STUDENT COUNCIL OFFICERS NEEDED

During the summer 3 council positions have become vacant. The positions of 2 S.U. senators and the position of Rep. to the Board of Trustees as well are open. These positions will be filled by letters of intent submitted to council. Anyone who is interested in helping to form student policy and get involved is encouraged to submit a letter outlining their interest. Letters will be accepted until Oct. 9th and may be dropped off at the student council mailbox. If anyone has any questions regarding these positions please feel free to stop down to the office anytime it's open or come to our meetings Monday nights at 7:00 in Moon Conference Room.

Also don't forget that elections are going to be held soon for Junior representatives and Junior class chairperson. Elections will be held on Oct. 8th and 9th and any Junior can be nominated. Watch for the nomination forms and information if you're interested. This is your chance to get involved, so don't pass it up.

PAPER AND ALUMINUM DRIVE

The ESF Paper Recycling Club is off to a great start this semester, thanks to everyone who attended our first meeting. Our guest speaker, Lee Gechas of Westcott Recycles, was most informative and inspiring. Our next meeting will be held on Monday, Sept. 29 at 7:30 p.m. in 212 Marshall, and anyone with an interest in recycling is invited to attend. Our first drive of the semester will be held on Friday, Oct. 3, from 8 a.m. till 4 p.m. in the Moon Library parking lot. Be part of the solution to our waste problem—bag, bundle, and RECYCLE!

Sue Danheiser
Treasurer
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Editorial

TO THE FACULTY MEMBERS AND GRADUATE STUDENTS:

The Knothole may be published by undergraduate students at ESF, but that doesn't mean that it is meant only for other undergraduates. Faculty members and graduate students are always welcome to contribute articles, make suggestions, or help out. ESF is a community, and I'd like to have the Knothole be more of an expression of that relationship.

In an effort to include items of interest to the faculty and grad students, I've put in a few announcements about fellowships, post-doctoral opportunities, etc. Please let me know whether or not you'd like me to continue publishing such articles.

Thank you for your cooperation!

Ellen Carpentier
Editor

Attention Faculty:

FACULTY GRANTS FOR THE IMPROVEMENT OF UNDERGRADUATE INSTRUCTION 1980-81

The program seeks to encourage scholarly and creative activities which lead directly to the improvement of undergraduate instruction. Direct improvement is the key, projects which can be immediately incorporated into an undergraduate course. Emphasis will be placed upon proposals which seem to be innovative in methodology and substance.

All applications are evaluated under procedures and deadlines established by the Central Awards Committee. Awards will be announced by the Chancellor of the University in early February.

Application forms and other pertinent information may be reviewed in the Office of Academic Programs, 227 Bray Hall.

THE ABSOLUTE DEADLINE FOR RECEIPT OF ALL APPLICATIONS FOR AWARDS IS 3 NOV. 1980

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Dear Fellow ESF'ers:

Yes, that means staff, faculty, and administrators as well as students. As many of you have probably noticed, numerous renovations have been conducted in Nifkin Lounge. The Lounge has received a new paint job, new carpeting, and the furniture has been reupholstered, all at great cost. It is the responsibility of everyone at the college to take care of Nifkin and its new appearance. Nifkin is used by many students for relaxing, socializing, partying, and studying, as well as by the administrators, faculty, and staff for meetings, conferences, etc. Therefore, everyone should take part in helping to keep Nifkin in good shape: try to keep the flood of spilled beer at social events minimal, don't abuse the furniture, don't crush out cigarettes on the carpets or furniture, and pick up all your trash. If everyone shows a little concern, it should be very easy to maintain Nifkin in good condition.

And that goes for the rest of the campus! In the past, our school has always been very neat and clean. This creates a comfortable atmosphere in which to work, teach, study, and learn. This is a tradition which should be kept alive through the efforts of the entire college community. Isn't it enough that we have to battle the garbage that will be left by the herds of people who will be trampling through our campus on their way to and from the Carrier Dome? Most everyone has done an excellent job of maintaining our campus. Let's keep up the good work!

