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# RASH HELL

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White recyclers: \$1

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(Demonstrators show opposition to the bombing of Iraq and support for an innovative solution)

## **In This Issue:**

- An inside look at SEAC's plush national office
- SEAC launches a new national campaign to promote recycling
- White recyclers caucus, smokes dope, beats drums, sings folk music, and hugs trees in a forest near you
- Ten easy steps to power and prestige in SEAC
- When to say 'no': or how i somehow became NCC.
- Monkey Wrenching, SEAC, and the Y2K problem "I deny everything" –Mike Ewall
- How to Fundraise \$20 for your SEAC membership (only 5.48 cents a day)
- Monica's life as a SEAC intern
- Divide and Conquer: SEAC divides the world into 17 (no 16!) regions
- Transcript of SEAC's never-before revealed testimony excerpted from the secret appendix of *The Starr Report*





### A Joke

How many white recyclers does it take to recycle a light bulb?

Fifteen.

One to calculate how many trees it saved

Five to ward of the ej activists complaining about band-aid solutions

One or two to check if it has a '1' or '2' on the bottom.

Three to find the correct bin to put it in.

And Ten to chant "reduce, re-use, recycle".

Everything you need to know about white recycling is in this magazine. Make sure you READ the ENTIRE thing.

### Joke II

How many ej activists does it take to recycle a light bulb?

One to make sure the light bulb recycling company isn't invested in Burma.

Another to draft selective light bulb purchasing legislation to ensure that future light bulb companies never invest in burma.

Four to justify it, by finding all the connections between fighting heterosexism, racism, sexism, working for economic justice, and light bulb recycling.

SEAC is a student led white



student run and national network of recycler organizations and individuals whose aim is to protect trees and animals. We define the environment to include trees and cute animals (particularly the cuddly furry ones). By cooperating with the power structure which threatens these environmental conditions, students in SEAC get cushy organizing jobs on both the local and global levels.

### **PERSONAL**

Young White Recycler from southern Utah seeks a soul mate who is interested in cuddly furry animals and taking long walks in the forest. No Free Burma Activists or PIRGites please! Send inquiries to seac@seac.org subject: 'Box 182'.

### **New Caucus Suggestions (what would SEAC be without our beloved caucus system?)**

#### 1. Machine Caucus

We represent 99% of the US population, do 95% of the work, own 0% of the wealth, and earn 0% of the income. And do 83.2% of the recycling!

#### 2. People of Canada Caucus

"How can SEAC claim to be a white recycler organization with so few POC?" -POCC spokesperson Aaron Kreider (Vancouver, BC, Canada)-

And of course don't forget the alternative 'American Imperialist, but not narrow, eh?' group.

#### 3. Animals/Beings Caucus (and the Humans / but sometimes crawl on all fours and make animal noises alternative group)

### **No-one attends your conferences? Tired of the same-old workshops? Here are some suggestions:**

1. *How to get quote yourself in your own press-releases:* Mad at the hot-shot ej activist with the "correct" radikal politics that always get his (and it is his) quote printed in the newspaper? Attend our workshop. If we have time we'll discuss how to fit multiple self-quotes into a handy press-release format that works every time. "Once I was a nobody who was always told to go collect cans to raise money for our group, but now I'm successful well-quoted white recycler," endorsed well-quoted white recycler Aaron Kreider.

(Aaron Kreider)

#### 2. *The ins and outs of styrofoam recycling: a success story!*

How one white recycler group convinced its school to switch from using reusables to using polystyrene, so it could implement a massive styrofoam recycling program.

(Mike Ewall)

#### 3. 101 things you can do with styrofoam cups.

#### 4. *The Ethics of Rummaging Through Neighbors' Trash and Recycling It:* a panel discussion between a (good) white recycler and an (evil) ej activist.

5. Eco-fascism: how to shove recycling down the throats of the most hardened apathetic conservative wannabes. We will discuss how environmental fascists have a special relationship with trees and the cute furry animals, working through the medium of recycling.

6. 101 vegan polystyrene recipes. We'll show you easy, cheap, delicious meals that save trees. We'll also be cooking lunch for the conference go-ers. Yum!

### **Classified**

Unabomber Manifesto - now on CD-ROM! Featuring first-hand denials (live digital audio) by prominent Recycle Firsters! that they would never do anything so unoriginal, even if it would save a cute furry animal.

### **News Items**

- Everyone at Trash Hell extends a warm congratulations to newly appointed F\_\_\_ The Planet Director: Mike Ewall!
- NCC stipend to increase 1334% if SEAC ever raises the money to pay it.
- Coming Soon: "The SEAC Universe Organizing Guide" As part of SEAC's ETOP (extra-terrestrial outreach program) this new guide has exhaustive analysis of the grassroots Martian recycling movement, and a feature on "The Sun : the largest polluter in our solar system."

