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Northeast Earth First!ers are Alive and Digging

Something did manage to spring out of SOFTWOOD SPRING-- a Mount Blue action. As was reported in last month's Maine EF! RAD RAG, Mount Blue State Park is on the chopping block of a private logging operation. Timberlands Inc. made a deal in 1966 with the State and they are allowed to "light and periodically" cut on 1400 acres in the Park until 1996. This 1400 acres was a swap to protect a 17 acre frontage on Webb Lake, a marshland unsuitable for development. The last "light and periodic" harvest was 5000 cords of wood some twenty-odd years ago, which allowed Timberlands to triple the return on their investment.

Timberlands Inc., a two brother operation, is proposing to remove 12,000 or so cords of wood and build new roads for their equipment sometime in December of 1993, a postponed date due to local controversy. This

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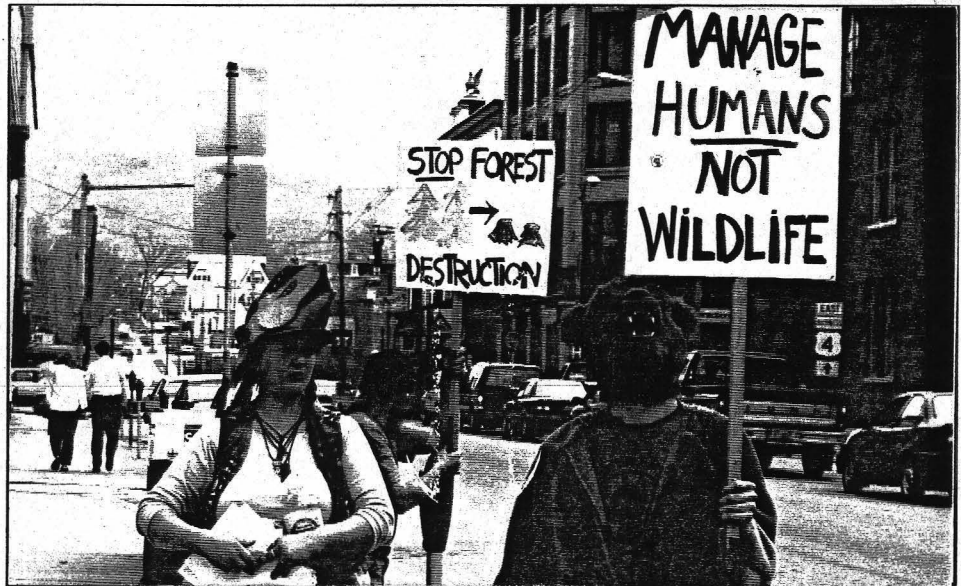


photo Langelle

A misanthropic bear with politically incorrect protest sign on the Day of Outrage

EF! Outraged at Forest Service

by Maine EF! groups and Biodiversity Liberation Front

EF!ers from all over New England swarmed to Rutland, VT's Federal Building, home of the headquarters for the Green Mountain National Forest Service on John Muir's birthday, April 21. The purpose of the demonstration was not only to show our outrage against the Forest Service, but also to

show that EF!ers in the northeast region could mobilize when necessary to confront the agents of destruction.

EF! in the northeast made it known prior to the Day of Outrage that a Night of Outrage was appropriate for those who did not wish to be seen during the daylight protest. There has been one report of decommissioning. On the eve of the Day of Outrage, the last fire tower in a wilderness area in the Adirondack State Park was topped. The (un)wise (ab)use movement has blamed the sabotage on EF!.

The morning started off with banners being hung on the Federal building that read "No Compromise in Defense of Mother Earth", "Any Fool can Destroy Trees" and "Forests Not Stumps!". A chorus of 'Happy birthday' to John Muir ensued complete with cake and candles. Speakers then announced to the public at large the atrocities committed against biodiversity and ecosystems by the Forest (dis)Service. We demanded that the

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Abenaki Win Standoff

On May 15, the Abenaki (some of the indigenous peoples of the northeast) held off police and tow trucks in a dramatic two hour confrontation outside of the courthouse in St. Albans, VT. Besides the Abenaki, radical student activists and local Earth First!ers participated.

The incident stemmed from a jurisdictional hearing in the courtroom that was called to see if Abenakis had the right to drive their vehicles with Abenaki license plates without inter-

vention, harassment, ticketing and possible arrest or physical harm from the authorities. During the proceedings, Abenaki Tribal Judge, Michael Delaney--who earlier was removed as council for the defense because he is

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not a recognized attorney in the so-called state of Vermont--rushed back

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Why we publish

Welcome to the third issue of the ALARM. Issue #1 was no more than a local news update to EF!ers primarily in the Burlington, VT, area. Number 2 expanded outreach to many contacts in the northeast region concerning the Day of Outrage against the US Forest Service. Both of those issues were the rantings of Biodiversity Liberation Front EF! This Solstice issue adds on more ranters and ravers and has expanded reportage hopefully of interest to those who are concerned about the northeast region. Maine EF! groups along with Biodiversity Liberation Front are merging their efforts to produce this quarterly publication of news and opinion. Many other EF!ers in Vermont and Massachusetts have provided invaluable assistance to make this possible.

We are publishing this journal for various reasons. One is to document activities in our region while presenting an Earth First! vision for the northeast that hopefully can be used as an educational tool to empower people to take direct action.

Another important reason is that we feel we have to. Quite simply there is no other publication that is calling for a revolutionary change as necessitated by ecological reality in the northeast region. Although we are part of the international EF! movement and support the publication of the EF! JOURNAL, some of us feel that the Montana based JOURNAL can not be counted on as a tool for this region. But, in no way, are we trying to compete or steal readers from the JOURNAL.