Brian Cypher

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BOTANY CLUB UPDATE

At our first Botany Club meeting of the year we decided on the destinations of our fall field trips. The weekend of October 4th and 5th we will be going to Blue Mountain Lake for our collection trip. Sunday, October 12th, is the date of the fall foliage trip to Robert H. Treman State Park in Ithaca. And, of course, this weekend is the annual winery tour (sign up on Illick 352). Plus...keep watching the Knothole for dates of Botany Club speakers. Everyone is invited for lots of fun.

Saengerbund; German for Singing Club

ESP's choir is back this year and looking for interested students and faculty to join us to help make a good semester. We're trying out some new ideas this year and need voices of every range to make us heard.

We're really excited about making this a successful year and hope to get both student and faculty to join us in doing so.

Stop in and check us out. We meet Mondays 7:00–9:00 p.m. in Nifkin Lounge. Come and join us for some fun and singing!

George Coulter—President
Margaret Parent—Lib/accomp.
Juniors

Here's another one for Jr's. Eyes Only

On Oct. 8 and 9, elections will be held for the offices of Jr. class school reps. and Jr. class chairperson. These are responsible positions. The class chairperson coordinates all activities of the class, maintains appropriate financial records and organizes the Jr. representatives. The school reps. communicate the needs of the student body to council, assist in coordinating all social and educational council events and volunteer time and services to the benefit of ESF. Nominations are being accepted for these positions until Oct. 3. (See related article, this issue.)

Elections will run in the following manner: Tables will be set up on Oct. 8 and 9. Bring your ID card when you vote. At the time you vote, your ID will be stamped and you will sign a school roster to show that you voted. You will receive a ballot containing the names of the candidates. You may only vote for a maximum of three (3) school reps. from your school. (i.e. a student in Forestry could vote only for Forestry school reps.) Now comes the tricky part. All Juniors may vote for one (1) candidate for the office of Junior Class Chairperson. Each junior may, then, vote for up to three school reps. and Jr. class chairperson. All voting will be done by secret ballot. No write-in votes will be accepted.

Doug Daley
1st Vice President
Student Council
Elections Comm.

There was a general, introductory meeting of the Backyard Nature Program, the college's environmental education group, held on Tuesday. We team-teach a basic course in urban ecology and nature to 3rd through 5th graders in area elementary schools. A minimal time commitment is required and no experience in teaching or ecology is needed! Everyone is welcome and needed to teach (it's a lot of fun, too!)

If you missed the meeting and have any questions, please contact Steve Kane (474-9802) or Heidi Wilson (423-7636).

Yearbook!

Any club wishing to have a group picture in the 1981 Empire Forester should arrange now to have their picture taken. Policy for club pictures will be that they are to be accompanied by a brief article on the club's aims and purposes, as well as a description of the different events they hold throughout the year. Candiids will also be accepted, although we reserve the right to limit the number of candids printed for any club. If possible, we would like club presidents to designate one of their members to take pictures on their various field trips and events, in case our staff photographers are unable to be there. All prints submitted for publication should be black and white glossies if at all possible. We are also looking for pictures from the 1979 Warrensburg and 1980 Cranberry Lake field sessions.

1980 yearbooks are still available for those who did not purchase them last year. They are $5.00 and can be bought during council hours. 1981 books can be ordered during Small Stores. Their cost is $7.50.

Karin Naslund
Empire Forester
Annual B.B.Q.

When: Sat. Oct. 11th
Where: Heiberg Forest; Tully, N.Y.
Who: You!! All E.S.F. Grads, Undergrads, Alumni, Faculty & Staff, etc.

- Free Buses
- Chicken B.B.Q.
- Further details on ticket sales, bus schedules & practice sessions.

Schools of Forestry; L.A.; B.C.+E.; & E.R.E.
Alumni, Faculty & Staff...

