

September 2, 2003 - First meeting of the semester

MEETINGS ARE MONDAYS AT 5:15PM ~ ROOM 213 MARSHALL!

National Convention Stuff

- We will leave Saturday morning (Oct. 25th). Two vans are reserved for the trip. Ten hotel rooms are reserved as of now, costing \$100 a room a night (divided between 4 people).

The travel scholarship from SAF will go towards some of the costs.

Everyone who attends the Convention is going as a volunteer and will be awarded \$50.

- Ice Breaker – need to get an update from Wade Aldrich about the unplugged band that will be playing during that.
- Quizbowl – Kathleen is in charge of this. She needs to find out the number of schools attending to get a better idea of how many people she needs, but she will find this out by Sept. 10th. Judges need to be picked, usually picked from faculty. She still needs more members to help her out, so if you have time please get in contact with Kathleen. She needs all student members attending to participate, and she also needs an MC.
- Host Committee – Headed by Rachel. These people will help people register and answer questions. She needs around 10 people to be hosts/hostesses. The Entertainment committee will merge with this one since they coincide. The list for entertainment, taxis, etc is done.
- National Student Assembly – Headed by Mike Farrell. The panel discussion of preservation vs. conservation is coming along. He has a couple of speakers lined up already. He is thinking of doing a skit in the beginning of the discussion between Muir and Pinchot. If anyone would like to act out either of these parts, please contact Mike, costumes will be provided. We also have a sponsor for a snack during this session.
- We need to find out if we can put a booth up (or use the NY-SAF booth) at the National Convention to sell sugar maple seedlings to raise money for the Memorial Grove.

Other Things

- Denise will put up advertisements for the National Convention. Juniors and Seniors will be targeted.
- Humboldt Challenge – membership drive
The focus will be on new campus membership (especially freshman) and foresters who are not currently members in New York State by telephoning them. Advertisement for new recruits will also be posted around campus.
- Kathleen came up with a good idea of having a Saturday field trip to Heiberg Forest with the freshman forestry/natural resource students. We will be showing them how to use D-tapes, clinometers, and compasses among other things. We will visit them in the FOR 132 class and present this idea to them. This will hopefully get them more involved in SAF.
- The sugar maple seedlings planted with the 3rd graders have a high survival rate. The ones in the field need to be checked on to see how they are doing.
- Public Relations group sent out articles into the New York Forester over the summer.
- Kathleen is looking into sponsoring or co-sponsoring a TG at the end of the semester.