Some regional critique of the EF! JOURNAL must point out their inability to print the right dates of events that are scheduled to occur, such as botching the date for the national Day of Outrage on a front page headline. The dates for our regional rendezvous were wrong and there were no dates mentioned in a half page ad for the Round River Rendezvous in Colorado. It was also odd that after the activists conference in Portland, OR, the next issue of the JOURNAL omitted Vermont EF! and Biodiversity Liberation Front from the EF! contact listings. Could that have anything to do with the fact that BLF endorsed the conference, tried to help people east of the Rockies get to the west coast gathering, and also had complaints concerning the functioning of the EF! JOURNAL? Also, organizers in the northeast are having difficulty with the extreme anti-hunting stance portrayed in most JOURNAL issues. We are

totally opposed to slob hunting but believe indigenous people and others who understand and respect the natural world have the right to hunt and fish. Additionally, it appears the JOURNAL, directly or indirectly, gears its publishing to a white audience. How can indigenous people or other non-whites relate to us if we have to carry that type of baggage?

Because of these problems, and others not mentioned, accusations by various movement people have risen questioning the JOURNAL's integrity that have run the gamut from possible infiltration to just plain incompetence.

Whatever, but clearly there are some poor journalism practices being employed in Big Sky country that are hindering communication in the northeast.

One could mind-fuck themselves about all those boggling things going on in Montana. But surely Roselle has it all together in Missoula-la by the time this goes to print.

Another function of the ALARM can possibly be a clearinghouse of information for EF!ers in the northeast; from supporting individual EF!ers or autonomous EF! groups in doing outreach, or if crisis situations develop, we hope to be able to help. We also hope to provide information and report on political realities from other parts of the world

that have an impact on our environment and our struggle of re-wilding the Earth that are relevant to the radical/revolutionary community of the Atlantic Northeast.

A popular question these days seems to be, "Is the EF! movement dead?" The nationwide protests against the Forest Service on April 21st dispel that question as does the northern California uprising and the numerous summer actions planned all across the country. And what about all those new groups in the UK (welcome home Snaggletooth)? Even if no one uttered the words Earth First! for many a year, it is guaranteed that in the future a feller buncher or other implement of life destruction will be de-commissioned, and someone will just blame it on Earth First!-

Irregardless of how the information is disseminated, or who does it, it needs to be done as the ecological balance gets weaker. One unfortunate thing is for certain, the immediate tomorrow will be worse for the earth than it was today. So it is up to all of us to rekindle the dance and sound the alarm! As J.R. says, "Save the planet--Smash the state and have a nice day!"

Orin Langelle



One of Webster's definitions of alarm is "a mechanism that warns of danger, arouses from sleep, etc." With the ALARM we hope to arouse the human species from mental hibernation. With awakening, hopefully empowerment will follow to prevent the further desecration of Gaia.

The ALARM intends to be a revolutionary ecological news quarterly published by Earth First! groups in the northeast region. The ALARM is part of the international direct action movement that takes a no compromise stance in defense of Mother Earth. Responsibility in this publication rests with the individual authors and correspondents. The contents do not necessarily represent the viewpoints of this publication, the EF! movement, local EF! groups or individual EF!ers. Although the ALARM does not accept the authority of the hierarchal and patriarchal state, nothing herein is intended to run anyone associated with the ALARM afoul of any government's police power.

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Maine Unwisely Used

by Michael Vernon

Since Ronald Reagan legalized rape, the already degraded natural systems have been crippled by the so-called economy. Inspired by such villains as James Watt, a group of self-serving, corporate welfare, western criminals decided that the time was ripe for a public reactionary group. Thus the 'Wise Use Movement' was formed.

Their philosophy was simple. As they saw themselves approaching the legal limit to their plundering, something had to be done. The first thing was to make sure that the existing laws were not enforced. That was easy. The second point was to change those laws. This would be trickier.

The mainstream environmental movement had attained a cuddly image somewhere between a panda bear and a whale. After all, Americans in large numbers consider themselves environmentalists (and they probably are). The wise abuse clan had to get around this obstacle. Here, obstacle is a key word. Earth First!ers have known for years what an obstacle these mainstreamers are. With an obstacle there is an absence of the dynamic. This absence causes a lack of movement. When this stationary obstacle becomes a stationary target, we have what is called an "easy target".

So, being such a smart bunch (the smart bunch movement?) the criminals went to work (at this point these words are getting in my way as these people are not smart, do not work and are by no stretch of the imagination, wise!). The first tool they needed was confusion. With Americans that was easy. Enter the "recession". Instability among the material junkies precipitated the second tactic-conflict of values. Who were these environmentalists passing laws telling you what you could or couldn't do with your land. "Hell, these laws are jeopardizing your loan payments!" And so the knee was jerked. RIGHTS were being taken away!! Property rights, that sacred cow, were threatened. The strategy was solidified. Circle the inactive mainstreamers and define their lethar-

gy as anti-rights. "Nobody's gonna tell me what to do!"

So, as the mirage of the '80's affluence vaporized, Americans have found it increasingly harder to afford to be 'environmentalists'. The unwise abuse movement is counting on people choosing jobs over life. At the very least, no decision will be profitable for the elitist scum.

Now for the local story. The Northern Forest Lands Scam has brought rise to something called the Maine Conservation Rights Institute (MECRI-read "me cry"). Remember, scum rises to the top. These western financed power freaks have claimed the title of property rights advocates. Their loud presence at a number of public hearings gave Maine's spineless Senator Mitchell the excuse he needed to back away from any meaningful outcome to this project. Gone is any hope of any ecological gain. Instead, the Northern Forest Lands Council allows a select few to continue to receive payments for work not done (more on THIS scam in future ALARMS).

But back to the original train of thought. The eastern national sacrifice zone still has a little life left in it. But be aware that the rapists for profit also recognize a last drops incentive. In april, MECRI held their second convention in Bangor. The keynote speaker was Ron Arnold, former Sierra Clubber and mouthpiece lobbyist whore for the Wise Users.

Although the convention was attended by mostly men, all rich and white, still there was press. Arnold whined about the abuse piled on the ordinary folk and businessMEN by the high financed environmental movement. He still maintains that this movement must be destroyed. (Please read dangerous and violent). It would be interesting to hear of a businessMan's house being torched or about a businessMan being assaulted by the cops.

Anyway, the ultra-right-wing fascists are here too, not just out west. And they've even gone public. In the meantime, we need to expose these criminals for their true selves. They

are cowardly enough to kill but not honest enough to tell the truth. Sound the alarm!!!