Teams needed for the following events:

Woodmen's Events
- Felling & Twitching
- Log Roll
- Horiz. Speed Chop
- Axe Throw
- Pulp Toss For Accuracy
- Bow Saw
- Quarter Split
- Cross Cut
- Jack & Jill Crosscut

Field Events
- Tug 'O War
- Volley Ball
- Softball
- Sack Race
- Egg Toss
- Orienteering
- 3 Legged Race (Co-Ed)
- Horseshoes
- Wheel Barrow
- 5 Mile Cross-Country Race

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Trapper Training

Anyone buying a trapping license or Jr. trapping license on or after Oct. 1st must present one of the following three documents: 1. a previously issued trapping license, 2. an affidavit from a license-issuing agent that the applicant had been issued a trapping license previously or 3. a certificate of qualification in responsible trapping practices issued by the Department Of Environmental Conservation. The certificate is given upon the satisfactory completion of an approved six-to eight-hour trapper training course.

The function of this course is not to sell more trapping licenses. Among those who were instrumental in the establishment of the course were the organized trappers of the State. One reason for requiring the course is the recent buildup of anti-trap and anti-trapping sentiment among the new wave of persons who have discovered the out-of-doors.

These anti-trapping sentiments are often based on personal philosophical grounds. They are intensified by abuses, both real and imagined, and by ignorance of the law and the fur resource by both trappers and anti-trappers. It is hoped that through proper training, trapper-caused problems can be reduced.

A responsible trapper cannot be made in six to eight hours. Trapping is a skill and art which takes years to develop, for a large part of it is a thorough knowledge and understanding of the animals sought. This course gives basic information about trapping methods that have traditionally been learned by trial and error over a period of years. It gives the new trapper an understanding of how trapping can fit into the outdoor picture without disrupting wildlife populations and balances. It also demonstrates how his ethical behavior as it concerns trapper, non-trapper and animals involved, will ultimately determine public attitudes toward trapping.

There are many persons who sincerely feel that trapping is unnecessary, but at the same time are concerned about the best use of energy and resource conservation. The synthetic "furs" that they advocate are manufactured from a decreasing, finite petroleum resource, or from other resources which require high-energy use to convert. Natural furs are a renewable resource which consume other unused natural resources in their growth, and primarily human energy in their harvest and conversion to clothing.

This course will never reach these people directly, but it is hoped that as more new trappers are trained there should be fewer objectionable incidents which result from the trial and error method of learning trapping, and from failure to understand and observe good trapping ethics. An improved trapper image will greatly reduce existing anti-trapping sentiment.

The course includes such subjects as basic wildlife management, furbearer natural history, trapping laws and ethics, equipment selection and care, baits and lures, sets -- with emphasis on selective trapping -- animal handling techniques and the proper care of pelts.

Though the course is under the supervision of the Hunter Training Unit of DEC, local coordination is being carried out to a great extent by the 4-H Division of the County Cooperative Extension Service and volunteers working directly with them. For information on course locations and schedules, contact your local Cooperative Extension Service Office or DEC office as soon as possible. If you are an experienced trapper or fur buyer, and would like to help in this team-teaching program, the Department would love to hear from you.
The S.U. Outing Club asks:

"WHAT DID YOU DO LAST WEEKEND?"

If the answer is "not much", then you haven't checked out the Outing Club yet. The weekend of September 12th-14th, 9 club trips went out: 3 weekend-long trips—two for rock climbing and one for backpacking, and 6 day-trips for white-water and flatwater canoeing, caving and bicycling. Altogether, 98 people had a good time out-of-doors, 80% of them beginners, just learning the skills of a new activity.

Each weekend during the school year leaders in the various activities (those mentioned above plus cross-country skiing, ice-climbing, snow shoeing and day hikes) take out club trips—both weekend-long (Friday night—Sunday night) and day-long (usually from early morning until late night). Beginners are welcome on almost all trips, and the club provides all the equipment needed (such as canoes and paddles, caving helmets, carbide lamps, tents, sleeping bags, climbing equipment, etc.) free of charge to club members. Membership costs $4.00/semester, $7.00 for the year, and is open to both Forestry and S.U. students (Don't let the name S.U. Outing Club scare you off—about 50% of our members and 75% of our Executive Council are Stumpies.) Non-members are also welcome to go on a trip if they'd like to try out an activity and decide about becoming a member.

