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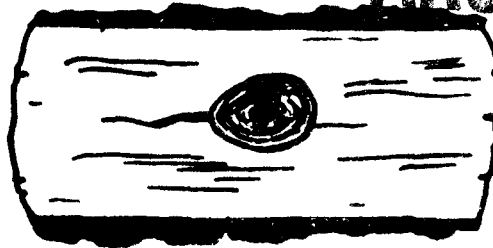
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ELECTION RESULTS

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- Mark Vandover

STUDENT REP. to the BOARD of TRUSTEES:

- Susan Buck

ALL 3 REFERENDUMS PASSED.

NYFOA ANNUAL MEETING

On Saturday, April 10, the New York Forest Owners Association will hold their Annual Meeting at the College.

The business session will be held in Marshall Auditorium in the morning. After a luncheon in Nifkin Lounge, the afternoon session will be held in Room 5 Illick. Students, faculty, and the public are invited to the afternoon session.

The afternoon session will start at 1:45 and will include several illustrated talks by members of the College faculty.

Dr. Larry VanDruff, Dr. Donald Behrend, and Dr. Robert Chambers will speak on "Wildlife in Your Woodlot". Dr. Paul Manion and Dr. John Simeone will speak on "Appreciation of Fungi" and "Appreciation of Insects", respectively.

C. Eugene Farnsworth

WE'RE #1

ESF DEFEATS W. VIRGINIA AND PENN STATE -
RETAINS TITLE TO THE AXE!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!!

NDSL LOANS

Do you have an NDSL loan? Will you not enroll in the fall due to graduation or some other reason? If you answer both these questions YES, take note of the following:

Students with NDSL loans are required to have an exit interview when they leave college to advise them of their rights and obligations in repayment of the loan. The Financial Aid Office, in conjunction with the Business Office, has arranged for group exit interviews to be held in 110 Marshall at 3:00 PM on April 13 and 14, Tuesday and Wednesday. You should be receiving a notice by mail this week requesting your attendance at one of the interviews. Students who are not contacted or who must make other arrangements should see Mr. Robert Seniecle in 104 Bray before April 15.

Joseph Darcy

TO THE EDITOR:

I would like to address this to Mike French and all those, who like her, feel that Student Council is useless. If Council is useless it is only because you make it so. The Student Association officers and Class officers are elected annually to serve in the interests of the students, if those interests are not made known how can we, or anyone, serve those interests.

All of those who know me, realize that I have spent four years trying to serve in the best interests of the students. I have made many blunders but I hope that I have also accomplished something. Mike addressed her letter by stating that she had spent two years not saying anything...no wonder Council is "useless", until now we have had no idea how you felt about anything. I would also like to make a clarification of what Mike implied by stating that she has "served her time". That may be true for another institution, but in the two years she has been here, she has not served on the Student Council nor any of their subsidiary committees. I resent the comparison she has drawn between our Council and one from another school. Enough of this, having spent four years trying to serve the students I get pretty upset when someone tells me that all I have done is useless and a farce.

For those who may not know what Council has done this past year, here are a few items:

October 9, 1975 a Student Leader's Conference was held in Nifkin Lounge which was open to all students, faculty, and administration for the purpose of discussing the problems of cheating and plagiarism on campus. As a result of this discussion, the Student Council asked the Undergraduate Academic Affairs committee to address itself to the problem of cheating and to draft some written policy for the College. When the committee was first approached, they had no wish to have direct student input into the committee's work; but I am very pleased to say that the President of the Student Association is now invited to participate in all meetings of the committee. As a result of the committee's work, a position paper and a resolution were presented to the faculty on March 23 for discussion and voting. I am pleased to state that the faculty approved the resolution and have thus reaffirmed their position against cheating and will do all within their power to create an environment inimical to cheating. The committee is following up on their work and will be investigating the technicalities and legalities of cheating and what constitutes proof of cheating. This should result in better understanding on the part of both students and faculty as to where group effort ends and cheating begins.

Through the constant vigilance and interest of the treasurer of Council, it looks like for the first time in many years, the student fees will be entirely used as opposed to having several thousand dollars left each year.

This year, for the first time, we have had the privilege of having a student as a member of our College's Board of Trustees. This provides another means of direct student input into processes of the College.

Through the efforts of John Kashorek and myself, the student activity fee which we pay to Syracuse University has increased only one dollar to cover inflationary costs of printing the Daily Orange. Although there is only a \$1.00 increase, we are assured that all services available to us currently will be available next year.

