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OPEN FORUM
stand and be heard

On Monday, Nov. 28th at 7:30 pm in Nifkin Lounge, an open forum will be held. The main topic of debate will be: Undergraduate Academic Advising— or the Lack of It. Several speakers will be present to stimulate discussion and answer questions. The purpose of the forum is to find out what is wrong with the present system and to get some ideas for improvement. If you undergrads don't show, that means you must think that the present situation is just fine. If you think there is room for improvement, be there the Monday night after Thanksgiving. The floor will be completely open for your comments and questions after the speakers have spoken. See you there. This Open Forum is sponsored by YOUR Student Council.

NYPIRG NEWS

Thursday, Nov. 10, Ralph Willmer of NYPIRG spoke on the current status of the bottle-bill in N.Y. State. Right now, 8% of our solid waste is made up of beverage containers. The bottle-bill would provide for a 5¢ deposit on each beverage container returned— these could then be recycled. This is only a beginning which could lead to the production of beverage containers which would be used more than once. If you are interested in working on getting information to the public on the bottle-bill contact the NYPIRG office (basement of Marine Midland bank on Adams St.). Think about it the next time you toss a can or bottle away.

BMC FILM

On Wednesday, Nov. 30, the Bob Marshall Club will present "Of Rivers and Men", a film about New York State's wild rivers. Look for signs and see the November 29th Knothole for time, place and further details.

Nominate A Prof. Today!

The Student Nominating Committee for the 1977-78 Series of the Chancellor's Awards for Excellence in Teaching has now been organized and is seeking suggestions from the student body. Send the name of faculty candidates, along with a brief written summary of qualifications, to Ed Frankowski, Chairman of the Student Nominating Committee. Please send these recommendations to Mr. Frankowski's student mailbox in the basement of Marshall Hall no later than Nov. 29, 1977.

ESF BBALL

The ES&F Basketball Club has already started their season. The Knothole will publish the game schedule in blocks so all loyal stumpy fans will be able to attend the games and help support the "Mean Green Machine!"

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Home Game played in the Women's Building.
To the Editor:

This past Saturday (Nov. 12 around noon) I went to Moon Library to study. It hadn’t occurred to me that there was a home football game, but since it was a Syracuse University event I thought I’d be able to park behind Moon like I always do on weekends. However, on this day, I met several policemen who told me I could not park there. After talking my way past two officers, a third officer told me to turn around (behind the west end of Marshall Hall) and to leave. I asked him why and he said...“other students have tried to park here to go to the library; you’re not the first and you won’t be the last.” I then asked him who the lot is reserved for (since it was 2/3 full). He responded...“for the police and press.” I did not see one police or security vehicle there and find it hard to believe that there could be so many press cars. (Is it also typical to see the press bring their wives, children, and friends and to have “tailgate parties?” I think not.)

I feel some procedure should be set up whereby ES&F students should be allowed to park in a SUNY lot regardless of what event is going on at the “other” school. If there is some agreement between the two schools on parking issues, how about letting us, the students, know about it.

Steve Jaffe

DON'T MISS THE OPEN FORUM
Mon. Nov. 28 - 7:30 pm
Nifkin Lounge
Bring IDEAS, CRITICISMS & YOURSELF!

COMMUNICATE!

We, the Freshman class officers, have often asked you, the freshman class members to communicate with us. The next logical question is: "About What?" It is for this reason that we have provided you with a list of things we are now considering:

1) A Freshman Class Advisor.
   (In the interest of being discrete, the main choices will not be listed at this time, but please ask!) We need some helpful suggestions.

2) A New and Different Party Idea.
   We would like to have something other than just a plain old dance or party. Most of the freshman class has been involved in past activities that were fun, fairly inexpensive, and brought everyone together. Let’s hear some ideas!

3) A Service Project.
   It has been suggested that our class help improve student publications, or form a bulletin board brigade, or revise the student handbook. What do you think?
   If you have comments or questions, leave a note in either the A, B, D, P, or W slot of the student mailboxes (located in the basement of Marshall Hall), or stop either Tim, Abe, Diane, Laurie or Dave in the hall after Botany.