Most trips are within New York State—caving is near Albany, about 3 hours away; rock climbing is in the Adirondacks (Noonmark, Chappel Pond) or the Shawangunks, closer to N.Y. City, both about a 3 hour drive; backpacking was in the Adirondacks (Cranberry Lake); bicycling is from Syracuse to such places as Skaneatles Lake (70 mile round trip) or Green Lakes; canoeing was on La e Ontario (flatwater) and the Oswegatchie River in upstate N.Y. (whitewater). There is also an annual club trip to West Virginia every year during Spring Break with some of the best climbing, caving, and backpacking of the year. Transportation on all trips is by car if enough people going can drive, or rental van-cost is minimal. Trips going out are announced at weekly meetings Tuesdays at 7:30 in Watson Theater.

So if you are looking for something to do on weekends, look no further than the SUOC. You could find yourself whitewater canoeing down the Oswegatchie with Rick Riesdorph, 16 other people, 1 dog, a fifth of J.D. and a fifth of Southern Comfort or crawling around a cave under the leadership of J.P., learning about carbide lamps, bats, mud and underground rivers, and dancing to "Happy Birthday" at breakfast! See you next Tuesday.

Ginny Reisert
Member-at-large
Publicity
S.U. Outing Club

COUNCIL CORNER

Plans for upcoming events and activities have been keeping council busy this past week. Some of the items we've been working on include:

- The elections of new Jr. representatives and Jr. class chairman scheduled for Oct. 8th and 9th

- Announcement of the openings on council of Representative to the Board of Trustees and 2 S.U. senators to be filled by letter of intent

- Plans for the BBQ to be held Oct. 11 at Tully N.Y. DON'T MISS IT!!!

Council officers will be keeping regular office hours and these are posted outside our office along with each week's minutes.

Laurie Armstrong
S.A. President
##FOR 400 students know, you must in- 

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source inwestments.

**Islet Lake Baths, Moose, Bear?, real-

ity mix munchies, hiking in pouring 

rain and of course—plenty of blisters! 

Thanks for the food time cutie!

%%Dear L & L: I'll buy you both a beer, 

anyway. After all, you can't have your 

cake and eat it, too. D.

((Two people unhappy plus (+) one person 

happy equal (=) two people unhappy — WHA-

KOT-A-MAS? 

$$Don't you feel sorry for those folks 

sitting through mensuration...babble... 

babble...

!!Peg: IOU (1) daiquiri. D.

@@Famous last words: "Look—it's getting 

brighter! The rain will stop soon!"

##Collecting bugs can be fun.

$$Great party Foxes. When's the next one?!?

%%To the person who can't shove popcorn 

into his mouth fast enough—I love you!

(A zillion google times!)

€€Woodsmen do it in the rain, mud, and 

snow. (But rain, mostly).

€€What ever you want to happen, WILL, if 

you want it to-

**How did Ray Hahne's picture get there 

instead of mine?!!

((Pickles, garbanzo beans, & clams—what 

a combination!
GO FOR IT

RUNNERS RUNNERS RUNNERS

Well, the first running of the Alumni Five Miler (only 84 years behind the Boston Marathon) is fast approaching, so I suppose it's time to get out and put in a few miles to get in shape. First thing you'll want to do is stretch out a bit before you abuse yourself. There are a multitude of stretching exercises, but the easiest one is to lean into a wall and act like you're being frisked (caution: avoid this stretch when downtown and, should the wall you've decided to lean into be attached to the Carrier Dome, lean gently. I still don't believe it's standing.)

Now that you're nice and loose, it's time to start your run. As you begin, you feel light and airy, like a world class runner. Don't worry, that feeling will go away. There are a number of places to run in the campus area, but they all have one thing in common: hills, and lots of them. But don't worry, running on a hilly course will make you a better person (and if you believe that, I've got this Dome for sale...) and besides, the course for the Alumni Five Miler has hills. After you run, be sure to spend time stretching. This reduces the stiffness you are sure to feel if you're just beginning.

For the first few runs, only go as far as your body will carry you (or you can carry your body) and don't be afraid to walk. If you get too tired (my first run lasted all of 3/4 of a mile and I swore that Bill Rodgers did it all with mirrors). After a few days of running, you will find yourself feeling more like a runner and less like a woddler. This is the time to expand your course. At this time, it may be helpful to keep a log of your training, you'd be surprised how far you've progressed later on.

