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LETTER TO THE EDITOR

Dear Dr. Knisley,

I am among those who originally supported the idea of the ISEE Newsletter when I was an NGO observer for the Presbyterian Church (USA) at the United Nations. I am always so pleased when mine arrives. It has become such a handsome publication with so many ideas and possible contacts. In retirement I am living in Vermont and writing poetry as a way to reach people who do not want to talk about ethics or the environment. I am fortunate to belong to a poetry group in Middlebury, Vermont--the Otter Creek Poets have met on a weekly basis for eight years. As group leader for one of our sessions, I gave an assignment to write a poem for the cover of your Newsletters. I have been pleased with the use of poetry and the quotes on the ISEE Newsletter. I also observe some end pages in your text that might be enriched. Some of the most powerful messages ever sent by one human being to humanity were written in poetry.

Sincerely, Betty A. Little, Ph.D. 208 Gables Place Rutland, VT

One of the poems received is printed later in the Newsletter.

GENERAL ANNOUNCEMENTS

Death of John Livingston Excerpted from the January 30, 2006 obituary posted to the York University Faculty of Environmental Studies webpage: http://www.yorku.ca/fes/fesnews/Livingston.asp. Thanks to David Orton for notifying us of Dr. Livingston's death.

The Faculty of Environmental Studies at York wishes to celebrate the many contributions and accomplishments of Professor Emeritus John Livingston, a key

player in the development of the Faculty and prominent figure in biological conservation both in Canada and around the world. Professor Livingston passed away from a heart attack on the evening of January 17 in his home on Saltspring Island, BC.

Born in Toronto, Professor Livingston's University education was interrupted by the Second World War and his service in the Royal Canadian Navy. However, his excellent academic record earned him a BA (In-Service) in English from the University of Toronto. He built a career for himself in the field of biological conservation, working as a consultant and for many nonprofit organizations, including taking on the role of President of the Audubon Society of Canada (now Nature Canada) and co-founding LGL Limited, an internationally renowned environmental research company. As a result of his extensive accomplishments, in 1970 he was invited to join FES.

At FES, Livingston represented both the ecological conscience and the insistence on academic excellence that were crucial in the development of the Faculty's international reputation. His books *Birds of the Northern Forest and Canada: A Natural History* remain classics in the field of natural history and his *The Fallacy of Wildlife Conservation* and *One Cosmic Instant* have been pivotal in the development of environmental thought. In 1994 his *Rogue Primate* won the Governor-General's Award for Nonfiction.

Livingston's analysis and advocacy inspired countless people to appreciate and understand the need to protect nature. FES has been flooded with messages from people wishing to honour and respect Livingston's life and achievements. The many stories circulating about him clearly demonstrate that his influence is deeply felt and his legacy will continue to inspire people all over the world. He is survived by his wife Ursula, daughter Sally, sons Zeke and Least, daughter-in-law Tina, grandchildren Bronwyn and Duncan, and sister Judith.

The ISEE Listerv. ISEE-L is a discussion list for the International Society for Environmental Ethics. Its creation was authorized by the ISEE Board of Directors in December 2000. It is intended to be a forum for announcements and discussion related to teaching and research in environmental ethics. To join or leave the list, or to alter your subscription options go to: http://listserv.tamu.edu/archives/isee-l.html. Contact the list manager with questions: Gary Varner, gary@philosophy.tamu.edu.

CONFERENCES AND CALLS

Forest Disturbance, Management and Biodiversity Symposium April 26-27, 2006, Colorado Please join The National Commission on Science for Sustainable Forestry (NCSSF) for its fourth public symposium, Forest Disturbance, Management and Biodiversity, April 26-27, 2006 at the Warwick Hotel in Denver, CO. The NCSSF is a multi-sponsor commission convened and managed by the National Council for Science and the Environment.

The goal of this symposium is to present and evaluate the relationship between forest management, disturbance, and biodiversity, including: Impacts of historic management on natural disturbance regimes; Post disturbance management and effects on biodiversity; Alternatives to managing for "natural" disturbance regimes and biodiversity impacts; and Approaches to managing for biodiversity where historically "natural" disturbance results in loss of biodiversity Speakers and panels will discuss such topics as land use history, old growth forests and disturbance, pathogens, disturbance and intensive forest management, various approaches to post-disturbance management, forest restoration, invasive species, and climate change impacts on forests. For further information, and to register online, visit www.ncssf.org or contact:

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Ethics and Africa May 29-31, 2006, Cape Town, South Africa The department of Philosophy at the University of Cape Town, and the Jean Beer Blumenfield Center for Ethics at Georgia State University, present this conference on Ethics and Africa. The conference will draw together scholars in political theory, ethics, applied ethics, international law, health, sociobiology, and more to present work and exchange ideas on ethical issues specifically relevant to the peoples and political context of Africa. Keynote speakers are:

- Chandran Kukathas: Neal A. Maxwell Professor of Political Theory, Public Policy and Public Service, Department of Political Science, University of Utah, USA
- Thomas Pogge: Professorial Fellow, Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics, Australian National University; Professor of Philosophy, Columbia and Oslo Universities

For further information, go to: http://www2.gsu.edu/~wwwphl/EthicsFramesIndex.html, or contact:

Andrew I. Cohen, Associate Director Jean Beer Blumenfeld Center for Ethics Georgia State University Department of Philosophy P.O. Box 4089 Atlanta, GA 30302-4089 Tel (404) 651-0718 Fax (404) 651-1563 aicohen(at)gsu.edu Third Annual Joint ISEE/IAEP Joint Conference May 30-June 2, 2006, Colorado

With help from the University of North Texas, the ISEE and the International Association for Environmental Philosophy (IAEP) are hosting this third annual meeting intended to bring together the environmental philosophy community, from May 30 to June 2, 2006 at the Highlands Center on the border of Rocky Mountain National Park in Colorado. The recently constructed Highlands Center stands at 8500 feet elevation and includes rooms, meeting space, and a cafeteria. Longs Peak (elevation 14,000 feet) hovers above the conference center and is within close hiking distance. Twenty rooms have been reserved, each of which comfortably houses one to three guests. In addition, camping facilities are available nearby at Rocky Mountain National Park. The program is posted at the IAEP website, http://www.environmentalphilosophy.org/, and the papers will also be avaible there by early May. Use your PayPal account to register at http://www.cep.unt.edu/ISEE2/pay.html. For information, contact either:

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Third International Conference: "Animals, Zoos and Conservation" June 8-9, 2006, Poznań, Poland The Poznań Zoological Garden and the Institute of Systematic Zoology of the University of Adam Mickiewicz at Poznań would like to invite you to participate in the Third International Conference:

"Animals, Zoos and Conservation." The Conference will be held in English. The scope of lectures will not be limited, but all should in one way or another be related to research done on active conservation, animals held in zoos, rescue centres and scientific collections. We are planning to publish a book with the proceedings of the Conference. Both oral presentations as well as posters will be accepted.

