing the right thing for the wrong reason.

Forestry is the study of ecology in the forest, and the application of this knowledge is for the benefit of man's social or economic wants. The forest of today is a delicately balanced system that eventually may be upset by man's intrusions for timber or desires for rural environs. Foresters are trained to maximize the benefits the wilds hold, and phrases like "optimum benefit" and "benefit-cost-ratio" are dogma. In the rush to utilize this resource are unmistakable cookbook methods that follow the activities of forest developers—fortunately, "ecology" is the keyword. It is understood, and most certainly is common sense, that forest products are needed in the world economy. Therefore, knowledge of clearcutting techniques and landscape architecture is more in depth in scope than an understanding of the original undisturbed balance of the original forest. Why isn't this knowledge empirical, and why the tendency for over-generalization when discussing ecological concepts? Perhaps it's because of the lack of researchers. But as foresters, we should all make a contribution in this direction towards greater intrinsic understanding of the forest.

In this era of dwindling resources, the future forester must comprehend just what the relationship is between current forest utility and future production. Otherwise, when the time comes to renew this natural resource society will wonder why the forester can't reproduce timber on a scale necessary to meet future demands. And people will point and say, "Those ecologists were doing the right thing, but for the wrong reason."

Bill Brooks
Class of 1977
**PEERING SPEAKER**

OSHA REGULATIONS AS APPLIED TO THE CONSTRUCTION-INDUSTRY will be the topic of the Wood Engineer's Club meeting on Thursday night, March 25th. Ms. Joyce Tentor will lead the discussion and present the movie, "THE MAN FROM O.S.H.A." The meeting will be in room 303 Baker Lab at 7:30 pm and is open to the ESF community.

Diane G. Ronnenberg

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**S.A.F. NEWS**

The time has come to think about S.A.F. student chapter elections of officers and council members. Elections will be held the evening of April 1st (Thursday), with room and time announced at least 2 days prior to the meeting. Nominations for all positions will also take place at this time by the present council members. Only those student members attending will be allowed to vote unless an absentee ballot is used. New officers will conduct the last meeting of the year.

The month of April promises to present a few more chapter activities which may interest the student body. There will be a presentation, pending council approval, by D.E.C. Regional Forester Edward Karsh on "Fire Control Techniques" used in New York State. The 2-3 hour talk may include films or slides and will begin at 7 pm, Tuesday, April 13. Place to be announced.

During the week before, the student chapter hopes to present a lecture by a member of the Adirondack Park Agency. Keep watch for the exact day, time and place of this event.

Of interest to some students may be the 1976 Northeastern Logger's Congress, April 11-14 at the Queensbury Hotel, Glens Falls, New York. The student chapter wishes to suggest attendance of this congress if students wish to be exposed to new harvesting and woodworking equipment and mingle with some of the big men of the industry. There is a registration fee. For more details contact the student chapter secretary.

D.P. Paradowski

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**ESF AMERICAN FISHERIES SOCIETY**

Talk, Slides on a fisheries Peace Corps experience

On Wednesday, March 31, at 7pm, the ESF Chapter of the American Fisheries Society will present former ESF student Marilyn Chakroff. She will speak and show slides of her three years Peace Corps experience culturing fish in the Phillipines.

For those interested in a career in fisheries biology, we will present some of the information available on this profession and where to obtain it. All are welcome, come to 251 Illick.

Rick DiCapua