Most importantly, running (or any type of aerobic exercise) is effective only if done regularly, so don't give up. It may seem like a lot of work at the start, but it's worth it in the end.

(Cont'd.)

Now that you've gotten into shape (more or less) it's time to enter the Alumni Five Miler (on Oct. 11 at 11 a.m. through and over Heiberg Forest) and see how you stock up against your fellow foresters. Although there is no entry fee, there is a release form that must be completed. To obtain this form and a copy of the course map, stop by the Alumni office or 426 Illick.

Jeff Morrell

Kappa Phi

Kappa Phi has been a busy place these last couple of weeks. The brothers have been involved in the blood drive (164 units given!), rush, little sister rush, parties, and school work. We also played two intramural softball games so far, with one win and one loss. Last night (Thursday) we initiated many new little sisters, many of whom are stumpies (thanks for your support!) and will be having brother initiation this coming Monday (Sept. 29) at 7:00 p.m. I urge any of you who want to see what the house has to offer, but who haven't dropped by yet, to do so this weekend.

Mike Grizenko
Publicity Chairman
The Zoo Club has finalized the plans for this years Hawk Mountain trip. The troops will leave Friday, Oct. 3, in the afternoon or evening by private vehicle and arrive at the Blue Rocks Campground between 9:00pm and midnight. Saturday, Oct. 4, they will ascend the mountain and spend most of the day watching the estimated 2000-5000 hawks that fly by the peak. Saturday lunch will be eaten on the summit or at the sanctuary lodge. Saturday dinner will be eaten back at the campgrounds or at local restaurants according to personal preferences. Saturday night most of the troops will attend a lecture on Alaska's wildlife by Leonard Lee Rue III. When the lecture ends at 10:30-11:00, some of us will head back to beautiful sunny Syracuse to arrive in time for the sunrise (about 4:00am.) while the majority will spend Saturday night around the campfire singing or reminiscing about the day's sightings.

Anyone who wants to go on this trip can!!! There is no limit to the number of people going and all expenses are paid (gas, camping fees). If you want to go, then so you shall. There is a one dollar registration fee so we can make reservations for campsites and not get stuck by people who do not go.

To register for Hawk Mountain:
1) write your name on a piece of paper
2) put your phone number alongside it
3) indicate whether you have a car you can take on the trip and the people that you have already made arrangements to take
4) now staple this to the dollar bill and drop it in the box in the 2nd floor office of Illick Hall #242
5) do all of this BEFORE NOON TUESDAY, SEPT. 30th. This means everyone!!!
6) everyone must attend the meeting at 7:30 Wed., Oct. 1st or indicate to me that you can't and how I can get in touch with you before this.

This trip promises to be the best ever and I hope that all who want to go do get to go. See you all Oct. 1st.

Rich Sutliff
Pres. Zoology Club
478-0932

ELECTIONS

IMPORTANT NEWS FOR JUNIORS

It's election time. Now is the time to nominate a person that you would like as your representative in Student Council (make sure that person knows he's being nominated). If you're interested in an office, get someone to nominate you, now! The positions open are: three (3) school representatives from each school, BCE, ERE, LA, FOR, and one (1) Jr. class chairperson. These positions are open only to Juniors. That's thirteen total positions open on council, a perfect opportunity to get involved and find out the true clue. Don't wait! Nominations are now being accepted and will be accepted until 5:00 p.m., Oct. 3rd. Elections are October 8th and 9th.

The nomination process is easy. Nomination forms are distributed in strategic locations around the ESF campus such as B-19 Marshall, Moon Foyer, Bray Foyer... No nomination is valid without a completed form! These forms can be returned to Student Council's mailbox or B-19 Marshall or me, personally. A fourth method of nomination is to do it orally at a council meeting Monday, 7:00 p.m. Moon Library Conference Room. A form may be filled out at that time.

Get involved in social activities, policy making, monetary matters, educational trips. There's something for everybody. Don't wait. Do it now!!!

Doug Daley
1st V.P. Student Council