

Blood & Thunder

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Environmentalist Drivel

Editors and Bruns Readers:

I am writing in response to an article in last week's *Brun*, the one entitled "Clayoquot Sound - A memoir by Eugene Tan." This particular article is a prime example of the environmentalist drivel that is currently making its way into the eyesight of the general public. In the past four or five years, environmentalism or "the green religion" has become a "fad" among young persons in North America, with a different cause to pursue or a different industry to harass every few months. These radicals seem to take pleasure in preventing people with legitimate jobs from earning their wages to feed their families.

In the case of forest management practices on the West Coast of Canada, it seems as though anyone with a headband and a placard is an expert in that field. Myself, as a forestry student, am only beginning to learn the many complex sciences involved in managing a forest for several values. I do know, however, that the forest is a dynamic structure,

that is constantly changing over time. The "Black Hole" as these radicals call it, was a clearcut that was done in the early 1980's, and a prescribed burn was also carried out there. Since that time, the forest has greened up to a point such that one has a hard time walking through the area for the dense regeneration present. A new, young forest! There is also the site of an old forest fire in the same area, which was considerably blacker and uglier than any clearcut that I have seen, and it also has greened up to a point of dense regeneration. These are the after-harvest stories the environmentalists don't realize or don't want to realize. These special interest groups often hide or distort facts that will not further their own political agenda, which they believe to be the one and only righteous path.

Geoff Peters

Thank-you from the SSA

Dear Editor

On behalf of the Singapore Students' Association's (SSA) executive committee, I would

like to convey my thanks and gratitude to all the people who contributed to the success of "Surprising Singapore" on October 2, 1993. The event would not have been a success without the combined efforts of the people from Malaysia, India, Canada, the Caribbean Islands, Hong Kong and Singapore.

I would especially like to thank all performers and actors who so selflessly gave up their time in order to attend all the rehearsals. "Surprising Singapore" would not have materialised without your creativity, talent and energy. I would also like to thank all those who helped in the sale of tickets as well as all those who helped in the sale of tickets as

well as all the people who helped out on that night itself.

To all my committee members I applaud you for your vision, your commitment and your resilience against the various setbacks and obstacles that we faced. Your strength, determination and high morale was an example and an inspiration for all other members of the Association. I would also like to thank the members of the past committees for their past contributions and experience which proved to be invaluable in the planning and organization of "Surprising Singapore".

On behalf of the SSA committee, I would also like to

thank Ms Kay Nandlall for gracing the event with her presence and Mr Gordon Aurelius for so graciously agreeing to be the Master of Ceremonies for the evening. Last but not least, I would like to thank the Student Union and the campus administrative staff for their co-operation and their support.

Once again the SSA executive committee would like to express their gratitude to all the people who in one way or other contributed to the success of "Surprising Singapore" 1993. It would not have materialised without you. Thank you.

Natasha Rodrigues

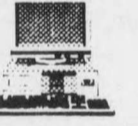

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