The butchery of the Maine Woods has reached the level where Georgia Pacific has run out of enough softwood to maintain its mills. Their land ownership approaches one million acres. Scott Paper is now importing eucalyptus chips for its Maine mill. Their land ownership is also one million acres.

Yet the pulp pigs are still the masters of image. In an effort to further improve the pulp mill image, pig research projects have declared the threat of dioxin to be overstated. Using their bought and paid for 'science', the pulp pigs have petitioned the state to relax its fish warnings on Maine's rivers. Beckoned to their master's call, the Maine Department of Conservation's weak armed Dep't of Environmental Protection (so what's in a name?) announced some relaxing of limits.

Our advice: Don't even eat the ocean fish from Maine's coastal waters and that includes seaweed for those of you who do that sort of thing.

Black Fly Rendezvous

From May 29th through the 31st, Earth First!ers from all over the north-east plus a Wally Worlder from Alaska met in Vermont's Willoughby State Forest adjacent to Mount Hor and were bitten by innumerable black flies. Despite these bloodsuckers, EF!ers participated in various discussions, a tree climbing workshop and campfire comraderie which included an anarchist potluck and a melodious hammered dulcimer played by Bill Oleson.

Discussions included such topics as Suing for Biodiversity, Paganism, Alternative print media and the sovereignty of this region's indigenous people, the Abenaki, with Abenaki nation diplomatic ambassador, Mark Mitchell.

No EF!ers were arrested, died or gave birth at this event but there was a moose sighting early Saturday morning.

The Burning of Los Angeles

by Anne Petermann

In the wake of the recent Los Angeles riots it is important to go back and examine the responses of media, the government and the people involved.

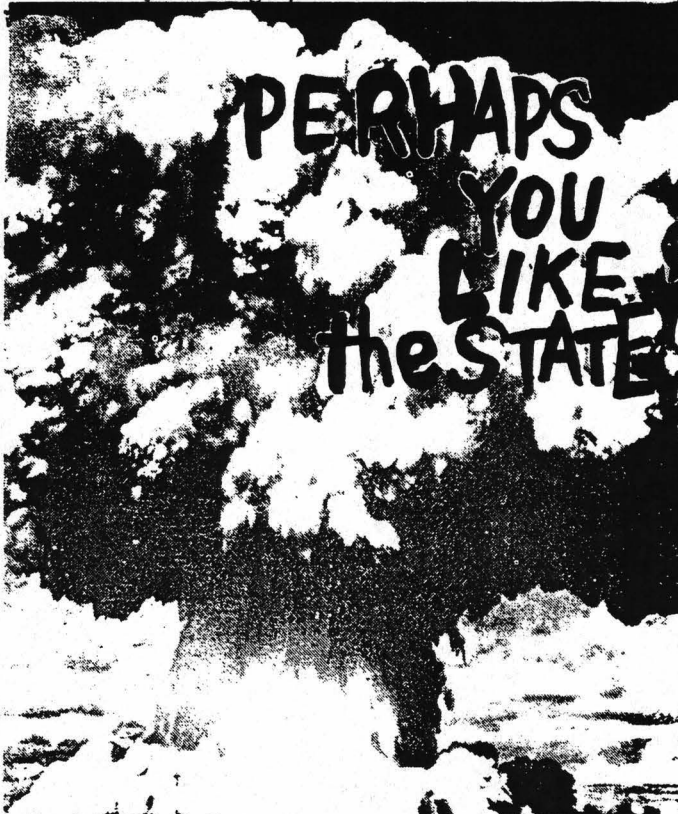
The widely televised videotaped beating of Rodney King combined with the acquittal of the five policemen involved was the perfect kindling for the subsequent riots which occurred in L.A. and numerous large cities nationwide including Toronto. This fact has led to the concept that the outcome of the King trial was prearranged to ignite the black community so that the FBI could closely monitor their response in order to size up this "black threat". This information is particularly important to the government right now as it comes ever closer to falling apart. One of the greatest threats to their existence is the incredibly oppressed and explosive black community.

In the sixties and early seventies, the FBI's Counter Intelligence Program (CoIntelPro) focussed on destroying the leadership in the black community. This program included assassinations and the instigation of murders between disagreeing factions. In the end they were highly successful in breaking down the Black Power Movement.

This, in turn, had a tremendous impact on the L.A. riots. Without the leadership of the Black Panthers who were well aware of who their real white, authoritarian enemies were, the destruction was largely unfocused and targets were often ill-thought-out. To add to these problems, the National Guard was used to help police encircle the ghetto to prevent rioters from carrying their anger out of their own neighborhoods and into the financial districts or other more appropriate areas.

Despite this, numerous outside-owned liquor stores were burned. This helped free the people from alcohol which has historically been a tool of oppression of non-white and working class people in this country for centuries. In addition, a momentous event came out of the riots, the union of the two most powerful and previously most warring gangs in L.A., the Cripps and

the Bloods. They have become some of the new community leaders and have pledged to work together against their common enemy; the police. These gangs are very much aware of the political situation in L.A. and are well versed in the history of black oppression in this country. Their knowledge of the FBI's CoIntelPro tactics will hopefully help to guard them against the CoIntelPro of today lead by Richard Held Jr. which is undoubtedly cooking up new schemes



to undermine and annihilate the revitalized black movement.

These riots, combined with the properly orchestrated media images of senseless violence against whites by blacks gone berserk burning down their own homes and businesses, will allow for a new wave of genocidal tactics to be waged against the black communities. Already it has been reported that Army Intelligence has discovered certain of their personnel trading high-tech weapons to the gangs in exchange for drugs. This has led to these black gangs being considered a formidable terrorist threat to the decent folk of this country. This, combined with the ever-accelerating construction of new slave labor camps disguised as prisons and the

new fad of dutiful citizens turning in their should-be comrades in the flood of home videotaped riot crimes being turned over to the police (no doubt for a modest fee), we can see that potentially thousands of blacks will be railroaded into brand new prison cells constructed with them in mind.

The genocide will continue as neighborhoods are bulldozed and streets are more heavily policed. Liquor stores will be quickly rebuilt with bank

and government loans and the crack supplies will be quickly restocked.

Following this, drug busts will become more frequent taking more blacks off the streets and increased tensions will lead to more murders and suicides. In summary, the communities will be thrown into precisely controlled despair and chaos, very little of which the public at large be privy to .