Through the efforts of all Council members we had the best turn out for elections in the records of the College. Not only did many people turn out, but also many people ran for office. This year we had only 4 unopposed positions. This may not seem like much, but when you consider that I ran unopposed last year for the position of Student Council president, it is quite a step forward. This year students voted to retain the mandatory activity fees for the next four years, thus you are assured that funds will be available for all your activities.

These are a few of the things that Council has done this past year; if you wish to know more come to Council meetings and volunteer your time. But whatever you do, don't wait until you graduate (or almost graduate) before you open your mouth and speak. Student Council can only be as effective as you make it.

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Thanks for listening,
Betsy Boyce
ex-president

DISCRIMINATION -

WHAT IS YOUR OPINION?

An evaluation of the College's programs and policies as relate to sex discrimination is being carried out by the Affirmative Action Advisory Committee pursuant to the mandates of Title IX Regulations.

The areas that are being examined by the Affirmative Action Advisory Committee for both undergraduate and graduate students, include: admission practices, awarding of financial aids, treatment in general, club/organizational practices, employment assistance, counseling services, facilities, etc.

All written documents, directly or indirectly relating to the above areas are being examined. Nevertheless there may be concerns or enlightening information you wish to share with us that these written policies and operational procedures do not specifically address. On the other hand, you might feel that everything is fine and in your opinion, there is no sex discrimination in any of the above mentioned programs or activities. In either case, we both need and welcome your comments.

Please mail your comments to or simply stop by the offices of:

Mrs. Rhonda Cassetta, 206 Bray

or

Alton W. Zanders, 110 Bray

ATTENTION: THE FINAL TWO ISSUES OF THE KNOTHOLE WILL APPEAR ON THE FOLLOWING DATES--

THURSDAY, APRIL 15

THURSDAY, APRIL 22

The Knothole welcomes any articles, announcements, news items, creative writing of interest to the ESF community. These should be submitted no later than the Saturday prior to publication date.

Several positions for reporters will be open in the Fall. If you are interested please leave your name with a staff member or in the Knothole mailbox, and we will get in touch with you.

Knothole staff members are as follows:

Sue Rogers	Marilyn Phillips
Bill Coons	Joe Flack
Jack Stevens	Bill Edmister
Tom Collins	Bob Odebralski
Scott Horgen	Don Neville
Tom Moore	Rich Kaiser
	Priscilla Brown

LIBRARY

Have you noticed the unshelved books in the library? Many are periodicals which you could shelve yourselves - there is little need to leave whole reams of of periodicals stacked on tables where they will sit until some library person has a chance to put them away. (As much as 24 hours may pass before a library worker has a chance to put them away.) While the library does ask you not to reshelve books, (their number and letter combinations are confusing), you could reshelve periodicals and bibliographies. This would be a great help for both the library and the library users.

Remember, if you can find it in the first place, you are probably smart enough to put it back in its' proper place.

NAYY OFFICERS' SELECTION

The Navy Officers Selection team will be on Campus April 13, Tuesday, in the Nifkin Foyer, to speak with students interested in becoming Naval Officers.

Enjoy a Relaxing Evening
before Exam Mania
listen to the easy sounds of
"syracuse"
(formerly "nathaniel")
drink some wine eat some cheese
this friday, april 9, in nifkin lounge
from 9 p.m. to 1 a.m.
a forestry i.d. is required
to admit you and your guests
the sophomore class

In a normal year the first major flight of geese back into Central New York usually occurs just before mid-March. One sometimes wonders just what a "normal" year is when reviewing what has happened the last few years as far as weather and weather-related activities are concerned. This year the first major flights seemed to arrive about Washington's birthday. They were not alone in their prediction of an early spring, for right behind them were the red-wings, grackles, killdeer and robin; all harbingers of spring.

These geese which have wintered on the Chesapeake Bay and along the shore of Virginia and the Carolinas, traditionally make this the first stop on the way to their northern nesting grounds. As many as 300,000 may spend several weeks in Central New York feeding on left-over field corn and the new crop of winter wheat. By mid-April, they will start moving northward again, and before the end of the month, the only ones left will be our own nesting geese.