Thanks,
Abe Paradeses
How much is one part per million?
Well, it's like:
- 1 minute in two years;
- 1 inch in 16 miles;
- 1 ounce of salt in 62,500 pounds of sugar;
- 1 ounce of gin in 7,530 gallons of vermouth.

Now maybe it's a little easier to gauge the death-dealing capabilities of some of our pesticides and poison residues which are measured in ppm.

A sign at the entrance of the Pleasure Gardens of Ceylon, India, reads:

"If you with litter will disgrace
And spoil the beauty of this place
May indigestion wrack your chest
And ants invade your pants and vest."

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**AWRA**

American Water Resources Association

On Saturday, Nov. 12, the student chapter of the American Water Resources Association (AWRA) took a trip to OBrien and Cere Engineers to see their water quality laboratory. Mr. Tom DeMayo, a chemist there, explained to us just what sort of jobs his lab does: analysis of drinking water, sewage, stream sediments, etc., and a big project on the PCBs in the Hudson River. It costs about $80 per sample to analyze the PCBs. Among other things, they test the water and sediment samples for metals, BOD (biological oxygen demand), TOC (total organic carbon) and COD (chemical oxygen demand). Mr. DeMayo explained how the various machines were used, and the procedures involved in the analyses.

When asked how the firm was set up, he said there are several main parts: marketing, research of clients' needs, design of project, surveyors and construction inspectors, and research for trouble shooting any bugs in the newly built project, including the water quality lab. To get a job in a lab like this, you should have a BS or MS in chemistry or chemical engineering.

The student chapter of AWRA is planning future trips to other firms dealing with different aspects of water resources. Come & join us!

Dianne Monge
treasurer, AWRA

**DON'T FORGET TO CHECK YOUR STUDENT MAILBOX BEFORE THANKSGIVING VACATION!**

The Knothole now meets every Tuesday at 6:00 pm in the basement of Bray. Spend an hour before you hit those books to help out on your school newspaper!
Northern Shrike  \textit{Lanius excubitor borealis}

This bird of the cold north is an irregular winter visitor to New York State. Although it is never a commonly seen bird, once you know its general habits and where to look for it, it should be quite easy to remember.

In general, the Northern Shrike has habits very similar to the Kestrel. In the winter, a solitary bird perched on the top of a tree or a telephone pole in open country could either be a shrike or a kestrel. However, a perched kestrel has a characteristic "tail wag" which the shrike does not. Furthermore, a shrike would not hover in one spot. Shrikes, when they leave their perch, dive down toward the ground, and fly a straight arrow course only a few inches above the ground, rising suddenly to perch in the next tree. In this way, by flying low and fast, they are able to surprise their prey.

Shrikes feed on small rodents such as mice, moles, and voles; salamanders, lizards, frogs and other small animals. They have a very interesting habit which has earned them the nickname "butcher bird". Shrikes often go on hunting sprees, catching more prey than they can use at one time. However, not to waste all this extra food, shrikes will form a 'larder', caching all their prey by impaling them on the thorns of locust and hawthorn trees, and even on barbed wire fences.

-Joe Johnson

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**ATTENTION ERM SENIORS:**

Please Read and React to the Petition Posted on the bulletin board located in the basement of MARSHALL.

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CONGRATULATIONS!

On Friday, Nov. 11, Bill Stebbins and Steve Heller joined the ranks of the distinguished "Ten-Gallon Club." Not only were they the first new members of the 1977-78 school year, but also the first members since 1975. We would like to thank all of those who attended their induction and helped make it an extremely memorable event.

Saengerbund meets every Wed. night at 7:00 in Marshall Aud. Come sing out at this new time!
MORE CULTURE

I hope that I shall never see
Another quiz about a tree.

A tree whose leaves may be serrate
Or then again may be dentate.

A tree whose leaves may be compound
Unless just simple leaves are found.

A tree whose buds can't be mistaken
Until the day a test is taken.

A tree whose latin name can mean
A nut, capsule, legume or bean.

Tests are flunked by fools like me
To whom a bush looks like a tree.

—J. Kilmer of '52

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ANNOUNCING

...the 3rd Annual Knothole Creativity Contest!

This year's Creativity Contest will be held at the beginning of next semester, we just wanted to let you know early so everyone would have a chance to work on their entries during Thanksgiving and Christmas vacations.

