Josh Stephens is a native Ohioan, having lived in North Canton, Cincinnati, Oxford, and Columbus. He enrolled in Ohio State in 1996 and completed his BS in Sustainable Resource Management in 2000. As an undergraduate, he was active in Forestry Forum, Union of Natural Resources Students, Student Leadership Forum, and the Agriculture and Natural Resources Council. His work lead him receive the Lee Johnston Leadership Award in 1999. Josh and fellow SNR alumnus, Jamie Smialek, were wed in September 2002. Currently he is a graduate student in the School of Natural Resources in Environmental Policy and will be graduating in June 2003. Josh became active in SNRAS in 2002. After graduating, he and Jamie plan on moving to Cleveland.

Welcome to the Executive Council Josh!

Pete Lane, New Executive Council Secretary, is originally from Springfield, Ohio and now lives near New Carlisle. Pete graduated from the School of Natural Resources in 1972 with a B.S. in Agriculture. Pete worked the summer after graduation as a seasonal naturalist for the Ohio Department of Natural Resources. Pete then decided that was not enough and joined the Army. He did a three year tour. During that same time Pete married.

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Pete likes to keep himself busy by spending a week each year at Kelley’s Island teaching the Ohio Boaters Education course and Canoeing to 4-H er’s from all around the state.

Welcome to the Executive Council Pete!

Over 60 SNR alumni, friends, and family attended the SNRAS Spring Gathering 2003 on May 3rd at Highbanks Metro Park. The program featured presentations by John O’Meara, Director of Metro Parks (top left), Pete Burton, DVM and Director and Founder of the Ohio Wildlife Center (top center), and Larry Mullins, Ph.D and Director of SNR (top right). Demonstrations and activities were held throughout the day, including a morning warbler walk, atlatl throwing (a prehistoric Indian hunting tool), fly-fishing, an earthworks hike, and a hands-on stream quality monitoring activity (bottom one). A cookie booth was provided and the alumni were joined by members of the SNR Eco-Explorer Post. All who attended had a good time. If you missed this fun and unique event this year, be sure to watch for it next year!

More photos of this event can be found on page 2.
Websites are available that review scientific information restoration projects: techniques and solutions called the Place-Based Studies (PBS) Program. Several:

http://www.unep.org/.

Global Mojave Desert ..............................................http://geology.wr.usgs.gov/MojaveEco/
Chesapeake Bay..................................................http://chesapeake.usgs.gov/chesbay/
South Florida ............................................................................http://sofia.usgs.gov/
Greater Yellowstone Area............................................http://www.mesc.usgs.gov/gyi/

The USEPA has some fun activities for the younger soul at Looking for something to keep the kids or yourself occupied on rainy days?
For Fun

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Five SNR Top Students selected to Receive Lee Johnston Leadership Award
From a slate of seven qualified and deserving nominees, the School of Natural Resources Alumni Society awarded the Lee Johnston Leadership Award to 5 Top School of Natural Resources students at the May 2003 Annual College of Agriculture organizations recognition banquet. Each recipient received a $200.00 check from the Lee Johnston Fund. The Lee Johnston Leadership Award is presented to undergraduate students who demonstrate outstanding student leadership and involvement in the School of Natural Resources.

Congratulations to those five awardees for a job well done! The following students are this year’s recipients:

Marina Arina is a senior majoring in Wildlife Management. Marina is active in the Ohio State Student Chapter of the Wildlife Society, Purple Fun Fund as an intern at the College Farm Bureau. She has contributed greatly to the School of Natural Resources as a residence assistant and alumni volunteer for OSU Wildlife.

Hannah Stowe is a senior majoring in Human Dimensions in Natural Resources. Hannah served as the 2003 president of the College Farm Bureau. She has contributed greatly to the School of Natural Resources as a residence assistant and alumni volunteer for OSU Wildlife.

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Conrad’s Gift Store has announced a new purchase program to provide support to alumni groups. For those of you who want to purchase Buckeye paraphernalia, here’s how the program works:

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