



## **NRES WEEKLY NEWS**

### **September 30 - October 7, 2005**

**A newsletter for faculty, staff and students  
who participate in the  
Natural Resources & Environmental Studies Institute  
and NRES Graduate Programs**

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**FRIDAY, OCTOBER 7**

### **THE NRES / CSAM RESEARCH COLLOQUIUM SERIES**

#### **“AT ODDS WITH HISTORY AND CONVENTION”**

Frank Oberle was born in Forchheim, Germany, and survived the turmoil of Hitler's Germany and post-war chaos before immigrating to Canada in 1951. His career has ranged from logger, gold miner, rancher and town mayor before he served six consecutive terms as Member of Parliament for the Prince George Peace River constituency. In 1985, Frank became Canada's first German-born federal cabinet member as Prime Minister Brian Mulroney made him Minister of State for Science and Technology when the famed Canadarm was sent into space. He was also the last man ever appointed to a federal forestry portfolio, where he proved to be a man of vision, willing to confront the clear-cutters and to demand sustainable forest management. He received the Canadian Forestry Achievement Award in 1992 and was a founding member of the Canadian Institute for Advanced Research.



**THE HONORABLE  
FRANK OBERLE, PC**

**Date: Friday, October 7, 2005**

**Time: 3:30 pm**

**Place: Lecture Theatre 9 - 200  
(Medical Building)**

Light Refreshments served at 3:15 pm

## BIOL 204 STUDENTS PLANT THE WAY

- If you noticed a rather large group of students working along University Way on Tuesday morning between 8:00 and 10:00 am, you witnessed the seeding of test plots by BIOL 204 Plant Biology students during their lab time. The seeding is part of the Sustainable Landscape Initiative (SLI) project at UNBC headed by **Annie Booth**. This project is aimed to discover the most sustainable, environmentally friendly, and cost effective landscape for Prince George's climate. Some of the plant biology underlying how plants adapt to the "city experience", (e.g. for salt tolerance) will be discussed in a BIOL 204 lecture. This was a great experience for the students as they were able to learn about research and actually take part in a project by "getting their hands dirty" and doing some planting. **Jane Young**, who teaches BIOL 204 and is also part of the SLI project, would like to express her gratitude to the students for their excellent work and positive attitude during the entire seeding process.



## TRAVEL

- **Kathy Lewis** and two graduate students – **Cedar Welsh** and **Angie Dale** are attending the Western International Forest Disease Work Conference in Jackson Wyoming, October 3 - 7. Both students are presenting posters of their work on the lodgepole pine foliar fungus, *Dothistroma septosporum*.



**REMINDER:** Share your information about recent publications, grants, and /or other honours you may have received with others interested in NRES issues.

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