The categories for this year will be: Poetry, Cartoons, Artwork and a Feature Page. The Feature page can deal with any subject, but we would prefer one dealing with an environmental or natural history topic. It should be a presentation, not an essay on the subject. This presentation can include poems, artwork or sketches, as well as the written explanation.

All entries should be submitted to the Knothole mailbox in the basement of Marshall, and must include your name, class, address and phone number.

Cash prizes are awarded to the winning entries— so create your heart away!

ERM SCHOLARSHIPS

FIRST PRIZE: $1,000
SECOND PRIZE: $500

The Northeastern Loggers' Association, publishers of the Northern Logger and Timber Processor, is sponsoring a scholarship program this year. A total of four cash awards will be made: $1,000 and $500 to juniors in four-year programs and $1,000 and $500 to second-year students in two-year programs. Awards will be based primarily on the quality of an essay, no more than 1,000 words in length, on the topic: "Wood: a viable source of energy for America." Other considerations will be the students' work experience and scholastic record. Illustrations should accompany the essay and should be from three to five black and white 5" x 7" photos, drawings, diagrams or charts.

Junior students in SERM wishing to enter the competition should submit two copies of their essay, together with a one-page typed resume and a transcript of college credits, to the Dean, School of Environmental and Resource Management, 319 Bray Hall, on or before Friday, December 16, 1977. A committee of faculty appointed by the Dean will select two nominees from those submitting essays. Winners will be announced in March, 1978.

DID YOU KNOW?

People can be divided into 3 groups: Those that make things happen, Those that watch things happen, And those that wonder what happened.
Why do all B'ville centaurs look like Joe?
Join χο, the surveyor's fraternity.
ATTN: All ERM Seniors! "Matrix Contest"
To win, just invert the largest matrix!
1st prize: A pair of season tickets to the Tiberius Cunia lecture series.
2nd prize: A one-way ticket to Heiburg Forest.
All entrees must be done by hand. No APL terminals allowed. Contest void where prohibited by law.
Q. What does Dr. Bennett do with all those economics books in his office?
A. Paper trains his dogs.
Dr. Frank Smith: We still want a guest lecture from Dr. Harvey Stack on Beaver control, management, and manipulation techniques.
STOP this semester, I want to get off!
Liz, let's hear on of those primal screams.
Question from Tully: Will a cut tree take root?
For the Kiss of Mono, see Chris.
For the Kiss of Death, see Reeko.
Recipe for making a Tree Falls:
1 chainsaw + 2 pevies + 4 crewpersons + 1 T.A. + 1 skiddier.
Well Bufo, she's a 'burpin'
And Frank, he is a-'slurpin'.
He just don't know what to do,
He's got the Stack Island Blues.
An elephant never forgets, FFFghm!
Yes 'm Sweet'ums, honey-pie, darling, dear: Mister, Sir.
Because it's Val's Birthday.
How many of this kind of yogurt did you buy?

Catchall was set up to capture the unique and sometimes trivial things that occur in the lives of people at ES & F. In many ways, Catchall has become a corner for private jokes and written attacks against fellow students and faculty. Catchall is meant to publish some of these gems of human error, but when it is at the expense of another person who has no means of defending themself, or when it dominates the issue, then it no longer serves its purpose. So keep those Catchall bits and pieces coming, but keep the snide comments and private jokes to tell to your own friends. Thank you.

-Cek

WED. NOV. 23: Noon. Thanksgiving vacation officially begins. Have a happy turkey day!
MON. NOV. 28: 7:30 pm. Open Forum in Nifkin Lounge. Open to all students, faculty, administration, and staff.
TUE. NOV. 29: Greenhouse Cutting Sessions in the Illick Greenhouse (5th floor). Sessions are held at 2:00, 3:00, and 4:00. Sign-up sheet is located on the door of 351 Illick Hall.
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FRI. NOV. 2: 4:30 to 8:00 College-wide TGIF sponsored by the College Activities Committee. Beer, cider, munchies. All students, faculty and staff welcome.
SAT. NOV. 3: All Day. Botany Club Trip to Howe Caverns. Sign-up sheet posted on the door of 351 Illick Hall.

Have a Good Thanksgiving
(and don't get too "stuffed")

The Knothole Staff