Although the media was more than happy to turn the riots into a senseless racist melee, they were equally happy to ignore non-black supporters. Queer Nation marched in support as did anarchists and a litany of other radicals. This tactic was important in isolating the black community, marginalizing and

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minimalizing the support it received.

In the weeks to come we shall see a new trial emerging. In the beginning it will appear to be a mirror image of the King trial. This is the trial of the black men who were videotaped assaulting a white truck driver. As the trial wears on, however, it will become painfully obvious that the outcomes of the two trials will be radically different. Where the white cops were acquitted, these black men will be sentenced to long terms behind bars. To send a message that racist attacks such as these will not be tolerated--that is, blacks against whites, not vice versa. And again riots shall ensue.

Politicians have been quick to vol-ley the blame for the riots about and

have served to keep people confused. Not one of them has ever made mention of the basic issues of genocide and oppression of non-white cultures that has been occurring for centuries in this country. Instead, Dan Quayle has blamed the riots on the lack of family values as exemplified by the TV character Murphy Brown. This statement served a twofold purpose. First, it made a mockery of the feminist movement by emphasizing the illegitimacy of single parent households. The statement was also a brilliant ploy to distract everyone from any legitimate issues surrounding the riots and has served to allow the media to make light of the entire incident destroying its lessons. Dan Quayle sacrificed himself to play the part of the buffoon in order to get his upper eche-

lon pals out of this rut. I am sure that he will be well rewarded.

The riots were yet another powerful sign that the system is crumbling. Revolution is in the air as more and more people realize that reform is impossible. As we teeter closer to the edge it becomes increasingly important that all factions opposing the system unite as we confront the evil forces destroying all life. It is vital that petty differences be discarded so that we can see that we are all fighting the same sources of oppression. It is then that the walls and borders will come down and all species will again be free to continue their dance of life. We must set our eyes upon that day and settle for nothing less.

Huntington Gorge Threatened

by Anne Petermann

The Huntington Gorge was never so controversial as the day it consumed one young man and one cop. As a result of that incident, there is a contingent of people who want to blow up the gorge to insure that it kills no more.

Why all the fuss? If people try diving into a deep rock filled gorge, they must have some concept of the risk they are taking. This puts the responsibility for their actions into their own hands. The millennium-old gorge should not be blown up because people show a lack of judgement. The gorge has only eaten sixteen people in the last ten years. Hardly what I would consider a bloodbath. Yet people are up in

arms! Natural beings are NOT allowed to kill humans. Only humans can do that. Witness the automobile. How many thousands of people die on our roads annually, yet there is no movement to blow up all roads.

Fortunately, the owner of the land upon which the gorge resides has more common sense and will not allow the fanatics to obliterate that incredible land form. Of course no one from that band of nitwits has bothered to ask the Abenaki, traditional caretakers of the land, what they think about annihilating the gorge. The one Abenaki that I spoke to was not at all happy with the idea. So far the movement seems to be calming down but we are going to need

gonna happen. It's going to happen unless a lot of people fight it real hard and it's probably going to happen even then. So it really isn't a matter of trying to come up with some sort of a magic solution; because I don't think there is a magic solution. It becomes a matter of personal honor as to what you're going to do with your life under these conditions. And I fight. And I'll continue to fight."

Please send letters of support to Mark Davis, #23 1 06-008, FPC, Box 1000 MB064, Boron, CA 93516 and to the other Arizona Five defendants that are incarcerated: Peg Millett, #23 1 1 8-008, 37900 No. 45th Ave., Dept. 1785, Phoenix, AZ 85027

a strong opposition if they try to seize the land to destroy the gorge without the owner's permission (Governor Dean's idea). If you would be interested in being a part of this potential opposition please contact the ALARM.

Calling All Humans by John Bartles

Calling All Humans!
 Calling All Humans!
 Get off the Fucking Planet!
 Get off the Fucking Planet, Now!
 Us animals have had enough
 You fucked the whole goddamned place up
 You killed all our brothers and sisters off
 Now, get off the Fucking Planet
 Get off this Fucking Planet, Now!
 Calling All Humans!
 Calling All Humans!
 Get off the Fucking Planet!
 Get off the Fucking Planet, Now
 Take your superior intellect up your ass!
 Hit the dusty trail and hit it fast!
 Take all your attitudes
 And your fucking electronic shit
 And get off this Fucking Planet, Quick!
 Get off this Fucking Planet
 Get off this Fucking Planet, Now!
 Calling All Humans
 Just leave the place in ruins
 But, get off this Fucking Planet
 Get off this Fucking Planet, Now!
 Please take your contrived religions
 And all your Humanistic visions
 And listen to our final decision
 And get off this Fucking Planet
 Get off this Fucking Planet, Now!
 Calling All Humans!
 Calling All Humans!
 Get off this Fucking Planet
 Get off OUR Fucking Planet, Now!

Mark Davis Sez...

For a short time last summer Orin Langelle and Steve Taylor were in Prescott, AZ, helping to do media support work for the Arizona Five frame-up and conspiracy trial defendants. The following excerpt was recorded while Orin and Steve interviewed Mark Davis in his Prescott home. Mark is now doing six years in a federal penitentiary. Mark responded to the question, "What should activists be doing?"

"Fight. You know, what else is there to do? Except you have to accept the fact that this is a battle really to the death. We are in the process of rendering the biosphere incapable of supporting complex life forms. And that's

Paganism and Biodiversity

by Michaela de Liuda

PAGANISM: Doing action from a nature spirituality perspective.

What are the reasons for doing actions to save the Earth?

Is not the Earth alive? Our Mother? Born of the Goddess/God union?

Folks come from many vantage points to politically/spiritually heal the Earth.

One vantage point is Paganism. In Latin, Pagan means peasant, people of the country, a farmer, etc. All Earth worshippers whose celebrations follow the "Wheel of the year".

It is my belief and that of many others that Paganism is a naturally occurring "religion"; one to which Earth First!ers and others involved with the Earth can relate.

Paganism includes all indigenous religions worldwide including Native American, pre-Christian European, the religion of aboriginal peoples, pre-Buddhist, Oriental, African, pre-Islamic Middle Eastern, etc...