There are two areas in the western part of the State which are particularly attractive to geese during spring. One is in the vicinity of the State and Federal Wildlife Management and Refuge Areas - the Oak Orchard Iriquois and Tonawanda complex -- northwest of Batavia. The other is in the vicinity of Cayuga Lake and Montezuma Wildlife Refuge. The refuges and the large lake offer all the security they desire, and the remnants of last year's corn crop and the young green of the new winter wheat crop furnish the food needed to prepare them for their final flight to the nesting grounds.

As gleaners after the harvest, geese are welcome, and surprisingly, the large flocks of geese on the new wheat do more good than harm.

If the wheat fields are flooded or puddled with shallow water so that the ground is soft enough that the plants are pulled from the ground, obviously there is damage. On the other hand, under normal conditions the root system of the plant resists being pulled and the top of the plant is merely clipped off. This causes the plant to head out more, resulting in more wheat. In addition, several thousand geese on a field contribute ample high nitrogen fertilizer.

The best time to observe the geese action is early in the morning or just before sunset, for during the day most are resting quietly in the refuges or in the center of Cayuga Lake. Of course, there are good observation points established on the refuges.

To see the feeding, you can drive at random around the countryside, and probably will see birds. It is easier to pick a spot either in or near the feeding area at about an hour before sunset, or shortly after sunrise, and wait for the geese to show you where they are feeding. They will leave the resting area in small groups and fly with direct dispatch to the general feeding area. There, geese feeding in a field indicate safe conditions, and the new arrivals join them, thus concentrating in flocks of hundreds and often thousands.

If you are interested in taking pictures, morning is the best. The light is better when they start their flight, and it will improve. In the evening it is getting rapidly poorer, though a flight of geese against the red sunset makes a beautiful picture. Without at least a small telephoto lens the geese will look surprisingly small, even though you may feel that you can see the "whites" of their eyes. That is a lesson every wildlife photographer learns early in the game.

Paul M. Kelsey
New York State Regional Conservation
Educator

LIBRARY

Semester's end brings frayed nerves, disheartened looks, and joyless anticipation of exams. It also brings lost library books. Be sure to return all library materials (you know, the ones with the little white sticker and a bunch of numbers) to the MOON. Also, it'd be a great help if students would contribute to the Recycled Reading Collection.

NEWS FROM KAPPA PHI DELTA

On March 27, six new brothers were sworn in to the forestry brotherhood. We would like to congratulate Rick Wittmann, Wayne Turner, Bob Hangrove, Bill Ehmann, Ted Gugliotta, and Jim Keehn. After several kegs and many frat songs, life at KPD has returned to normal??

THE STUDENT ASSOCIATION SPECIAL RECOGNITION
AWARD

This year the Student Association presented for the first time, the Student Association Special Recognition Award. There are the Robin Hood Oak Awards presented to those having performed meritorious service for the College. There are the national Who's Who Awards for service. There are the Chancellor's awards for Excellence in Teaching and the Distinguished Teaching Professorship. However, there is no recognition here on campus for excellence in teaching; thus the Special Recognition Award was designed.

The criteria for selection were:

The professor should be an effective teacher which necessitates that he have a strong personality with philosophies, convictions, and perspectives easily identified by the students. He should be a "good person" in that he cares about the students as individuals.

The professor should provide quality instruction which may be judged in four ways:

The first and considered to be most important is that the course should be stimulating; one which encourages inquiry outside the classroom; one which catalyzes emotion whether it be satisfaction, dissatisfaction, or even strong dislike. If the course stirs no emotion, it cannot be very stimulating.

Secondly, the course should be rewarding. Rewarding in the sense that it leads to understanding and ~~satisfaction~~ the goals of the students, his curriculum, and the institution.

Third, the material presented should be technically sound which may be seen through research and peer acceptance which is indicated by publications, technical sessions, and seminars.

Fourth, and one which is difficult for students to judge is that the material be relevant.

As a result of our efforts to find an appropriate name for what we referred to in council as "the award", the following were suggested: "Ashes memorial award", the "Betsy Boyce memorial award" that one implied my imminent demise and no way connoted what the award is, and one which really caught my fancy, "The Perfect Prof" After deliberation, the committee chose the Student Association Special Recognition Award as it is an award from the entire student body and one which we hope will express our deep appreciation to the recipients for their efforts on our behalf.

The recipient of the Student Association Special Recognition Award receives a certificate and one or two books purchased by Student Association to be placed in the Moon Library.