The conference fee is 300 zl (around 75 EUR) and covers: conference fee and materials, printing of book, lunches on 8th and 9th of June, coffee and snack as well as picnic at the zoo on 8th in the evening Poznań is a university town with 600.000 inhabitants located in western Poland in the midway between Berlin and Warsaw. We have good connection by train with: Berlin, Warsaw, Wroclaw (Breslau). We also have an airport with connection to: Warsaw, Hannover, Dortmund, Zurich, Frankfurt, Köln, Bonn, Copenhagen, Munich, London (Luton, Stanstead). For more information go to: http://conference.wizytowka.pl/, or contact:

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e-mail: conference@op.pl or: zoo.cwiertnia@interia.pl or: zoo@zoo.poznan.pl http://www.zoo.poznan.pl/ 12th International Interdisciplinary Conference On The Environment June 22-24, 2006, Kona, Hawaii The Interdisciplinary Environmental Association (IEA) invites you to participate in the 12th International Interdisciplinary Conference on the Environment (IICE), to be held at the Sheraton Keauhou Bay Resort and Spa Kona, Hawaii. The IICE is motivated by the increasing need to combine ideas and research findings from different disciplines to enhance our understanding of the interactions between the natural environment and human institutions. Conference presentations are aimed at the educated layperson and focus on: What all disciplines have to offer with respect to understanding environmental and resource problems; Possible solutions that are available; The implications of the globalization of environmental concerns.

The conference welcomes environmental practitioners, academics, students and all interested persons regardless of background. Participants may organize sessions, present papers, participate in poster sessions, chair sessions, discuss papers, participate in round-table discussions, or simply observe. The conference also welcomes papers and posters submitted by students, both graduate and undergraduate. Advisors, please contact mreiter@desu.edu for details. To facilitate communication, authors should make an effort to write papers and design posters that can be understood by an audience outside their disciplines. All papers submitted for consideration for the journal Interdisciplinary Environmental Review must pass peer review.

The deadline for abstract submission and early registration is May 12, 2006. Please, submit your abstract (of no more than 300 words) via e-mail to Dr. Kimberly Reiter (kreiter@stetson.edu). Additionally, mail two hard copies of your abstract to the conference chair, address below. All submitted abstracts will be evaluated for presentation and publication in the Book of Abstracts which will be available at the Conference.

- You may submit abstracts for no more than 2 presentations (paper or poster);
- Abstracts/papers must not have been published, accepted, or submitted for publication elsewhere
- The disciplines that best fit your paper must be typed on the top right corner of the front page;
- For co-authorships please include names, affiliations, and addresses of all authors and indicate who will serve as presenter;
- All papers will be evaluated using a blind review process.

For further information go to: http://www.ieaonline.org/conference.htm# or contact:

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6th International Whitehead Conference July 3-6, 2006, Salzburg University The 6th International Whitehead Conference: The Importance of Process--System and Adventure, will bring into contact scholars and diverse research activities in all different fields undertaken by philosophers, scientists, and theologians from all over the world who are inspired by the process paradigm. The conference aims to promote exchange of research activities, strategies and results for each field, as well as enhanced cooperation between institutions doing research and applications of process thought. The conference includes an Ecological Ethics Section—within the growing fields of environmental and animal ethics, many ethicists have been inspired by Whitehead's philosophy, and more generally by the philosophy of organism. This section provides an opportunity for an exchange of ideas between ethicists who apply process thought to animal and environmental ethics, including those who are critical of the validity of such applications. For further details on this section, please contact the section heads, Barbara Muraca (Alex5@t-online.de) or Jan Deckers (jan.deckers@ncl.ac.uk). registration and further conference details. see: http://www.unisalzburg.at/whiteheadconference/index2.html.

Putting Science-and-Religion In Its Place: New Visions Of Nature? July 13-16, 2006, Oxford, UK A call for short papers to be presented at this year's annual lan Ramsey Centre summer conference, being held in collaboration with the University of California, Santa Barbara. UCSB has been hosting a major research project entitled 'New Visions of Nature,' which is moving towards completion. A special feature of this UCSB project is its interdisciplinary character, involving the participation of physical and social scientists, anthropologists, historians, philosophers and theologians. The aim of this conference is to ask what it means to put discussions of 'science-and-religion' in their contexts, and to explore in depth the tensions between universalist and particularist ways of understanding nature, science and religion. It will be held at St Anne's College, Oxford, UK.

Speakers will include:

- John Hedley Brooke Director of the Ian Ramsey Centre and Professor of Science and Religion, University of Oxford
- James Proctor Director of the 'New Visions in Nature' project, UC Santa Barbara
- Willem Drees University of Leiden and President of ESSSAT
- David Livingstone Queen's University, Belfast
- Ronald Numbers University of Wisconsin (Madison)
- Nicolaas Rupke Georg-August University, Goettingen

Submissions of short paper are invited. Papers must be relevant to the main conference topic, "Putting Science-and-Religion in its Place: New Visions of Nature," although some breadth of interpretation is possible. Refer to the University of Santa Barbara's webpage for more information on its New Visions of Nature project. Papers

are likely to fall into three main groups, scientific, philosophical and theological. However it may be hard to define such boundaries, and papers crossing them are encouraged.

An abstract of not more than 300 words (excluding title, names and keywords) must be submitted to Dr Michael Parsons by May 31, 2006 at the latest. Abstracts must be in MSWord or RFT format, and give 1) the name, academic position and affiliation of the author(s) and 2) the title. Keywords, if used, should be placed after the main body of the abstract. Acceptance is entirely at the discretion of the organising committee, and contributors will be notified if their paper is accepted within two weeks of the abstract's submission.

