

SAF Meeting – September 22, 2003

National Convention

- All members who want to volunteer, be on a committee, and receive a refund for attending the NC **MUST** register by October 1st! Let Denise Keele know you have done so.
- If you want a certain size ESF collar shirt for the NC, you must register by tomorrow, and let Denise know.
- The suburban is leaving Friday, September 24th at 9am for the NC. Two vans will be leaving Saturday at noon with the following members. We will be returning to Syracuse on Tuesday, the 29th, around 5pm. If anyone has signed up for a Wednesday field exercise at the NC, Mike Farrell can give you a ride home then.
- Icebreaker – Wade and his committee has been going over Genus and species names that can be used. The repetitive species names are being eliminated to reduce confusion. Posters and cards are being made up.
- Quizbowl – Kathleen has an almost definite yes that Dr. Floyd will be one of the judges if he does not have a time conflict. She needs about 15-20 members/volunteers to help her read questions during the game, let her know if you are interested. She will be getting together with her committee soon to make more progress.
- National Student Assembly – Mike found out that we might not be able to bring in our own collected apples because the convention might want us to buy it from them. If we would have to, we will only have apples at the ESF table. Phil has informed us that the North Star Orchard will gladly donate apples to us if we go out and pick them. Mike is also looking for an environmental group, perhaps the Wilderness Society, to talk at the NSA. He is also working on getting the video about Muir and Pinchot.
- Remind fellow forestry/SAF students about attending the National Convention.

Other Agenda Things

- This past Saturday, Sept. 20th, a few SAF members joined the Freshman Orientation group at Heiberg Forest. They talked about what SAF is and handed out flyers with applications. This will hopefully get us more members for the Humboldt Challenge. They also had the freshman go to a spruce and sugar bush stands to measure basal area, DBH, use prisms, etc. to compare and contrast the differences between the stands. This hopefully gave them more of an idea about what forestry entails. Kathleen said the freshman seemed very interested and had fun.
- Humboldt Challenge – signs are posted around campus to start advertising new members. SAF members are speaking to large and small classes about SAF in general to inform people about what SAF is and hopefully get them to join. A table will be set up some time to promote new members.
- First Aid session will be held in the spring semester.
- We and another club at ESF will sponsor this semester's TGIO.
- Chainsaw training will be held in spring, hopefully at Pack Forest when they offer their course in it.