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GUEST EDITORIAL

What is Environmental Studies? Many people have asked me this question during the four semesters that I've been in the Program. These people can hardly realize the introspection that their query causes. The problem is that I, myself, cannot define Environmental Studies; it seems that my concept of the subject is constantly changing and developing.

My first glib reply to the question is that Environmental Studies is designed to create an "environmental consciousness"--a sensitivity, a new synthesis toward our environment that transcends traditional disciplines. Yes, a new kind of interdisciplinary methodological approach that is beyond a multidisciplinary one.

This facile reply raises the next question--how is this accomplished? My recourse to this has been to turn to the University, Academia--the womb for Environmental Studies and ask--how is this accomplished?

Obviously there is no one easy answer. However, I have found one easy problem--easy to identify, hard to solve. This is that Academia has developed an action-oriented Environmental Studies Program in an institution that is not traditionally action-oriented.

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GUEST EDITORIAL (Con.)

This has created a schizoid condition among students of Environmental Studies (at least some of us). The only out of this dilemma, that I can see, is to carry "environmental consciousness" (methodology) into the community-at-large for its final formulation, for it will be in the pragmatic practice of Environmental Studies in the community, I feel, we will find the ultimate definition of Environmental Studies.

Richard Spitzler

FINAL WARNING

If you are completing a thesis for June, 1976 award of the master's degree, **MAKE YOUR APPOINTMENT NOW FOR LIBRARY REVIEW** with Mrs. Elaine Lekich, Library Adviser, Room L-332 of the Library. Telephone: 870-2578.

Deadline for Submission to Library Adviser: Monday, May 24, 1976.

Deadline for Depositing Approved Thesis in Titan Bookstore: Friday, May 28, 1976

ADD TO YOUR LIST OF FALL COURSES RELEVANT TO ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES

HIST 479 American Urban History.

The historical development of urban life in America with special emphasis on the colonial town, the western town and the industrial city.

UC IRVINE FORUM

"Nuclear Safeguards Initiative (Proposition 15)," a three-day discussion debate on a wide range of energy-related issues. Sponsored by the Environmental Council, Circle K, Quantum, the Office of Development and Alumni Affairs, and Campus Organization Services. For more information call Linda Halopoff, 833-5181.



(Vladimir Rencin)

Courtesy Science & Technology

RALPH NADER TO SPEAK

Orange Coast College is presenting Consumer Awareness Week from May 10 through May 14. Highlight of the week will be the appearance of Ralph Nader who will speak Tuesday, May 11, in Peterson Gymnasium at 7 pm. Tickets are \$2.00 and are available at the OCC Bookstore. For further ticket information call 556-5646.

COYOTE HILLS

The Coyote Hills Joint Planning Group (consisting of City of Fullerton staff, Standard Oil and Fullerton Hills Development, Inc.) will give a public presentation on four alternative plans for the West Coyote Hills. These plans will consist of varying degrees of residential development with parcel open space.

This public presentation will be held on May 11 at 7 pm at the Sunny Hills High School Auditorium. A question and answer session will be held on May 25th, 7 pm at the same location. If you are interested in plans that have been formulated for the West Coyote Hills, please attend.

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COMMENCEMENT MAY 28

Six Environmental Studies students will receive their Master's of Science degree on Friday, May 28, at 5:00 pm on the green west of the Music-Speech-Drama Building. We hope that all Environmental Studies students can attend this important ceremony.

Our heartiest congratulations go to:

Wolfgang Boettger

Thesis: Impact of Aircraft Thrust Reverse Noise on the Community
Adviser: Dr. Michael Metz

Thomas Corneto

Thesis: An Analysis of California Sanitary Landfill Environmental Impact Reports
Adviser: Dr. Joel Weintraub

Kurt Fredriksson

Thesis: Bicycle Transportation Management Policy
Adviser: Dr. Peter Eilers

Marion Gass (August)

Thesis: Phased Development for City of Irvine
Adviser: Dr. Jack Elenbaas

Andrew Jackman

Thesis: The Interrelationship of Environmental Quality, Urban Development and Wildlife
Adviser: Dr. Barry Thomas

T. Russell Sarver

Thesis: Recommended Approaches for the Reduction of Pollutants in the Santa Ana River Basin due to Inadequate Management of Dairy Wastes
Adviser: Dr. Arthur Earick

HELP! OH PLEASE HELP!

Environmental Students are needed to represent us on the DAC for next Fall. Call Dr. Saint if you can serve. Also, we need volunteers to coordinate material for our Library Resource area in the new Environmental Center.

ENVIRONMENTAL STUDIES PARTY

The Environmental Studies Program is having its annual end-of-the-year party on May 28th--after Commencement--around 6:30 pm at the home of Virginia Wright and Family, 420 Orchid Drive, Placentia. (714-528-1677).

This informal barbeque and party will honor our new graduates and bring the academic year to a joyous close.

Please come and have fun. Bring friends, family and your favorite drinks. It might be a good thing to call your hostess and let her know how many to expect.

RICHARD B. ELLSTROM

We were deeply saddened to learn of the passing of Richard Ellstrom on March 31, 1976.

Dick received his BA from CSUF with a major in Sociology with an emphasis in Gerontology. In the Fall of 1974 he changed his objective from a MA in Sociology to a MS in Environmental Studies.

His professors all spoke of his fine ability and his zest for his studies.

He was born in Meriden, Connecticut, in 1924. He leaves his widow, Kathleen, a married daughter and three sons.

"The man of flesh and bone will not be much impressed by the fact that a few of his contemporaries can explore the moon, program their dreams, or use robots as slaves, if the planet Earth has become unfit for everyday life. He will not long continue to be interested in space acrobatics if he has to watch them with his feet deep in garbage and his eyes half-blinded by smog."

Rene Dubos