More information about Ian Ramsey Centre, this conference, and online registration may found on our website, http://www.ianramseycentre.org/. If you have questions about the academic programme, contact Conference Director Dr. Mike Parsons (mike.parsons@theology.ox.ac.uk). Booking and administrative queries should be directed to Mrs Cynthia Hall at the Ian Ramsey Centre:

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Animal Minds and the Bête-Machine in Early Modern Philosophy 2006, University of Malta This is a session at the Tenth International Conference of the International Society for the Study of European Ideas. This session will examine the two-fold theme animal minds and the bête-machine in early modern philosophy roughly the period from Montaigne to Kant. Discourse on animal minds in the early modern period originates mainly although not exclusively in Descartes. His thesis, according to which animals have no rational souls—a view nowadays better known as the Cartesian 'bête-machine' or 'beast machine' doctrine—provoked a lively discussion in the seventeenth and eighteenth centuries about the nature of animals and their status. This workshop will discuss various Cartesian and competing early modern views on animal minds and the bête-machine and the puzzles they created in early modern thought. Descartes—who is often called 'the father of modern philosophy' and his early modern successors, occupy a position of central importance as some of the main sources of our modern intellectual identity. The workshop will contribute to the discussion of the main conference theme, 'The European Mind: Narrative and Identity', by elucidating the themes of animal minds and the bête-machine, two key indicators of the limits of what it meant to be human in a crucial period in our intellectual history. Further information: http://issei2006.haifa.ac.il/ChavezArvizo.htm, or contact:

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Globalization, Env'l Ethics and Environmental Justice August 24-28, 206, East Lansing, Michigan Papers are invited for this interdisciplinary, international conference focused on unfolding environmental developments, organized by Lyman Briggs School of Science at Michigan State University, held at MSU in East Lansing, MI. As globalization advances and the global character of many environmental problems become more manifest, wider perspectives are stimulated in local environmental traditions. In North America, a burgeoning environmental justice movement makes links between environmental damage, poverty and race that strongly recall longstanding political concerns in Europe and the South. In Western Europe, scepticism and mistrust of GM and other new deep technologies raises questions about the character of "nature" long discussed in relation to the American wilderness tradition. About the globe, environmental activists grapple with new problems of human impacts, risk, technology, consumption and just distribution, and articulate new visions of the future.

This conference aims to bring together a range of disparate voices across the globe and the disciplines, broadening these new international discussions by bringing distinctly American traditions of environmental ethics into dialogue with international concerns in environmental politics, philosophy, literature, sociology, history and economics. The Lyman Briggs School has long pioneered research cooperation across the disciplines between arts and sciences at Michigan State University, the USA's first land-grant University. Workshop topics will include: Ecological Restoration; Nature, Culture and Artifact; Environmental Justice; Animals and Speciesism; Ecofeminism; The Land Ethic; Environmental Citizenship; Economy and Ecology; Risk and Technology; Ecology and Utopia; Environmental Movements; Environmental History; Climate Change & Disasters; Literature and Ecology.

Keynote speakers are:

- John Barry (Queen's University Belfast, UK)
- Dale Jamieson (New York University, USA)
- Arthur Mol (Wageningen University, Netherlands)
- Ariel Salleh (University of Western Sydney, Australia)
- Karen Warren (Macalester College, Minnesota, USA)

Abstracts should be received by June 16, 2006, and should be sent to:

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Third Annual Conference of The Ethics Society Of South Africa September 11-13, 2006, Stellenbosch You are invited to participate in the Third Annual Conference of the Ethics Society of South Africa (ESSA) in Stellenbosch, South Africa September 11-13, 2006. It is this year jointly organized by the Centre for Applied Ethics in the Philosophy Department at Stellenbosch and the Executive of ESSA.

The conference has no specific theme. The organizers will consider papers in the area of theoretical and/or applied ethics. Postgraduate students are also encouraged to submit abstracts for papers. The key-note speaker will be Dr. Marcel Verweij, Senior Researcher and Lecturer at the Utrecht University Ethics Institute and a world renowned expert on the ethics of public medicine.

Abstracts of papers are invited; potential participants are also encouraged to suggest possible plenary sessions and/or workshops or seminars. Lectures in parallel sessions will be 45 minutes, including discussion time. Abstracts must be submitted as Word Files, must clearly state the title and name of the author(s) as well as their e-mail addresses, and must be no longer than 300 words. They must be submitted to Hennie L*tter at hppl@lw.rau.ac.za, no later than June 30, 2006. Participants will be informed of (non)acceptance of their abstracts no later than July 31, 2006. Hard copies may also be submitted, mailed to Hennie L*tter at Philosophy Dept., University of Johannesburg, P.O. Box 524, Auckland Park, 2006. Further information may be found at: http://lists.nu.ac.za/pipermail/tank-l/2006-April/000077.html. Inquiries about the program may also be directed to:

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Inquiries about accommodation or other arrangements/needs may be directed to: Prof. Van Niekerk's secretary, Liesl van Kerwel, Tel 021-8082418 or 0829453380; lek@sun.ac.za.

Conference on Climate and Philosophy September 15-16, 2006, Tampa, Florida

A conference on "Climate and Philosophy" will be held at the University of South Florida, Tampa, USA, on 15-16 September 2006. The conference is organized by the USF Philosophy Department and aims to be a think tank on the meaning of climate change. A panel on practical philosophy will discuss sociopolitical, cultural, ethical, and existential issues of climate change. A panel on theoretical philosophy will discuss formal, epistemological, and ontological features of climate change. Finally, a panel on pedagogy and didactics will discuss strategies for integrating climate change in the philosophy curriculum. Various speakers will talk on first- and second-order aspects of climate change—paper topics will be announced later.

We will be examining the heuristic potential of European, Asian, and African thinkers, such as Leibniz, Wolff, Kant, Hegel, Nietzsche, Heidegger, Laozi, Xunzi, Watsuji, or Fanon, for meeting the conceptual challenge posed by the accelerating global warming and the impending climate crash. Many of us in USF Philosophy Department think that the unfolding events of the human-nature interplay highlight the potential of thinkers who are marginalized or at best 'problematized' in the academy. Analytic and postmodern mainstreams have retreated to skepticism and have dismissed systematic explorations of deeper questions of being and nature; Englishlanguage philosophy is now largely concerned with second-order inquiries. We feel it is time to bring creative, critical, and synthetic approaches back into the fray.

"Climate and Philosophy" will have the format of a think tank. We hope that other universities in the state, the nation, and abroad can follow our lead. For further information, contact:

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60th Annual Mountain-Plains Philosophy Conference Sept 28-30, 2006, Topeka, Kansas This is a call for papers for the 60th Annual Mountains-Plains Philosophy Conference, which this year will be hosted by Washburn University in Topeka, KS. Dr. Robert Kane of the University of Texas at Austin will be the keynote speaker. Papers on any topic of philosophical interest will be considered. E-Mail submissions (Word or pdf) are preferred and should be no longer than 3000 words, suitable for reading aloud, and prepared for blind-reviewing (detachable title page). Please include a 100-word abstract in your cover letter and indicate whether, should your paper not be accepted, you would be willing to serve as a commentator or session moderator. The deadline for submission is June 1, 2006. Further information may be found at: http://www.mt-plains.org/, or by contacting:

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Int'l Association For Environmental Philosophy 8th Annual Meeting October 14-16, 2006, Philadelphia, Pennsylvania The IAEP is convening at Villanova University in Philadelphia, PA on October 14-16, 2006, immediately after the 45th Annual Meeting of the Society for Phenomenology and Existential Philosophy. Look for the program by mid-May on www.environmentalphilosophy.org. This year's conference will follow a new format. On Sunday, we will continue to have regular papers clustered by topic. On Monday, we will have three concurrent mini-conferences co-sponsored by the following organizations:

- Society for Nature, Philosophy, and Religion
- Ecofeminism, Environmental Justice and Social Ecology. Topic: "Environmental Justice and Wilderness Ethics: Tensions and Common Ground"
- Environmental and Architectural Phenomenology. Topic: "Architect Christopher Alexander' The Nature of Order: Conceptual and Applied Implications"

The first collection of past IAEP conference presentations has just been published by Indiana University Press under the title *Rethinking Nature: Essays in Environmental Philosophy*, ed. Bruce V. Foltz and Robert Frodeman, and a second volume is being planned.