This year it was my great honor and pleasure to announce the recipient of the first Student Association Special Recognition Award. This year's recipient is one who rates tops any way you look at it. On behalf of the Student Association, I am pleased to announce to all those not at the Banquet the first recipient is Dr. J. W. Johnson. Our congratulations to you again, Dr. Johnson.

I hope that this token of our appreciation will adequately express all that we feel.


CONGRATULATIONS to the members of the Student Council for the 1976-77 year!!

I wish you all the best of luck in your efforts to improve the College Community.

Betsy Boyce
Ex-president

UNIVERSAL PRODUCT CODE

If food distributors and supermarkets have their way, prices which now are individually stamped on cans and packages will be removed leaving shoppers with no way to learn the cost of an item before checking out and paying the bill.

Unbelievable, you say. Unfortunately, it's true. Let me explain. You've probably noticed coded symbols  such as the following appearing on your grocery items. The symbol is known as the Universal Product Code (UPC). Eventually all products will have their own UPC symbol and computer scanners at each checkout counter will be programmed to translate the symbols into prices.

The problem is that shoppers can't read the symbols themselves and thus won't know the price until after the bill is rung up. Effectively price competition will be eliminated. As a result, the loss to consumers annually may run into the hundreds of dollars.

Supermarket interests correctly point out that check-out errors will be eliminated (assuming the computers are programmed accurately). They also claim consumer money savings through tighter inventory control and elimination of the work-hours needed to stamp individual prices on products.

But there is no guarantee that savings will be passed on to consumers. Moreover, there is the certainty that removal of item pricing will eliminate the means most frequently used by shoppers to select merchandise.

If supermarkets maintained accurate unit price labels on shelves telling the cost per ounce or per pound maybe there would be some justification for the UPC system. But studies by NYPIRG and many other public and private consumer groups show that many supermarkets are ignoring the unit pricing laws.

What can you do about this situation? Presently bills have been reported out of the consumer committees in the Assembly and Senate requiring that item prices be kept on most grocery items. Both bills await floor action.

Supermarket interests are lobbying very hard to defeat these bills. Their lobbyists have organized letter-writing campaigns and have met privately with key legislators.

NYPIRG's lobbyists have also been active, and so far we've carried the day. The bills are moving forward, albeit slowly.

To insure passage, however, we need your support. Your letters can make a difference.

Write to your own legislator and to the leaders of the Senate and Assembly asking them to support the legislation that would require prices to be kept on grocery products. In the Senate the bill number is S8584 and in the Assembly, the bill number is A11112. The address for your local assemblyperson and state senator is: Name, Legislative Office Bldg., Albany, N.Y. 12224. Address your letters to the Legislature's leaders in the following way:

Senator Warren Anderson
Capitol
Albany, N.Y. 12224

Assemblyman Stanley Steingut
Capitol
Albany, N.Y. 12224

If you would like further information on these bills or any of our other legislation, please contact us at our Albany office: NYPIRG, One Columbia Place, Albany, N.Y. 12207.

Donald K. Ross
Director, NYPIRG

JUNIORS--

CONTEMPLATING GRADUATE SCHOOL?

A general orientation and discussion program is planned to assist you with your plans, thoughts, and actions concerning GRADUATE SCHOOL. The Office of Career Services is presenting this program and has invited Dr. William Graves to speak on "Planning Graduate Study." All students are invited to attend, the decided and undecided, learn the essentials of this most important decision.

TUESDAY, APRIL 13, 1976 7:00 p.m.
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PLAN TO ATTEND!!!

TOP OF ALGONQUIN CLUB

COLLEGE OF FORESTRY STUDENTS AND FRIENDS

NEW OR REVESTED * MEMBERS: MARCH 28, 1976

* LINDA ANDERSON	JON GRIESBACH
* DARCI EDDING	JIM BEYER
* JIM LAWLER	PAUL HALLE
* LARRY SANDFORD	LEEZA, the dog.
* AL MOLLITOR	ROSE HOCHMUTH
BILL COONS	VAL GOODNOW
AL CADY	* KURT MOBERG
JANET KURMAN	DAVID MOSHER
* DAVID RAK	* STEVE ZELLER
PAULA KAPCIO	* E.H. KETCHLEDGE

SOLE MEMBERSHIP REQUIREMENT: ATTAINING SUMMIT
OF ALGONQUIN PEAK, ELEV. 5114 FEET, ON
ANNUAL BOTANY CLUB WINTER CLIMB

NO DUES = NO MEETINGS = NO OFFICERS

"Rhyming homonyms"