In modern Paganism, there is NO recruiting and NO set rules. Folks are encouraged to find their own path to worship in many different ways. It is a biodiverse belief system.

In Paganism there is a balance between the female and the male unlike Patriarchy. Patriarchy is like an old pair of shoes that our culture has worn down and are no longer useful. It is time to put the old shoes in the compost and perhaps go barefoot.

I am an advocate of the ancient ways. The ancients were in tune with and not dismembered like us from the 'big mama'.

Paganism brings together the goddesses and the gods.

Mother Nature // Green Man
Earth Mother // Father Sky
Goddess // God

...and on and on.

In some cultures the moon is male and the sun female. Roles are easily switched 'round and 'round within paganism. Paganism can bring wholeness and understanding. It also uses magic to transform through contact with the natural world.

BIODIVERSITY--IT MATTERS!

Biodiversity is bringing back a wholeness to Big Mama. The idea that certain things have more value than others is deeply rooted in Judeo-Christian, Moslem, etc. thinking. Timber industries and such are like corporate Federal Churches of unnecessary death and destruction.

The goddess destroys in her own way but with balance, harmony and wholeness. The Earth runs beautifully without human interference. Our role is to be one WITH her and not one OVER her.

Humans have become like superintendents of apartment buildings. Separate and alone we live in the same place but not as a part of the community. We only 'fix' things when the tenants are really screaming and complaining. Even then we only do it half-assed and half-heartedly. The tenants don't really care because it is only a place to live and not really a home. The Super gets paid by an unknown face somewhere else who doesn't give a shit either.

Biodiversity means that all of the 'tenants' of the Earth count. We ALL take responsibility for our actions and our selves.

Biodiversity means that variety is

the spice of life.

It is truly a sick notion that only certain plants, animals and people matter based on the fact that they are economically viable.

Biodiversity and paganism go hand in hand. Trees and all life forms are better off with true biodiversity.

When we do actions around the issue of tree cutting we are saving ancient members of our society. In Paganism, everything including trees, rocks, wind, water, air, animals, soil and insects are all apart of the same family. One society with many faces. All have the same value and importance. All are "alive".

Saving the Earth means making the natural world a priority. This we already know but it should include taking that idea for our new world and making it our "religion".

During this Summer Solstice time when the sun is at its zenith, we too can be at our high point to start a new round of actions.

This is a call to action in New England and everywhere to stop the hungry megamachine that eats our great mother with too much vigor.

**CELEBRATE LIFE,
PUT UP A FIGHT!!!**

Northern California Revolution

The struggle to save Mendocino County's last pockets of redwoods has lead to an eight week continuous protest with 82 arrests to date.

Since the protests began there have been cars chained to gates, constant tree sits, and a brand new technique called spider-webbing. With this method, loggers arrive on the scene to find the doomed trees interlaced with skeins and skeins of brightly colored yarn. This yarn causes a royal mess as chainsaws can't cut through it because it tangles in the chain and axes just bounce off. The only way that these men can get through the yarn is with scissors which bruises their manly egos. The first time that this was tried it proved enormously successful, delaying the cut by quite some time. Mother Nature has also participated in the

protest as EF!ers in Northern California swear that the epicenter of the earthquake that happened there several weeks ago was directly under LP's mill. There was quite a bit of damage.

LP itself is also beginning to crack under the pressure. At one of the public demonstrations in front of the mill, LP had drawn a line around the mill, across which EF!ers were forbidden. Several people defied this authority by repeatedly crossing the line. They were arrested for trespass. Soon after, however, one of LP's flunkies began pointing at people sitting peaceably on the safe side of the line saying "take him...take her". These people were then dragged across the line by LP security and arrested El Salvador style.

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One of the people physically assaulted was Judi Bari, pipe bomb victim in 1990. Judi and the others present were shocked. "I really didn't think they'd stoop to picking on cripples." was Judi's response to the incident. Judi and the others falsely arrested will be suing LP. This is also a counter suit to the SLAPP suit that LP has brought against EF!ers involved in the protests.

In addition to attacking EF!ers, LP has decided that if EF!ers can work outside of the law, they can also. With this they intend to go ahead and cut Timber Harvest Plans (THP's) that the California Dep't of Forestry (CDF) has not approved. In the case of the Albion THP, a judge has just found it to be illegal. This is all well and good but a law is useless without someone upholding it. The Police say that they have no jurisdiction, as does the CDF and the courts. This leaves the EF!ers again to get on the frontlines to stop the cut.

This fight of the EF!ers in Mendocino County is not just to save the last ancient redwoods from the saws, they are also fighting alongside the mill workers to protect their home and their way of life. The only real, long term way to protect the trees and the people is for the loggers themselves

to put down their chainsaws and refuse to work for Louisiana Pacific, which has proved over and over that they have no respect for life in any form. The fight in No. Cal. has always been to kick out the multi-nationals and



have community and worker controlled mills. Today that dream is closer to being realized than at any time previous.

Earth First!'s cause of fighting for the workers in order to save the redwoods has been helped tremendously by LP itself. Ninety-five percent of the trees on their land are thirty-five years

or younger. Only one percent are ancient trees. Previously, these were not logged because they resided on steep ravine slopes. Now, however, LP can use helicopters to bring them out. Fifty percent of LP's workforce has been laid off as LP has moved a great deal of its mill equipment to Mexico where labor is cheap and worker safety is non-existent. Internal memos have been leaked to the EF!ers, and consequently to the press, that blatantly state that LP intends to run like hell as soon as the last of the trees are gone. They can't even lie anymore because it just makes them sound foolish. LP's Vice President and second in command, Joe Wheeler, was recently forced to retire after he admitted that LP has logged over 90% of their lands. He violated LP's official party line which is that LP is not liquidating the forest.

EF!ers have sounded the alarm and are calling for the "Albion Nation Forest Occupation" to begin on June 26th and continue for as long as it takes. EF!ers in Mendocino County are calling on activists to come out to participate in this new wave of actions.

For more information call Ecotopia EF! at (707) 468-1660.