The International Association for Environmental Philosophy offers a forum for the philosophical discussion of our relation to the natural environment. Embracing a broad understanding of environmental philosophy, IAEP encourages not only discussions of environmental ethics, but of environmental aesthetics, ontology, theology, the philosophy of science, political philosophy, ecofeminism, and the philosophy of technology. IAEP also welcomes a diversity of approaches to these issues, including those inspired by Continental philosophy, the history of philosophy, and the tradition of American philosophy. Membership in IAEP is open to everyone. Regular membership for 2005-2006 is \$50 (\$30 for students); it is payable to IAEP and should be sent to:

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Membership includes subscription to the journal <u>Environmental Philosophy</u> (formerly Call to Earth, now greatly enlarged). Non-membership and library subscriptions to Environmental Philosophy are \$45, and can be ordered from the same address. Back issues are also available. For more information, please visit our website at: www.environmentalphilosophy.org.

Ethics & The Environment Call for Submissions Ethics and the Environment provides an interdisciplinary forum for theoretical and practical articles, discussions, and book reviews in the broad area encompassed by environmental philosophy. Possible topics include conceptual approaches in ecological philosophy such as ecological feminism and deep ecology as they apply to issues such as cloning, genetically modified organisms, new reproductive technology, war and militarism, environmental education and management, ecological economics, and ecosystem health. We encourage submissions offering new and imaginative conceptions of what counts as an "environmental issue."

Manuscripts may be submitted at any time to the Editor. Please send two copies, one without identification, for anonymous review. For matters of style, please consult *The Chicago Manual Of Style*. Send submissions to:

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New Encyclopedia of Sustainability, Call for Applications for Associate Editors

Berkshire Publishing Group is embarking on an *Encyclopedia of Sustainability*, inspired by its *Encyclopedia of World Environmental History*, and needs to appoint an editorial board. We currently seek associate editors who will work with Berkshire to ensure comprehensive coverage and recommend authors. Associate editors will also review a small number of articles.

The premise of the Berkshire *Encyclopedia of Sustainability* is simple: it will be a much-needed reference guide to environmental solutions. Environmental problems are well-documented (though still subject to debate, which will be discussed in many articles), while the solutions remain less well-publicized than they need to be. Coverage will be largely practical, not abstract, connecting academic research to real world applications. It will be comprehensive, including science and technology, agriculture and consumer product design, community development and financial markets. Definitions of sustainability and other key terms will be carefully developed

and assessed. International and cross-cultural differences will also have an important place.

Editors of Berkshire's *Encyclopedia of World Environmental History* included J.R. McNeill, Shepard Krech III, and Carolyn Merchant. Contributors included James Lovelock, William McNeill, J. Donald Hughes, and Conrad Totman. The work was highly praised by Lester Brown, William Cronon, James Gustav Speth, and Patricia Limerick, and the sustainability project will be of similarly high standard.

A PhD and academic position are generally required, as are publications related to the theme of sustainability. Other credentials may be accepted, however, so individuals who have developed expertise and networks through professional activities outside the university world are encouraged to contact us. A scholarly orientation is, however, essential: this work is not an activist publication or collection of opinions. Scientific, demographic, and historical data will provide the foundation for all contributions; differences of opinion, and environmental movements, and countermovements, will be covered; information about social attitudes and cultural perspectives are an important part of this topic and will be needed by the students who will find this a definitive, fresh resource.

Contact Karen Christensen, karen@berkshirepublishing.com, for further information.

New Encyclopedia of Earth, Call for Volunteer Authors and Editors The new Encyclopedia of Earth seeks to fill a growing void on the web by offering a trusted source for information about the Earth that is free to all users and whose content is not supported by commercial interests. The Encyclopedia is one component of the Earth Portal (http://earthportal.net/), the world's first comprehensive resource for timely, objective, science-based environmental information. In addition to the Encyclopedia, the Earth Portal contains news services, structured metadata, a federated environmental search engine, and a suite of stewarding tools that will enable users to effortlessly build subject-specific portals. The Environmental Information Coalition (EIC)—the partnership that is building the Earth Portal—brings together highly respected scientists, educators, and professionals, and the organizations, agencies, and institutions for which they work. An outstanding International Advisory Board has been established to provide overall guidance and scientific grounding to the Earth Portal and the Encyclopedia. All content will be reviewed and approved prior to being published at the free public site.

Professor Cutler J. Cleveland of Boston University, Editor-in-Chief of the recent 6-volume *Encyclopedia of Energy* (Elsevier Science), is the Editor-in-Chief of the *Encyclopedia of Earth*. Applications are invited for Authors and Topic Editors in this exciting initiative. As an Author you would contribute articles in your areas of expertise, edit and add to the work of other authors, and receive recognition and attribution for high quality, peer-reviewed work. Using pre-existing materials is permissible, consistent with copyright restrictions. As a Topic Editor you would approve or disapprove draft *Encyclopedia* content in your area of expertise, shape

policies, maintain quality, contribute and edit articles, and be given full recognition and attribution for your work. As either Author or Topic Editor, you will be carrying out public education and outreach consistent with the mission of your institution and, perhaps, with the requirements of grants that support your work. Most important, you will find you involvement in the *Encyclopedia* rewarding and fun.

If you would like to apply, please contact Lauren Pidot at lpidot@ncseonline.org for an application form.

PHILOSOPHY IN THE FIELDS

Philosophical Field Station in Chile The Department of Philosophy and Religious Studies at the University of North Texas in Denton, Texas announces its new field station for interdisciplinary work in environmental science, philosophy, and policy. Cosponsored by the Omora Foundation (http://www.omora.org), the field station is located in Cape Horn, Chile, at 55° S, at the southern tip of South America. While still in its early stages, a variety of activities and opportunities for both the UNT community and researchers worldwide are planned, including:

- Internships for travel and research to Cape Horn will be available for UNT graduate students beginning in the fall of 2006.
- The Cape Horn Research Workshop, a joint Chilean-US international meeting, planned for June 2007.
- Construction of a research dorm and library, as well as a separate classroom and research center.
- Experiential nature-writing course, "Tracing the Path of Darwin: Writing at the Beagle Channel."