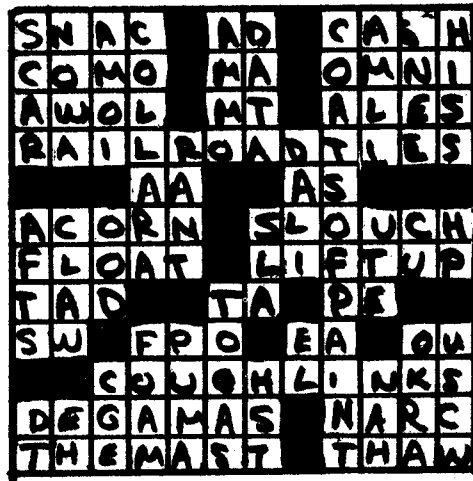
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- 7 FLOG
- 11 App. Forestry Res. Inst.
- 12 "___ You Like It"
- 13 Ceremony
- 14 Kitty Hawk burials?
- 17 Spanish affirmative
- 18 Santa's bellow
- 19 Extra-inning basketball (abbr)
- 20 "___ what?"
- 21 Refer to camping spots?
- 26 Give financial support to
- 27 Cockney chapeau
- 28 Plant anchoring organ
- 31 Shortly (archaic)
- 32 General Electric (abbr)
- 33 ___facto
- 34 Eight-legged power?
- 37 Accuse
- 39 Less bold
- 41 Greek letter
- 42 Goes with weight on forms
- 45 Egg prefix
- 46 Send forth
- 48 Marginal note
- 50 TVs
- 51 Negating word
- 52 Found on Grecian urn

DOWN

- 1 Cat feet
- 2 Ibo or Zulu
- 3 Biblical son of Bela
- 4 After dark crusaders?
- 5 Feline
- 6 Draft org.
- 7 Constitution-makers job?
- 8 Texas leaguer or line shot
- 9 Believers:suffix
- 10 Type of Mexican moola
- 15 Gardening tool
- 16 Fungi do it to wood
- 22 "Here ___"
- 23 Savant
- 24 Piece of news
- 25 Ending for philo and theo
- 26 College degree in history
- 29 Bone like
- 30 "___be or not to..."
- 35 Holds up golf ball
- 36 "___ the sheriff"
- 37 Chimps
- 38 Calcium oxide

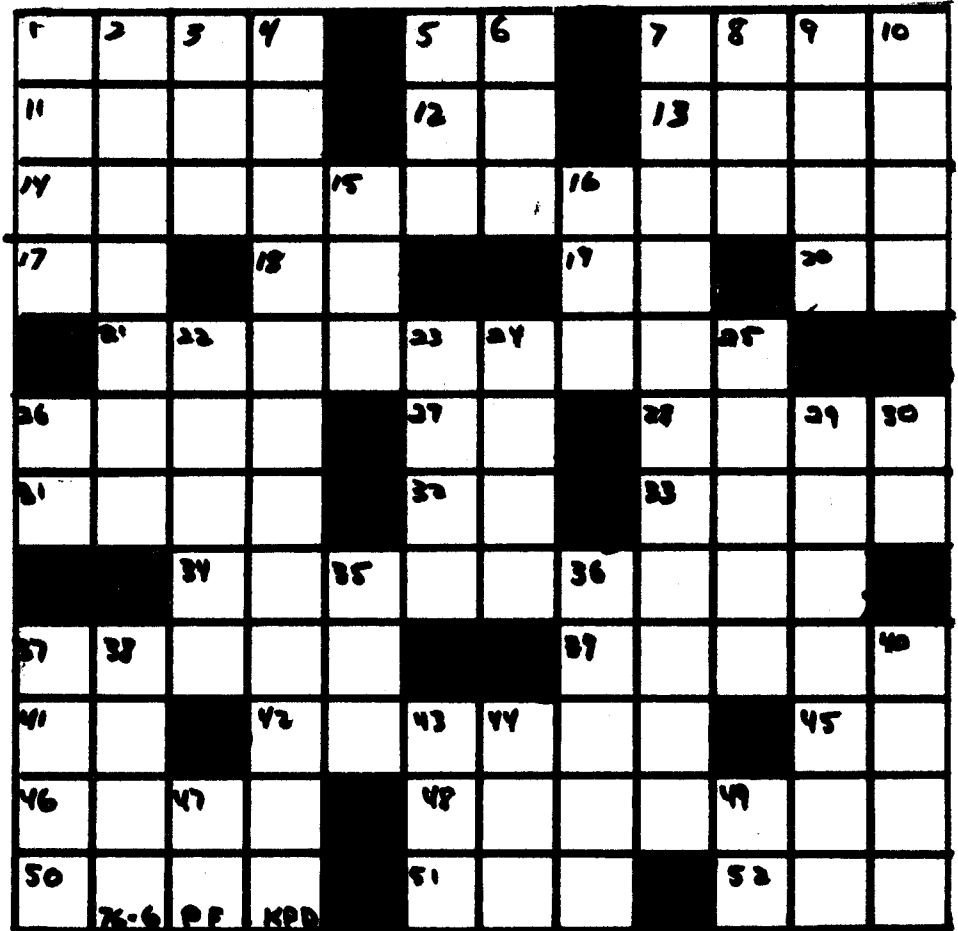
- 40 Actor's part
- 43 Author Fleming
- 44 Gen. Post Ofc.
- 47 Tag, you're ___.
- 49 Follows in or on.