Ozone Day of Action

On July 1st, 1992, there will be a national day of action for the remaining layer of the ozone. July 1st is the day that it becomes illegal to release ozone-destroying chlorofluorocarbons (CFCs) from all refrigeration and air conditioning equipment. Of course, the EPA is utterly incapable of enforcing this mandate, just as our so-called "leaders" are incapable of doing anything except lining their own pocket-books. We must act now to protect this living earth and all the flora and fauna

that reside on this planet.

The purposes of the nationwide action hope to heighten public awareness to the ozone crisis, to involve regular folks by creating opportunities for grassroots concern and expression, and to begin a network of resistance to the ozone hole madness.

East of the Mississippi River, please contact SEACret, POB 1175, Newark, Delaware 19715-1175 or call (302)366-3736 and talk to Jason, Mark, or Tom. Do it now!



Biodiversity Legal Foundation Victory!

The Biodiversity Legal Foundation recently won their legal challenge of Bush's authority to undermine the Endangered Species Act through his ninety-day moratorium on the listing of endangered species.

As a result of this victory, Fish and Wildlife Director John Turner was

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forced to sign into protection a backlog of species upon which he had been sitting, delaying the inevitable for as long as possible.

Coordinator of the BLF, Jasper Carlton, has said that this is only the

beginning as he does not trust the bastards one iota. There will have to be close scrutiny of the FWS to be sure that they keep to their legally bound word, (which is backed up by pages and pages of sworn affidavits.). Still, every small victory is a thorn in the side of the bastards raping the planet!

Bush Sucks

by Billi Barker

The total absurdity of how mass media represents Bush is astounding. Two articles in the same paper, both on the front page no less, contradict each other regarding the goals of Bush. Sure can tell when it's campaign time. His proposal to rescue the world's vanishing forests is another absurdity. He's willing to almost double the the aid to other nations forestry programs. A double whammy: First he's putting money in other countries pockets and second, if other countries forestry programs are like ours, we all know what those foresters will do with the money... He's also planning to pay for studies of "developing nations" to keep industry pollution and energy con-

sumption to a minimum and wants to introduce pollution control technology. What's wrong with this picture? Some hypocrisy, perhaps? What a generous president we have to be so concerned for our 'dwindling forests' when a few meager days before this proposal, the Bush administration introduced legislation that called for cutting four million acres of ancient forest in the Pacific Northwest. What the Fuck?! Who exactly are he and the Associated Press trying to fool? The old theory of spending money to save the earth (ha, ha) lives on as the earth does not. Our token representative of the people pays big bucks to verify things we already know to 'help' other countries while never looking under his own nose. Amazing!!

You know what they say: "Some people just don't get it!"

Announcing a Nomination for the Office of

PRESIDENT OF THE UNITED STATES OF AMERICA

On May 14, 1992, the Gateway Green Alliance of St. Louis, Missouri moved by consensus to introduce a nomination for the Office of President of the United States of America. We ask that the August, 1992 Green Gathering adopt our favorite son/daughter/thing as the nominee of The Greens/Green Party U.S.A. Our nominee is the world-famous

St. Louis Airport Site (SLAPS).

SLAPS holds radioactive waste from the "Manhattan Project," which developed the atomic bombs used on Japan in 1945. Since no one else has any idea of what to do with nuclear waste, we are nominating SLAPS for President and plan to ship it to the White House when it wins. After 4 (or 8) years in office, SLAPS will be retired and relocated to the Pentagon where it can rest for eternity.

After WWII, radioactive waste was shipped to a site near St. Louis' Lambert Airport. For almost half a century, the Department of Energy (DOE) and Mallinckrodt Chemical Company have been moving stuff in and out, creating offspring sites, and embellishing the radioactive waste with arsenic and nitrotoluene.

The first waste site was at Weldon Spring. DOE currently has a plan to "treat" the radioactive water at Weldon Spring and then dump it into the Missouri River at Hog Hollow Road. From there, the waste would make its way to metro St. Louis drinking water intake points.

The radioactive dump could become an all-American candidate. It symbolizes what can happen to any city when the State uses war to ensure high profits for industry. SLAPS reflects the racial attitudes which allowed the US to so easily bomb both Hiroshima and Nagasaki. As a symbol of the slaughter of Japanese, SLAPS manifests the concern which the military/industrial complex has for communities of color within our borders. In short, SLAPS radiates everything good and decent about the market economy and the State which serves it. If you believe that it is the best-qualified candidate to assume the office of President of the United States of America in 1992, write in "SLAPS" on your ballot next November.



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On Paganism

From Barbara G. Walkers's *The Woman's Encyclopedia of Myths and Secrets* Publisher: Harper Rowe 1983

Adapted by Michaela deLiuda

"Pagani means: Country dwellers. The rural people whose religious conservatism caused them to cling to old gods and goddesses even when Christianity was well established in the cities and among the aristocracy."

-B.G. Walkers

Peasants demonstrated much hostility and fought back Christianity for the past 2000 years. For this reason, Paganism has gotten a bad rap and has been associated with Satanism which is in fact an offshoot of Christianity.

The term "Heathen" comes from two places. One is from the word

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Co-op Threatened by Management

"Food for people, not for profit" is the widely used rallying cry for the Onion River Coop that has been operating in Burlington, VT for the last twenty years or so. The member-owned cooperative that is run by a worker's collective is under fire because it lost one percent of the yearly net income in the first quarter of the year. Now there is a push to do away with the worker's collective all together to set up a managerial hierarchy. Already there have been fiery membership meetings both pro and con of the two approaches. Most coop members are unaware that throughout the US, collectively run coops have been taken over by a push for a managerial scheme. Please send suggestions or comments to this publication.

The Alarm Presents its First "It's All Bullshit" Award

Although this award was originally intended for Presidents, CEO's, FREDDIES, etc., our first tribute goes to environmentalists.

It has been a year or so since Jeff and Jamie (last names omitted to insure anonymity) split up and began back-stabbing each other whenever one is present and the other not (they will not attend the same functions-it is like a very bad divorce).

Just recently their "divorce" has lead to fierce custody battles over the GLACIAL ERRATIC, PAW and Buck Young (not real name). As far as Buck is concerned, the ALARM suggests genetic testing to ascertain what species he is a member of.