We invite researchers and graduate students at other institutions to contact us for possible research at the field station, and for opportunities for partnerships. Further information may be found at the field station website: http://www.phil.unt.edu/chile/, or by contacting:

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http://www.phil.unt.edu

U.S. Students Study Environmental Ethics in Mexico During summer of 2005, Mark Woods, an associate professor at the University of San Diego (USD), taught a six week environmental ethics course in the USD Summer Program in Guadalajara, Mexico. It was the first time a philosopher had taught in this study abroad program in over twenty years. Most of the students lived with host families, and their stay in Mexico provided them with a unique opportunity to begin to experience environmental problems within the perspective of a third world country. Compared to many other first world countries, United States college students tend to be less well-traveled internationally, and the fact that Woods taught environmental ethics outside the confines of the U.S. helped establish an outside perspective to examine U.S. patterns of economics, consumption, and environmental impacts. While the students studied a number of standard environmental ethics topics, they focused their field of study on issues of globalization, sustainability, justice, consumption, and technology. Woods plans on teaching a new course on environmental justice in the Guadalajara Program in summer 2007.

In the last issue of the ISSE Newsletter, Jennifer Everett announced her survey research on Higher Education and Sustainability and asked a number of questions about what environmental philosophers, and a college education as a whole, should be providing for students. Woods believes that one important role for environmental philosophers who teach in the U.S. should be to look for opportunities to teach environmental philosophy to U.S. students outside of the borders of the U.S. Implicitly and explicitly, a number of environmental problems throughout the world are linked to behaviors, policies, and practices of individuals, groups, and governments within the U.S. Many people in the U.S. have college degrees, and it is incumbent on us as environmental philosophers to help create good environmental citizens. Physically taking U.S. college students outside of their familiar comfort zones and teaching environmental philosophy in foreign countries, particularly third world countries, might help begin to shake them out of their environmental, dogmatic slumber.

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Vanishing Amphibians after a talk by David Wake

Since 1990, scientists have referred to amphibians as canaries in the coal mine; the Global Amphibian Assessment (GAA) shows that the canaries are dying.... Nearly one-third of the world's 5,743 amphibian species have been classified as threatened with extinction.... 122 species, perhaps many more, appear to have gone extinct since 1980. Declaration of the Amphibian Conservation Summit, September 2005.

Wake said the comparison some people have made between amphibians and the canaries that once warned coal miners of danger isn't quite right. "If a canary died," Wake said, "the miners got out of the mine. We don't have that option. We don't have any place to go."

The marsh is silent, the water, the grass,

no high brief pinging or contrabass.

An avalanche of species breeding stock gone,

eyes all over their skins, tongues all over their skins

eating our air — tree-barked boulders,

blue porcelain clowns, ruby-bellied emeralds,

golden harlequins. Who was looking?

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ACADEMIC PROGRAMS AND INSTITUTES

Environmental Ethics Institute July 10-28, 2006, Missoula, Montana "Exploring the Landscapes of Environmental Thought," An Environmental Ethics Institute, will be offered by The Center for Ethics at The University of Montana July 10-28, 2006. The Institute creates unique educational opportunities for citizens, scholars, students, environmental educators and leaders to come together and discuss important aspects of environmental thought. Enjoy the exceptional beauty and recreational opportunities of western Montana while exploring a wide range of environmental and ethical issues with leading environmental thinkers. Courses can be taken for credit or with a nocredit option at a reduced fee, and graduate credit is available. Participants can register for any portion of the Institute that fits their schedule and interests. Schedule of events:

- Environmental Justice in Montana's Indian Country, July 10-13, 1 credit course with Robin Saha, Environmental Studies, UM-Missoula
- Foundations of Environmental Thought, June 5-July 7 online* & July 17-21 on campus, 3 credit course with Andrew Light, Department of Philosophy and Evans School of Public Affairs, University of Washington
- How We Experience Nature: Environmental Aesthetics, June 5-July 7 online* & July 24-28 on campus, 3 credit course with Yuriko Saito, Division of Liberal Studies, Rhode Island School of Design *Note: The innovative part online, part face-to-face 3-credit course format is designed to enhance the learning experience of the summer short-course format and to make your time in Missoula as enjoyable as possible.
- Science, Religion, and the Environment, July 27, evening panel discussion with Holmes Rolston III, Colorado State University, Albert Borgmann, The University of Montana, John Hart, Boston University, Ned Hettinger, College of Charleston, and Christopher Preston, The University of Montana
- "The Death of Environmentalism", July 20, evening panel discussion with William Chaloupka, Colorado State University, Daniel Kemmis, Center for the Rocky Mountain West, Andrew Light, University of Washington, and Tracy Stone-Manning, Clark Fork Coalition
- National Bison Range, July 12, full day field trip with Robin Saha, Environmental Studies, UM-Missoula
- Ethical Issues in Ecological Restoration, July 19, ½ day field trip with Dan Spencer, Environmental Studies/Liberal Studies/Philosophy, UM-Missoula
- Evening lectures by Holmes Rolston, Andrew Light, Yuriko Saito and Ned Hettinger during the 3-week Institute

Registration forms, course descriptions, preliminary syllabi, faculty information, and travel information can be downloaded directly from our website, http://www.umt.edu/ethics. For more information, contact:

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Undergraduate Course in Marine Science And Sustainability August-October, 2006, Washington Beam Reach is a sustainability science school focused on the marine environment. We believe that combining ocean exploration, student inquiry, and a vessel demonstrating clean technologies is the best way to foster personal growth, teach the scientific process, and promote a sustainability ethic. In 2006 the core Beam Reach offering is a full-term (10 week) program focused on endangered orcas and salmon, appropriate for science and non-science majors alike, and approved for academic credit through the University of Washington.

Participants this year will witness a managerial drama in which the Endangered Species Act is applied to two prominent species, one of whom (resident orcas) eats the other (salmon). Students will also have the rare chance to conduct their acoustic research aboard the first biodiesel-electric hybrid sailing charter vessel on the West Coast. During the first half of the program students collaborate with scientists, formulate individual research projects, and prepare for sea. Then they board a sailing research vessel and explore the Pacific Ocean under renewable power. For further information, contact:

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New International Masters Program in Professional and Applied Ethics The Australian National University and Bjorknes College Oslo announce a prestigious Master of Arts program in Professional and Applied Ethics designed to equip both new graduates and established practitioners and decision makers with the skills to identify, analyse, and resolve ethical issues in government, business, and industry and to develop ethically sustainable policies and practice for sectors including health care, criminal justice, information technology and biotechnology. The program offers a unique global perspective on ethical questions, with a strong Scandinavian and European focus in the first part and an Australian and Asia -Pacific focus in the latter part of the program.