LAST WEEK'S SOLUTION



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A FINE CEREMONY

Nifkin Lounge was bursting with life on Tuesday afternoon. People were enjoying cookies and punch. Cigarettes and cigars smoked contentedly. But animated talking, joking and smiles were the essence of the gathering. This assortment of people had just attended the First Annual Sol Feinstone Environmental Awards Ceremony.

The proceedings went disarmingly well. Marshall Auditorium was transfigured. The droning of snoring students was replaced by the assuring strains of the Syracuse Symphony Brass Ensemble at the beginning and end of the program. Speeches and presentations of awards flowed smoothly over the attentive audience.

Russell W. Peterson, (of the Washington D.C. based Council on Environmental Quality) gave the introduction, as he was Chairman of the Awards Directors. Our college president, Edward E. Palmer, followed with more words of introduction. Mr. Sol Feinstone then took the rostrum, and emphasized his commitment to the Awards Program. Returning to his seat, he was succeeded by Mr. Peterson, who commenced the Awards presentation.

Award winners were selected from all parts of the United States. The first recipient of the Award, (which is a plaque portraying the bald eagle), was Mr. George Diel of Oregon. He has been active in the preservation of coastal areas and other natural areas in Oregon.

Judith Colt Johnson, the second recipient named, has also been active in the preservation of coastal areas in her home State, Maryland. One of her accomplishments was to save Assateague Island from despoiling projects. She, as well as other Award winners, emphasized the invaluable help they received from others in effecting their accomplishments.

One Award winner who worked with land areas far from the sea was Daniel

Malkovich of Illinois. He furthered environmental interests as a writer, publisher and editor. While head of the Illinois Conservation Department, he insured the preservation of many important natural areas.

Jane S. Pinheiro walked slowly, with the aid of a cane, but her acceptance speech revealed a thriving, unique personality. The Californian was honored for her efforts to preserve portions of the Mojave Desert, and establish parks in Los Angeles, among other feats.

The fifth person to be presented with the Sol Feinstone Environmental Award was Vim Crane Wright of Colorado. She was also involved in the preservation of natural areas.

Mrs. William O. Douglas accepted an Honorary Award for her husband. Though absent from the ceremony, the former U.S. Supreme Court Justice's presence was felt, as the audience rose to their feet at the announcement of his Award. Mrs. Douglas relayed a message from her husband. He advised that those facing opposition while crusading for environmental quality must "outwit the Bastards".

Elvis J. Stahr, the President of the National Audubon Society, was the featured speaker. In his talk, entitled "America's Environmental Heritage", he emphasized America's bicentennial by comparing the efforts of volunteers in the "environmental revolution" with the volunteers of the American Revolution of 200 years ago.

The First Annual Sol Feinstone Environmental Awards Presentation went well. The idealism which conceived the program did not result in an unhealthy child. This ceremony witnessed the multiple birth of many hopes for the future.

TJM

(Editor's note: A special thanks to Tom Moore for his reportorial efforts in covering this event.)

ADIRONDACK PARK AGENCY LECTURE BY RAY CURRAN, CHUCK SCAFFORD OF THE A.P.A., COVERING AN OVERVIEW OF THE A.P.A. AND PROBLEMS IN ADMINISTERING CONTROL AT A LOCAL LEVEL--MOON CONFERENCE ROOM AT 7:30 p.m. ON APRIL 12th.