Whatever the outcome of all this bullshit, it is evident that activists in the northeast are tired of this type of behavior. The Jeff and Jamie split and

subsequent bickering are discussed at nearly every gathering or function. Enough is enough.

This is the last you will hear of this personality conflict in the ALARM and hopefully it will cease to be a topic of discussion when topics of discussion (and then direct actions) should clearly be how to better defend and rewild the Earth. Happy award dudes!

Remember, its all bullshit!

On Paganism

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Heather for the people who lived out on the heather (a plant with purple flowers) on wide plains far away from many other people and places.

Heathen also comes from the German word Heiden meaning hidden because the church officially forbade the old rites which pagans continued to practice in secret.

The word bigot comes from the German Bei Gott, an expression used in praise of the one (Christian) God.

The people's religion has been largely in the hands of women who have been the keepers of the old ways.

Paganism is polytheistic. Daily activity is in touch with cosmic activity. Pagans talk to trees and worship them as though they were elders of their own human family. When Pagans take from the natural world they ask first and then thank for the gift.

All of the aspects of "Gods" are aspects of ourselves and our human nature. One friend says "We need to know the feminine side, the root of all religion. We need to become one with the goddesshead". Every act we perform is a sacred act even when we breath, walk, eat, poop, haul water,

JAN WILDER-THOMAS FREE AT LAST

In May, Jan Wilder-Thomas, one of the organizers in the defense of the Shawnee National Forest in southern Illinois, was found not guilty of a felony aggravated battery and a misdemeanor battery charge. She was accused of "tomahawk chopping" a kop in August of 1991 when the Fairview timber sale area was destroyed by the timber industry with the co-operation of the Forest Service. In 1990, Earth First! defended that area with an 80 day blockade and occupation. It was the longest on going occupation in EF! history.

TREESPIKING SUCCESS?

One of the EF! organizers in the Shawnee National Forest of southern Illinois commented after viewing the destruction of the Fairview area by East Perry Lumber Co. of MO, "the only trees left standing that were slated to be cut were spiked."

blow our nose, peel potatoes, hold a screaming child, chop wood, dig in a garden, visit a friend, play an instrument, sing, drink beer, wash dishes, sleep, make love....**THE GODDESS IS ALIVE AND MAGIC IS AFOOT!**

Glacial Erratic Returns ?

The once radical voice of the northeastern environmental movement has received a lot of talk lately regarding the feasibility of its rebirth.

A staff of sorts was put together and held a meeting or two. It appeared that the GLACIAL ERRATIC hoped to reach the more mainstream environmentalists with its message of conservation biology. Funding seems to be unavailable at this time.

Money is not the only problem, however. Various folks involved in the possible re-emergence of the GE have cited numerous difficulties in the logistics of producing this print publication.

The ALARM hopes that the much needed GE hits the presses again soon.

Anyone interested in helping get the GE back on its feet should contact Mike Z. at (802) 649-2940 or Erik at (802)439-6266. Serious inquiries only.



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With our next issue we hope to change our format, maybe even to a newspaper type rag. Providing this free news information service means that we desperately need donations from those of you can spare some change. We especially would like to receive some guilt money from all the armchair activists out there. So shell out some filthy lucre and may good karma come your way. Hey, if you're broke, that's ok. You might want to think about going out and doing something. But don't get caught, 'cause jail sucks!

EQUINOX EDITION SEPT:22

The next issue of the ALARM is set to be published on the autumnal equinox, September 22. The deadline for submissions is September 1. The main focus will concern the 500th Anniversary of the discovery of Columbus by indigenous people and the subsequent destruction of the North American continent by Eurocentric culture.

Any and all submissions are welcome including articles, poetry, artwork, black & white photographs and letters to the ALARM. If material is to be returned please include a SASE.

TIMBER RATTLER NEEDS HELP!

Serious activist(s) with a strong interest and/or background in biological research are needed to help the Biodiversity legal Foundation provide the information necessary to back up a legal petition to have the timber rattler federally protected in the northeast.

For more information please contact Anne at (802) 658-2403, POBox 174 Burlington, VT 05402-0174.

Abenaki Win Standoff

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into the courtroom announcing that tow trucks had arrived and were going to tow all vehicles with Abenaki plates. The courtroom immediately cleared with about forty people surrounding the tow trucks while others climbed on top of their vehicles. Immediately the police arrived and shortly thereafter, more back-up officers.

The Abenaki refused to let the tow trucks hook on to any of the vehicles. Two Abenaki were cited with tickets because the authorities claimed their vehicle registration numbers on the autos dashboards were not visible. After being met by Abenaki and their supporter's defiance, the tow trucks left and the police backed down after the

two hour stand-off.

After this confrontation no one re-entered the courthouse. It was the shared belief that the state did not act in good faith with the jurisdictional hearing and that, as one Abenaki said, "This was a blatant set-up to get us all down here with our liscense plates so they could further harass us and start a confrontation."

During the stand-off police were overheard saying they would pull over vehicles with the native plates when they left the courthouse. Instead, a large caravan of vehicles went back to the Tribal Council office in Swanton with Abenaki plated vehicles sandwiched between those with VT tags. No one was pulled over on the way to Swanton.

EF!/Abenaki Oppose Fish Harassment

Early in May, the Lake Champlain Walleye Association teamed up with the Vermont Fish and Wildlife department in a plan to pump up the falling number of walleye in the Missisquoi river. Earth First! and the Missisquoi region's indigenous people, the Abenaki, came together to stop this morose molesting of fish, a blatant violation not only of the fish themselves, but also of the traditionally sacred Abenaki river.

Tom Wiggins, the State biostitute, explained that electroshocking does no harm to the fish (he has obviously never licked an electric fence) it merely renders them immobile for a period of time. He further claimed that raping the females for their eggs also does them no damage, and that if the restocking program was stopped, the walleye would be wiped out due to runoff of the herbicide atrazine from farms bordering the river and due to siltation and warmed water caused by dams along the Missisquoi.

With the restocking program, instead of one in ten thousand eggs reaching maturity in the wild, the hatchery can have a success rate of one in ten to one in one-hundred reaching adulthood. These released fish will then supposedly bring the walleye population back up.