In Canberra it is taught by philosophers at the highly regarded Australian Research Council funded Special Research Centre for Applied Philosophy and Public Ethics: the largest such centre in the world; and in Oslo by lecturers associated with the globally recognised Ethics Program at the University of Oslo and International Peace Research Institute.

Students selected for this elite program will thus enjoy unparalleled access to lecturers who are esteemed as world leaders in their field including Professors Tom Campbell, John Kleinig, Jeroen van den Hoven and Thomas Pogge.

The program commences in September 2006 in Oslo. Details of the program including how to apply may be found at http://appliedethics.anu.edu.au. Interested persons may also contact:

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ISSUES

White Storks Fly in Japanese Skies for the 1st Time in 34 Years. An attempt to return White Storks (Ciconia ciconia) to the wild has been made by the Hyogo Prefectural Homeland for the White Stork in Toyooka City, Hyogo Prefecture. This species has been extinct in the wild since 1971. Storks bred and raised at this facility were released in September 2005. It was the first time in 34 years that storks hatched in Japan were released into the sky, and was the world's first attempt to reintroduce this species. http://www.japanfs.org/db/database.cgi?cmd=dp&num=1260&dp=data_e.html.

Bottled Water: Pouring Resources Down the Drain. The global consumption of bottled water reached 154 billion liters (41 billion gallons) in 2004, up 57 percent from the 98 billion liters consumed five years earlier. Even in areas where tap water is safe to drink, demand for bottled water is increasing, producing unnecessary garbage and consuming vast quantities of energy. Although in the industrial world bottled water is often no healthier than tap water, it can cost up to 10,000 times more. At as much as

\$2.50 per liter (\$10 per gallon), bottled water costs more than gasoline. The United States is the worlds leading consumer of bottled water, with Americans drinking 26 billion liters in 2004, or approximately one 8 ounce glass per person every day. Mexico has the second highest consumption, at 18 billion liters. China and Brazil follow, at close to 12 billion liters each. Ranking fifth and sixth in consumption are Italy and Germany, using just over 10 billion liters of bottled water each.

After the water has been consumed, the plastic bottle must be disposed of. According to the Container Recycling Institute, 86 percent of plastic water bottles used in the United States become garbage or litter. Incinerating used bottles produces toxic byproducts such as chlorine gas and ash containing heavy metals. Buried water bottles can take up to 1,000 years to biodegrade. Studies show that consumers associate bottled water with healthy living. But bottled water is not guaranteed to be any healthier than tap water. In fact, roughly 40 percent of bottled water begins as tap water; often the only difference is added minerals that have no marked health benefit. http://www.earth.policy.org/Updates/2006/Update51.htm

New York Times, "Crossroads in the National Parks." Editorial, February 27, 2006. "The Interior Department has extended the period in which the public may comment on the National Park Service's controversial plan to rewrite the management policies for the national parks. But the extension was unnecessary, just as the rewrite itself is unnecessary. The public has already spoken and so have its elected representatives. Their central message is that the administration's proposed revisions will serve no one, least of all the parks, and that the Interior Department would be well advised to abandon the effort. The main problem with the proposed revisions is that, taken together, they shift the management focus from the park service's central, historic mission preserving natural resources for the enjoyment of future generations to commercial and recreational use of the park for today's generation..." and more. http://www.nytimes.com/2006/02/27/opinion/27mon1.html

WEBSITES OF INTEREST

Thanks to David Ehrensperger, Philosophy Graduate Student, Colorado State Univ.

<u>Alternative Farming Systems Information Center: Community Supported Agriculture</u> http://www.nal.usda.gov/afsic/csa/

Community Supported Agriculture (CSA) is a growing agricultural model for ecological and economic sustainability. This is a USDA National Agriculture Library site.

Association for the Study of Literature and Environment

http://www.asle.umn.edu/index.html

Focuses on writing about human relations with the natural world. ASLE is an international organization; one main focus is ecocriticism.

Bat Conservation International http://www.batcon.org/home/default.asp

Bats, their great skills, their ecological and economical importance, their habitats, including bridges and caves, and the importance of their conservation.

British Library: Listen to Nature http://www.bl.uk/listentonature

400 recordings selected from the more than 150,000 animal sounds held by the Library. Can be browsed by location, animal type, or habitat. Visitors may search the combined catalogue of the British Library Sound Archive, which includes all types of recorded sound. Use advanced search, limit searches to Wildlife sounds, and look for the "Electronic access" link. Real Player or other media playback software required.

<u>California Climate Change Portal</u> http://climatechange.ca.gov/

Various initiatives sponsored by different agencies within California: a voluntary greenhouse gas emission registry for California companies and a research program to spur environmentally friendly energy alternatives.

<u>Ecosustainable Hub–Australia</u> http://www.ecosustainable.com.au/Links to information about environmentally sustainable practices.

ENN: Environmental News Network http://www.enn.com/index.html

Environmental radio, TV, podcasts, and a daily e mail newsletter. Opinions can be posted on the online bulletin board.

International Federation of Organic Agriculture Movements http://www.ifoam.org/

The demand for certified organic produce continues to increase, and this website links a number of organizations around the globe remain committed to this idea. Materials on food security, food quality, and the organic certification process.

Land Use / Chicago. Revealing Chicago: An Aerial Portrait

http://www.revealingchicago.org/

Patterns of human use (and misuse) of the land provocatively revealed through aerial photography. Requires Macromedia Flash Player.

Millennium Ecosystem Assessment http:\\maweb.org.

Huge website, with worldwide data, and includes PowerPoint presentations that you can download. See also bibliography entry for their print publications.

Millennium Seed Bank Project http://www.rbgkew.org.uk/msbp/

The Royal Botanic Gardens is collecting 24,000 plant species, including almost all of the native flowering plants in the United Kingdom. With a Seed Information Database.

National Park Service Planning, Environment and Public Comment Site

http://parkplanning.nps.gov/

The National Park Service is working on dozens of long term plans for development and conservation of parks, national monuments and national historic sites. Current plans, environmental impact analyses, and related documents under review.

NatureServe, A Science-Based Resource For Conservation

http://www.natureserve.org/

Networks many natural heritage programs around the U.S. and parallel programs internationally, with information about rare and endangered species and ecosystems.

NOAA Paleoclimatology Program http://www.ncdc.noaa.gov/paleo/paleo.html Examining ice cores, lake sediments, and other means to understand climate variability over a wide range of time periods, e.g. drought in the North American historical record and abrupt climate change in the historical past. Background material against which the models and predictions of contemporary global climate change must be evaluated.

Online Gadfly http://gadfly.igc.org/

Ernest Partridge maintains an extensive website with, among other things, news and opinion regarding moral philosophy, environmental ethics, and public policy. This includes an Environmental Ethics Directory. Well worth surfing here.