## An analysis of the ‘Late SEACer Song’

(the song made its debut at the last NC meeting – real text in italics)

### Late SEACer Song

(an ode to budding activists – who are negatively stereotyped as being ‘late’ and thus targeted)

*Way up in the sky*

(the experienced activists are drunk / “high” due to some medicinal product and/or their own power)

*Where the bigger birds fly*

(the experienced activists = the bigger birds = SEAC hierarchy)

*While down in the nest*

(more hierarchy – this stinks of paternalism too that the little birds “need” the rest whereas the bigger ones are free to do as they please)

*The little birds rest*

*With a wing on the left*

(environmental justice)

*And a wing on the right*

(‘pure’ environmentalism – the birds are well balanced as is SEAC in the e vs ej split)

*The little birds sleep*

*All through the night*

(whereas the bigger birds are out partying -- and the little birds should be plotting to change the systemic injustices within SEAC, yet they dream complacently unaware of both their own power and the injustice they suffer)

*The sun rises up*

(either SEAC got a grant or it’s time for another meeting)

*The dew falls away*

(only after lots of coffee and a couple bagels are eaten are the birds truly awake)

*Good morning, good morning*

*The little birds say*

(ahh, is this but a futile venting of emotion concerning their ‘issues’ that leaves them powerless in a hierarchical structured SEAC that will always favor the ‘bigger’ birds? Truly this song is a living inditement of the evil omnipresent in the SEAC power structure. Unfortunately it fails to offer a solution – namely that the little birds should organize and use direct action to overthrow the aforementioned structure.)

In case you haven’t noticed, we’d like to re-emphasize how IMPORTANT it is to READ THE ENTIRE MAGAZINE. Thanks for listening.

## More Workshops Ideas

- Controlling Consensus
- How to win a straw poll on a motion to vote on tabling a proposal (in twelve easy steps)
- Promoting inter-group personality conflicts through increased meeting length.
- Protesting for fun and profit

## Numbers

% SEACers who get drunk weekly: 50%

% SEACers who paid their membership dues: <1%

NC Proposals 1-98: 20

8-98: 35

1-00: 187.6 (the real y2k problem)

## Recycle First! - Trash Hell’s investigative reporter takes a never before look at a growing white recycler tendency.

Recycle First! is a radical move in opposition to the sell-out mainstream ej activists who’ve stopped focusing on the basics of recycling just so they can have cushy organizing jobs grabbing newspaper headlines fighting incinerators and toxic dumps in low-income neighborhoods. It’s not reduce, reuse, recycle. It’s recycle, recycle, recycle. The praxis of self-commitment and the benefits of a separation of one’s own trash makes you feel good (empowers people) and has a concrete real benefit in lives. Recycling is the most radical/progressive way of achieving social change. Reducing is done by major corporations who fix packaging and very disempowering to people. Reusing is a sacrifice of life quality and unhygienic. Recycling tunes us in to the cycle of Mother Earth and creates warm fuzzies. Everyone can recycle and recycling (when done well) leads to more recycling thus not threatening your organizations constituency and your cushy organizing jobs (whereas a successful EJ movement could lead to the end of the EJ movement).

### “SEACers lose big-time in the recent stork market troubles.”

Spites former NCC Chris Ford, ‘It was so bad I lost my beer money!’’. Whereas Development Director and millionaire Peter Chowla added “The SEAC endowment remains mostly intact since we had diversified into toxic waste disposing companies with a socially responsible recycling program who target third world nations. They have no-where to go but up. By contrast the oil fortunes of our foundation sponsors are threatened with the decline in commodity prices – and this could lead to troubles in the future – even threatening my four figure salary!”

Did we mention that we stayed up late, working 39-hour days, twelve days a week, for the past eighty-four years just so that you could read this? Make sure you read ALL of it. Or we’ll get you. We know where you live... How else do you think you got this?!?

“**The Risograph**” -- Many have heard of it, but few have ever seen it. Many have paid their dues just to payoff its “lease”. Did it remain hidden in storage in NC for over a year? Or was it abducted? What are those blue lights that flash mysteriously at night? What is the meaning behind its smudges? Our investigative reporter team went behind the scenes in search of “The Truth” and one of them made it back (relatively intact except for the missing limbs, strange markings, and piece of metal in her nose) with the following tale...

[to be continued in Thrash Hell #2]

doodLe pAgE (for all that time you'll be sitting in the meetings)w