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## 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tyson Family Lecture March 6



Professor Lane's senior seminar class took a walk at Glendale Shoals with Rudy Mancke '67, host of *Nature Scene* on SCETV.



Johnny Stowe, outdoorsman, land manager, and DNR biologist will be on campus for the 2<sup>nd</sup> Annual Tyson Family Lecture on Restoring and Preserving Southern Ecosystems on March 6<sup>th</sup>.

His lecture will begin at 7:00pm in the theater of the F.W. Olin Building and will address the philosophies and benefits of burning, both historically and culturally.

Since 1996 Stowe has been Heritage Preserve Manager for the SCDNR's *Heritage Trust Program*, restoring and managing longleaf pine sandhills and wet savannas, switchcane and other grassland species, and wetland ecosystems such as bottomland hardwood forests, Atlantic white-cedar bogs and pocosins. His passions include woods-rambling, hunting, restoring native species and ecosystems,

fighting invasive exotic species, conducting prescribed fires, the cultural and natural history of fire as a landscape management tool, human ecology, ecosophy -- and his new grandson.

*The Tyson Family Lecture on the Preservation and Restoration of Southern Ecosystems*, established in 2012 by Dr. George Tyson, '72, Duke '77, within the purview of the Environmental Studies program, is an annual lectureship devoted to issues related to the preservation, restoration and sustainability of Southern ecosystems. The speakers reflect the entire range of the multi-disciplinary approach of environmental studies and may include individuals from academia, business, industry, government, the arts or the non-profit sector. These events are free and open to the public.

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## Upcoming Events and Opportunities

- February 27<sup>th</sup>** *Fierce Green Fire Meeting*: Next meeting tonight in BSA 1 at 8:30pm.
- February 28<sup>th</sup>** *“A Clifton Mills Story”*: Spartanburg Regional History Museum will host a Lunch & Learn at Chapman Cultural Center, 11:30am-12:30pm, \$5 at the door. Bring your lunch and learn about one family’s experience working in the Clifton Textile Mills from author Anne Phillips. Call (864) 596-3501 for details.
- March 3<sup>rd</sup>** *Deadline for Summer Research Opportunity at Duke University*: The application and instructions on how to apply can be found at: <http://sites.nicholas.duke.edu/superfund/cores/training-core/training-opportunities/> Most of the projects relate to biology, chemistry, psychology, neuroscience, engineering, and environmental sciences.
- March 4<sup>th</sup>** *Local Communities and Global Landscapes: Re-envisioning History, Egalitarianism and Resilience*: Research talk by Dr. Mercedes Quesada-Embid, candidate for Environmental Social Sciences faculty position in Environmental Studies. She will also be speaking in the ENVS 201 course, *Introduction to Environmental Social Sciences*, at 2:30 in Milliken Science 122.
- March 6<sup>th</sup>** *Tyson Family Lecture on Restoring & Preserving Southern Ecosystems: Fire in the Southland: The Natural and Cultural Heritage of Woods-Fire in Southeastern North America* will be the topic of Johnny Stowe’s lecture in Olin Teaching Theater at 7:00pm. Stowe is an outdoorsman, land manager, and SCDNR biologist. His talk will address the philosophies and benefits of burning, both historically and culturally.
- March 11<sup>th</sup>** *Santee Cooper Lecture Series on Sustainability & Energy Issues*: Several speakers will be on campus this semester for our *Santee Cooper Lecture Series*. The first will be David Taylor, professor at the University of North Texas, to talk about *The Log from the Sea of Cortez: A Poem Series*. Stay tuned for more information to come about this and other events coming up this spring.

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## PROFILE OF THE WEEK:

### *Virginia Tech – Masters of Natural Resources*

Virginia Tech’s Center for Leadership in Global Sustainability offers a Masters of Natural Resources (MNR).

Their website describes the program:

*Designed as a professional degree, the MNR is offered in three different formats to meet the needs of an increasingly diverse audience—a 100% Online format (MNR); a Global format (GMNR) for those looking for extensive international experience; and an Executive format (XMNR) for professionals with significant prior*

*work experience. Each of the three MNR formats are 30-credit, non-thesis programs that provide an interdisciplinary perspective, transformative experience, and international exchange as core elements of the curriculum. The MNR degree does not require a GRE for admission.*

For more information about the program and the Center for Leadership in Global Sustainability visit: <http://cligs.vt.edu/>.