Pew Institute for Ocean Science http://www.pewoceanscience.org

Conducts, sponsors, disseminates, and promotes world class scientific activity protecting the world oceans. Examples: global shark assessment, ocean fishery yields around the world. Images, videos, audio programs, press coverage, and publications.

Roll Back Malaria Partnership

http://www.rbm.who.int/cgi bin/rbm/rbmportal/custom/rbm/home.do

Bill Gates recently gave \$258 million for malaria research, to complement the work of Roll Back Malaria Partnership (RBM), an initiative of the World Health Organization, UNICEF, and World Bank. Note the Roll Back Malaria Global Strategic Plan.

RECENT ARTICLES AND BOOKS

The 2005 update to the International Society for Environmental Ethics Bibliography is now on the website: http://www.cep.unt.edu/bib/index.htm. This bibliography website can be searched online and the results e-mailed to you. It can also be downloaded, including as PDF files. Thanks to Gene Hargrove for maintaining the website.

Thanks again (and again) to Mary McAfee Sealing (formerly Colorado Division of Wildlife) for her help in editing the bibliography.

The Selected Works of Arne Naess. Volumes 1-10 Edited by Harold Glasser with assistance from Alan Drengson in cooperation with the author. The Netherlands, Spring, 2005. Publication made possible through a grant from the Foundation for Deep Ecology. The individual volumes are not available separately, the whole set must be purchased. The current price for all ten volumes from Springer is US \$1,900. Volumes:

<u>Vol 1</u>: Interpretation and Preciseness: A Contribution to the Theory of Communication.

Vol 2: Scepticism: Wonder and Joy of a Wandering Seeker.

<u>Vol 3</u>: Which World Is the Real One? Inquiry into Comprehensive Systems, Cultures, and Philosophies.

<u>Vol 4</u>: The Pluralist and Possibilist: Aspects of the Scientific Enterprise, Rich Descriptions, Abundant Choices, and Open Futures.

Vol 5: Gandhi and Group Conflict: Exploration of Nonviolent Resistance, Satyagraha.

<u>Vol 6</u>: Freedom, Emotion and Self-Subsistence: The Structure of a Central Part of Spinoza's Ethics.

Vol 7: Communication and Argument: Elements of Applied Semantics.

<u>Vol 8</u>: Common Sense, Knowledge, and Truth: Open Inquiry in a Pluralistic World, Selected Papers.

<u>Vol 9</u>: Reason, Democracy, and Science: Understanding Among Conflicting Worldviews, Selected Papers.

<u>Vol 10</u>: Deep Ecology of Wisdom: Explorations in Unities of Nature and Cultures, Selected Papers.

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--Adams, Jonathan, *The Future of the Wild: Radical Conservation for a Crowded World.* Boston: Beacon Press, 2005. Parks and protected areas are the cornerstone of conservation in a crowded world, but increasingly we have to worry about borders. Park and wilderness boundaries are artificial, drawn for political and social convenience rather than for ecosystemic reasons, illusory to all but humans. Conservation needs to be integrated across the landscape. Adams is a Nature Conservancy biologist.

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- --Barringer, Felicity, "Steps Taken to Help Eagle Leave Endangered List," New York Times, February 14, 2006. U.S. Fish and Wildlife is resuming efforts to remove the bald eagle from the endangered species list, with cooperation of environmental groups. One problem, raised by developers, is whether two earlier laws protecting the eagle make it even more difficult for developers. Bald eagles in the U.S. numbered 413 breeding pairs in 1963; today there are 7,000-9,000 breeding pairs.
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- --Bender, Frederic L., *The Culture of Extinction: Toward a Philosophy of Deep Ecology*. Amherst, MA: Humanity Books, 2004.
- --Bendik Keymer, Jeremy, *The Ecological Life: Discovering Citizenship and a Sense of Humanity*. Lanham, MD: Roman and Littlefield, 2006. A humanistic perspective on environmental philosophy that challenges some dogmas of deep ecology and radical environmentalism while speaking for their best desires. Written as a series of lectures, the book argues that being human-centered leaves us open to ecological identifications, rather than the opposite. Draws on analytic and continental traditions, as well as literature and visual media. Environmental philosophy needs a sense of ecological justice consonant with human rights. Bendik-Keymer is in philosophy, Dept of International Studies, American University of Sharjah, United Arab Emirates.

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- --Burkhardt, Jeffrey, Gary Comstock, Peter G. Hartel, and Paul B. Thompson, "Agricultural Ethics," CAST Issue Paper Number 29, February 2005. Ames, IA: Council on Agricultural Science and Technology, 2005.
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- --Cox, Stan, "Big Medicine's Malignant Growth." <u>AlterNet</u>. Posted February 22, 2006, and avilable at: http://www.alternet.org/envirohealth/32413/. Web-based alternative news service AlterNet carried this lively story on Andrew Jameton's work on the "Green Health Center" projects. Cox is a farmer and writer with the Land Institute in Kansas.
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some angle on truth from diverse positions and keeping a balancing act as he pursues his way through "light green or shallow (anthropocentric) ethics" (Chapter 6), "midgreen or intermediate ethics" (Chapter 7) to reach a "dark green or deep (ecocentric) ethics" (Chapter 8). He has also a serious interest in an "ecocentric spirituality" (Chapter 9). Curry is at the Sophia Centre, Bath Spa University, UK.

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the boundary between organisms and machines, and second, with the mathematical triumphs of nonlinear dynamical systems theory and claims to having dissolved the boundary between organisms and such physical phenomena as thunderstorms. I explore the applicability of self organization to the ecosystem—a hybrid entity that is part organism, part machine, and perhaps even part thunderstorm.

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have made only minor contributions to fulfilling most of these other objectives. New approaches to reforestation with great potential are now emerging. Lamb and Erskine are with the Rainforest Cooperative Research Center and School of Integrative Biology, University of Queensland, Brisbane, Australia.

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There is a massive website: http://maweb.org. Various presentations are available there and can be downloaded, including some in PowerPoint. Also a World Health Organization spinoff: Ecosystems and Human Well-Being: Health Synthesis. Another one is Ecosystems and Human Well-Being: Wetlands and Water Synthesis. another is Ecosystems and Human Well-Being: Opportunities and Challenges for Business and Industry. A basic framework is to classify ecosystem services into four categories: (1) Supporting Services, those that result directly from ecosystem functioning, such as nutrient cycling and primary production. (2) Services, the products obtained directly such as food, fresh water, fuel wood. (3) Regulating Services, such as climate regulation, erosion control, control of pests and diseases, often viewed as "free" services. (4) Cultural Services, nonmaterial benefits such as cultural heritage values, sense of place, spiritual and inspirational values. An earlier publication is: Ecosystems and Human Well-Being: A Framework for Assessment. Washington: Island Press, 2003. Co-editors Harold Mooney, Angela Cropper.