What he failed to mention was that this bandaid measure not only cannot solve the walleye's problems, but will only lead to more severe problems in the future. To have a healthy population of walleye, the dams MUST be removed from the river and the atrazine runoff must be stopped. Over time, such a high hatch rate of eggs from such a limited number of females, being a complete bypass of natural selection, will cause a decrease in the genetic fitness of the walleye. This will leave them more susceptible to pollution and other environmental stresses leading numbers to crash further causing a more intensive restocking program and so forth in a vicious cycle. In addition, the electroshocking program

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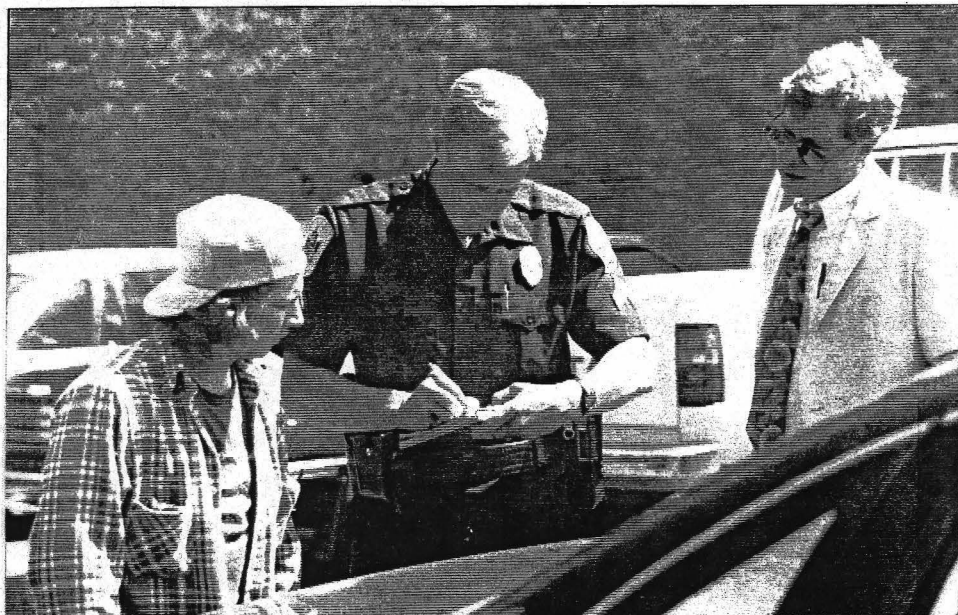


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Jess Larocque (left) ticketed for having Abenaki liscense plates

Vt. Kourt Rules Against Abenaki

As we go to press, the Vermont Supreme Kourt rejected Abenaki claims of aboriginal rights on June 16, in Montpelier, VT. The kourt said those claims have been extinguished "by the increasing weight of history."

Abenaki Chief Homer St. Francis told the RUTLAND DAILY HERALD "The Vermont Supreme Court didn't say we weren't aboriginal people; they just said it was OK for our land to be taken away from us at gunpoint." Chief St. Francis said that the Abenaki are headed to the federal courts.

The BURLINGTON FREE PRESS reported that states attorney, Howard

Van Benthuyzen said 70 pending criminal cases are expected to be effected.

The continuing struggle of the Sovereign Abenaki Nation will be reported and covered in the ALARM. Almost every week, one or more Abenaki, is forced to appear in a court of law by the invaders of the Dawnland. Send a SASE to the ALARM if you wish an EF! statement of solidarity with the Abenaki. If you would like to help in their struggle or contribute to their much needed legal defense please write: Sovereign Abenaki Nation, POB 276, Missisquoi (Swanton, VT) 05488.

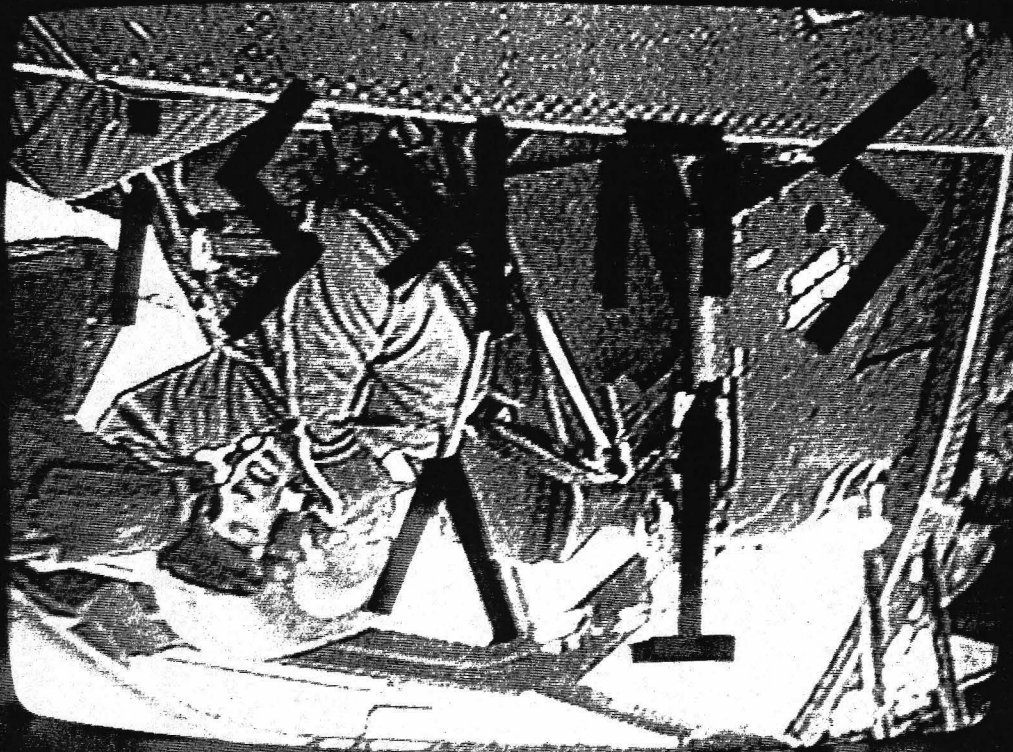


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