

Letters

Fair Wind

In SD Volume 16, Number 4, 1984, a letter headlined "Kudos" was run, written by H. Caron of Winnipeg, which requested a source of information on "where to purchase and how to install an alternate source of energy" such as a small wind generator.

If Caron is looking for a *very* small system, there is a manufacturer called Thermax Canada in Vankleek Hill, Ont. If it is a cottage or home-sized system sought, there is a manufacturer of such machines in Wellington, Ont.

In Alberta, Nor'wester Energy Systems of Calgary and Wind Dynamics of Blaremore both supply a range of small wind generators.

If Caron seeks information with a hands-on or nuts-and-bolts approach, there are several books published in the U.S. which provide this, any of which I could provide addresses for. If site selection and evaluative information are sought, the Ontario Ministry of Energy has just published a book guide for the small wind system user.

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Publisher
World Wind
Ottawa

Fair Exchange

Arabia: the Islamic World Review, an English monthly, was launched in September 1981 to provide information about the Muslim world (the Arab world in particular) and to narrow the gulf of misunderstanding between the Muslim world and the West.

With a view toward making ours a more useful magazine, we plan to start a new section on science and technology. If any material from SCIENCE DIMENSION is taken for publication in Arabia, due credit will be given your esteemed journal.

Mohammad Salahuddin
Arabia Magazine
London, England

Praise for Suzuki

Thank you for your excellent magazine. Science has become so advanced that it is rare we "common folk" have the opportunity to understand what is happening.

I would especially like to react positively to the Suzuki column on dying with dignity. In the past, we have seen scientists pass the buck with regard to ethics and values. Dr. Suzuki has placed the dilemma squarely before our eyes once again. Society as a whole must assume responsibility. That lets not one of us off the hook. Thank you, Dr. Suzuki, for saying what needs to be said.

Virginia L. Sauvé
Edmonton, Alberta

Suzuki got it right in his *Science and Death* column (#4) and I write to you, as a practitioner in one of the messier sciences — forensic science — to say how, for me personally, his message struck a profound chord.

"The Right to Live and the Right to Die" was one of the subjects discussed at the recent tenth triennial meeting of the International Association of Forensic Sciences held at Oxford, England. Vancouver will be staging the eleventh triennial meeting in 1987, and I hope the Canadians will support Vancouver as enthusiastically as they supported Oxford.

On a personal note once again, how I regret the passing of the bilingual version of SCIENCE DIMENSION! No longer can I keep up with Canadian science and polish my French at the same time. Still, we can't have everything, I suppose. Keep up the good work.

Professor Stuart Kind
Harrogate, England

SCIENCE DIMENSION is also available in French as *Dimension Science*. Readers who would like to receive it need only send in one of our periodic reply cards. Anyone interested in the Eleventh Triennial Meeting of the IAFS should contact Professor J.A.J. Ferris of the Department of Pathology, University of British Columbia, Vancouver V6T 2A9, for further details. Ed.



Long Array

I read with interest the article on radio astronomy in SCIENCE DIMENSION. It was most informative. However, I was surprised that the proposed Canadian Long Baseline Array (CLBA) was mentioned only briefly. This project, sponsored by the National Research Council, the Natural Sciences and Engineering Research Council, and associations for Canadian astronomers and geophysicists, would put Canada at the forefront of radio astronomy.

The University and the City of Lethbridge, Alberta, have worked over the last three years to gain support for this vital national project. Perhaps a future article in your publication would give your readers further information on the current status of the CLBA.

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"Quest for the Invisible," the SCIENCE DIMENSION cover story for 1984 #3, stressed existing projects in ground-based astronomy at the National Research Council. The proposal has not yet received Cabinet approval, and we felt detailed coverage of it would be speculative. Ed.