The Millennium Ecosystem Assessment leaders won the million dollar Zayed Prize, funded by the crown prince of Dubai. Half of it went to United Nations Secretary-General Kofi Annan for his championing the project; \$ 300,000 to the project itself, and \$ 200,000 to panel co-chairs Angela Cropper and Emil Salim, the former Indonesian environmental minister. Kofi Annan will use his prize money to establish a foundation to promote agriculture and women's education in Africa. Science 311 (17 February 2006): 949.

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- --Morrison, Reg, *The Spirit in the Genes: Humanity's Proud Illusion and the Laws of Nature*. Ithaca, NY: Cornell University Press, 1999. Humans are the worst "plague mammal" (p. 96-98). Our illusory belief in human superiority and invincibility leads us

to overpopulate the Earth, resulting in wanton habitat destruction throughout the glorious nonhuman world. Human growth, pursuing humans' self interest, often escalated and justified by religious motivations, causes repeated environmental disasters. Humans are unable to be concerned with their long term self-interest. Our painful ascent to civilization has been a plague on the Earth. "We conveniently contend that we alone of all earth's species are not normal animals, an extraordinary claim that demands extraordinary proof. And none exists. Not the slightest scrap of hard evidence, either morphological or genetic, exists to suggest that Homo sapiens is not, like all other animals, a natural product of evolution. ... The only irrefutable argument in favor of humanity's specialness is in fact purely mystical--and entirely circular. The myth lives on" (pp. xiii-xiv). (One might wonder whether such an animal, alone among all other species, operating with a view of its superiority that comes to jeopardize the planet, isn't some scrap of evidence of being special.)

--Moyers, Bill, "A Question for Journalists: How Do We Cover Penguins and the Politics of Denial?" Keynote address to annual convention of the Society of Environmental Journalists, Austin, Texas, October 1, 2005. A startling indictment of how corporations (often enlisting with the religious right) have plotted behind the scenes to eviscerate environmental regulations. This includes Moyers' own experiences with his documentaries on PBS. In one called "Trade Secrets," he showed that for over 40 years big chemical companies have deliberately withheld from workers and consumers damaging information about toxic chemicals, and found himself the target of a classic smear campaign and pressure for PBS to pull the documentary. But it ran and a year later received an Emmy for outstanding investigative reporting. Moyers' keynote address has been circulating widely on the web. Online at: http://www.sej.org/confer/past_conferences.htm

--Naylor, Rosamond, et al., "Losing the Links Between Livestock and the Land," Science 310 (9 December 2005): 1621-1622. The industrial livestock sector has become footloose, no longer tied to a local landscape base for feed inputs or to supply manure and fertilizers. Animals are raised in confinement with no immediate links to the local landscape, as are 75% of the world's eaten poultry, 66% of its eggs, 40% of its pork. Livestock remains the biggest user of land, cows and sheep graze on the land where they live. But this is steadily shifting to feed crops that may be shipped hundreds or thousands of miles to the livestock that eat them. Naylor is in environmental science, Stanford University.

--Norgaard, RB and Baer, P, "Collectively Seeing Climate Change: The Limits of Formal Models," <u>BioScience</u> 55 (no. 11, November 2005): 961-966. Understanding the risks posed by anthropogenic climate change and the possible societal responses to those risks has generated a prototypical example of the challenge of "collectively seeing complex systems." After briefly examining the ways in which problems like climate change reach the scientific and public agenda, we look at four different ways in

which scientists collectively address the problem: general circulation models, integrated assessment models, formal assessments (e.g., the Intergovernmental Panel on Climate Change), and distributed learning networks. We examine strengths and limitations of each method, and suggest ways in which a greater awareness of the need for plural approaches could improve the basis for learning and decisionmaking.

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- --Nowak, DJ, et al., "The Increasing Influence of Urban Environments on US Forest Management," <u>Journal of Forestry</u> 103 (no. 8, December 2005): 377-382.
- --Pagdee, A; Kim, Y; Daugherty, PJ, "What Makes Community Forest Management Successful: A Meta Study From Community Forests Throughout the World," <u>Society and Natural Resources</u> 19 (no. 1, January 2006): 33-52.
- --Panksepp, Jaak, "Beyond a Joke: From Animal Laughter to Human Joy?" <u>Science</u> 308 (1 April 2005): 62-63. Rats "laugh," or at least chirp when they play, enjoy getting tickled, and come chirping back for more. Panksepp finds the neural circuits for laughter exist in ancient regions of the brain, also that children laugh when they hardly speak. Next he wants to find genes for joy. He concedes this may not be a sense of humor. Also Panksepp, Jack, and Jeff Burgdorf, "Laughing' Rats and the Evolutionary Antecedents of Human Joy?" <u>Physiology and Behavior</u> 79 (2003): 533-547.
- --Paterson, B, "Ethics for Wildlife Conservation: Overcoming the Human-Nature Dualism," <u>BioScience</u> 56 (no. 2, February 2006): 144-150. This article contrasts the instrumental value approach, extensionist approach, and biocentric approach to environmental ethics with the Buddhist approach of Daisaku Ikeda in terms of their meaning for wildlife conservation. I argue that both anthropocentric and biocentric approaches create a false dichotomy between humans and nature and are not helpful to modern wildlife conservation, which aims to balance the needs of people with the conservation of nature. The views of Daisaku Ikeda, in particular the principle of dependent origination and the theory of the oneness of life and its environment, constitute an alternative approach that places people within the web of all living things.
- --Pilot 2006 Environmental Performance Index. Yale Center of Environmental Law and Policy. Center for International Earth Science Information Network, Columbia University. World Economic Forum, Geneva, Switzerland. Joint Research Centre of the European Commission, Ispra, Italy. Identifies specific targets for environmental performance and measures how close each country comes to these goals. Such indicators as urban particulates, water consumption, timber harvest rate, overfishing, energy efficiency, renewable energy, wilderness protection, carbon dioxide per GDP, child morality. New Zealand, Sweden, Finland, Czech Republic. the UK come out at

the top; Ethiopia, Mali, Mauritania, Chad, Niger at the bottom (of some 130 nations). The U.S. is 28, China is 94. More at: www.yale.edu/epi.

--Pollack, Andrew, "Biotech's Sparse Harvest," New York Times, February 14, 2006. Genetically engineered crops have mostly benefited farmers by making it easier for them to control weeds and insects, but the promise of healthier and tastier foods is still unfulfilled. Big companies are not interested in it, for fear of customer resistance. Smaller companies do not have the resources to do it. Where some results have been achieved, there are often problems; it's more nutritious, but it doesn't taste good, or there are side effects. Corn with more lysine, an amino acid, is being fed to farm animals. Considerable work has been done with soybeans to change the fat composition to more desirable fats, with mixed success. Often traditional breeding works about as well, without customer resistance.

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